

# Presidents Report – AGM 13 June 2018

### Ladies and Gentlemen

I have pleasure in presenting a report on the affairs of Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay over the last year.

This is the second year where we report on the Metro as a District of Eastern Cape, and the first where the financials from TEP have been consolidated into one account with TNMB.

We have one administrative task ahead of us, and that is to rewrite our constitution based on the current affairs of tennis in the Metro, not on what has happened historically. Tennis SA has now completed their constitution after several years in the making. We will combine forces with Buffalo City to ensure that we fall in line in the Eastern Cape. We need to consider creating TNMB as an NPO which would surely help when asking for sponsorship from companies.

Juniors have embraced the change from EP to NMB, and are concentrating on promoting tennis in the Metro, while still involving players from the 'platteland'. Seniors are holding on to the EP brand for the moment, but will probably use the EC brand in the longer term so as to incorporate members from Sarah Baartman district.

Tennis EC was relaunched during the year with Neil Naidoo as President, Shoes Ndlabhu as Treasurer, Delia Greeff as secretary and yours truly as Vice President. Not a lot is happening at that level currently, we are still grappling with logistics over such a vast area.

This will be my last year as your president. I strongly suggest that the next holder of the position limits the term to 4 years, as one runs out of steam and ideas after more lengthy stints in a voluntary position! This can clearly be seen by the lack of a Lotto application this year which would not have escaped my attention a few years back!





# <u>Financials</u>

# Report from Wayne McCay

To be read in conjunction with the TNMB Financial report

1	Bank Accounts - 31 March 2018		
-	TEP	8 852.14	
	TNMB	29 011.77	
	TEP - Investment Account	64 232.32	
	Cash On Hand	4 371.00	
		<u>106 467.23</u>	
2	Interest Received For Year		
		<u>4 232.32</u>	From the Investment Account
3	<u>Major Expenses in Year</u>		
	Sponsorships	5 375.75	Tennis Balls various Club Tennis Tournaments
	Travelling	3 344.33	Mike - Airfare TSA AGM Jhb ( R 2 687 ); Mike - TEC Meeting - EL ( Fuel Costs - R 657.33 )
	Honoraria	6 000.00	Treasurer and Secretary
	Tennis Court Resurface	0.00	
	Audit Fees	11 400.00	TEP ( R 8 550 ) ; TNMB ( R 2 850 )
	Entertainment /AGM Costs	3 958.00	AGM Food/Drinks ( R 1 929 ); Committee Dinner ( R 2 029 )
	IT Costs	3 485.55	Website Maintenance - Monthly
		<u>33 563.63</u>	
4	Loans from TEP		
-	Rian Viljoen	9 000.00	Original Loan of R 20 000 - Repaid R 1 000 this year
	Johan Van Zyl	15 500.00	Original Loan of R 20 000 - Repaid R 4 500 this year
		25 500.00	
5	Receipts Received		
	TSA / TEP Yearly Fees	11 340.00	Portion still to be paid to TSA
	TNMB League Fees	3 670.00	Includes Expense of Trophies Engraved ( R 630 )
	Growth Point Top Guns	6 000.00	Profit Made
	Coaches Monies	8 970.00	Monies Received from Eden - For Coaches
		<u>29 980.00</u>	
	Department Department		
6	<u>Donations Received</u>	2	
	Park Avenue	2 447.00	Donation from Park Avenue

## Seniors

# Report from George Holloway / Dave Emslie

The larger majority of Senior Tennis Players in the Eastern Cape again played in tournaments in Grahamstown, Graaff Reinet, Port Elizabeth, Cradock and Benoni.

The EC Open was hosted at PE Tennis Club in June 2017. We always hope for a bigger draw than the previous year and this event could have been supported better from our own local players.

A few results of EC Open last year:

M60+: Louis vd Merwe – runner up W50+: Jayne Turner – 3<sup>rd</sup> place M50+: Ian Pattinson – winner W30+: Vicki Allnutt – winner

MD 70+: Dassie Biggs/ Peter de Waal – winner

LD 65+: Leonie Grondel/ Lynn Hughes Butlin – winner

MD 55+: Mike Bladen/ Peter Sale – winner LD 50+: Pri Bladen/ Jayne Turner – winner

WD 30+: Sharon Dawson/ Di Gascoyne – winner MD 30+: Bennie Donnely/Gareth Fray – runner-up

MX 60+: Mike Bladen/Pri Bladen – winner MX 45+: Jeremy Drake/Di Gascoyne – winner MX 30+: Patrick Grewar/Debra Hyde – winner

Congratulations to you all and I trust we will see you all here again in June 2018. 2017 had two teams participating in the 50-60+ Inter-pro side that went to Benoni. Captain Delia's side came home with Gold and Captain Mike came home with a hard fought 4<sup>th</sup> place.

I would like to make an appeal to the Senior Tennis players in the Eastern Cape, please support your local tournaments. In order to be successful at a local tournament we must have a minimum of 60 players.

Congratulations to Vicki Allnutt and Billy Kehl for being chosen to represent South Africa in Cape Town and Orlando respectively. Unfortunately, Billy had to withdraw due to medical reasons.

Financially we are still sound with about R250k in the bank.

## **Juniors**

# Report from Bubblz Kekana

#### 1. Appointment of the 2018 Committee

Chairperson Mrs Bubblz Kekana
Vice Chairperson Mr Craig Mulder
Secretary Mrs Lizaan Willemse
Treasurer Mrs Delmarie Mulder

The 2018 committee was elected and appointed in February 2018. Our efforts have continued from the successful determinations of the previous committee led by Karlo Swart and to date we are privileged to still have him assisting with communication and tennis related information. We would like to formally take this opportunity and express our gratitude to Karlo and his team for laying a foundation in which we are building from.

#### 2. Primary and High school Inter-Provincials 2018

The u/13, u/15 and u/19 Tennis SA Schools week took place in Bloemfontein and in Pretoria from the 27 April to the 30 April 2018. This Interprovincial tournament was organised by Tennis South Africa and Department of sport. All provincial tennis teams took part including teams as far as Zimbabwe. Our Teams showed great sportsmanship and competition etiquette during what was a very tough tournament.

- U13 ECE Team 12 position of 16 provincial Teams;
- > U15 ECE Team 8 position of 16 provincial Teams;
- ➤ U19 ECE Team 11 position of 16 provincial Teams

The following Tennis players were selected for the National South African School Teams

- ➤ Kaylin Bouwer for the under 19 Team,
- Lente Taljaard for the under 15 Team Reserves;
- > Anja De Beer under 17 Team;
- > Annika Kleinhans under 13 Team.

#### 3. 2018 Interpro team

The TNMB Junior Committee wish to inform you of the annual Interpro Event which will take place on the 30th June – 1st July 2018 against SWD and NC – in George. This event offers competitive tennis for our Junior players and great recognition for their

participation in the local Mini Tournaments. In partnership with the SWD and NC junior committee, each area has independently selected their own team players, u10, u12, u14, u16 and u18. The TNMB junior committee has applied the selection criteria that were published in 2017.

#### 4. 2018 Tournament Calendar

 $\rightarrow$  16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June 2018 EP Mini Series in Port Elizabeth

> 30<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 Interpro in George

1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018 EP Mini Series in Port Elizabeth
22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 EP Mini Series in Cradock

 $\rightarrow$  3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Super 8 in Port Elizabeth

#### 5. 2018 focus areas

Compilation of the junior tennis player data base in our region and schools;

- Effective communication of tennis activities through newsletters;
- Review of the current Interpro selection criteria document;
- Planning of the implementation of the 2019 SA schools team;
- Compilation of the 2019 local tournament calendar application;
- New initiatives such as junior club leagues, red dot tournaments etc;
- Discussions around subcommittee formulation to assist with tennis focused activities such as coaches technical committees etc.

# Club Tennis

Separate report from Garth Loest

## Coaches

# Report from Hennie de Klerk

- 1. Member numbers: The number of coaches registered under TEP with TSA (2018) is 20.
- 2. <u>Role of coaches in the province</u>: Coaches are playing a major part in tennis training and administration in the province. They serve as school, club and private coaches. They also serve as tournament administrators, selectors, team managers, general administrators of the game.
- 3. <u>SASCOC:</u> The SA Sports Act is being revised and includes the establishment of a Coaches Association for SA (CASA). This will bring changes to coaches' designations; registration requirements, training obligations and will result in a more professional approach to all forms of coaching in SA.
- 4. <u>TSA</u>: Recent changes at TSA included the appointment of Ghizela Enslin as the new Coaching Manager of Tennis South Africa. Ghizela is dynamic and enthusiastic and will bring value and confidence to the tennis coaches system.

<u>Coaches mentorship program</u>: Below are the names of the 5 Eastern Cape Coaches selected by TSA for the TSA Coaches Mentorship program:

Avela Mawakhiwe Ndlabhu, Lindisa Sisanda Bacela, Siyabulela Matsha, Eric John Graham Fisher and

Khayalethu George Ngangqu.

- 5. Communication: The internet is currently the main form of communication between coaches
- 6. <u>Meetings:</u> A tennis coaches AGM must be held as soon as possible. TSA recommends that coaches conform to the new District demarcations and establish district Coaches Associations. Delays in the finalization of the TSA constitution has caused delays in the establishment of the coaches' district structures.
- 7. <u>Finances</u>: The Coaches Association funds are currently "ring fenced" with the TEP funds in the same account. The amount available is about R10 000. Funds are used for coaches' courses.
- 8. <u>Projects:</u> The 2017 CPD course was held at NMMU an attended by about 30 coaches. A Play Tennis course is scheduled for March 2018, had to be cancelled due to not making the prescribed number of 12 coaches to make the course viable. Dates are being finalized to set up a play tennis followed by the annual coaches' education (PCD) workshop.
- 9. Beach Tennis: TSA launched Beach Tennis in March 2018 and hosted 3 ITF events in May/June in the Gauteng area. TSA would like to develop a beach tennis schedule that will include the beaches of the Eastern Cape. Discussions are currently being finalized to initiate the program.
- 10. <u>TSA Tennis Development centre</u>: Mpho Makhoba, manager of tennis development at TSA visited the province informing us of TSA's intention to establish a tennis development center. Port Elizabeth and East Londen are currently being considered as a possible venue for the center.

## 11. Cooperation with Coaches TSA:

TEP coaches' association is in good standing with TSA coaches. The Coaches chairpersons regularly attend TSA coaches' meetings.

#### 12. Concerns:

Concern about a lack of young coaches joining the profession.

A lack of "development players" coming through the system is a major concern.

Schools tennis must be given a more attention. (improve focus and funding for Schools tennis).

New boundary demarcations are causing concerns with regards selection of teams etc.

Coaches must assist in the revival of functional tennis clubs.

Provincial squad training for top junior players is a priority.

# Wheelchair Tennis

# Report from Hennie de Klerk

- 1. General: Wheelchair tennis in the Nelson Mandela Metro has lost some of its momentum. The main cause is that Wheelchair Tennis South Africa has lost its main sponsor (Airports Company South Africa) and has cut back on funding of tournaments, training camps and clinics for players/schools.
- 2. Schools: The following Port Elizabeth schools accommodate wheelchair tennis:
  - 1. Northern Light school
  - 2. Cape Recife School
  - 3. Lonwabo School
- <u>3. Equipment:</u> The wheelchairs bought with the allocated Lotto funds (2016) is well used at the above-mentioned schools.
- 4. Local training camps: A Wheelchair tennis training camps at the NMMU tennis courts for players and teachers for the local schools. A training camp is sheduled for September 2018.
- 5. <u>PE tennis club</u> is a wheelchair friendly tennis club. Please encourage disability player to consider playing wheelchair tennis.
- <u>5. Players:</u> Eastern Province's top wheelchair player is *Marshall Marsh.*Marshall trains at the university but has not played tournaments this year mainly due to WTSA's funding predicament.

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<u>6. Coaches:</u> Siya Matsha assists with schools and community wheelchair coaching. Coaches are encouraged to assist people with disabilities to play wheelchair tennis <u>7. Additional Information:</u> Please contact Hennie de Klerk (082 780 7040) for more information about getting involved in wheelchair tennis.



# **Executive**

My thanks to the members of the executive, who continue to play a positive role in the tennis community, and especially to our Honorary Secretary and Treasurer Delia and Wayne who continue to keep the wheels turning!

Yours faithfully

Mike Bladen