



# ESPERANCE TENNIS CLUB

## MINUTES COMMITTEE MEETING

**DATE:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
**TIME:** 5pm  
**VENUE:** Esperance Tennis Club, Greater Sport Ground, Black Street, Esperance

**PRESENT:** Bastien Henrotin, Kim Jones, Holly Meiklejohn, Emily Aarts, Neville Welke, Steffi Nadilo

**APOLOGIES:** Shane Spengler and Iain Robinson

**MINUTES:** Joan Sortberg

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### 1. Grant applications – status by Holly and Emily.

Total cost project cost is \$150,000

1/3 from the Shire, 1/3 from Sports and Recreation and 1/3 to be paid by Esperance Tennis Club via the following grants:

- Southern Ports application – likely \$5,000
- Mount Burdett application – asked for \$10,000 – we may get \$5,000. They do not want to be too sports focused and they have just given money to the Surf Life Saving Club.
- Esperance Bay Rotary Club has verbally committed to \$20,000 - \$25,000

Sport & Recreation should fund a third of the project “Court Night light program” - 350 Lux lights can be funded. The Shire will fund a third.

We would have to fully fund \$50,000 short of getting funding for 500 Lux lights over and above the clubs third

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Neville suggested going with 350 Lux lights and getting an additional quote for cost to upgrade from 350 to 500 Lux lights.

All agreed to move forward with the application of funding through the Department Sport and Recreation, Light Lights Program. Without this grant the club would need to fund the extra 1/3 of the total project cost, meaning a total of 2/3's of the total project cost which is not achievable

**Action:**

- Holly will talk to Kelly from Sport & Recreation about lights. We do not want to lose the opportunity of hosting Pro-Tours if 500 Lux lights are a requirement.

**Action:**

- Bastien will apply for a \$10,000 grant for lights with CBH Group.

**Action:**

- Send out bulletin via Club Spark to members about funding and manpower if anyone has the required skills. Emily and Holly will draft a script for Joan.

**2. Club shirts and racquets – status**

Long sleeve shirt and two different designs short sleeve shirts. Racquets available for purchase and can be funded via Kidsport vouchers.

**Action:**

- Bastien and Steffi – take photos and racquets of shirts and promote via Club Spark and social media.

**3. Undercover courts – status**

Sport and Recreation have another funding program (CSRFF) – so it might be doable with an undercover area without walls. Neville mentioned about a different type of cover that lets light through and is water resistant.

**Action:**

- Bastien will talk to soccer club and maybe make a combined application.

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- Neville and Kim to follow up and obtain more information about cover.

#### **4. Food Safety Training – status**

##### **Action:**

- Bastien committed to do the Food Safety Supervisor course. Joan will send the enrolment link to Bastien.

#### **5. Club Championship**

Saturday 23 March. Running sheet? Sponsors? Shane and Kim will run it – invite club sponsors to attend. Junior division winners will get a trophy and a tennis racquet. Runner-ups gift voucher. Brunch - Bacon and egg rolls. Dinner: beef and gravy rolls, coleslaw or “Bring a plate” Senior start around 1pm.

##### **Action:**

- Shane and Kim will share details with Joan. To be announced via Club Spark, Instagram, Facebook, Whatsapp, white board in club house.
- Bastien will organize engraving of the trophies and medals.
- Joan will buy vouchers for junior runner-ups

Junior Pennant will finish on 16 March. Division winners will get medals. There will be a presentation of vouchers to selected players – vouchers for minigolf and movie tickets.

##### **Action:**

- Joan and Jeff to organize vouchers and ask Woolworths for fruit donations and sausages.

#### **6. Update from Head Coach**

Adult group – numbers are inconsistent as everyone has other commitments.  
Juniors going OK.

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Bastien ran holiday clinic in January. Five days of morning sessions. It went well, though it was not as busy as last year.

Tennis Australia has launched “No Limits Girls squad” aimed at getting more girls into tennis. 20 girls between 8 – 15 years old have enrolled in the program that Bastien is running with the help of Marta and Steffi.

**Action:**

- Kim to put Bastien in contact with Anna Swan who is a yoga teacher. She has done mentoring programs for teenage girls to make them stay in sports and teach them about body image, resilience etc.

**7. Junior Update**

Numbers are down, but good vibe on Saturday morning pennants. Parents very helpful with scoring, cooking, and other chores.

**8. Social Media Committee Member**

Steffi Nadilo will take care of social media updates. New photos – people, shirts, and racquets are on the wishing list.

**9. General Business**

Court sponsorship. We will aim at organizing events for our sponsors – maybe Friday night socials.

**10. Close**

Meeting concluded at 6:50pm.