

# MIDLAND LAWN TENNIS CLUB (INC.)

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023

<u>Attendance</u>: Lee Pearson, Magda Wood, Julia Hewson, Sonya Fletcher-Han, Jak Kerrigan, Angelique Koulikas, Loek Haarman, Mandy Campbell, Tanya Larkin, Peter Larkin, Craig Campbell, Ted Graye, Kathy Hawser, John Ferguson, David Arianto, Arif Arianto, Christina Arianto Jill Kendall, Jeff Gordon, David Eaton, and Dave Blyton.

### Meeting opened: 10.35 am

Lee Pearson opened the meeting with an acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Whadjuk Kaartdijin Noongar people. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.

#### 1. Apologies:

Thomas Chambers, Norman Bernard, Mandy Hutchinson, Kerith Benporath.

#### 2. Minutes of AGM of 30 July 2022:

Copies of the minutes was made available, provided on the website and hard copies for attendees to read through.

Proposed : 'That the minutes of the 2022 AGM be accepted as a true and accurate record."

Julia requested for an amendment to be made under the nomination of Patron, the motion was moved by Julia Hewson and seconded by Lee Pearson. Another correction was to made for the nomination for Vice President, Mandy and Marcy's names to be swopped around.

Moved: Lee Pearson Seconded: Loek Haarman Proposal accepted.

### 3. Business Arising from the Minutes:

**a.** Midland Sports Centre, City of Swan and Bowls Club general update on management processes.

Lee confirmed a quick update on the management changes of the City of Swan and facilities with the new ownership and management of the bar through the Bowls Club . He confirmed that discussions are still ongoing and we are working on the



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logistics on changes and requests raised to amend the Club's Leasing Agreement. Management / Affiliation with the Bowls Club = is going well with their services being used and requested for events during the year. No further questions were raised.

### 4. The President's Report:

Reports were circulated to all attendees and Lee read through his Presidents Report, the full report can be seen in the Appendix of the AGM Minutes.

Proposed: "That the President's Report be accepted.Moved: Lee PearsonSeconded: Jill KendallProposal accepted.

#### 5. The Treasurer's Report:

Reports were circulated to all attendees and Loek read through his Treasurers Report and update on current financial status of the Club. Lee provided Loek with a recognition for doing a great job at the managing of the financials, challenging the Committee and accurately delivering to his duties.

Proposed: "The Treasurer's Report and proposed budget for 2023/24 be accepted as presented."

Moved: Lee Pearson Seconded: Craig Campbell Proposal accepted.

### 6. Election of Office Bearers & Committee Members

President:	
Mandy Campbell nominated: Lee Pearson	
Seconded: Jill Kendall	Accepted.
Vice President:	
Julia Hewson nominated: Mandy Campbell	
Seconded: Lee Pearson	Accepted.
Secretary:	
Mandy Campbell nominated: Magda Wood	

Seconded: Lee Pearson Accepted.



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### **Treasurer:**

Loek Haarman nominated: Jeffrey Gordon	Declined.
Lee Pearson nominated: Loek Haarman	
Seconded: Jill Kendall	Accepted.

# **General Committee Members:**

Lee Pearson nominated, Julia Hewson, Kathy Hawser and Thomas Chambers.

Accepted.

Lee Pearson nominated Arif Arianto Declined. Additional Lee also thanked Arif for his ongoing support and dedication to volunteer his time in helping the Junior club and pennants teams during the season.

Lee raised that all Members should engage with other members to join the Committee as nominations can still be accepted after the AGM.

The committee will agree assignment of roles among the committee including:

- Captain
- Membership Coordinator
- Junior Coordinator
- Pennant Coordinator (Junior & Senior)
- Social / Media Coordinator

# 7. Election of Patron & Vice Patrons

Proposed: "That Michelle Roberts be asked to continue as our patron" Moved: Julia Hewson Seconded: Mandy Campbell Proposal accepted.

Proposed: "That Tania Lawrence asked to be become our vice patron." Moved: Lee Pearson Seconded: Mandy Campbell Proposal accepted.

Magda Wood to prepare letter and send out invitations.

# 8. Appointment of Auditor

Proposed: "That Isaac Strauss be invited to be auditor for 2023/24"Moved: Lee PearsonSeconded: Jill KendallProposal accepted.

Formal invitation to be sent to Isaac.



# 9. Appointment of Club Coach

Lee Pearson confirmed that a new Club Coach, Jak Harrigan has been confirmed to join Midland Lawn Tennis Club in the growth of Juniors and a fresh new change of direction for the Club.

Lee followed on with some background on the decisions the Committee have had to make to not extend the recent agreement with Cameron Fenner. Albeit this is a very sad time and a long-term relationship coming to an end, Cameron has accepted the Committee's decisions and provided a note which Lee read out to all attended. We would like to provide a special thank you to Cameron and his coaching tea for providing his services to the club for such a long time. The decision was made on the principle that the future of the club lies in Juniors, and since the departure of Ted and Dianne running Junior Club, it's been ongoing struggles to continue this growth area for the club. After a Tennis West meeting Lee and Magda attended, and joint discussions with other Clubs, it was referred to us to discuss opportunities with Jak Harrigan currently running Tiny Tots Ellenbrook. Based on the enthusiasm and excitement from Jak to form part of a community club it felt like the right fit, and now is the time for change. Lee confirmed that the current Coaching Contract and Agreements are well underway to finalise and onboard Jak and his Team for the beginning of the summer and pennant season.

Lee gave Jak the opportunity to introduce himself and provide a quick snapshot of his work and vision for this partnership.

Jill Kendall raised her excitement and thanked Jak for the very insightful info provided. Mandy asked about the transition or start time. Lee confirmed that Cameron will finish at the end of Term 3, and Jak officially commencing after Term 3 for the start of summer tennis.

### 10. Motions of Notice:

Nothing was raised.

### 11. General Business

### Strategic Plan and Future of Midland Lawn Tennis Club

Lee affirmed all the work that has been put into the Strategic Plan and efforts that has gone into starting to drive the initiatives and strategies. Key focus areas are the current agreements underway with the City of Swan and taking over ownership of



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the Hard courts. This is a significant change and a key driver to encourage and drive memberships for the club. We can only invest into the resurfacing of the hard courts, knowing that we can get a return, this will be a \$30K - \$40K investment. Tennis West has also started conversations with the City of Swan with the book a court facility to support online bookings and making it more accessible for the public to use the courts. The next focus will be on the development and growth of our Junior Club. Lee encouraged all participants and members to read the Strategic Plan and if you see any opportunity to add value, to please come and talk to us.

### Tennis West Pennants Leagues / Formats to be considered.

Lee confirmed the different formats that Tennis West are continuing to try out and that we and all clubs are involved in adding feedback or input into these. The club is involved in responding and work with Tennis West on input and always welcome to recommendations. The club will share summer league formats updates when they are released by Tennis West.

### Sponsorship & Fundraising: Bendigo Bank

Lee welcomed Dave Blyton attending from Bendigo Bank and that the premium sponsorship deal approved. This will be a significant support to the Club's financial status and community program. Lee also raised the referral agreement in place where any home loans or loans referrals put through from Members of the Club will give a kick-back to MTLC.

Dave Blyton spoke out and is very exciting to be involved in this sponsorship and confirmed that they put all profits back into the community and support the clubs where it's most important. Dave also raised opportunity to support the Juniors and Club Coach. Sponsorship and community engagement is their focus, putting the money and efforts into community. There are a number of good things to come from this and we can't wait to see where this partnership goes further.

We encourage all members with small businesses to review and support the partnership or sponsorship opportunities. The Packages will be available on our website for review. If you have any questions or see opportunities, please come and talk to a Committee Members.

### **Other General Business Raised:**

Ted asked if there is anything going to happen with the club's fencing. Lee confirmed yes, that this has been raised with the City of Swan as this currently falls into the current leasing agreement and the responsibility of the City to maintain and up-keep.



Finally, Lee raised Life Members. He provided a nomination for Mandy Campbell to become a Midland Lawn Tennis Club Life Member and read out a list of contributions Mandy have made over her time at the club. You can read the full written nomination in the Appendix.

Moved by Lee Pearson. Seconded: Jill Kendall

Accepted.

Meeting Closed: 11.20 am.