

GEELONG LAWN TENNIS CLUB INC (GLTC)
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2023

GLTC Committee Members Present:

Andrew Alexander, Paul Fowler, Jason McGregor, Mark Carey, Kaye Witham

- 1 WELCOME Jason McGregor (Chair) welcomed those present (94 members) and declared the meeting open at 7.09 pm.
- 2 APOLOGIES Apologies for being unable to attend were received from: Barry Fagg, Denis Hamilton, Jan Ward, Darrin Friedrichs, Syd Berry, joy Heffernan, Bob Spurling, and Greg Rees.
- 3 SPECIAL BUSINESS Three items of special business were presented to the meeting;
- 1) To amend the eligibility requirements for election to the general committee.
 - 2) To increase the size of the committee from 7 to 8 members.
 - 3) To require that all material contracts be first approved by 75% of members in a Special Meeting.

There was extensive discussion of the first item of special business with contributions made by Bill Hunter about obligations under the Incorporated Associations Act. Andrew Kelly raised that members with conflicts should still be eligible as long as the conflict is managed. Tim Morgan asked about who would be ineligible. Tim Batty asked about the implications for sponsors.

Andrew Kelly spoke against the second resolution mainly because it would introduce a casting vote, and that the extra workload could be supported by sub-committees.

Justin Hartnett spoke in favour of the third resolution and said that the long-term agreement with the current manager was entered into without obtaining approval from the members. The resolution was designed to avoid a similar situation arising in the future.

Resolutions 1) and 2) were not carried. Item 3) was carried.

- 4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM The Chair took the minutes as read. A motion to accept the minutes as true and correct was requested.

Moved to accept the minutes from the previous AGM, seconded and approved.

- 5 ANNUAL REPORTS The Annual Reports were tabled. Brett Robinson provided a verbal update on his plans for tennis in lieu of providing a Tennis Report.

Justin Hartnett asked about the accounting treatment of membership receipts in the Financial Statements and why they were not disclosed.

Greg Leslie responded that memberships and sponsorships are paid to the manager. The chair added that the auditors had signed off on the accounting treatments in the financial statements and that these had been prepared on a consistent basis with prior years. Justin argued that the Financial Statements are incomplete and requested his objections to the Financial Report be noted.

Ray Sellars asked whether a claim was made against the stolen tractor.

Bob Butler asked what benefits sponsors get from their club sponsorship. John McConaghy responded about the increased cost of maintenance and the costs of running the club.

The chair called for the Annual Reports including the financial statements to be accepted.

Moved to accept the reports, seconded and approved.

6 AUDITORS
REPORT

The chair noted that that the auditors had provided an unqualified audit opinion on the club's financial statements.

The chair called for a motion to re-appoint the Davidson's as auditors for another year.

Moved to approve Davidsons as the club's auditor, seconded and approved.

7 ELECTION OF
COMMITTEE

At the closing of nominations five candidates (Peter Bloink, Toby Lawrence, Sara Van Newkirk, Brett Robinson, and Tim Batty) were correctly nominated for three vacancies.

An election was held, and Peter Bloink (78 votes), Sarah Van Newkirk (56 votes) and Brett Robinson (51 votes) were declared elected.

8 PRESENTATION
OF AWARDS

Andrew Alexander presented the Graeme Kinross-Smith Award to Bill Hunter and a Life Membership to David St Quentin.

8 CLOSE

There being no other business the chair closed the meeting at 9.19 pm.