



## Kilbirnie Tennis Club Annual General Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Held Present**

Sunday 14 August 2016 at Kilbirnie Tennis Club, Crawford Road, Kilbirnie  
 Robin Doddridge (RD) Jo Draper (JD), Steve Bennett (SB), Richard Braakuis (RB), Chris Bolton (CB), David McCrone (DM), Diana Spice (DS), Rie Shimada (RS), Edward Ainsley (EA), Chris Sole (CS), Yuki Iwasaki (YI), Angus Doddridge (AD), Lance McEldowney (LM), Peter McArthur (PM), Colin Giddy (CG), Murray French (MF), Rorie French (RF), Josie Bullock (part) (JB).

**Apologies**

Marcia Rew (MR), Graham Alderton, Diana Maunder, Steve Gracie Catherine Carter, John Lister, Jenny Everett-Wells, Jane Kitchenman, Michelle McKibbin, Karin Lilley, Karen Rigby, Richard Xu, Sarah Wilson.

**Meeting Times**

Commenced: 3.00pm  
 Closed: 4.00pm

Item	Discussion	Action
<b>1. Meeting Quorum</b>	A quorum was present for the AGM.	
<b>2. Minutes of 2015 Annual General Meeting</b>	Minutes of Previous Meeting were received Moved to Accept – SB Seconded LM.	
<b>3. Matters Arising from 2015 Minutes</b>	None	
<b>4. Presentation of Annual Reports</b>	The annual reports were acknowledged as read, although a couple of points were raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved step access to the top courts was acknowledged. This is thanks to David McCrone negotiating with Wellington City Council.</li> </ul> DS commented that she was very glad to have step access. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved courtside maintenance was acknowledged. This is thanks to Peter McArthur arranging corrections workers to assist.</li> <li>• There has been an improved junior roll due to Troy's hard work</li> <li>• IM noted how positive the number of teams involved was.</li> <li>• DM noted that there was an increase in membership which was positive. KTC have now aligned junior membership categories to match with Tennis Central.</li> <li>• The clubhouse telephone has been disconnected. The consensus was that this had not caused significant inconvenience.</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Recommendation of Level of Subscriptions for 2014/15 Season</b>	DM presented the outgoing committee's recommendations for the ensuing year's membership subscriptions. The committee recommends: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• membership subscriptions for seniors remain at \$180</li> <li>• Increased junior subs of \$100 for under 12s, \$120 for 12-18s (increase of \$20 for each category)</li> <li>• Reduced junior interclub levy from \$40 to \$20</li> <li>• New winter interclub levy of \$20 to cover the costs of this interclub (user pays principle)</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same family, siuli, tertiary and gold card holders discounts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion</b>  Discussion took place on the question of whether grants received by the Club each year for purchase of tennis balls were taken into account in setting interclub levies. DM said that they were, but there was no guarantee from year to year that grant applications would be successful. In 2015/16 the Club received one grant of \$1,000 for purchase of tennis balls, down from a total of \$2,000 received the previous year.  First proposal: Junior Interclub sub increase by \$20, with interclub levy reduced by \$20 for junior interclub players.  Moved: DM  Seconded: RD  Voted for 11  Against 1  Abstentions 5  <b>Carried</b>  Second proposal: Winter Interclub Levy Introduced, at a level of \$20.  Moved: DM  Seconded IM  For 13  Abstentions 4  <b>Carried</b>  LM – proposed that the membership subscription for Supergold card holders should not include a \$20 discount .  DM said that personally he agreed but the Committee felt it should be retained.  DS supported retaining the discount.  SB felt that this is a good gesture  DM Moved to retain \$20 discount for Supergold card holders  Seconded DS  For 8  Against 7  Absentions 1  <b>Carried</b>  DM moved to retain the \$20 tertiary student discount  JD – Seconded  For 12  <b>Carried</b>  All other membership subscriptions remain same  Moved DM  Seconded RB  <b>Carried by a majority.</b></p>	
<p><b>6. Election of Officers</b></p>	<p>The outgoing Officers are:  President – Robin Doddridge  Secretary – Jo Draper  Treasurer – David McCrone  Club Captain – Ian Macfarlane  Jo Draper and Ian Macfarlane are standing down from the</p>	

	<p>committee, and Robin Doddridge is standing down from the role of president.</p> <p><b>President</b> Marcia Rew - Nominated PM, Seconded RB</p> <p><b>Secretary</b> Chris Sole - Nominated PM, Seconded IM/DM</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> David McCrone - Nominated JD, Seconded RD</p> <p><b>Club Captain</b> Robin Doddridge - Nominated IM, Seconded DM/Angus Doddridge</p> <p><b>The officers were therefore elected unopposed.</b> DM offered a vote of thanks to IM and JD for their hard work.</p>	
<b>7. Election of Committee Members</b>	<p>Committee Members</p> <p>Richard Braakhuis – Nominated DM, Seconded LM</p> <p>Colin Giddy – Nominated PM, Seconded IM</p> <p>Peter McArthur – Nominated JD, Seconded RB</p> <p>The committee members were therefore elected.</p> <p>The following people were nominated to be "friends of the committee"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geoff Fletcher</li> <li>• Michelle McKibbin</li> <li>• Jenny Everett Wells happy to be junior convenor (off committee).</li> <li>• Lance McEldowney</li> </ul>	
<b>8. Election of Patron</b>	<p>Moved to re-elect Brian Galt – RD</p> <p>Seconded RB</p> <p>Elected</p>	
<b>9. Recommendation for Life Membership</b>	<p>Nominations were received but were too late to be considered at the AGM (must be received 4 weeks before the AGM).</p>	
<b>10. Notices of Motion</b>	<p>None.</p>	
<b>11. General Business</b>	<p>J E-W junior report read out (appended)</p> <p>Catherine Carter (CC) had proposed a few items of general business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would like to see more membership promotion.</li> <li>• CC queried whether court light installation would be a good investment.</li> </ul> <p>It was noted that the committee are keen to see lights installed. Court lights would be grant funded and would be user pays. A poll was taken to see how many of those present were interested in getting lights.</p> <p>For - 17 Against – 1</p> <p>DS noted that she was present when the Whanganui Club got lights and that it made a big difference to attendance/membership.</p> <p>DM proposed talking to the Wellington and Miramar clubs about</p>	RD

	<p>potentially hiring/using their courts for club sessions under lights until such time as lights are installed at Kilbirnie.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CC proposed a general spruce-up of club house including polishing the floors.</li> <li>• CC proposed installing kitchen bench/units.</li> </ul> <p>The consensus of the AGM was that this would be good but is a low priority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CC proposed installing a shed for storage.</li> </ul> <p>There is general agreement as to this proposal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MM – Is keen to get a second ladies team – proposed to hold a ladies grading/ meet and greet day.</li> </ul> <p>JB noted that she is keen to be in a team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LM – Exchanges – Havelock North tournament very successful. Disappointing that we couldn't have a second Muritai event. LM to follow up the Muritai event.</li> <li>• DM – when will annual coaching fee be negotiated – IM to check.</li> </ul>	Cttee
<b>12. Next AGM</b>	August 2017.	

## **Junior Report for Kilbirnie Tennis Club AGM 2016**

The 2015-2016 Junior season saw significant growth, however this did occur mostly in the second half of the season (post Xmas).

A lot of this growth can be attributed to the fantastic efforts by Troy Leamy. He set up sessions and meetings with local schools and this has paid off with lots of new junior members. We added a further 2 Junior Interclub teams post xmas (Novice) however these were all boys ! There remains the question as to why we have this unusual imbalance of gender in our club.

We had 2 results: Kilbirnie Federer won their Pre Xmas competition in Boys C1, and Kilbirnie Isner were runners up in the Boys Novice !

As per last season the Junior group coaching was included in the fees, a real selling point given we also have the best courts in Wellington.

The Juniors and Peewees had their coaching sessions on Sunday mornings (same as last season), and the Teen tennis on Friday evenings. The latter saw a lot of growth with attendance up over the 20 mark every Friday. Even our top junior players enjoy coming along for some fun tennis and to socialize with their fellow club members. The only disappointment was the lack of parent help with the BBQ. I did all Friday's in the first term (Term 4) and we had one parent who

helped me out in term 1 several times. Troy and I have discussed options on how we can run the BBQ next season and he has suggested we roster the teens to take turns. This way they take control of their food and they would only have to do it once. Would welcome any suggestions on how we can continue with the BBQ.

Troy is continuing with his Academy Squad through the winter (as he did last year), and this group has grown. He also is keen to set up a contact list of those that are now ready to be playing in Junior Tournaments. We have 2 girls in these groups.

Troy is a real asset to the club, and his continued enthusiasm is to be commended. All the Juniors really like him and he is a real draw card for the club. Along with the fabulous courts and improvements made to the grounds (namely the steps up to the top courts), there is no reason why we should not see continued growth.

Jenny Everett-Wells

Junior Convenor