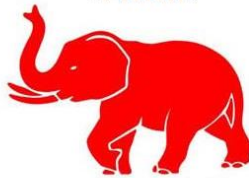


TENNIS



NELSON MANDELA BAY

Presidents Report – AGM 5 June 2019

Ladies and Gentlemen

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

In last year's report, I promised to have a new constitution in place this year. It now needs to be ratified. We were too late to get it in place for this meeting, but I call on those interested to peruse it and we will call a special meeting for that purpose. It can be viewed on the www.tenniseasterncape.co.za website under Home Page / Tennis NMB. Should you compare it to the current constitution, have a look under Districts / About us. This page will only be available until the new constitution is ratified as it is obsolete information.

We have also created a Non-Profit Company (TNMB NPO) for the purpose of dealing with the Metro and club leases. Once the Metro has its ducks in a row, we will create one lease agreement between the Metro and the NPC, and each club will then have a sub-lease agreement with the NPC. This will be for rates only, and the NPC will apply for grant in aid on behalf of clubs on an annual basis.

TNMB have recently offered to maintain 8 of the 14 courts in St Georges Park, with PE Club responsible for the other 6. This deal has not been cemented yet as there needs to be a sharing of income as well as expenses when there is a tournament held there.

The Tennis Eastern Cape web site is a mess as it has been hacked several times. It is our intention to create a new site for TNMB in the near future which we can tailor for our own use.

Herewith reports from our the various sectors that make up tennis in our district: -



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Financials

Report from Wayne McCay

To be read in conjunction with the TNMB Financial report

<u>Bank Accounts - 31 March 2019</u>		
TEP	15 239.40	
TNMB	24 934.19	
TEP - Investment Account	97 653.04	
Cash On Hand	2 691.00	
	<u>140 517.63</u>	

<u>Interest Received For Year</u>		
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	<u>5 920.79</u>	Investment Account (R 6 920.72) less R 999.93 Juniors

<u>Major Expenses in Year</u>		
Sponsorships	1 553.96	Tennis Balls various Club Tennis Tournaments
Honoraria	6 360.00	Treasurer and Secretary (R 3 180 each)
Consulting Fees	1 380.00	Kael Consulting - NPO
Audit Fees	10 712.25	
Entertainment /AGM Costs	2 560.00	AGM (R 1 380) ; Committee Dinner (R 1 180)
IT Costs	2 351.80	Website Maintenance - Monthly
	<u>24 918.01</u>	

<u>Loans from TEP</u>		
Rian Viljoen	6 000.00	Original Loan of R 20 000 - Repaid R 3 000 this year
Johan Van Zyl	11 000.00	Original Loan of R 20 000 - Repaid R 4 500 this year

<u>Receipts Received</u>		
TSA / TEP Yearly Fees	35 810.00	
TNMB League Fees	3 450.00	
Growth Point Top Guns	6 600.00	
	<u>45 860.00</u>	

Seniors

Report from Dave Emslie

It is my pleasure to provide a report on the activities and governance of EP Seniors Tennis for the above period. What a pleasure it has been serving tennis in capacity as President. Although times are tough and members are not able to devote as much time to “off line” activities as previously, judging from the calendar for members are still active and moreover great ambassadors for the sport.

Governance

Your committee met on an average every two months and full minutes were recorded for each meeting. Good debate was held and at times there was a lot of out the box thinking which I found refreshing, if a few times somewhat over ambitious.

Seniors Tennis at national level is exceptionally well governed and managed. Bertie Conradie as “voorsitter” handles meetings and debates in an extremely fair manner and Sharon with her administration is a proverbial Rock of Gibraltar. Thanks to Bertie and Sharon for serving us all so well.

Andrew Comrie has decided to retire from tennis admin. Andrew in his own indefatigable way has been the go-to man for just about anything in senior's tennis so we thank him hugely for his efforts and massive contribution to tennis.

Finances

Finances continue to run tightly so spending is being kept to an absolute premium. The recently held East Cape Open should at least break even because of the appointment of a local tournament referee, Morne Gouws. This saves at least R10k in travel and accommodation, so this is encouraging.

Also we acknowledge and thank Warwick Financial Group for their generous support of the East Cape Open. We hope this leads to a longer relationship which we will be looking to nurture going into the future.

Another encouraging factor is that we have been asked to host an IPT next year and if we do this properly and cleverly it ought to be financially rewarding.

In managing our finances your committee is mindful that a balance is found between assisting players with tournament costs and ensuring our reserves are not run down. The cost of hosting tournaments is increasing, and we are reluctant to pass this on to the participating member but at same time we cannot sustain cash losses year on year. This matter will be receiving attention in 2019 and our aim will be to get to at least a break even by end financial year 2020.

Participation

One suspects that a combination of tough economy, full lives and a plethora of playing options is having an effect on participation levels. It is pleasing that the East Cape Open brought with it a high number of outside the province players which is a good step forward. It is envisaged that next year a bigger effort needs to be made to ensure greater local participation. To do this it might have to be necessary to look at a truncated tournament that finishes on the Sunday. The Monday is a mood killer and surely is a barrier to entry.

Unfortunately, the EP – Kenton Tournament had to be cancelled due to lack of availability. This was a pity after the first highly successful event. We are working hard on the EP- Eden match and via this report selectors are asked to be highly proactive and somewhat pushy to getting players to commit. Costs will be sent to all selectors soonest.

Thank you

- Thank you to all those who host tournaments during the year. Hard work getting full fields but fun is had and in our own sometimes grumpy way we all so enjoy ourselves and appreciate what you do.
- Thank you also to the age group selectors who grind away trying to get full teams. Your task is an extremely important one and certainly does not go unnoticed and is really appreciated.
- The various venue owners who so willingly provide superb facilities are also acknowledged and thanks. It is always dangerous to single out anyone or anything but I do want to thank PELTC for providing us all with a tennis home for many of our events. They are a pleasure to work with and may I thank Maryanne Endley who so readily provides all that is ever needed.
- Christelle, our incredibly committed match and committee secretary deserves all our gratitude and appreciation for the work she does. Nothing is ever too much trouble for her, and she is the glue that holds our body together. A heartfelt thank you Christelle

In conclusion thank you all for the camaraderie, fun and laughter, something we experience all the time wherever seniors are playing...

Watch foot faults and if in doubt call it IN...unless you are 6/0,5 love down 😊

Juniors

Report from Bubblz Kekana

Junior Tennis – NMB Region Report

- The junior committee wish to present the following summary:

1. 2019 SA Schools

- a. Eastern Cape was represented by 2(two) teams, Eastern Cape Elephants and Eastern Cape team;
- b. A very young EC Elephants u13 team with a great tennis future ahead finished in position 13 out of 16 teams;
- c. The u15 EC Elephant team show cased their strength and ended in top 10 finishing in position 6 out of 16 teams;
- d. The EC Elephants u19 team showed character and solid performance finishing in position 9 out of 16 teams;
- e. Brandon Riesenberg was selected to represent the u15 SA Team and Kiano Jonker was selected to represent the u19 SA team

2. 2019 TSA junior tournaments

- a. To date Port Elizabeth hosted the following TSA sanctioned tournaments:
 - i. **January 2019** – Super 8 with 225 participants;
 - ii. **May 2019** – NMB Mini 1 with 110 participants;
- b. Upcoming local TSA sanctioned tournaments:
 - i. August 2019 – NMB Mini 2
 - ii. October 2019 – Mini 3
 - iii. December 2019 – Super 8 – tbc

3. Annual George inter-pro invitation

- a. The tournament will be held in George on the 15th – 16th June 2019 against SWD and NC;
- b. Team for the Eastern Cape are represented by players form across the province according to their performance and selection criteria;

4. 2019 Winter games

- a. District trials where held on the 18th May 2019 in Port Elizabeth and Provincial trials took place in East London on the 31st May 2019.
- b. TEC will formally announce and submit the team accordingly

5. TNMB financial contributions to Tennis players

- a. TNMB JC has contributed to 10 player tournament entry fees between the two tournaments held in 2019;
- b. TNMB JC contributed R4700 to the SA schools financial requirements;

- c. TNMB JC lost R6400 due to outstanding payment from 3 SA Schools player

6. General

- a. TNMB JC is currently investigating the EC mini masters event which we wish to add to our 2019 Calender;
- b. We have tabled the following topics to TEC and a meeting with parents will be held on the 9th July 2019 at Young Park at 11:00
 - i. 1. Future of SA Schools and all related requirements;
 - ii. 2. Provincial Representation platforms and related selection criterias;
 - iii. 3. Inter-District representation and related selection criteria;
 - iv. 4. District and Provincial winter games and selection criteria including historical data for the previously selected teams;
 - v. 5. Records of compliance from all regions with ref to TEC policy requirements;
 - vi. 6. Request for more local mini TSA tournament from TSA;
 - vii. 7. Specific plans for development of black players in the Eastern Cape per region;
 - viii. 8. Relaxation of u10 fees and TSA requirements;

We trust you find the above in order.

Regards

TNMB Chairperson

Bubblz Kekana on behalf of the TNMB Junior community

Club Tennis

Separate report from Garth Loest

Coaches

Report from Hennie de Klerk

1 Tennis Coaches South Africa background info:

The Tennis South Africa Coaches Education Training Programme is based on the International Tennis Federation (ITF) Play Tennis, Coaching Beginner & Intermediate Players and The Coaching Advanced Players courses syllabi and tutor contact hours. It is also aligned to the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC)

2. TSA: Recent changes at TSA included the appointment of Ghizela Enslin as the new Coaching Manager of Tennis South Africa.

Currently there are 5 coaches' levels:

1. Tennis Volunteer Course (16 hours)
2. Play Tennis Course (32 hours)
3. Level 1 National Tennis Instructor (80 hours)
4. Level 2 Advanced Tennis Instructor (80 hours)
5. Level 3 Professional Tennis Coach (80 hours)

Full details are these courses and requirements to participate are set out

<http://www.tennisa.co.za/w/coaches/become-a-coach>

3. TEP Member numbers: The number of coaches registered under TEP with TSA in 2018 was 20 and has dropped to 8. (see possible reason below)

1 Bruwer Andus, 2 Collett Nelmarié, 3 De Klerk Hendrik, 4 Doubell Philippe, 5 Du Piesanie (Pienaar) Inalise

6 Jordaan Alta, 7 Potgieter (Pienaar) Minnette, 8 Vermaak Yvonne

New requirements for coaches:

1. Continuous Professional development (CPD)

- 1 credit = 1 hour of tennis specific/TSA approved courses/seminars/workshops/conferences
- Maintain 10 credits in a 3-year cycle (in person/contact hours)
- Each province to conduct 1 CPD workshop per annum as the cost is included in the TSA Coaching License fee

2. 1st Aid Level 1 – accredited service provider

3. Child Protection course by accredited service provider.

4. Police clearance

5. Other

4. Accredited Tennis South Africa Centre of Apprenticeship 2019 (training for coaches)

Levels: Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum – below are registered centres in the PE area.

- 1 Engraved Tennis Academy - Marlu Jansen Van Vuuren (Port Elizabeth) BRONZE/SILVER/
- 2 Peace Tennis Academy - Andus Bruwer (Port Elizabeth) BRONZE
- 3 Seals Tennis Academy - Deandre Dreyer (St Francis Bay) BRONZE

5. Coaches mentorship program: 11 Eastern Cape Coaches were selected by TSA for the 2019 TSA Coaches Mentorship program. See TSA website for more information about the project.

5. Role of coaches in the province: Coaches are playing a major part in tennis training and administration in the province. They serve as school and club and private coaches. They also serve as tournament administrators, selectors, team managers, general administrators of the game.

6. SASCOC: The SA Sports Act is being revised and includes the establishment of a Coaches Association for SA. 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.

7. Communication: The internet is currently the main form of communication between coaches

8. Meetings: 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. Vagueness of the TSA constitution has caused delays in the establishment of the coaches' district structures.

9. Finances: The Coaches Association funds are currently "ring fenced" with the TEP funds in the same account. The amount available is about plus R10 000. Funds are used for coaches' courses.

10. Projects: Several Coaches education projects had to be cancelled due to not making the prescribed number of 12 coaches to make the course viable.

Tennis Coaches Update CPD course for Eastern Cape was held at the NMU courts from 24 and 25 November 2018. 15 coaches from the Eastern Cape Attended the course held over 2 day (8 hour +8 hours = 16 hours) 16 CPD points allocated to coaches who attended the course, completed a practical lesson and passed a written exam.



Tennis South Africa EC Play Tennis Coaches Course (National Accredited Course) was held at NMU courts from 28 February to 3 March 2019. 10 coaches attended/completed the course.



11. TSA Tennis Development center: A TSA Tennis Development Centre was established in EL in 2018. More information about the programs and opportunities for players and coaches of the EC is needed.

12. Relationship with TSA Coaches: The TNB coaches' association is in good standing with TSA coaches. The Coaches chairpersons regularly attend TSA coaches' meetings.

13. Beach Tennis: TSA launched Beach Tennis in March 2018 and hosted 3 ITF events in May/June in the Gauteng area. **Coach Deandre Dreyer** assisted TSA in hosting a very successful international beach tennis tournament in Cape St Francis. Diandre also assisted in completing the EC Beach Tennis competition with the winners competing at the National event. Discussions are currently being finalized to increase beach tennis.

14. Wheelchair Tennis: Wheelchair Tennis activities in the Metro declined as a result of Wheelchair South Africa losing its ACSA sponsorship and it being incorporated into TSA. The incorporation has been completed and we look forward to successful courses and tournaments for the players.

15. Concerns:

- 1 A general concern is the lack of young coaches joining the tennis coach's profession.
- 2 A lack of "development players" coming through the system is a major concern.
- 3 Schools tennis must be given a more attention (improve focus and funding for Schools tennis).
- 4 New boundary demarcations are causing concerns with regards selection of teams etc.
- 5 Coaches must assist in the revival of functional tennis clubs.
- 6 Provincial squad training for top junior players is a priority.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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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 lights on!

Thank you also to all members of club committees who volunteer to work for the good of tennis.

It has been my pleasure to be your President for the last 12 year. I wish my successor all the best, and be assured of my support in the future.

Go Federer!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M Bladen". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Mike Bladen