

## **Asset Manager Report – Annual General Meeting for 2021 – held on 1 May 2022**

The easing of Covid restrictions was a welcome relief and wonderful to see the courts and clubhouse being used and enjoyed by members and casual players. Many changes and improvements were made during the year which are worthy of being highlighted in my report.

I would like to thank the committee for your support throughout the year. In particular Trevor who I often call upon to help, whether it be collecting sheds or overseeing the laying of artificial grass he has willingly given of his time, and I appreciate that very much.

### **Lights**

All lights on courts 2 and 3 were replaced during 2021. The lights were upgraded to LED and work was carried out in two stages with the first being to replace two broken lights and a further two to ensure an even light coverage across both courts. This stage was completed in April 2021 at a cost of \$5,070. The committee agreed to continue upgrading the remaining lights on courts 2 and 3 and applied for and received a Capital Assistance Program Grant of \$4,000 and was both surprised and delighted to receive \$6,000 from the Tennis Australia National Rebate.

The grant monies were conditional on there being a favourable Sports Lighting Infrastructure Investigation and LED Assessment Report. This report confirmed the existing light poles were in good condition and the appropriate height for the new LED light fittings. It also advised the existing fittings on Court 1 (50 plus years old) mercury vapour fittings were in poor condition. This advice along with the knowledge the poles between courts 1 and 2 were wired and ready for fittings to half of court 1. In November 2021 the remaining lights on courts 2 and 3 were upgraded to LED along with 3 new fittings on court 1 which has markedly improved the quality of light on all three courts for night play at a cost of \$14,555.

### **Courts and nets**

Annual maintenance of the courts was undertaken in April. Annual maintenance along with regular sweeping of the courts prolongs the life of the court surface. For this purpose, two new brooms were purchased that when used after play, will move and spread the sand across the playing surface while the plastic sweeps simply remove leave and debris from the surface.

Damaged nets (where the top band stitching was broken) have been repaired rather than replaced saving the need to purchase new nets at a far greater cost.

### **Clubhouse**

In February the mini zipboil began to leak and due to its age, parts were no longer available, was removed and disposed of. A kettle replaced the zipboil to be used for hot drinks and washing dishes.

### **Termites**

The annual termite inspection was done in June and a positive report received advising there was no live termite activity.

### **Storage sheds, grounds and landscaping**

The club grounds were a major focus during the year with the removal of the old garden and pruning of the hedge along the front fence. Artificial grass replaced the old garden and outdoor furniture has made the area more attractive and created a space for the enjoyment of all members and casual players. A special thanks to Naomi for volunteering to maintain the hedge and Steve Brain for his work cutting back and pruning the well overgrown hedge.

The shed storing the coaching equipment, spare nets and garden tools got too cluttered and it was agreed a second shed was needed.

Placement of the new shed was an issue as the only available position was sloping bare ground subject to getting muddy after rain. The club was very fortunate a local concrete company (Hi Quality Concrete) and a local concreter (Modern Concrete) donated the concrete and the laying of a slab.

A commercial waste collection service (Brindabella Waste Company) was set up so that all green waste and other rubbish (not suitable for the regular government collections) could be removed from the club grounds.

I commend my report to the AGM.

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Asset Manager