

Bungendore Park Tennis Club (BPTC)  
Bungendore NSW 2621  
**CLUB ORDINARY MEETING #5/2021**  
Tuesday 23 November 2021, 9:00am  
Clubhouse

**1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was chaired and opened by President, Keith Bender who welcomed everyone to the meeting and made an Acknowledgement of Country.

Present were Kate Bender, Keith Bender, Robert Breust, Lynne Butson, Kerrie Crane, Rosie Windsor, Dave Pajackowski.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 13 SEPTEMBER 2021 MEETING/ACTIONS ARISING**

The committee endorsed the minutes. The club the actions completed including the calculation of the coach fee relief for Term 3 due to COVID impacts.

*Minutes/Actions Arising (Moved: Rosie, Seconded: Kerrie, Supported: All)*

**3. CORRESPONDENCE**

The correspondence report was held over to be provided out-of session.  
(Action: Keith)

**4. COVID UPDATE**

Keith noted that initial checking of vaccinations for club organised events had gone smoothly and the COVID QRC check-in code was being used as people enter the facility. David also advised that parents are complying with the need to use the check-in code and for those staying to watch their kids, are providing evidence that they have been vaccinated.

The committee accepted the COVID update.  
(Moved: Lynne, Seconded: Kerrie, Supported: All)

**5. CLUB OPERATIONS/COACH REPORT**

**Club operations:**

Kate reported that Monday night social tennis is picking up with 15 participants last night and all four courts in play and a number of people expressing interest in the next year's club's weekly social competition.

Term 4 comp which comprises 8 teams (coming off the back of the COVID restrictions) has been interrupted by the rain and some teams are making use of the option to reschedule their match. As of last night club membership stood at 171.

Kate also mentioned how a couple who had recently joined Monday night tennis had expressed interest in getting fit - Cardio tennis was suggested to them and they were given David's number.

Yass and Braidwood interclub fixtures have been postponed until 2022. Club championships will not be held because of the compressed timeframe available for the term 4 comp coming out of the COVID restrictions.

The committee accepted the club operations report.

*(Moved: Rosie, Seconded: Kerrie, Supported: All)*

**Coach report:**

David advised that with COVID restrictions easing RSTA will be able to get a full term of tennis programs into the 4th quarter and hence no adjustment to the Term 4 fees payable would be required. David advised the growth in tennis in Bungendore had been very encouraging.

48 juniors enrolled in programs and 3 juniors playing in the Canberra Tennis League juniors program. In order to catch up on missed games due to rain on Fridays some Fast4 games have been moved from Fridays to Tuesdays - 12 players currently. 3 people regularly coming to Cardio.

David noted the two summer tennis school holiday programs are planned; one leading up to Christmas and the other in January with the January program dependent upon the level of interest. Posters and a banner will be put up promoting the summer kids tennis programs.

David passed on his gratitude at RSTA being able to operate noting that ACT tennis basically ceased during the August to October lockdown.

Brief discussion about the incident during which an ACT coach ran a session at BPTC with a student and their mother present, in contravention of the club-coach agreement in place at BPTC and the signage clearly advising of the RSTA coaching arrangements in place at BPTC. David thanked the club for its support in writing to the mother of the student being coached.

David advised the committee of his intention to put down BPTC as a possible venue to host two JDS tournaments on a Saturday/Sunday in 2022. David went on to explain the benefits on these fixtures in terms of our players being familiar with the environment, the benefits in revenue raising from holding a BBQ and the interest in tennis these events create within the broader community.

Keith encouraged committee members to go and watch the club juniors playing in the CTL juniors program - the players appreciate having the support of the club and it is a joy seeing the young players play with such confidence and ability having practiced match play with David every Saturday.

Dave advised that the RSTA September quarterly report was being prepared and would be provided as soon as possible.

The committee accepted the coach report.

*(Moved: Lynne, Seconded: Keith, Supported: All)*

## 6. FINANCIAL REPORT

Kerrie noted the club's positive financial position and in particular the revenue from the IGA sausage sizzles, court hire and new memberships.

Robert asked for an update on the status of the pause on council electricity charging.

Keith advised that the club was awaiting advice from the council. The holiday from electricity charging was due to end in September and the club had asked if it could be extended to the end of October 2021. *(Action: Keith)*

Keith advised that a further cross border COVID support grant opportunity exists for another \$1000. Keith undertook to apply for the grant.

Keith advised that the SLA with CSS for Book A Court had been received and the agreement includes high country call out rates for Bungendore when the time/distance would be no greater than for club's facilities in the further reaches of the ACT. Keith undertook to take this up with Tennis ACT. *(Action: Keith)*

The committee agreed that the club should purchase a BBQ to support RSTA's planned JDL tournament hosting initiative. Robert undertook to investigate BBQ solutions and Keith to find a possible grant program to secure the necessary funds. *(Action: Robert/Keith)*

The committee accepted the financial report.

*(Moved: Keith, Seconded: Rob, Supported: All)*

## 7. RISK & ISSUES UPDATE

### Member complaint

The committee noted that a complaint about on-court behaviour had been received by the club and was subsequently investigated. The matter is now considered resolved and email correspondence has been sent to both members involved.

Flowing from the complaint the club has decided to make changes to way that new players are prepared for playing in the club organised social competition and invited the complainant to be a part of that process. This will take the form of a playing etiquette which draws on what is available from Tennis Australia but which goes further.

David emphasised the practice of adjusting your game to suit your opponent's ability in the social competition context and the importance of offering an apology where a ball hits another player by accident. He also described an incident at Fast4 where a person was hit by a ball and the difficult but necessary conversation he had with the person who struck the ball that hit his opponent.

The committee agreed that this is a very difficult area, that the guidance is not as clear as it could be and that clearer guidance would be prepared and sent to all members before the commencement of the Term 1 social comp.

The committee accepted the briefing on the outcome of the investigation into the recent member complaint. Rosie, Lynne and Kate undertook to prepare the playing etiquette document *(Action: Rosie, Lynne and Kate)*. *(Moved: Kerrie, Seconded: Rosie, Supported: All)*

## **8. CLUB IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS – UPDATE**

**a. Club Upgrade - formal launch:** The committee noted the launch planned for this Friday.

*(Action: All)*

### **c. Replacement clubhouse - plans and grant application/s:**

The committee noted that the Office of Responsible Gambling has advised that the club's second application for Infrastructure Grant funding for a replacement clubhouse was unsuccessful and that the outcome of the club's third application (to the Office of Sport) was likely to be announced in March 2022.

The committee accepted the club upgrade report.

*(Moved: Kate, Seconded: Robert, Supported: All)*

## **9. BPTC/RSTA OPEN DAY 2022**

The committee agreed to plan for an Open day early in 2022 perhaps the Sunday before 6 March - World Tennis Day. Rosie, Lynne and David to confirm a time and day to visit Tennis ACT to do some initial planning on what may be possible when given Tennis ACT activities/events being planned around the same time.

*(Action: Rosie/Lynne/David)*

*(Moved: Kerrie, Seconded: Rosie, Supported: All)*

## **10. DIVERSITY & INCLUSION (AUDIT)**

The committee noted that work is yet to commence on this item.

## **11. CLUB COMMUNICATION**

The committee noted two communications had been sent to members and a further was planned to remind members about the end-of-year Monday night drinks and nibbles event.

*(Action: Keith)*

The committee accepted the club communication update.

*(Moved: Kerrie, Seconded: Kate, Supported: All)*

## **12. TENNIS ACT EVENTS & INFORMATION**

The committee noted that CTL Summer League entries are now open.

Upcoming Tennis ACT Walk of Fame presentation - BPTC will receive a Tennis ACT Awards finalist certification as part of the overall 2021 Tennis ACT awards ceremony.

The committee accepted the Tennis ACT Events & Information update.

*(Moved: Robert, Seconded: Kate, Supported: All)*

## **13. OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no other business items.

#### **14. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Chair thanked everyone for attending, noted the next meeting will be the AGM scheduled for on 22 February 2022 and declared the meeting closed at 10:09am.