

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF TAYLORS LAKES SPORTING CLUB HELD ON FRIDAY, 24th OF NOVEMBER 2023



MEETING COMMENCED 6.30 PM

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

APOLOGIES:

Peter & Debbie Shaw, David Darcy.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Minutes of previous AGM were read and confirmed.

Motion:

"Previous Minutes be accepted"
Moved Rick Dal Bon 2nd Frank Buttigieg. Motion carried.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Good evening and welcome to Taylors Lakes Sporting Club (TLSC) 2022 AGM. This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act.

Firstly, I would like to thank the TLSC Committee for their time and efforts during the year. The committee meets monthly and post covid we have returned to the clubrooms for our meeting, I personally believe face to face is a more effective forum.

This year we operated without any Basketball (BB) representatives, one positive from a negative is they have gone through a restructure where of a large portion of their committee has changed. As a result, we expect this at the conclusion of the AGM we will again see BB represented on our committee.

I can report that the Sporting Clubs financial reports have been audited by our auditor John F Hoffman and Wendy / John will elaborate. It is pleasing to announce that all clubs except BB managed to end the reporting season in the black, well done to all.

Achievements throughout the year were:

- The sign on the main Clubrooms was finally installed, thanks to John for all his hard work.
- Unfortunately, the construction of a Basketball Stadium at TLPS has stopped due to the Contractor liquidating. The Government has re-tendered without success, so we expect no quick solution.
- Mid-year we organised a meeting with our Ward Councilors, with the express purpose
 to fast-track lighting upgrades for both Tennis and Football. The meeting outcome
 being both clubs have a high priority to have lighting upgraded. This outcome suited
 Tennis but the timelines did not suit Football. Both Presidents will give you more
 details.
- Tennis Clubrooms construction has moved a little closer, but I will allow Rick to elaborate.

In closing I would like to thank all the clubs for their support throughout the year, and again thanks to the Committee for their hard work and contributions in making the Club function and the community a better place.

Thank you Ian Robson Chairman TLRC

TREASURERS REPORT:

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

Meeting advised of the following points by Treasurer Wendy D'Souza:

- 1. All Clubs traded in profit. No Club has any outstanding debt.
- 2. Credit to TLFC for again posting a profit.
- 3. Variations occur between Club reports and these audited books as each individual club reports on their season, which may not fall neatly within the Incorporated Bodies audited period of 1 October to 30 September. As such there will be slight differences between Club outcomes in this report against reports submitted at Club AGMs.

No questions raised on Audited Financial Report.

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

CLUB REPORTS:

Basketball Report - Paul Fraser, President TLBC

Midway through this year a new Committee was formed following the departure of the previous President, Adam Townsend. Consequently, the Committee strength has increased from two people to the current team of seven, and with the help and guidance of John Rumbelow, we have developed a stronger relationship with the Taylors Lakes Sporting Club.

With the support of the Sporting Club in obtaining council approval, we have purchased a storage container, that has been placed to the rear of the club rooms, for the storage of equipment and uniforms and for the central location of keys to our training venue at Taylors Lakes Secondary College. The container has allowed us to remove all these items from private homes.

Merchandise purchased pre-COVID, that included backpacks, drink bottles and basketballs, all branded with the club logo, that had been stored by the previous President, has now been advertised to members at very reasonable prices to recoup some money.

We are currently sourcing a new supplier of uniforms with the intention of returning to the traditional and approved colours and adding additional items such as training singlets, t-shirts and hoodies.

We are currently fielding 20 teams for the Summer 2023/2024 Season and will be actively recruiting for future seasons with the incentive of our "Early Bird" reduced registration to be continued.

With the appointment of a new Treasurer and, once again, the support of the Sporting Club, the finances of the club have been clarified and despite showing a small loss as of 30 September 2023 we are confident that this a reflection of basketball playing over the entire year with two seasons and therefore not having a clear financial start and finish date.

Sponsorship and sporting club grants are being actively sought to assist with the purchase of equipment, trophies and coaching course reimbursement.

Looking to the future, the development and completion of the Taylors Lakes Primary School gymnasium is anxiously awaited as this will reduce our current outgoings on hall hire and having a "home base" will provide our club a stronger presence within the community.

Question From the Floor regarding the status of the uncompleted basketball facility at the Primary School.

Michael Carr (Committee Basketball) responded stating no builder had answered the tender to complete the works which closed in October. It would seem the completion of the facility is now 1 to 2 years away. Further meeting would be held with the TLPS to see if there is any help we can give to move the project forward.

Regards Paul Fraser President Taylors Lakes Basketball Club

<u>Tennis Report - Rick Dal Bon President TLTC</u>

Taylors Lakes Tennis Club (TLTC) general information:

- TLTC has approximately 280 members. Membership has grown year on year.
- Currently 11 Teams are playing Junior Competition on Friday nights and Saturday mornings
- 12 Teams playing Night Competition (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)
- Pennant Club on Sunday mornings.
- Cardio Tennis, Coaching, Squad Training, Hot Shots (numbers are growing)
- 10 teams across night and Junior competitions are playing in finals
- AGM held on 25th September current committee all in place for further 2 years
- Net earnings \$11546 FY 22/23
- Healthy Bank account

Issues to be resolved with Council

Item 1. New Club Rooms

Original build date for new Club Rooms was April 23. Unfortunately the tender from council was not put out until 22nd April 23. If council can find a successful tenderer (fit into their budget) then next likely timeline to start build will be April 24. 1 Year minimum delay. Council budget has \$1.75 Million allocated for FY 23/24

Item 2. Court lighting Despite many years of requesting better or LED lights, Council had finally conducted done a complete lighting review of all sports facilities in Brimbank. Following this Council put out a draft Sports Facility Development Plan. Fortunately the Tennis Club lighting was in such poor condition we were moved up the order to 4 position to get lights. Council then asked all clubs to make submissions on the plan. Tennis made a formal submission with a compelling case to get a higher priority on lights. Unfortunately, the submission made no difference.

Item 3. Court Surface Court 7,8,9 are due for resurfacing. (courts 1-3 were completed last year). Court resurfacing is a shared cost between the club and council. 50/50. TLTC have the funds to pay our share of 3 courts estimated to \$40K for TLTC. \$80K in total. Our submission reflected our financial capacity to pay for the 3 courts now, but it made no difference.

We do have the full support of the Brimbank Councilors as they are extremely supportive of not only the tennis club but the also the Taylors Lakes Sporting Club and are pursuing funding through the State Government on our behalf. We do expect to have all works completed by 30 June 2025

President TLTC Rick Dal Bon

<u>Football Report - Delivered on behalf of Dave Darcy - President TLFC</u>

In 2023 TLFC summited 8 -10 - 12 14 junior teams with 3 making finals and 2 winning grand finals. Number are already looking strong for 2024 and we are looking at multiple teams in age groups and the return of u16 after a year off. Senior side of things we showed a massive improvement with both senior and reserve making finals and continue growth with the u18 and we fielded a thirds team.

The netball players continue to play in the Caroline Springs competition with the addition of a further team, now 3, in the last season.

On the club front we made a profit for the second year running we are continuing our work to have the lights upgraded for 2024 and we will be fielding a senior womans team for the first time.

Question from the floor regarding the proposed upgrade to the lights to permit competition play.

John Rumbelow (Secretary) responded on behalf of Football. Current situation being the State Government has been asked by Council to fund the upgrade as a priority. Council have not changed their priority for our upgrade which means at least 3 years. Football have in the process of moving forward independently and are preparing an application to Council to undertake and pay for the upgrade themselves. Football are exploring ways to finance the upgrade but have made a commitment to have the upgrade completed prior to next season.

David DarcyPresident TLFC

<u>Cricket Report - Frank Buttigieg Chairman TLCC</u>

The Taylors Lakes Cricket Club was finally able to celebrate its 40th Anniversary albeit to 2 years delayed. The evening was an extremely successful event with 150 of our past / present players, members, supporters, family and friends in attendance. TLCC further entrenched its presence within the local community throughout the offseason securing a new major partnership with the Taylors Lakes Hotel. We also added to our community partners having now reached 23 local business'. Our Social media presence has grown further, seeing clubs and associations attempt to replicate our presence.

Keilor Downs Dental Clinic Sunshine Roof Tiling, Bricks & Pavers

OAPL Taylors Lakes Hotel

Resolve Finance Professionals Taylors Lakes

Snooze Taylors LakesDiamond Clear PoolsSmeg ProfessionalParmelia PizzaCarbones CaféBarrista MasterclassClear View Pool FencingSchnitz Watergardens

Physio Wellth That Acia Place

Taylors Lakes Hot Bread Kitchen Bridgestone St Albans

Taylors Lakes Fish N Chips S CD Apparel

Grilled Watergardens Bendigo Bank Strathmore Community Branch

Bunning Warehouse Taylors Lakes

We welcomed our recruits Steffan, Adam, Nilan, Melisha & Buddhima, aswell as appointing 22/23 club champion to senior coach Aamir Raza and Senior Assistant Peter Brasher. Their additions and experience has already resulted in standards at the club being raised to new heights.

On the back of last season's international recruit Oshada, we saw an unexpected number of enquires for senior players to join the club.

The Cricket Club for season 23/24 will field 5 Senior sides playing in the VSDCA, VTCA and NWMCA as well as 11 Junior Sides (U10 x 2, U12 x2, U14 x 3, U16 x2 & U18) and the U15 JG Craig representative side. The Woolworths Blasters program is also currently in progress currently having 36 participants. The CC has seen a recovery in participation at both Junior and Senior level. This can be attributed to a huge amount of work put in by our junior coordinator in the last 18 months to 2 years as well as junior parents looking the professionalism associated with being aligned with the VSDCA.

I would like to acknowledge & thank all the volunteers across the club who are contributing their knowledge and effort to provide a fun, inclusive environment for our members / players to experience the game. I would also like to thank the TLCC committee / community for their assistance in the transition into the role, your support has and continues to be greatly appreciated

Frank Buttigieg

Chairman TLCC

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

President, Ian Robson, declared the positions held by Mick Stephens, John Rumbelow, Sandra Eliot and Rick Dal Bon to be vacant, in addition to one existing 2 year vacancies, and one existing 1 year vacancy. Positions held by Ian Robson, Wendy D'Souza, Frank Buttigieg, and Domenic Davoli will continue for another year.

Nominations and seconds for Committee positions received John Rumbelow, Mick Stephens, Sandra Eliot, Rick Dal Bon and Michael Carr.

Nominations for the remaining vacancy for 1 year called from the floor. Rob Stevenson stated he would nominate, 2nd John Smith.

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.

The Current Committee is Ian Robson, Wendy D'Souza, John Rumbelow, Mick Stephens, Rick Dal Bon, Sandra Elliott, Frank Buttigieg, 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 M. Brown. Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. John Smith stated he wanted to congratulate all the clubs for the work done and that what they were doing was fantastic. How they are working for the community is what the club was set up to do and it is fantastic to see the development and the numbers of kids playing sport and it was a credit to all involved.

Ian Robson responded saying the way the clubs were working together was the best it had ever been and the clubs were really going in the right direction.

2. Rob Stevenson raised the issue of Life Members badges and recognition for Sports Club Life Members. Attending recent functions highlighted the need for those who have worked for the clubs as part of the Sporting Club to be recognised as much as those Life Members of the other clubs.

Ian Robson responded stating it would be an issue that can be raised for discussion at the next Committee meeting.

3. John Stacey agreed with the Life Member recognition issue and stated there should be recognition of Sporting Club Life Members right across the clubs.

No other business raised.

Ian Robson thanked all attendees and closed the meeting.

Meeting Closed 7.21 pm.