

# NORTH SUBURBAN JUNIOR TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

Reg No. A0058168N

## MINUTES OF DELEGATES MEETING HELD ON 24 MAY 2021

31 of 44 Clubs present

Meeting opened: 8:05 pm

CHAIRPERSON: Ron Morton

APOLOGIES: Tannith Galliot (St Vincent's), Bobby Dela Cruz (Taylors Lakes), Margot Knight (Keilor), Mark Kennedy (Avondale Heights)

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Circulated and taken as read.

MOVED: Glenn Ferris (Oak Park)

SECONDED: Jacqui Theuma (Keilor East)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE: As tabled by Robert McDonald

### IN

1. Tennis Victoria — Association Forum update
2. Tennis Victoria — Victorian Government QR Code required for Tennis Victoria affiliates
3. Tennis Victoria — Future Leaders is back + Grant Opportunity
4. Gladstone Park TC — Change of Delegate
5. Fawkner TC — Courts unavailable for finals

### OUT

1. All Clubs — Team entry details for Season 2 2021
2. All Clubs — League Manager combined teams information
3. All Clubs — Second team entry training session
4. All Clubs — Reminder about team entry training session
5. All Clubs — Tennis research project
6. All Clubs — Agenda for 24 May 2021 Delegates Meeting together with minutes of Delegates Meeting held on 22 March 2021 and team entries cover sheet

### CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINTS

2021/03	In	Code of Conduct complaint from Buckley Park TC regarding A Grade 3 Mixed match on 26 March 2021
	Out	Copy of the Code of Conduct complaint to Green Gully TC
	In	Response from Green Gully TC
	Out	Letters to Buckley Park TC and Green Gully TC advising outcome of complaint

2021/04	In	Code of Conduct complaint from Strathmore TC regarding C Grade 3 Unisex match on 24 April 2021
	Out	Copy of the Code of Conduct complaint to Airport West TC
	In	Response from Airport West TC
2021/05	In	Code of Conduct complaint from Airport West TC regarding C Grade 3 Unisex matches on 6 February 2021 and 24 April 2021
	Out	Copy of the Code of Conduct complaint to Strathmore TC
	In	Response from Strathmore TC

MOVED: Robert McDonald (Secretary)

SECONDED: Ray Reymers (Coburg)

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance in transaction account as at 22 March 2021	\$156.40
Transfer from investment account	\$400.00
Payments in since 22 March 2021	\$1,460.00
Payments out since 22 March 2021	-\$164.85
Balance in transaction account as at 24 May 2021	<b>\$1,851.55</b>
 Balance in investment account as at 22 March 2021	 <b>\$17,836.52</b>

MOVED: Colin Thompson (Treasurer)

SECONDED: Dave Theuma (Sunbury)

TENNIS EVENTS REPORT:

1. Associations Junior League

The 2021 season starts in August. Players can register through the new NSJTA website <http://www.nsjta.org.au>. Entries are due by 30 June 2021. Information has also been sent out through the Facebook and Whatsapp groups.

2. Frank Sedgman Cup

The Frank Sedgman Cup is an annual event for 11 and Under boys and girls from across Victoria for teams from metropolitan associations and country regions. The competition is a round robin format with ties consisting of two boys singles, two girls singles and two mixed doubles rubbers. This year, the event will be held in Bendigo. A nomination form will go up on the NSJTA website soon.

TENNIS VICTORIA REPORT:

1. The next Association Forum is scheduled for June.

MATCH SECRETARY REPORT:

1. Welcome back everyone. It's been a very unusual 15 months. It is so good to see everyone in person again. Welcome to our new Delegates. A huge thank you to our outgoing delegates. There are a number of different instances that I want to talk about but at the moment there are finals coming up. I am going to concentrate on the preparation of those. I will organise the other items into another report at a later date.
2. Clubs are reminded that June 25th and 26th June are "Spare Finals" weekend and will be utilised, if need be.
3. **Semi finals** — A draft semi final fixture has been printed based on Round 12/13 results. Please use this as a guide to prepare teams of their commitments during the finals. The final copy of the semi final fixture will be up over the weekend after Round 14.

Please pick up a Guideline for Hosting Finals on the back table. Other documents for your perusal, relating to finals, are under the Documents section on [nsjta.asn.au](http://nsjta.asn.au) and [nsjta.org.au](http://nsjta.org.au)

They include Finals Teams ((under documents section) (you can play more team players in the Finals)), Finals Matches By-laws 50-57 Pages 16-18, Washouts in Finals By-law 58 Page 18, Tiebreak Instructions (Documents). Tie-breaks are 5 all in B and C Grade Singles and 7 all in A grade singles. No tie-breaks in doubles sets. D Grade is sudden death as per normal weekly play.

Special Note: All Friday night A and A Reserve Grade Semi Finals are played using By-law 51A. Teams in first and second place will host their Semi Final match/es at their club home courts unless clearly specified on the fixture. Permission must be granted by the Match Secretary to play at an alternative venue.

No washouts can be called without first talking to Kym. Please check other close venues as well to see if they have spare courts that you could move a match to.

4. **Round 14 Instructions** — Team Managers must email match results to their Grade Secretary as soon as possible after Round 14 matches. Grade Secretaries are asked to process all results by Saturday night if possible. A Final copy will be posted online as soon as possible after Round 14.
5. **Final formats** — Special Notes for Semi Finals and Grand Finals (only). Please refer to the Finals team documents to see how to play more players during the finals matches.
  - **Saturday A, B and C Mixed teams** — By-law 54) a) A finals match shall consist of seven (7) sets made up of two (2) boys and two (2) girls singles sets and one (1) boys doubles, one (1) girls doubles and one (1) mixed doubles set.
  - **Friday and Saturday A and B Boys teams** — By-law 55) a) Four boys play the singles sets. d) Any two players may be chosen to play the extra set in the event of a draw
  - **C Unisex teams** — By-law 56) a) Four players of any gender play the singles sets. d) Any two players may be chosen to play the extra set in the event of a draw
  - **D Unisex teams** — By-law 57) a) A team can consist of 4,5 or 6 players. e) Any two players may be chosen to play the extra set in the event of a draw.
  - Please note that with Boys and Unisex grades you only have to fill out the “extra set” once the match becomes a draw.
  - Start Times for Semi Finals and Grand Finals: Sets can be taken if anyone is late.
    - All Friday night Grand Finals start at 7pm.
    - All Saturday A & B grades start at 7.45am
    - All Saturday C Grade games start at 8.30am
    - All Saturday D Grade games start at 9.30am

#### 6. **Semi Final Instructions**

Each Team is to supply New Balls and 1 copy of the score sheet. Friday Mixed need to supply 2 tins, and all other matches one tin. There is no need to open the tins until the Team Managers talk to each other.

Not all Semi Finals are hosted by the bottom two teams for many different reasons. Everything is worked on logistics. EG: who is hosting Grand Finals, court availability, number of teams a club has that they may be hosting already and the various formats we have.

For Semi-Finals on June 14/15 all members (and Team Manager) of host teams are expected to turn up to help with Umpiring (if and when required) and Bagging of courts. D Grade Semi Finals are all umpired by the Host club. Delegates or Venue Supervisors are asked to email a copy of the completed score sheet to [results@nsjta.asn.au](mailto:results@nsjta.asn.au).

During the finals Team Managers can fold the Results Sheet in half so that each team does not see each others playing order (All Grades) until the sheet is unfolded. In A and A Reserve teams you can play in the Singles order from Round 1-7 or Rounds 8-14.

If you choose the playing order from Rounds 1-7 then you must play the same in the Grand Final and same with Rounds 8-14. Remember to have a copy of Finals Teams instruction sheet, in case a team is playing all their players to make sure the right player is in the right spot. The venue supervisor should hold onto the sheet and double check each set is on correctly and also write in the scores at the end of each set.

## 7. **Grand Final Instructions**

The NSJTA supplies balls for Grand Finals. However, it is recommended to bring some new balls along. They will only be used if need be. We are utilising four venues for all of our Friday night Grand Finals. All Friday night venues were selected prior to Round 11.

All Friday and Saturday Grand Final results must emailed to results@nsjta.asn.au so I can put up the results over the weekend.

If there are any disputes during the Grand Final, please see the Court Supervisor, who will contact me if there is no resolution. If there is a rain delay every attempt must be made to prepare the courts to play. If this all fails the Court Supervisor will contact me. No one is to leave the courts before a decision is made.

Many thanks to all the clubs who are hosting NSJTA Grand Finals. All clubs are reminded that they must provide adult umpires during the Grand Finals. 1-4 Saturday teams supply 1 umpire; 5-8 Saturday teams supply 2 umpires; 9-12 Saturday teams supply 3 umpires. Umpire Destinations will be on the Grand Final fixture.

Friday Night Grand Final Venues are: Maribyrnong Park, Hume Tennis and Community Centre, Taylors Lakes and Greenvale Tennis Clubs.

Saturday Morning Grand Final Venues are: Moomba Park, Gladstone Park, Coburg, Oak Park, Buckley Park, Keilor, Tullamarine and West Brunswick Tennis Clubs

Pennants, trophies and balls can be collected from Buckley Park TC at the AGM on Tuesday 15 June 2021.

8. A list of approved player transfers was circulated.
9. Team entries for Season 2 2021 — All B, C and D Saturday team entries are due on Saturday 29 May. Please limit the number of fixture requests, as this makes it much easier to complete the fixture.  

We will email all Delegates once Team Grading is done. There will be a few days to check your entries and then we will email all Club Delegates shortly after with a Season 2 2021 Fixture. There is very little time between Season 1 and Season 2 and the Match Committee will turn everything around as quickly as possible.
10. Season 2 Dates 2021 are July 16/17, 23/24, 30/31, August 06/07, 13/14, 20/21, 27/28, September 03/04, 10/11, October 08/09, 15/16, 22/23, November 05/06, 12/13, Semi Final Friday 19 and Saturday 20 November, Grand Final Friday 26 and Saturday 27 November, Spare Dates Friday 3 and Saturday 4 December.
11. A huge thank you to all our Grade Secretaries for another wonderful season. They have all been very busy with entering results in two systems, and some have picked up extra teams to monitor and enter. Our competition is better for your time and effort.
12. The following teams have been graded in A Special for Season 2: Ascot Vale, Buckley Park/Gladstone Park, Buckley Park, Coburg, Green Gully/Keilor, Hume, Princes Hill and Taylors Lakes.
13. Good luck to all clubs during the finals. Please encourage fair sportsmanship during the finals. Parents should be reminded to encourage the children and let them play – Court Supervisors should talk to any

parents interfering in matches. Photos should not be taken during play, unless consent is obtained from all players.

14. Any questions please ring Kym on 0413 527 902 or another Committee member.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

1. **Child Safety Update** — Clubs are encouraged to remind all team managers and parents of their responsibilities in the Safeguarding Children Guidelines when talking to junior players. It is generally not appropriate for team managers and parents to directly approach opposition players about issues. Team managers should work with the opposition team manager to resolve issues and talk to children together, so they don't feel intimidated.
2. St Vincent's are looking for form a combined D Grade team for next season. Any clubs interested can contact Tannith Galliot.
3. Concerns were expressed about players losing track of the score during games. Clubs should encourage the server to call out the score before each point.
4. Colin will email clubs invoices for next season's team entry fees once all teams have been submitted.
5. The new NSJTA website is up and running: <http://www.nsjta.org.au>. We will switch over to the new website at the start of next season, when we start to only use League Manager for match results.

**MEETING CLOSED: 8.40 PM**

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 16 AUGUST 2021 at 8.00 PM**