

**PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB INC
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given of the 54th Annual General Meeting of this Club to be held online on:

Wednesday 22nd July 2020 at 7.00 pm

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the 53rd Annual General Meeting 26th June 2019
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. Consideration and adoption of the various reports included in the Annual Book of Reports
 - a. President's Report
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Auditor's Report
 - d. Twilighters Report
 - e. Junior Tennis Report
 - f. Senior Tennis Report
 - g. Midweek Ladies Report
 - h. Maintenance Report
 - i. Liquor licensing update
5. Election of Office Bearers:
 - a. President
 - b. Honorary Secretary
 - c. Honorary Treasurer
6. Election of General Management Committee:
 - a. Five members and one position each for representatives of the Midweek Ladies and Twilighters.
 - b. Election of Senior Convenor
 - c. Election of Junior Convenor
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. Approach to Membership Fees for 2020 considering COVID-19 impact
9. General Business – Adopt recommendation on unchanged 2020 membership fees

**President – Andrew James
Honorary Secretary – Mark Dimech
1 Dalry Avenue, Park Orchards 3114
22nd July 2020**

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**PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB INC
ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE –
NOMINATION FORM**

Nomination forms must be signed by the nominees, proposer and seconder and returned to the Honorary Secretary before the commencement of the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 22nd July 2020.

POSITION OF _____

NAME OF NOMINEE _____

NAME OF PROPOSER _____

NAME OF SECONDER _____

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APOINTMENT OF PROXY

I _____ of

Being a member of Park Orchards Tennis Club Incorporated –
Appoint _____ also a member of that Incorporated
Association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting
of the Association to be held on Wednesday 22nd July 2020.

My proxy is authorised to vote in favour of/against (delete as appropriate the
resolution. Please insert details: (this section is to be returned to the Secretary, 24
hours prior to the Annual General Meeting)

SIGNED _____

The _____ day of _____ 2020

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**PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB INCORPORATED
MINUTES OF THE 53rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 26th JUNE 2018**

Meeting was opened at 7.05pm

Present: Andrew James, Mark Dimech, George Macrokanis, Chris Saliba, Tony Gibson, Chris Knight, Trevor Street, Stuart Holland, Bob Britton, Steph Hughes, Murray Hamilton, Peter White, Mark Hughes, Ann Gackenheimer, Carlene Wilson, Neil Clark
16 members in total meeting Quorum requirement of 15 members

Apologies: Tim Shepherd, Dawn Gillman

Minutes of Previous AGM: Read and Approved.

Proposed: Chris Saliba **Seconded:** Trevor Street

Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

Consideration and Adoption of Reports:

Presidents Report: The President's Report included:

- a thank you to the volunteers and POTC
- thanks and award of Life Membership to Robyn Mayo and Mark Hughes
- welcome to Steph Hughes, Murray Hamilton and Mark Dimech
- welcome to new members
- update on renovations and liquor licensing
- explanation re proposal to increase fees
- update on landscaping/stairs
- reference to successful Healesville racing trip

Proposed: Chris Knight **Seconded:** Stuart Holland

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer in absentia reported:

- that the POTC had a net surplus of **\$2,685.61** for the 2018/19 financial year. This was down versus the previous year's result of \$7,592.10
- The club has \$142,033.13 current assets and \$299,406.07 Fixed Assets.
- With significant expenditure forecast on the courts in the near future an increase in subscriptions was appropriate
- The transfer to Twilighters is the sub the club receives

Thank you to John Lewin (Hon Auditor)

Proposed: Chris Saliba **Seconded:** Bob Britton

ADOPTION OF ALL OTHER REPORTS:

All remaining reports which formed part of the Annual General Reports for the 2019 AGM were taken as read and accepted.

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Proposed: Tony Gibson **Seconded:** George Macrokanis

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

President: Andrew James No other nominations

Proposed: Mark Dimech **Seconded:** Anne Gackenheimer

Vice-President: left vacant

Secretary: **Mark Dimech** No other nominations

Proposed: Stuart Holland **Seconded:** Mark Hughes

Treasurer: Tim Shepherd No other nominations

Proposed: Andrew James **Seconded:** George Macrokanis

General Management Committee:

Twilighters: Tony Gibson

Maintenance Contact: Bob Britton

Midweek Ladies Rep – Tuesday: Ann Gackenheimer

Midweek Ladies Rep – Tuesday: Mary West

Midweek Ladies Rep – Thursday: Dawn Gilman

Night Convenor: Steph Hughes

General Commtee Members:

George Macrokanis,

Trevor Street,

Stuart Holland,

Chris Knight

Proposed: Mark Hughes **Seconded:** Neil Clark

Election of Senior and Junior Convenors:

Senior Convenor: Chris Saliba

Junior Convenor: Murray Hamilton

Proposed: Andrew James **Seconded:** Mark Dimech

AUDITOR: John Lewin

Proposed: Mark Hughes **Seconded:** Stuart Holland

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Life Memberships were awarded to Mark Hughes (present) by Andy James & Robyn Mayo (apology) by Chris Saliba (to be presented in person at a future date). There was resounding support for these nominations.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the membership fee structure change to the following rates:

- Seniors membership will go from \$110 to \$125

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- Student membership from \$70 to \$80
- Junior membership from \$60 to \$70
- Family membership from \$290 to \$330

Proposed: Chris Saliba **Seconded:** Trevor Street

MEETING CLOSED: 7:38PM

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**PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB
THIRTY FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL REPORT**

2020

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – ANDY JAMES

Welcome to the 2019-2020 President's report.

Firstly, a massive thank you to all our volunteers and Committee members for their significant contribution during the year. Clubs such as ours could not continue to operate without the efforts of these people who facilitate the ongoing ability for our community to have a recreational facility as we do.

This year has thrown us all unprecedented challenges with the Covid-19 pandemic. Our facilities have been shut down by Council, with no social or competitive tennis to be played. However, as I write this report, your Committee is working diligently behind the scenes to develop a 'Return to Play' strategy in conjunction with Manningham Council and Tennis Vic that should see some limited social play very soon. We have communicated to our members as the updates have been received. It has been a substantial effort by the Committee to develop a strategy that is acceptable to Manningham Council and allows us back on court. However, this will necessitate for a short time, a change to the way we conduct ourselves as a Club. There will be some short term protocols that will be required in order to allow play to commence and we seek our members support with these initiatives so we can proceed. It will include recording of names and contact numbers in order that we can contact trace if required, in addition to the use of hand sanitiser and usual hygiene behaviour. Any departure from these protocols will place the ability of us all, to play, in some jeopardy, so please be cognisant and respect these once implemented. I wanted to thank the work of the Committee, led by Tony 'Skipper' Gibson and Tim Shepherd for their efforts in mediating an outcome with Council.

During this year, we said farewell to one of the Clubs greatest contributors over the last 33 years in our Coach, Chris Saliba.

Chris started playing tennis at the age of 10 and was soon participating in Saturday Junior competitions as his skills developed. He concluded his junior years playing Section 1, then progressed to senior competition attaining the highest levels playing Section 1 Saturday afternoons and Grade 1 Victorian Pennant. Chris studied Mechanical Engineering at Swinburne College during which time he coached part-time. However, his passion for tennis was strong and after concluding his degree, he decided to pursue his passion to become a professional tennis coach.

Chris has been an accredited Professional Tennis coach for 47 years, having been entrenched at the Park Orchards Tennis Club since 1987. It was our good fortune that he was seeking a change from the North Ringwood Tennis Club and found his way to us!

Over more than three decades Chris has:

- Coached our Junior teams
- Provided coaching and lessons for our members and others

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- Supported our convenors, especially those responsible for our Juniors
- Served on the committee
- Provided advice and filled the role of resident expert

He is always friendly with a warm, calm and steady demeanour encouraging to all. The monotone dialogue during his coaching clinics is synonymous and well known around Park Orchards! Many of his clients have chosen to join the club, no doubt influenced by their positive and supportive experience with Chris. The breadth and depth of this influence throughout the club is the reason for honouring his contribution with Club Life Membership. This proposal has been keenly supported by every member of the committee and all other members consulted through the networking process, again evidencing the impact Chris has had on them and our Club. The length of his service is remarkable and our club is grateful to have attracted and been an important element of his career as a tennis coach.

Although retiring, he will continue to be involved with the juniors especially through the play of his grand-daughter. We honour Chris for his outstanding contribution to our Club over the 33 years, congratulations Chris from us all!

Given the departure of Chris, there was a need for us to source a new Club Coach and we are very pleased to advise that Simon Batoni has been appointed this year to succeed Chris. Simon comes to us with an impressive international and domestic Coaching background. Previously, Simon held senior roles and here is a summary those positions;

- Head Coach at Circolo Tennis Certosa in Pisa, Italy.
- Head Coach and Club Manager at Circolo Tennis Pontedera in Pisa, Italy
- Bollettieri Tennis Academy, Bradenton Florida, US
- Head Coach Tennis Australia, Melbourne
- Senior Coach Boroondara Tennis Centre, Melbourne

Simon has coached a number of elite world junior players, reaching Number 1 rankings and tournament wins, together with other senior players with ATP rankings. He has been a hitting partner of Anne Minter, Australian WTA Singles player with a highest world ranking of 23.

Simon joined us prior to the Covid-19 pandemic and unfortunately, this has impacted his commencement with us, limiting his coaching clinics accordingly. However, as the community returns to some normality, we will see Simon in full swing at the Club. In his short time with us, Simon has impressed with his energy and enthusiasm, we are very proud to have him as our new Coach and to see where his clinics go. Welcome Simon and his family to Park Orchards!

Other matters which remain on our agenda, but have been somewhat protracted are the Council landscaping works, which are in control of Council with no date in sight due to their budget constraints.

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During the last 12 months, the Committee have conducted a full review of our Liquor Licencing requirements, which will see the Club have a more 'fit for purpose' arrangement to cover our facilities and functions. This has also been quite an exercise, with applications, supporting evidence and a number of committee members completing Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA) training. We expect to have this process completed very soon.

Our Membership fees have remained unchanged and will continue as follows;

- Seniors membership \$125
- Student membership \$80
- Junior membership \$70
- Family membership \$330

These Memberships remain very competitive within our area and allow access to all our fantastic upgraded facilities including the BBQ and lights.

Our hearty band of Twighlighters, in essence, a club within a club, remain a significant support group, providing a great service to the local community. I would like to express my appreciation to Tony Gibson for his leadership and the wider Twighlighter committee for their contribution. Our Club would not be such a success without you and your continued efforts.

Thanks again to our Volunteers and Members for your continued patronage and support of our Community Club. Please continue to keep your families safe during these unprecedented times and follow the protocols diligently until the world comes back to some level of normality!

Happy and safe tennis, see you on the courts!

Regards,

Andrew James
President - Park Orchards Tennis Club
June 2020

TREASURER’S REPORT - TIM SHEPHERD

PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB INC

FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

PARK ORCHARDS TENNIS CLUB INC

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2019

	2020	2019
Income		
Subscriptions		
Subscriptions - Family	\$500.00	\$3,557.00
Subscriptions - Senior	\$14,991.00	\$16,670.00
Subscriptions - Twilighters	\$8,235.00	\$8,025.00
Subscriptions - Student	\$320.00	\$850.00
Subscriptions - Junior	\$850.00	\$2010.00
Total Subscriptions	\$24,896.00	\$31,972.00
Night Receipts		
Receipts - Teams	\$7,910.00	\$12,315.00
Receipts - Twilighters		\$4,000.00
Total Night Receipts	\$7,910.00	\$16,315.00
Other Receipts		
Junior Ball Fees	\$605.00	\$443.55
Senior Ball Fees	\$1,460.00	\$875.00
Sale of Balls (New & Old)	\$35.00	0.00
Uniform Receipts	\$249.50	\$298.50
Light Money		\$279.00
Non-mem Coach Fee	\$350.00	\$660.00
Donation		\$300.00
Ritchies Store Donation	\$176.03	\$221.10
Interest Income - Term Deposit	\$1,911.35	\$2,241.32
Total Other Receipts	\$4,786.88	\$5,318.47
Total Income	\$37,592.88	\$53,605.47
Expenses		
General Payments		
Tennis Balls	\$2,904.00	\$4,884.00
Clubhouse Expenses	\$6,150.46	\$6,883.25
Team Entries, VTA Fees	\$3,655.00	\$2,676.00
Electricity	\$4,986.24	\$5,080.89
Water	\$517.42	\$706.37
Gas	\$782.72	\$384.10
General Expenses	\$179.00	\$119.00
Printing, Stationery, Postage	\$201.00	\$323.59
Bank Fees, Govt Charges		\$6.90
Uniforms		\$1,658.00
Lease	\$303.13	
Webpage	\$407.00	\$330.00
Total General Payments	\$20,085.97	\$23,052.10

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Repairs & Maintenance		
Maintenance - Courts	\$6,426.20	\$13,019.60
Maintenance - General	\$1,880.05	\$1,944.45
Maintenance - Lighting	\$3,117.40	\$2,761.00
Total Repairs & Maintenance	\$11,423.65	\$17,725.05
Other Payments		
Gift	\$125.00	\$125.00
Liquor Licens/Business Affairs	\$509.20	\$217.71
P.O. Men's Twilight Tennis		\$9,800.00
Total Other Payments	\$634.20	\$10,142.71
Total Expenses	\$31,961.06	\$50,919.86
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$5,449.04	\$2,685.61

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 APRIL	2020	2019
Current Assets		
CBA	\$7,127.59	\$6,861.76
Bendigo	\$30,030.09	\$26,958.23
Term Deposit 1	\$110,324.49	\$108,413.14
Total Current Assets	\$147,482.17	\$142,033.13
Capital Expenditure - Facilities		
Clubhouse at Cost	\$192,360.34	\$192,360.34
Furnishing & Equipment at Cost	\$21,762.11	\$21,762.11
Courts & Equipment	\$47,727.62	\$47,727.62
Lighting - Court	\$37,556.00	\$37,556.00
Total Capital Expenditure	\$299,406.07	\$299,406.07
Total Assets	\$446,888.24	\$441,439.20
Equity		
Member's Funds	\$441,439.20	\$438,753.59
Current Year Earnings	\$5,449.04	\$2,785.61
Total Equity	\$446,888.24	\$441,439.20

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Report on the Financial Report

I have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Park Orchards Tennis Club Inc, which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 30 April 2020, Income & Expenditure Statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant account policies and the statement by members of the committee.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Victoria) and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting obligations under the Associations Incorporation Act (Victoria). I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Independence

In conducting my audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditor's Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report of Park Orchards Tennis Club Inc. presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Park Orchards Tennis Club Inc. as at 30th April 2020 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the Associations Incorporation Act (Victoria).



John Lewin

26-6-2020

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Statement by the Members of the Committee

In the opinion of the Committee the financial statements, consisting of the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Financial Position and notes thereto:

Presents fairly the financial position of Park Orchards Tennis Club Inc as at 30 April 2020 and its performance for the year ended on that date.

At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Park Orchards Tennis Club Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

PresidentAndrew James

Treasurer..... Tim Shepherd

Dated: 22nd July 2020

TWILIGHTERS REPORT - TONY GIBSON

Twilighters continued for the 40th continuous year with hopes for another successful season. The usual suspects got together on Wednesday nights in summer for some moderately competitive social tennis followed by after match socialising and general bonhomie. Twilighters contribute to the club committee, help fund improvements and support social functions within the club.

Summer Season 2020

We got off to a good start with 10 teams selected from 80 players including 6 new members and a few previous players returning to active service. The good news was an influx of younger participants continuing the trend of lowering the average age and lifting the standard of tennis.

Our theme for 2020 teams was “Climate Change” with each team convinced that they had elected their captain and had great prospects of taking out the title for 2020.

The season started well with lots of enthusiasm and a few washouts but we made it to Round 6 on March 11 when the COVID-19 crisis became apparent and all play was suspended.

The leading team 3 “Offsets” captained by the rejuvenated Nick Macrokanis were on top (206 points) with “Climate Changers” led by Cameron Sutherland and “Backburners” led by Martin Kinski equal 2nd (181 points) and “Thunbergs” led by Andy Rigby in 4th spot (179 points) with 2 rounds to go. Team 9, the “Climate Changers” carefully selected by the selectors team with high hopes, found themselves staring at the wooden spoon again.

Unfortunately, there was no opportunity for the grand final playoff and lavish celebratory dinner with the imposed lockdown. We may have an option to play off the top four teams later in the year and determine a 2020 winner as access to the courts becomes available. Buffet style shared meals may have become a thing of the past until all restrictions are removed and/or a vaccine becomes available.

Winter Participation 2019/20

Activities continued a little more casually after the formal competition with 4-5 courts regularly in use every Wednesday night throughout 2019.

A breakaway group, the official “Old Farts” led by Peter White, Trevor Street and Willie Krolilowski have moved in to take over Courts 1&2 on Monday afternoons. They play a more relaxed pace social tennis and have dragged several previous members out of the woodwork to enjoy a social hit. They even held a “Slow Tennis” grand final but I’m reliably informed the participants forgot to score.

Court access has been restored from mid May 2020 for social tennis and there has been a good turnout during Winter 2020. The guys have appreciated reconnecting socially (at appropriate distancing) and enjoyed returning to some recreational exercising. Clubhouse access has also been permitted but with limited numbers and under official supervision

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Fast Tennis Championship, July 24

Paul Marris and Mark Hamilton have created this one session competition with a variable set of flexible rules primarily designed to create bragging rights for either but not both of them. Two player teams are drawn by lottery and play each other in a round robin format. The winners are modestly declared World Champions. Initial winners in 2018, Mark Hamilton and Tony Gibson were obvious worthy recipients but there was a change in 2019 as Mark and Andy Rigby took out the final. Mark's ego as back to back winner overcame his previous modesty and he is on the chase for a threepeat. Paul's results remain disappointing.

Gourmet Dinners

We held two dinners over the winter season, the Christmas in July on August 21 and the traditional Christmas Dinner on December 4. Each dinner has a different theme and a variable group of organisers. The outcomes are equally memorable and very popular with the guys.

Nothing would happen without the regular the help of many individuals during the season as caterers, selectors and comedians. A big thanks to Trevor Street, Bob Britton, Peter White and Rob Ellis

End of Season Trip, Rich River, Moama April 24-26 2020

Unfortunately, COVID-19 forced us to abandon the 2020 trip, fortunately early enough to recover deposits. Hopefully we will be able to make amends in 2021.

The Workers

The success of the Twilighters is driven by the many volunteers behind the scenes who ensure each Wednesday night happens without fuss. A big thanks to the team of Trevor Street, Rob Ellis Bob Britton, Peter White, George Macrokanis, Greg Jones and Bob Hadley who have managed Twilighter social needs brilliantly throughout the year. Trevor Pyman has applied his IT skills to managing our database and simplifying administration.

The selection advisory panel of Trevor Street, Trevor Pyman, Craig Jobson, Mark Hamilton and Paul Marris can share the blame with me for team performances in 2020.

Our own comedian, Paul Marris has continued to pass on a nightly "true story" to the assembled masses at the mid evening break on each of the summer season nights much to the delight of all (except the usually victimised Leroy).

Twilighters Community Support and Future

The Twilighters have continued to support our local charities , The Pettet Foundation (Golf Day) and Park Orchards Lions Club (Car Rally) with great support in participation and sponsorships. The car rally was well supported but the COVID-19 conditions caused deferment of the Pettet Golf Day until Friday October 16.

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Twilight members are well represented on the Park Orchards Tennis Club Committee and have supported projects to our mutual benefit.

Current and future public health restrictions may have a big impact on our social activities until a solution is found. Our buffet style dinners and close regular social interaction have been integral to the shared experience and social support that Twilights has provided to blokes in Park Orchards and surrounds.

We will all have to adjust to the new “normal” and develop methods that continue the Twilight tradition of recreational exercise and the opportunities that close friendship provides

Tony Gibson

Twilights Convenor

JUNIOR REPORT – MURRAY HAMILTON

Park Orchards continued to field teams in the Eastern Region Tennis Associations Junior competition.

7 teams played in the Winter 2019 competition. 32 players signed up. Two teams made the finals, and JOSD 1 Green won the premiership.

Daniel Mizzi represented Eastern Region Tennis in the Victorian Tennis Associations Junior League, and his team played in the finals.

Summer 2019 – 2020 season saw us with 9 teams on a Saturday morning, and also one team on a Sunday morning. 38 players were involved, including 5 brand new faces. When that season came to an end, we had 2 teams make the Grand Final, and again we were successful in Open Singles Doubles Section 1. The final was held on the 14th March, just as restrictions due to Covid 19 were announced, so we just got through.

We now hold the Winter and Summer Section 1 shields.

We also had 2 teams in the finals of the Open Rubbers, which is where our successful open singles doubles players head to. The results in Summer 2019-2020 for Open Rubbers were the best we have had in 12 seasons.

There is a real opportunity for progression for the junior players, and if they are willing to take their game on, the avenues for improvement in their tennis are many.

In October, at the Eastern Region Tennis Annual Dinner, Park Orchards Tennis Club were presented with the Anne Hubbard Shield for winning the top Junior Open Singles Doubles Section in Winter 2019. Hamish Hamilton and Charlie Schroder were at the dinner and collected the shield on behalf of their team-mates Stephanie Hughes, Ben Duffy, and Tom Schroder. The shield was presented by Anne Hubbard herself.

In December we had a very pleasant morning organised by my predecessor and mentor Robin Mayo to celebrate Chris Salibas contribution to the juniors. Many past students were able to attend and say thank you to Chris for passing on his love of the game.

Winter 2020 was all set to go, but has not commenced at all. As of the 17th June, the season is more than half way over so a resumption seems very unlikely.

Simon Batoni and I have discussed a junior club championship. I think we have one every 11 years or so, so it might be time for another one.

Thank you to Andrew James and Tim Shepherd for your support of me in my role.

Regards,

Murray Hamilton
Junior Convenor
Park Orchards Tennis Club
17th June 2020

SENIOR CONVENORS REPORT – CHRIS SALIBA

During the past year we have continued field one team in the Eastern Region Saturday Afternoon Competition. They have had a go at playing in both the singles/doubles comp and the open sets comp.

With an influx of former and current junior players showing an interest this grew to three teams being entered in the 2020 Winter competition, but due to the shutdown of competitive sport, at the time of writing we are still waiting for the season to get started.

It is pleasing to see a surge of interest in the comp and anyone who is contemplating having a game can contact Chris as we would love to have more teams join.

Many thanks must go to hours of time put in by the committee to get the club back up and running and in a position to be ready when competition does get the go ahead.

LADIES TENNIS REPORT – ANN GACKENHEIMER

Due to the Virus, Tuesday Ladies Winter Competition was unable to complete the Season, however we will be submitting 3 teams for the Summer Season Starting 1st September '20.

Regards
Ann Gackenheimer

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE REPORT – BOB BRITTON

Lighting repairs

Repairs have been for court 4 NE tower
Court 5 SW tower
Court 4 NE tower

Court Maintenance

Warwick Fraser appears to be doing an excellent job.
The OFT group have assisted in clean ups after wind borne material has been on courts.

Store Rooms

Two de-cluttering exercises have rid us of junk in our store rooms and installed improved shelving in the internal store. Thanks to Peter White, Trevor Street and Tim Shepherd.

Break in

Unknown persons broke into the green shed, damaging the door and taking the lock. Nothing appears to have been stolen; Police were informed.

Water damage to Clubhouse ceiling.

Marty Brash assisted by Trevor Street made a repair at no cost to the club.

KABA System

We have periodic issues with this system that are frustrating but by and large we manage with the assistance of Bond Locksmiths.

Net Replacement.

Nets have been replaced on courts 2 & 6.

Rain Beaters.

Units on courts 3 & 5 have been refurbished. Unit on court 4 should last another 12-18 months.

Facility Upgrades.

We presented a 10 year plan to Committee and Council. Council advised that they were employing an external consultant to assess the needs of all clubs. This would be conducted in 2020/21.

This is a disappointment as it delays work that is needed; especially the light towers.

Covid 19 Lockdown.

Many have assisted in meeting the needs of this lockdown; in particular Tony Gibson, Trevor Street, Tim Shepherd and Bob Hadley. Many other Committee members have provided advice and suggestions.

LIQUOR LICENCE REVIEW – AGM2020 - STUART HOLLAND

In early 2019 the POTC committee reviewed its position on the need for and scope of the current BYO licence and the following explains the status of this work.

Given the need for the occasional special event (Christmas in July in August, Twiligher Grand Finals and other get togethers - if we are ever allowed again)

at which it is proposed to supply alcohol, either for a nominal cost or for free, the POTC committee agreed to form a small working group

Chaired by Stuart Holland (self-appointed) with input from Bob Britton, Trevor Pyman,

Trevor Street and Mark Dimech (all conscripted - and anyone else with the occasional worthy opinion!)

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After reviewing the relevant licence options available through the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation (VCGLR) it was agreed to recommend to the POTC committee that we should apply for a **Renewable Limited Licence** which makes provisions for the above events as well as enabling us to continue current BYO practices . (Note we have held an annually renewed BYO licence for the POTC since 1983)

This has not been a straightforward process, but we provided to the VCLGR

- a full application (33+ pages) 20 June 2020.
- a red-line plan (denoting where alcohol is proposed to be consumed),
- scope of proposed activities (e.g. events, days and times of each day)
- a letter of support from Manningham CC and proof of ability to occupy the site
- Declarations of associates by our three office bearers Andy, Tim and Mark
- Agreement to ensure a register of members and guests attending such events is held
- Copy of recent POTC minutes and list of committee members
- necessary training completed by several committee members:

New Entrant Training - Mark Dimech

Responsible Service of Alcohol Training Peter White, Tony Gibson, Trevor Street and Bob Britton (noting several other members of the club also have current training in RSA).

The remaining steps are that Victoria Police will assess the application (when they are not chasing COVID carriers)

This may or not require changes - of course, it could also be rejected entirely in which case we will need to adhere strictly to our current BYO licence A 28-day display period for a public notice which explains what we are proposing - so persons can comment/object.

Also notable is that the cost of annual renewal is the same as for our BYO licence - and under current COVID restrictions, the application fee (\$480.40) has been waived.

My thanks to all who have contributed and those who committed time to undertake the mandatory training, the cost of which was also borne by the club.

If this licence is granted, there will be requirements on members to adhere to some new rules, but overall, this should not be onerous.

The main issue will be for all attendees at such functions to act responsibly and to follow any instructions from the person nominated to manage the evening.

Especially if the request is to enjoy yourself! (responsibly of course!)

**8 Special Business – Approach to Membership Fees for 2020
considering COVID-19 impact**

9 General Business – Retention of existing Fee Structure

BACKGROUND

The General Committee reviewed its current financial position and membership and are recommending to the AGM that the club membership fees remain as follows:

- Seniors membership remains \$125
- Student membership remains \$80
- Junior membership remains \$70
- Family membership remains \$330

**RESOLUTION - General Management Committee
RECOMMENDATION to AGM –**

9.1 BE IT RESOLVED that the membership fee structure remain as proposed herein.