

DRAFT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

6:00 PM WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER 2022

GARDENS TENNIS CLUBHOUSE

Present: Ruth O'Brien (President), Bryan Dowling (Vice President), Sarah McMahon (Committee), Andrew Hawke (Committee), Margaret Palfrey, Neale Barry, David Bridges, Alan Buckingham, Lynne Dowling, Martin Jackson, Warren Martin, Ian Redmond, Albert Schubert, Mark South, Helen Summers.

Proxy: James Arthur (voted), Clare Black(voted), Phil Hazell (voted), Malcolm McLeod (voted), Fiona Walker (proxy to Bryan Dowling)

Apologies: Nil

Chairperson: Ruth O'Brien

Prior to the meeting starting Warren Martin withdrew his nomination for Vice President.

1. Welcome:

President, Ruth O'Brien opened the meeting at 6:06 pm. Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Confirmation of 29 November 2021 Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Gardens Tennis Club.

Motion: that the minutes be accepted as a true record.

Moved: Sarah McMahon / Albert Schubert

Carried

3. President's Report

President, Ruth O'Brien presented her report. Ruth thanked the 2022 Committee members, volunteers and all members that have assisted and participated in the activities of the club over the year. Acknowledged Sam Geiss as the operator and the fact that he is fine tuning activities to drive business growth. That as a club there has been a focus on diversity, encouraging all groups to play or hire the venue. Noted Tennis NT had been engaged to run the operations and was actively championing Gardens as the venue of choice. Touched on the relationship with the Casino and the approaches to rebuild this and look for sponsorship. All tournaments that were held at the club have been retained into the 2023-year calendar. There was club participation in the "Women Leaders in Tennis" Course. She finished her report in yet again thanking all those that helped with grants, sponsorships and all aspects of the running and operating of the club.

4. Treasurer's Report – as per attached.

Motion: that the Treasurer's Report and the Audited financial statements be accepted.

Moved: Margaret Palfrey / Sarah McMahon

Carried

5. Appointment of the Auditor

President on behalf of the Treasurer recommended that we stay with our current auditor
Susanne Lee & Associates Pty Ltd.

Moved: Margaret Palfrey / Sarah McMahan
Carried

6. Gardens Tennis Ambassador of the Year.

- Ruth O'Brien read out the criteria for the Award. Doug Sokoll, who has supported adult tennis over the last four years, especially the Sunday cohort of senior participants. Since January, Doug has been supporting the junior coaching on Saturday mornings. Doug initially brought his grandson for Hot Shots coaching and he has continued his weekly support by helping the coaches on the court and he partners up with the children when they need a hitting partner (which is every week). He assists with jobs around the club, and this started back before he started playing tennis. He is proactive in promoting tennis for life.

7. Appointment of Patron

Ruth O'Brien proposed the Honourable Sally Thomas AC be invited to continue as patron of the
Gardens Tennis Club for 2023

Moved: Andrew Hawke / Bryan Dowling
Carried

8. Election of Committee

Nominations were received for the following positions:

President

Bryan Dowling – elected unopposed

Vice President

Andrew Hawke – elected unopposed

Treasurer

Margaret Palfrey – elected unopposed

Secretary / Public Office

Fiona Walker – elected unopposed

General Committee Member (up to 4 positions)

Sarah McMahan – elected unopposed

Warren Martin – elected unopposed

9. Other Business

Nil

Meeting Closed 6:35pm