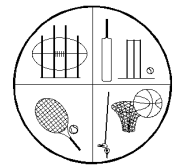




MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF TAYLORS LAKES SPORTING CLUB HELD ON FRIDAY, 29th OF NOVEMBER 2024



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MEETING COMMENCED 6.34 PM

President, Ian Robson, opened meeting and thanked those in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Peter & Debbie Shaw, Bert Richards, Rob Stevenson, Frank Buttigieg, Wendy D'Souza, Paul Wolf.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Minutes of previous AGM were circulated to meeting.

Motion:

"Previous Minutes be accepted"

Moved Mick Stephens, 2nd Sandra Eliot. Motion carried.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Thanks to everyone for your attendance.

The 2024 Taylors Lakes Sporting Club AGM shall be conducted IAW the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, Statement of Rules.

Firstly and foremost, I would like to thank the current and outgoing Committee Meeting members for their contributions for not only the Sporting Club (SC), but their own Clubs. We meet monthly and all meetings are conducted in what I consider an environment that respects individuals opinions and point of view, and complying with Association rules.

Unfortunately on one occasions this season we have had a non-TLSC person, disrupt a monthly meeting, making a verbal attack on me and the same person has now made disparagingly comments about the SC performance. I raise these issues only to reinforce the need to treat all people with respect and be courteous with all forms of communication. As we are all volunteers doing our best for the Taylors Lakes community.

The SC books have been audited by Chartered Accountant John F Hoffman and a copies have been circulated for comment. I will let Wendy discuss in detail, but I would like to point out total revenue is up by nearly \$200k from last year with a profit of \$45k after tax. Reinforcing comments made in previous years, we have a very transparent finance process, where all club Treasurers have visibility of their accounts and initiate payment of invoices for SC approval in accordance with Association rules. No one person can transfer or withdraw money from any account.

Since the last AGM I can report the following, hopefully I am not stealing the thunder of the other Presidents: The BB stadium has moved from being a white elephant with no contractor, to nearing completion. John and Michael had a site visit recently and they are both calling the facility; state of art. Early in the New Year BB will finally have a home.

In July thanks to the contribution of Rob Stevenson the SC, recognised the contribution of it's Life Members (LM), by holding a function at the Tennis Club (TC), where all LM were presented with a LM medallion. In addition to formally recognising the LM, John Rumbelow was made a Legend of TLSC in appreciation of his decades of service to the community. Well done to John and all LM.

Rick will explain in more detail but after many years of work their Club Rooms are finally being upgraded, to not only satisfy their current and future requirements but to supply additional change rooms for all clubs to use. The TC also applied for a State Government funding program grant that closed in Dec 23 to upgrade their lighting, which was recently approved and will be managed as part of the new clubrooms, it's all happening for Tennis next year. While Tennis did all the work in regards to grant application, I hope the Brimbank Ward Council meeting and the meeting with Natalie Hutchinson we organised and attended; assisted.

In reference to the lighting upgrade to Lionheart No 1 oval, the SC initiated a meeting with Brimbank Ward Council and now two meetings with Natalie Hutchinson (state member for Sydenham) during the year. While the funding issue is still not resolved, there is another round of grants in the new-year that Football should apply for. In addition Natalie informed us last week she has put \$200k into her budget request for the May Labour budget, but stated there are no guarantees. She will also supply a letter of support that we can use for subsequent meetings with the new Brimbank Ward Councillors and the new Federal member, if elected.

In closing I again would like to thank the TLSC for their contribution throughout the year, your dedication has and will continue to make our sporting complex a place where everyone can develop and improve in a safe environment, where their values are respected. Natalie Hutchinson also made comment last week that the positive impact sporting clubs have on the development and support of children is unmeasurable.

Thanks for your attention.

Ian Robson
Chairman TLSC

TREASURERS REPORT:

A signed Audit report on the financial results for the club was provided to all attendees.

As the Treasurer, Wendy D'Souza is currently suffering Covid and cannot attend the following prepared report was read to the meeting by the Secretary.

Dear Members,

I am happy to report that the association continues this year to be in a sound financial position. The accounts have been audited and the auditor's report is attached with a detailed profit and loss report and balance sheet.

The club's total income for the period reached approximately \$812,656, with key contributors including memberships and Canteen& Bar. After accounting for all expenses, the club achieved a **net surplus** of \$45,319, with 3 of our 4 individual sports clubs achieving net surpluses, indicating healthy financial management.

All our individual sports clubs have been actively using the adopted QuickBooks Accounting App and while it has been a bit of a learning curve, we appreciate their efforts in trying to achieve a unified financial report for the Sporting Club as a whole.

While the Sporting club is working closely with Cricket to ensure they have a successful 2025, I would like to congratulate Football, Basketball & Tennis for keeping their "Eye on the Ball" and ensuring a successful 2024.

Thank you

Wendy D'Souza

Treasurer TLSC

Treasurers Report accepted on Motion of J. Rumbelow, 2nd M. Brown.

CLUB REPORTS:

Basketball Report – Jonathan Ford President TLBC

As we reflect on the 2023-2024 year, it's been an incredibly rewarding period for the Taylors Lakes Basketball Club. The year has been marked by outstanding growth, achievement, and community spirit. We are particularly proud of the club's strong financial performance, the growth of our membership, and the successful social events that have become a highlight of our calendar.

Financial Overview:

The financial year ended with a net income of A\$12,485.25, which is a strong result, reflecting the ongoing success and operational efficiency of the club. Our total income for the year reached A\$105,771.16, driven largely by membership fees (A\$87,110.19), apparel and uniform sales (A\$11,095.15), and some smaller but valuable sources of revenue such as sponsorship (A\$1,454.55) and grants (A\$3,150.00).

On the expense side, the club maintained tight control over costs, spending a total of A\$94,504.24. Key expenses included affiliation costs (A\$51,978.60) and court hire (A\$12,050.28), while we also invested in club apparel (A\$11,898.17) and awards (A\$3,184.49) to ensure that our members continue to enjoy an outstanding experience both on and off the court.

Social Events – A Year to Remember:

One of the most notable aspects of this year has been the success of our social events, which have brought our community closer together. Whether it was our end-of-season celebrations and family-friendly events, these activities have helped to create a strong, vibrant, and engaged club culture. They have also provided an excellent opportunity for members to relax, connect, and celebrate our shared love for basketball, creating lasting memories that will fuel the club's growth in the coming years.

Balance Sheet and Long-term Stability:

As of September 30, 2024, the club remains in a healthy financial position, with total assets of A\$114,860.90. This includes A\$50,174.28 in our main account and A\$33,244.48 in a term deposit, providing the club with a solid financial foundation for the future. We also have A\$4,027.40 in accounts receivable, further ensuring our liquidity and financial security.

Our liabilities stand at A\$9,156.44, and our shareholder equity is A\$105,704.46, underpinned by a strong retained earnings position of A\$38,558.32. This financial stability allows us to look ahead with confidence, planning for continued growth, improvements to facilities, and further investments in our members.

Looking Ahead:

As we move into the next year, our priorities will be to maintain this strong financial position while continuing to enhance the experience for our members. We plan to invest in additional programs and facilities to support our athletes and expand our outreach to the community. With a strong, engaged membership base, we are excited to see what we can achieve in the coming year.

We look forward to having use of the new basketball stadium at Taylors Lakes Primary School in the new year, providing us with a “home court” for the first time since the inception of the Taylors Lakes Basketball Club.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our amazing volunteers, coaches, sponsors, and all the members of the Taylors Lakes Basketball Club for your dedication and support throughout this successful year. Your commitment is the foundation upon which we continue to build.

Here's to another successful year ahead!

Jonathan Ford
President TLBC

Cricket Report – Read by Mick Stephens, Secretary TLCC on behalf of Cricket President, Paul Wolf.

In season 2023/24 the Taylors Lakes Cricket Club was finally able to celebrate its 40th anniversary, The evening was an extremely successful event with 150 of our past / present players, members, supporters, family and friends in attendance. Our social calendar built from strength to strength with our partners supporting our major events and the return of the ever-successful budgies day. We further entrenched our presence within the local community having now reached 25 local business' in partnership with the cricket club.

Taylors Lakes welcomed recruits Steffan, Adam, Nilan, Melisha, Buddhima, George & Arafat, as well as appointing 22/23 club champion to senior coach Aamir Raza and Senior Assistant Peter Brasher. Their additions and experience resulted in standards at the club being raised to new heights. This culminated in the Competitiveness further improving with 4 of our 5 senior sides featuring prominently in finals.

Our junior program also continued to grow, fielding 10 Junior Sides (Under 10 x 2, Under 12 x 2, Under 14 x 3, Under 16 x1 & Under 18) and the Under 15 JG Craig representative side., Very impressive that all our juniors played off in finals this season. Congratulations to Brett and Austin and our two premierships sides in the Under 12's and Under 14's.

The Woolworths Blasters program having 38 participants is an outstanding sign for the junior program moving forward. It's very important we embrace the next group coming through and continue to bridge the gap between our junior and senior programs.

I genuinely believe the club is in the best position off field that we have ever been in, this will further enable us to further compete and succeed on field. A mountain of work has been put in the last couple of years to have the club in such a strong position. The foundations have been put in place to further build the club to where it needs to be to compete and be successful in the VSDCA.

This would not be the case without all of the volunteers, committee and execs hard work, time, sacrifices and dedication. Thank you all for your help and support over the last 2 years, it is something I'll always be grateful for.

All this would not be possible without the generous support of our Community Partners. It is extremely important that we continue to support those that support us. On behalf of TLCC, I would like to sincerely thank you all for your support throughout the 2023/24 season:

Keilor Downs Dental Clinic	Sunshine Roof Tiling, Bricks & Pavers
OAPL	Taylors Lakes Hotel
Resolve Finance	Professionals Taylors Lakes
Snooze Taylors Lakes	Diamond Clear Pools
Smeg Professional	Parmelia Pizza
Carbones Café	Barrista Masterclass
Clear View Pool Fencing	Schnitz Watergardens
Physio Well-th	That Acia Place
Taylors Lakes Hot Bread Kitchen	Taylors Lakes Fish N Chips
Bridgestone St Albans	SCD Apparel
Grilled Watergardens	Bendigo Bank Strathmore Community Branch
Bunning Warehouse Taylors Lakes	
Aus Metals	Brimbank Steel

Season 2024/25 has started very promisingly both on and off the field:

Off field

- We have a very talented and committed Committee, boasting 19 individuals, 7 of which are Executive Committee members.
- We continue to grow our partner base and are very excited to add the following new partnerst to our long list of Community Partners, Auswide Transport Solutions, Flintstones Building & Garden Supplies, SmashX Sports and Simply Orthodontics.
- We have developed and launched the clubs Female Participation Strategy (5 year strategic plan).

On field

- We have successfully recruited Saj Jaspal, Chali Chamoda, Larry Kumara, Jasharan Singh to our senior playing group, as well as a host of junior players who are playing both junior and senior cricket at the Club in 2024/25.
- We have 7 senior teams, 1st to 5th XI's in VSDCA, a 6th XI playing in the NWMCA and an Uder 18 side playing in VTCA.
- We have 12 junior teams, 3 @ Under 16's, 4 @ Under 14's, 3 @ Under 12's and 2 @ Under 10's. We also have a strong "Blasters" Program that continues to grow.

The first 6 weeks of the season have produced some very positive results across both junior and senior grades, and we look forward to a very competitive and prosperous 2024/25 season.

Paul Wolf

President TLCC

Tennis Report – Rick Dal Bon President TLTC

Taylors Lakes Tennis Club (TLTC) general information:

- TLTC has approximately 280 members.
- Currently 10 Teams are playing Junior Competition on Friday nights and Saturday mornings.
- 12 Teams playing Night Competition (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)
- All night Comp teams have made Finals in season 2.
- Cardio Tennis, Coaching, Squad Training, Hot Shots for new starters
- 3 Junior teams and 8 night Comp are playing in finals in season 2.
- 2 x Successful Tournaments March and June 2024.
- New Uniforms successfully Launched with a significant take up across all teams.
- TLTC Junior female player selected to represent tennis in Brimbank with Minister Natalie Hutchins. (See Attached)
- Singha Thai Junior Squad back at Taylors Lakes Tennis Club January 14th 2024. (see attached)
- Healthy Bank Balance despite additional one-off expenses for club room demolition.

Item 1. New Club Rooms

Council has approved club room rebuild. Works commenced September 2nd. Completion of the building is scheduled for 30 June 2025.

Item 2. Court lighting

New up to date LED Lighting is to be installed for all 9 courts. We achieved additional successful funding from the State Government which has allowed all courts to have new lighting and not just the 6 courts identified in Council budget. Works will be completed once power is connected to new club rooms. Lighting needs to be compliant with Tennis Australia and NSNTA guidelines.

Item 3. Court Resurface

Court 7,8,9 are due for resurfacing and look to be done in April 2025. (courts 1-3 were completed last year). Court resurfacing is a shared cost between the club and council. 50/50.

Rick Dal Bon
TLTC President.

Football Report – Dave Darcy President TLFC

2024 - This year has been extremely successful for the football club

We started our first senior women's team with great numbers, and they performed strongly throughout the season just missing finals

We subsidized junior rego by \$100 this year which saw a increase in junior numbers. We fielded;

- 2 u8 teams
- 1 x U10 which preformed outstanding and won the premiership
- 1 x U12 showed great improvement throughout the season
- 2x U14 our u14 continued the direction of developing skills both teams performances where strong and players skill improved
- We fielded a u16 boys team this year after not been able to field one last year and the proved to be a powerhouse in the division finishing on top and winning the premiership

Our senior men group also preformed outstanding:

- Our u18 group show huge improvement just missing finals
- Our 3rds team finished on top and got put out in the preliminary final
- Reserves team finished on top and also got put out in the preliminary final
- Our senior men's team had a dominant season losing 1 game finishing on top and taking home our second senior men's premiership for the club.

Off field the club continues to perform strongly we posted a profit for the third year in a row which sees the football club sit with a strong position we have a group off dedicated volunteers And committee that work tirelessly to make sure the club performs well

David Darcy
President TLFC

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

President, Ian Robson advised the meeting Committee elections would now be held and as the Secretary to inform the meeting of vacancies and nominations.

The Secretary, John Rumbelow, declared the positions held by Ian Robson, Wendy D'Souza, Frank Buttigieg, Domenic Davoli and Rob Stevenson to be vacant. Positions held by John Rumbelow, Mick Stephens, Sandra Eliot, Rick Dal Bon and Michael Carr will continue for another year.

The Secretary advised he had nominations from the following persons, Wendy D'Souza, Ian Robson, Rob Stevenson and Domenic Davoli. Further nominations were called for from the floor. No further nominations received.

President informed the meeting an election was not required as nominations received did not exceed positions and Secretary declared the Election of Office Bearers now completed. This means there is one two year term vacancy left vacant.

The Current Committee is Ian Robson, Wendy D'Souza, John Rumbelow, Mick Stephens, Rick Dal Bon, Sandra Elliott, Domenic Davoli, Michael Carr and Rob Stevenson.

The President informed the meeting the incoming Committee will confirm all Executive positions at next committee meeting as per the requirements of the Rules.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS:

Motion:

"John F Hoffmann be appointed as Auditors for the next 12 months".

Moved I. Robson. 2nd J. Rumbelow. Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Dave Darcy, President TLFC, queried whether there was an opportunity to allocate some of the funding provided by Natalie Hutchins office for lighting for the Tennis Club to other projects such as the oval lighting.

The Secretary advised the meeting the Sporting Club were not involved in the allocation of funding from Natalie's office and the Club's only involvement being to provide a letter of support to Council for the Tennis facility development.

Mick Stephens, Vice-President TLSC, read an email from Brimbank City Council (Chris Saliba) which advised the TLSC money was being provided to the Tennis Club rooms rebuild from the State Government due to significant shortfalls in the money budgeted for the project. The State Government money was subject to the rebuild being of benefit to the community, as the funds were to come from a community development scheme. The email did not mention any funding for lighting upgrades for Tennis, only referencing the building project.

The Secretary read the meeting a letter, being the TLSC response to the Brimbank email, dated the 4th of August 2024. The letter advised Brimbank Council the rebuild would be of significant community benefit for the Tennis Club, the Football Club and the Cricket Club due to the increase in all clubs abilities to use the extended changing facilities therefore permitting multi team use at the one time, particularly concurrent men's and women's teams.

Rick Dal Bon, President TLTC, highlighted to the meeting that the funding from Natalie's office was not related to the upgrade of lighting at the Tennis club. It was for the rebuild of the rooms only. This was due to the original budget agreed to by Council some three years ago was well short of current costs and without the input from Natalie's office the rebuild may not have got underway.

Dave Darcy thanked Rick for his clarification and stated he was satisfied with the response.

2. Matt Noy, Vice-President TLFC, advised Michael Carr TLBC that Football were happy to assist TLBC during the coming year where they could, particularly with access to the rooms for fund raising such as raffles or other activities. Michael thanked Matt for the offer and advised he was happy to discuss further during the year.
3. Ian Parfait asked if the Auditor's Report could be made available earlier. Ian noted the report was signed the week before the meeting, which indicated it could be made earlier so the details could be better examined and understood.

The Secretary, John Rumbelow, advised the report had been received earlier than previous years and a process could be implemented for members to obtain a copy before the meeting to enable a better opportunity to review and understand the details. The meeting then discussed how that process could work.

The agreed process will be to include a registration of interest link on the AGM meeting notice that is posted in the rooms. A member can then register their email contact with the Secretary and, providing they are a member entitled to a copy of the Auditors Report, a copy can be emailed to them as soon as received from the Auditor.

The Secretary stated the agreed process would be introduced for the next AGM.

4. Martin Brown queried the number of time Tennis have upgraded their lights in recent years. Martin stated he was of the opinion Tennis had done so on regular occasions. Rick Dal Bon, President TLCC, stated this was not the case, apart from changing light bulbs the lights had not been updated in many years.

The Secretary stated he believed it was at least 10 years since any light upgrade at the Tennis courts and he would go over club records to try and determine when the last upgrade was done and report back to Martin.

5. John Stacey asked what could be done to increase member participation at club meeting and in particular the AGM. The number of members the club has is considerable, however the number of attendees at these meetings was a very poor turn out. Comments from the floor supported this view.

John suggested many members have no ideas of the work being done around the club and asked whether the re-introduction of an old style newsletter may benefit in communicating what is going on across all the clubs and hopefully alert club members of the importance of getting involved.

The Secretary stated he already does a news around the clubs page on the website, which appears to be read by very few, but could actually create a hard copy for placing around the club and alert a greater number of people to the work going on and the role of the Committees across the clubs and the TLSC.

No other business raised.

Ian Robson thanked all attendees and closed the meeting.

Meeting Closed 7.40 pm.