

# NORTH BOX HILL TENNIS CLUB INC.



## ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT

2016/2017

# President's Report

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Last year I reported that the Club won the Eastern Region Tennis Best Overall Club 2014 shield and again received the award in October 2105, along with two miniature shields. We were overwhelmed when our Club won the 2106 award, too. No other club has won three shields, let alone in consecutive years. I suspect that our record may stand for a long time.

Sadly, Judy MacRae passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> March this year. Judy was made a Life Member of the North Box Hill Tennis Club in June 2001. At that time Judy had been a member for over 25 years, during which she'd also been a member of the Management Committee for 10 years and Chair of Selectors for 5 years, and Mid Week Ladies treasurer for several years. Judy continued as part of the Management Committee until her illness no longer allowed.

Judy, along with Pam Tankey, accepted the first shield at the 2014 ERT Presidents Dinner. The Club has placed a photo commemorating that occasion, along with Judy's long association with the Club, above the three miniature shields

A fifteen year lease with Whitehorse Council was signed in October 2016. While Whitehorse still maintained a total non-contribution stance regarding any Club works, they did agree to reduce the rent level initially proposed and have accepted responsibility to maintain our trees, which can be a sizeable job. They also agreed to accept liability for any neighbouring property fences.

The Club managed to win a 2015 Chisholm Stronger Communities Grant, which didn't take effect until September 2016, to contribute to repairs to courts 5, 6 and 3. Offered on a dollar for dollar basis, the \$7000 grant was very welcome. We will continue to seek funding wherever possible.

The grant allowed us to rebuild sections of courts 3, 5 and 6. Another large project was replacing all court lighting at the one time. This was recommended, as it limits piecemeal lamp replacement, which is far more costly, and at the same time provides better and more even light. With luck the lamps will last the better part of five years, at which time a complete replacement again will be undertaken. This should save us around \$2000 over that period.

Past president and keen player, John Bowe, has retired to the coast. The Management Committee decided to grant an Honorary membership to John and the Club welcomes his occasional stints in the big smoke.

Various works have been undertaken around the clubhouse and grounds; retaining wall sleeper repairs/replacements, garden mulching, cleaning and weed control; and an attempt to fix the kitchen plumbing. The latter has proved beyond repair and will be replaced as soon as our plumber is able. All of these tasks were carried out by the usual crew of Bob Clare, John Delpratt, Peter Lee and John Bowe, ably supported by Charles, who works tirelessly at many levels for the benefit of the Club.

As always, a vote of thanks must be given to our Mid Week Group (now with one male member) for their contribution towards maintaining the clubrooms and facilities, and which extends to garden beds and even the external garden area at the northern end of courts 5 and 6.

The Club has continued to be part of the annual Seniors Week celebrations. Again we didn't manage to attract many people but we plan to remain involved in future years. It has the advantage of helping the Club's general profile.

Child safety is now an issue that the Club is addressing. Correspondence will be sent to all members and parents of juniors explaining their responsibility in making children not only safe but feeling safe. A poster will be displayed with advice for children and people to contact if they feel unsafe in any way.

Thanks to the clubhouse water meter installed last year, the Club was able to provide figures to Yarra Valley Water showing that only 2% of our water is used in the clubhouse. This allowed our Sewage Disposal Charge to be reduced from 9% to 2%, which already is reflected in our water rates. This agreement has to be renewed every three years, so usage still has to be recorded every quarter.

Our membership and the number of competition teams it supports has dropped very slightly but we hope for an influx of new members in the coming year. The Club remains financially viable.

Coach and Honorary Member, Ian Peter-Budge continues to be thoroughly involved with our junior tennis. This year three of our juniors, along with one who is now a student member, moved into senior tennis. In their first year playing Tennis Victoria Pennant, they played off in the semi finals, which is an excellent effort. Stephen Trafficante happily supported them throughout the season.

The Management Committee has been diminished by the loss of Judy MacRae and our small number has had to fill the roles that Judy had so ably managed for many years. Our small band continues to work together harmoniously and effectively. All have nominated again for the coming year, for which I am very grateful.

It's time someone new stepped up to be part of the management team. We're a friendly bunch and it's not a particularly onerous job, with around six to eight meetings a year. Please give it serious thought and nominate at or before the AGM.

The Club continues to be a valuable community asset and I am very proud of it. Remember, you are free to invite visitors at any time. While we do charge a visitor/maintenance fee, we do not place any restriction on numbers or frequency. We need to encourage new members at every opportunity as well.

To all members, your continuing commitment to remain as members is truly appreciated. Your fees are what keeps the Club functioning. Long may it be so, as we head into the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Enjoy playing and stay fit and in good health.

*Lynn Heath*

## Treasurer's Report

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The financial result of the North Box Hill Tennis Club for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017 showed a net deficit of \$5,938.00. This deficit was a result of major court repairs carried out to courts 5 & 6 and the southern end of court 3 which cost \$15,913. The repair cost was subsidised by a grant received from the Commonwealth Government – Department of Infrastructure of \$7,000.

Our membership fee each year is renewed in line with anticipated costs of running the club and we have the ultimate aim of breaking even. In keeping the costs down, the club is very appreciative of the committee and club members who make their valuable contribution to various activities relating to the operation of our club, including participating in fundraising activities, garden and drain maintenance, maintaining the clubrooms, court weed control and all other miscellaneous jobs that arise on a regular basis.

It was decided to retain membership subscriptions at their current level for 2017/18.

The Committee does appreciate all voluntary involvement that assists in keeping our membership fees competitive and at an affordable cost.

I would like to acknowledge the special efforts contributed by the following members towards general repairs around the clubhouse and grounds. Thank you to Peter Lee, John Bowe, John Delpratt and Bob Clare.

The Club finished with net funds of \$16,754 to carry forward to next year.

In concluding, I would like to thank all the members for their continued support.

*Charles Philactides*

**North Box Hill Tennis Club Inc**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As at 31 May 2017**

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
<b>Membership Funds</b>		
501/00 Opening Balance	22,692.01	17,681.74
501/02 Surplus / (Deficit) - Current Year	(5,937.81)	5,010.27
<b>Total Retained surplus</b>	<b>16,754.20</b>	<b>22,692.01</b>
Represented by:		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
640 Cash on Hand	17.45	17.45
641 Float Midweek Ladies	100.00	100.00
680 Cheque Account - ANZ	279.60	146.56
681 Cash at Bank - ANZ Online Saver	2,117.78	2,726.35
660 Sundry Debtors	-	250.00
706 Prepayment – Soft drinks Bunnings Fundraiser	76.44	-
	<b>2,591.27</b>	<b>3,240.36</b>
<b>Investments</b>		
668 Term Deposit - Bank West	5,000.00	-
669 Term Deposit - ANZ	-	21,000.00
670 Term Deposit - Bank West	10,000.00	-
	<b>15,000.00</b>	<b>21,000.00</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>17,591.27</b>	<b>24,240.36</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
882 Sundry Creditors	837.07	1,548.35
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>837.07</b>	<b>1,548.35</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>16,754.20</b>	<b>22,692.01</b>

**North Box Hill Tennis Club Inc.**  
**Statement of Income and Expenditure**  
**For the Year ended 31 May 2017**

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
<b>INCOME</b>		
150 New Subscriptions	1,761.00	2,700.00
151 Current Subscriptions	15,895.50	16,590.00
152 Competition Fees	781.00	560.00
154 Night Competition	5,792.00	6,787.00
156 Court Hire	840.00	840.00
157 Coach Hire of Court	1,000.00	1,000.00
158 Phone	4.50	0.40
160 Bank Interest	322.29	601.52
162 Sundry Receipts	-	15.00
163 Visitors Fees	517.30	760.20
165 Social Tennis	854.70	1,039.05
166 Fundraising - Wine Tasting	495.00	598.65
167 Bunnings Sausage Fund Raiser	-	1,063.70
170 Grant Commonwealth Govt - Dept of Infrastructure	7,000.00	-
	35,263.29	32,555.52
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
301 Administration Costs	717.80	880.66
302 Tennis Vic - Affiliation Fees	1,565.00	1,535.00
308 Advertising	55.00	55.00
310 Eastern Region - Affiliation Fees	20.00	20.00
314 Cleaning Clubroom	2,587.20	2,587.20
317 Competition Balls	1,472.00	846.00
319 Court Maintenance (includes contracted court repairs \$15,913)	19,376.72	5,854.75
346 Donations	100.00	-
352 Electricity	2,343.45	3,306.51
356 Entry Fees - Night Competition	225.00	450.00
357 Entry Fees - Senior Competition	100.00	140.00
358 Entry Fees - Junior Competition	320.00	140.00
365 Fines	35.00	10.00
366 Flowers & Gifts	146.90	50.00
381 Insurance	583.00	748.00
390 Repairs & Maintenance - Mowing	1,120.00	910.00
395 Clubroom Consumables	100.00	211.10
422 Council Rates	812.75	841.85
423 Water Rates	3,197.06	3,739.08
427 Lease - Tennis Courts & Pavilion	137.50	22.00
428 Repairs & Maintenance – General (includes \$3003 lamp replacement)	5,924.49	4,891.08
460 Telephone	262.23	307.02
	41,201.10	27,545.25
<b>DEFICIT</b>	(5,937.81)	5,010.27

**North Box Hill Tennis Club Inc.**

**Bank Reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

Balance as per Bank Statement	279.60
Balance as per Cash Book	<u>279.60</u>

**Sundry Debtors at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

None	<u>0</u>
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**Sundry Creditors at 31st May 2017**

Sumo Power	Electricity	186.97
JP Professional Cleaning	Cleaning clubrooms	215.60
Eastern Region Tennis	Fine	20.00
Eastern Region Tennis	Affiliation	35.00
Flash Tennis Courts	Court Maintenance	379.50
		<u>837.07</u>

## Mid Week Ladies Report

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### E.D.W.T.A.

SEASON 2 – 2016 SECTION 3: Kati Gall (Capt.), Judy Schutze, Chris Douglas, Chris Simpson, Barbara Lee and Kaye Ely.

Ladder after the 4<sup>th</sup> Match. N.B.H. 6<sup>th</sup>.

The ladies did not make the finals but had very good tennis during the season.

SEASON 1 – 2017 SECTION 4: Barbara Lee(Capt.), Chris Douglas, Chris Simpson, Judy Schutze, Kati Gall and Kaye Ely.

Ladder after the 6th match. N.B.H. 5<sup>th</sup>. Ladder after the 13th match N.B.H. 5<sup>th</sup>

Final ladder we were still in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Some of our ladies had injuries so emergencies were used, but overall, well done to everyone.

Our Club hosted Grand Finals for the Eastern District Women's Tennis Association Season 1 – 2017: Section 1 and Section 3 were played on our courts on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Our ladies set up the tables in the clubhouse, before the teams arrived. There was an EDWTA Committee Member there to congratulate the winners and present the flags. She also thanked our ladies and commented how good the courts were.

Thank you to all the committee members for all they do at our wonderful Club.

Best wishes to everyone for a very enjoyable year of tennis.

*Maureen Jennings*

Mid Week Secretary



# Senior Teams Report

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It is with great sadness that I have undertaken Judy MacRae's role of reporting the year's results of the night competition. Judy was an inspirational team person and night competition official; a perfect appointment of a Life Member of our Club.

## **Blackburn & District Night Competition**

The night competition still remains popular with our Club members, as does the between seasons social tennis. Currently we have teams entered Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays; Mondays remain available.

**Spring Season 2016:** – runs July to November

9 teams were entered, with 3 teams playing in finals resulting in one premiership -

Yarra 2nds: Josh Smith (C), Dean Birznieks, Scott Kessler and Troy Stambanis.

**Autumn Season 2017:** - runs January to May

8 teams were entered, with 5 teams playing in finals but again only one premiership –

Yarra 2nds: Josh Smith (C), Dean Birznieks, Scott Kessler and Troy Stambanis.

Congratulations to the Yarra 2nds, a mighty effort in achieving two premierships in a row.

**Spring Season 2017:**

8 teams have been entered for the coming season. All the best to our Club members for an enjoyable season.

*Charles Philactides*

## **Senior Weekend Tennis Report 2017**

The club plays competition on Saturday afternoons with the Eastern Region Tennis Association (ERT). There are two seasons during the year, Summer, which runs from October to March, excluding school holidays, and Winter, from May to September.

This year 2017 we were pleased to be able to field a team, after a hiatus of many years, in the Tennis Victoria Pennant Competition. The team played on Sunday afternoons.

The following players participated well in their competitions.

### **Summer 2016/2017 Eastern Region Tennis**

OS 6 (Green) :: Mario Azzato (C), John Hearne, John Liu, Tom Tsokas, Gary Pepper, Damien Coleman

The team lost in a semi-final

OS 6 (Blue): Stephen Trafficante, Fred Van Gorp, Hong Guo, Charles Philactides, John Bowe, Judy Harrison (C),

### **Winter 2017 Winter Eastern Region Tennis**

OS 4 : Mario Azzato (C), John Hearne, John Liu, Fred Van Gorp, Gary Pepper, Charles Philactides

The team finished 4<sup>th</sup> and lost in the semi final.

### **Tennis Victoria Pennant Competition 2017**

Grade 7: Tom Pepper, Remy Brown, Leon Adamopoulos, Nekta Adamopoulos, Stephen Trafficante (C)

The team finished 4<sup>th</sup> in their section and lost in the semi final

*Judy Harrison* Senior Convenor

## Junior Convenor's Report

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During the past year the club has had five junior teams for summer and two for winter.

Last summer we had a team make it into section 1 Open Rubbers which is the highest section possible. Our section 11 boys made the finals going down in a tight match.

In winter those boys in our highest two teams tried their hand at Tennis Victoria Pennant instead of juniors and made it into the finals. With the help of Stephen Trafficante, who played an important role as a player and organizer, the feedback was that pennant was an excellent standard and has greater scope for player improvement.

We also had our Section 10 Open Rubbers team make the grand final after finishing top of the ladder. Unfortunately they couldn't get their game together in the final but the season was still a wonderful success.

Good luck to all players for the summer season

Thanks to all parents for their involvement in transporting and supervising teams at away matches.

*Ian Peter-Budge*

Club Coach and Junior Convenor

## Membership Report

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The number of members leaving the club tends to be balanced by new members arriving. However this year we have seen a net decrease in memberships from 126 to 119. Being the small club we are it remains an ongoing challenge for us to attract and hold members. I look forward to discussing this with other members at the AGM.

It would be greatly appreciated if members advised me of any changes in their contact details, in particular email addresses.

Email: [jhull@i.net.au](mailto:jhull@i.net.au)

Cheers,

*Jon Hull*

Membership

# Management Committee

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PRESIDENT	Lynn Heath
VICE PRESIDENT	Kenneth Young
SECRETARY	
TREASURER	Charles Philactides
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Judy Harrison David Stevens Jenny Donegan Pam Tankey
Appointed positions:	
MEMBERSHIP	Jon Hull
TEAMS MANAGER	Judy MacRae