



**Minutes – Annual General Meeting,  
Wednesday 6 September 2023**

Present: Holly Meiklejohn, Bastien Henrotin, Shane Spengler, Noreen Hall, Margaret Tucker, Mary Wandel, Peter Kong, Mike Dallas, Kerry McLean, Julie Kirkup, Jill Wehr, Tracey Marshall, Noel Wilson, Abbie Jones, Jake Graham, Emily Aarts, Iain Robinson, David Greatnex, Neville Welke, Ann Welke

Apologies: Sam Stubna, Marta Magennis

Minutes: Joan Sortberg

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**Opening and Welcome**

Meeting opened at 5.40pm.

Vice President, Shane Spengler opened the Annual General Meeting welcoming all members and could conclude that the large number was sufficient to make quorum. He thanked outgoing President Alysha Castelli for all her work she has done for the club during her tenure as President of Esperance Tennis Club.

**Confirmation of Previous AGM Minutes**

Minutes from the last Annual General Meeting held on 28 August 2022 was moved by Holly Meiklejohn and seconded by Kim Jones.

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

None

**President's Report**

Shane Spengler read the President's Report from outgoing President Alysha Castelli (please see attached). It was moved by Jill Wehr and seconded by Mike Dallas.

**Presentation Accounts for 2022/23**

Treasurer, Holly Meiklejohn went through the Profit and Loss Statement for the year ended 30 June (please see attached). A major part of the income came from the sales of the grandstand and the Welke

family was recognised for donating the stand to the club and facilitate the sales of it. It was moved by Shane Spengler and seconded by Joan Sortberg.

### **Election of New Management Committee**

All positions were vacant, and the following people were successfully elected:

<b>Role</b>	<b>Nominated by:</b>	<b>Moved by:</b>	<b>Seconded by:</b>	<b>Accepted by:</b>
<b>President</b>	Shane Spengler	Iain Robinson	Noel Wilson	<b>Bastien Henrotin</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	Mike Dallas	Holly Meiklejohn	All	<b>Shane Spengler</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jill Wehr	Shane Spengler	All	<b>Holly Meiklejohn</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	Holly Meiklejohn	Iain Robinson	All	<b>Joan Sortberg</b>
<b>General Committee</b>	Shane Spengler	Holly Meiklejohn	All	<b>Iain Robinson</b>
<b>General Committee</b>	Shane Spengler	Abbie Jones	All	<b>Kim Jones</b>
<b>General Committee</b>	Shane Spengler	Joan Sortberg	All	<b>Neville Welke</b>
<b>General Committee</b>	Holly Meiklejohn	Mike Dallas	All	<b>Emily Aarts</b>

### **Determine Memberships**

The Committee proposed a new membership structure as follows with revised annual fees starting 1 September 2023:

#### Junior

\$80.00 – includes weekly pennants in Term 4 and Term 1 and/or OZ Tennis in Term 4 and Term 1

#### Basic Adult

\$120.00 – court usage fee of \$10.00 to be paid at each visit (Seniors above 65 – a discounted fee of \$8.00)

#### Full Adult

\$340.00 – includes court usage fee

#### Family (2 adults and children under 18)

\$550.00 – includes court usage fees for the whole family and weekly junior pennants and / or OZ Tennis in Term 4 and Term 1.

### Visitors

\$15 court usage fee for a maximum of three visits after which a membership is required.

Any person who is coached is invoiced by Sun City Tennis Academy will be invoiced a court usage fee of \$15.00 per term on top of the coaching fee. At the end of each term, Sun City Tennis Academy will reimburse the total amount received for court usage fees to Esperance Tennis Club.

The new membership structure was moved by Kim Jones and seconded by Tracey Marshall.

### **General Business**

#### Life Membership Award:

Prior to the Annual General Meeting, Tracey Marshall and Jenneane Starcevich had nominated Julie Kirkup to be awarded Life Membership of Esperance Tennis Club. The voluntary work Julie had done for many years as a Ladies' Captain, event organiser, cook etc. were acknowledged by the Committee and members of the club. Julie was very honoured to receive the Life Membership award and thanked the members saying that she loved tennis and it was an enjoyment being part of Esperance Tennis Club.

#### Call for a Special General Meeting - Tennis West

A few days prior the Annual General Meeting, Esperance Tennis Club received a letter from the President of Tarcoola Tennis Club in which he proposed the convening of a Special General Meeting to consider resolutions for the replacement of the current President and Vice President of Tennis West.

The letter was read to the members in full length. Pro and cons about supporting a Special General Meeting with the aim of passing resolutions on replacing four Directors of the Tennis West Association with four new Directors were briefly discussed.<sup>i</sup>

#### Change the number to make quorum

It was suggested to change the constitution so that the minimum number to make quorum is being reduced to 10 people. As it is a change to the Esperance Tennis Club constitution a proposal needs to be put in writing to members and can only be passed at the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

### **Close**

Shane Spengler closed the meeting at 6.35pm thanking all members for coming out despite the inclement weather.

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Since the Annual General Meeting took place, Kim Jones has spoken to Jarron Kretchman and Brett, Former CEO of Tennis West who was unfairly dismissed from his role. Based on Kim's and Alysha Castelli's information, Esperance Tennis Club Committee has decided to requisition the Western Australia Tennis Association to convene a Special General Meeting.

## **2023 President Report**

Esperance Tennis Club AGM

08/23

*Alysha Castelli*

Welcome to the 2023 Esperance Tennis Club AGM. I am sorry I couldn't be in attendance and thank you to the 2022/23 committee for ensuring the AGM has gone ahead. I am so lucky to have such wonderful people to work with at the Esperance Tennis Club who are very caring and generous with their time. Thank you to all volunteers who give their own time at the club as we all know how difficult this can be at times.

Here is a summary for 2023;

### JUNIORS

Numbers have skyrocketed for our Junior Pennants and Oz Tennis over the 22/23 season. Thank you to Jeff and Joan Sortberg for organising the fixtures and liaising with parents to create a family friendly Saturday morning. Thank you to Susie Balsdon who took charge of the food ordering. The bacon and egg rolls on a Saturday morning were always a hit. Bastien did a wonderful job drawing numbers for oz tennis. Thank you all for your support and hard work. The player participation in Juniors was a clear representation of all your hard work and dedication.

### SENIORS

Thankyou Noel Wilson, Julie Kirkup and Tracey Marshall for their consistency in hosting weekly tennis sessions. You are the backbone of the club and ensure players get as much enjoyment out of our club facilities as possible. You are welcoming to new players and keep open lines of communication with the committee for the benefit of the players and the club. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### COACHING

The Esperance Tennis Club wouldn't be the same now without our enthusiastic and kind Head Coach Bastien Henrotin. Bastien, you have built positive relationships with the local schools in our community, along with other sporting organisations and especially the members. You have worked hard at creating a positive environment for players young and old who learn the skill of the game. You have been such a positive face of the Esperance Tennis Club and I have no doubt this will continue for the next 2 years.

The Esperance Tennis Club has secured a 2-year contract with Sun City Tennis Academy which has been beneficial for both parties. Thank you to Jarron and Maranda Kretschmann for your constant communication and support of the Esperance Tennis Club. Coaching numbers have increased since last year and remain consistent during winter now with the use of the Indoor Stadium during wet weather. Having a strong connection with Sun City Tennis Academy also provides us with the opportunity to ensure the club gains fees for court usage. Going forward, this will be crucial in providing funds for the upkeep of the courts, lighting and an undercover court for winter.

### TOURNAMENTS/EVENTS

The annual Club Championships was a success at the end of Term 1. This timing worked well as tennis numbers are high at the end of summer as well as coinciding with the Junior pennant season completion. Having a cross over for both seniors and juniors on this day also creates a positive culture for the club. Now we aren't hosting the March Open tournament at similar time we are able to focus on the club and begin to rebuild local numbers and regional club connections.

Men's Health night is another fantastic interclub event that brings a positive vibe to the tennis club.

Tennis West contact the club once a year to host the Red Ball Tournament for year 4 Primary School Students at our facility. This has been a great opportunity to attract more juniors to the club and introduce our Head Coach to parents, local schools and new players.

2023 was the first year we saw the Indigenous Tennis & Education Roadshow travelling through the Esperance Tennis Club thanks to Jarron and Miranda from Sun City Tennis Academy and Darren Patten from Murlpirrmarra Connection Limited. We are hoping to see this amazing event come again next year.

### CLUB MAINTENANCE & ADMIN

The shutter motors were upgraded on all the windows and doors at the club thanks to McMullen's Blinds, Sails and Canvas. They have also upgraded the shade sails which look fantastic. All 13 courts have been high pressure cleaned thanks to West Coast Sporting Surfaces. This is a massive job and particularly expensive. The courts came up very well. Following this, the committee were given feedback on the lifespan of our current courts which gives us an idea about future funding and timelines required for court maintenance and upkeep.

The committee is discussing creating a sub-committee to take on the project of a shed roof to be built over courts 7-9 which will enable club tennis to be played year-round. ETC currently cover costs for the hiring of the indoor sports stadium for Bastien to continue his coaching during the winter months. The cost of this has been assisted by the Esperance Shire Grants. The court surfaces, net size and non-existence of tennis lines however means it is not suitable for adults. Building a court roof at the club would be beneficial for the future growth in all age groups at the club.

The Igloo lock system has been successful. Many members come and go during the week by using their code to access the courts. Along with this, non-members are hiring the courts through Tennis West and the club is receiving the hiring fee directly into the account. This is a good money maker for the club which will go towards the club and court maintenance.

### SPONSORSHIP

Thank you to our sponsors that continue to support our club. This sponsorship helps keep the facilities up to standard along with providing tennis development opportunities to our community members. Thank you to Kim for sending letters out annually and making phone calls to promote the tennis club and ensure this sponsorship continues to flow.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

Farm & General Ag & Trade

Afgri Equipment

Mr Peter Rundle

Esperance Toyota

South East Air Ag

ANZ

Viterra

Esperance Shire Grants

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported me while on the committee and in the President role over the last 2 years. All the best for those individuals taking on new roles heading into the 2023/24 tennis season. This is a positive and supportive club to be a part of and I will all see you soon on my return to Esperance in January. Thank you.

Alysha Castelli  
President 2023

## Treasurer Report – Holly Meiklejohn – 2022-23 Financial Year

The figures for the financial year 22/23 were compiled by Walker and Scoble.

We have had a busy year with plenty of maintenance and upkeep done at the club.

The profit was \$4781 and within \$700 of last year so not much has changed across the board.

Membership was up as more people got full memberships. Court hire and playing fees is down on last year because of this.

Some costs and no income gained from the March tournament. There is still a \$700 credit with REX airlines which we hope to recoup from any members who can the credit and pay back the club.

The cost of the significant maintenance items was covered by the sale of the grandstand to the Agricultural Society (\$25000 in Other Revenue).

*4 Lights repaired and changed to LED.*

*Shutters repaired and replaced*

*Sails replaced*

*Courts cleaned*

Funding and sponsorship \$18000

*Bus sponsorship \$8450 ANZ, Toyota, Farm & General, South East Air Ag, Afgri, Peter Rundle*

*Tournament sponsorship Byfields, Peter Rundle*

*Mens Health Day*

*Viterra community donation*

*Shire of Esperance Small Grants*

Rates are low as invoice was paid outside of the financial year.

Note from 2022 Report

*Esperance Tennis Club took a loan in May 21 from the Shire of Esperance of \$20,000 over 4 years with very low interest 0.6% to pay for the fences. The first payment of \$5076 was paid in May 22. The total of cost of the fences was \$47,141. \$40,000 was depreciated and the \$7141 was expensed in 2022.*



**Esperance Tennis Club Inc**  
**ABN 37 563 815 525**  
**Detailed Profit and Loss Statement**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Membership	18,081.12	15,526.01
Playing Fees & Court Hire	7,369.25	11,652.12
Bar & Canteen Sales	3,239.04	4,746.96
Sales - Other	25,339.09	2,018.70
Interest Received	334.26	6.82
Funding & Sponsorship	17,478.26	16,628.41
<b>Total income</b>	<b>71,841.02</b>	<b>50,579.02</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Accountancy	1,900.00	1,681.82
Advertising	450.00	
Bank Fees	237.61	
Bar & Canteen Purchases	3,004.33	2,443.94
Cleaning Expense	4,892.51	5,327.68
Contract Payments	1,818.19	4,181.81
Depreciation	4,258.00	4,422.00
Electricity	2,286.01	4,320.92
Insurance	2,318.39	2,297.79
Materials & Purchases	3,680.96	1,280.00
Motor Vehicle Expenses	2,334.49	3,666.59
Office Expenses	1,220.79	592.68
Rates	416.92	1,589.84
Building Maintenance	12,341.46	1,376.45
Court Maintenance	19,227.27	
Equipment Maintenance	317.86	7,800.35
Plant Purchases	2,040.55	
Sponsorships & Trophys	760.91	1,281.82
Subscriptions	1,979.09	2,183.60
Telephone	272.72	709.82
Travel, accom & conference	1,301.74	
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>67,059.80</b>	<b>45,157.11</b>

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 Compilation Report and Notes which form part of these financial statements.**

Esperance Tennis Club Inc  
ABN 37 563 815 525  
Detailed Profit and Loss Statement  
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023 \$	2022 \$
Profit from Ordinary Activities before income tax	<u>4,781.22</u>	<u>5,421.91</u>

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