



**EASTERN REGION**

***TENNIS***

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# **ANNUAL REPORT**



**The ERT Pat Pearce Team 2014**

**2013-14**

# ERT Office-Bearers 2013-14



**PRESIDENT**  
Robert Jackson

**TREASURER**  
Robert Jamieson



**VICE-PRESIDENT**  
George Kunti

**COMPETITION  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
Ray van Weert



**VICE-PRESIDENT**  
Kevin Higgins

**TOURNAMENT/DE-  
VELOPMENT  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
Fran Absolom



**SECRETARY**  
Judith Dungey

**COMMITTEE**  
Charlie Roberts  
Chris Fallon

## **COMPETITION SUB-COMMITTEE**

Ray Van Weert  
Cynthia McKenzie  
Hugh Hayes  
Deb Driessen

## **TOURNAMENT/DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE**

Fran Absolom  
Debbie Innes  
Chris Thompson

**AUDITOR**  
**INDEPENDENT TRIBUNAL CHAIRMAN**

Kevin Solomon  
Wayne Spencer

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18th August 2014

Notice is hereby given of the 19<sup>th</sup>

## Annual General Meeting of Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

**WEDNESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2014 at 8.00pm**

**Whitehorse Council Offices (Waratah room),**

Whitehorse Road, Nunawading (Mel Ref 48 G9)

At least one (1) delegate from each club must be in attendance on the night.

**Any club failing to attend and sign the register will incur a fine of \$25.**

Any club who has not paid their affiliation fee or any outstanding overdue fines will NOT BE ENTITLED TO VOTE on the night.

### AGENDA

1. **Welcome**
2. **Apologies**
3. **Minutes**
  - 3.1 Minutes from the 2013 AGM
4. **Business Arising**
5. **REPORTS**
  - 5.1 President
  - 5.2 Tournament/Development Executive Officer
  - 5.3 Competition Executive Officer
  - 5.4 Treasurer
6. **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS & PERMANENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERS**
  - 6.1 **EXECUTIVE**
    - 6.1.1 President
    - 6.1.2 Vice-Presidents x 2
    - 6.1.3 Secretary
    - 6.1.4 Treasurer
    - 6.1.5 Committee Members x 2
  - 6.2 **COMPETITION SUB-COMMITTEE**
    - 6.2.1 Executive Officer
    - 6.2.2 Record Secretaries x 4
    - 6.2.3 Committee x 3
  - 6.3 **TOURNAMENT/DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE**
    - 6.3.1 Executive Officer
    - 6.3.2 Committee x 3

- 6.4 Auditor**
- 6.5 Independent Tribunal Chairperson**

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 7.1 To ratify affiliation with Tennis Victoria
- 7.2 Honoraria - to be confirmed
- 7.3 Team Entry/Affiliation fees - to be confirmed for Winter 2015 and Summer 2015-6.
- 7.4 Proposed By-law change - recommendation from Convenors' meeting.

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

That By-Law 21a be changed as follows:

Current Wording – Competitions are open to all players aged 18 years and under, as at 31st December of the year in which the first fixture date for that season is scheduled.

Proposed Wording – Competitions, including any delayed finals, are open to players under 19 years of age as at midnight on the date of the scheduled grand final for that season.

**By-Law change submitted by the Executive Committee.**

- 7.5 Any from the floor.

**Judith Dungey**  
**ASSOCIATION SECRETARY**  
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**Minutes** of the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Eastern Region Tennis Inc held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2013, at Waratah Room Whitehorse Council Offices, Whitehorse Road, Nunawading at 8.00pm

1. **WELCOME**

President Robert Jackson welcomed all Life-Members, current Executive, Club Delegates and Visitors from TV –TV CEO Matthew Kennedy, V.P. Maria Keyes, Beverley Kleverlaans and Jamie Stefanato and all Life Members.

2. **APOLOGIES**

TV Peter Cuxon, LM Kevin Bolton, LM Colin Jordan, H.Hayes and others as listed on the Apology sheet.

3. **MINUTES**

From the previous Annual General Meeting (2012) were presented in the Annual Report

**MOTION:** "That the Minutes of 2012 AGM be accepted"

Moved C.Roberts [Nth Ringwood] Seconded B.Kane [Mt. Evelyn] **CARRIED.**

4. **BUSINESS ARISING - Nil**

5. **REPORTS**

5.1 **President's:** As presented in the Annual Report booklet plus the additional comments.

Robert Jackson's additional comments included that a letter had been sent to TV suggesting that they explore the amalgamation of Associations with the ERT area. RJ also spoke about some of the problems that the Executive had had re the Hot Shots Program in some of the Municipal leagues with the ERT area. Special thanks to all members of the Executive and the Sub-Committees.

**MOTION:** "that the President's report be accepted"

Moved R.Jackson / Seconded G.Morse **CARRIED**

5.2 **Tournament /Development Exec Officer** – as presented in the Annual Report booklet.

**MOTION:** "that the Tournament/Development report be accepted"

Moved F.Absolom / Seconded D.Innes **CARRIED**

5.3 **Competition Exec Officer** – as presented in the Annual Report booklet.

**MOTION:** "that the Competition report be accepted"

Moved R.Van Weert / seconded C.McKenzie **CARRIED**

5.4 **Treasurer's Report** – as presented in the Annual Report booklet.

Robert Jamieson outlined the financial statements noting that the Junior Tournament profit was up due to increased participation. Eastern Region Tennis had hosted the Pat Pearce Memorial Shield Competition over Easter, and that our own President's Dinner was well attended. Online entry had started and work was now completed on the website and costs of \$6000 had been incurred. Mention was also made of the MLC Hot Shots program.

**MOTION:** "That the Annual Financial statements for 2012-13 be adopted."  
 Moved R.Jamieson / Seconded R.Van Weert **CARRIED.**

R. Jackson handed the chair over to Life Member Bob Kane who conducted the first part of the Elections.

## 6. ELECTION OF OFFICE-BEARERS

The following officers were elected for 2013-14

### EXECUTIVE

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	Robert Jackson	Bayswater North
<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	George Kunti	Blackburn
	Kevin Higgins	Bayswater North
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Judith Dungey	North Ringwood
<b>TREASURER</b>	Robert Jamieson	Box Hill
<b>COMMITTEE [1]</b>	Charlie Roberts	North Ringwood
<b>[2]</b>	Chris Fallon	R/wood Catholic

### TOURNAMENT/DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

<b>EXEC OFFICER</b>	Fran Absalom	Heatherdale
<b>COMMITTEE (3)</b>	Debbie Innes	Blackburn
	Chris Thomson	Canterbury
	Vacant	

### COMPETITION SUB-COMMITTEE

<b>EXEC OFFICER</b>	Ray Van Weert	Seville
<b>RECORD</b>		
<b>SECRETARIES (4)</b>	Cynthia McKenzie [Jnr]	Miller Park
	Vacant [Snr]	
	Vacant	
	Vacant	
<b>COMMITTEE (3)</b>	Deb Driessen	Wonga Park
	Hugh Hayes	Box Hill
	Vacant	

**AUDITOR** Kevin Solomon

**MOTION:** "that Kevin Solomon be appointed as Auditor for 2012-2013"  
 Moved R.Jamieson / C.Roberts [Nth Ringwood] **CARRIED**

**INDEP. TRIBUNAL** Wayne Spencer Heathmont

**MOTION:** "that Wayne Spencer be reappointed as Independent Tribunal Chair for 2012-2013" Moved R.Jackson / G.Morse **CARRIED**

## 7. GENERAL BUSINESS -

- 7.1 Affiliation to Tennis Victoria -  
MOTION: "that Eastern Region Tennis Inc affiliate for the year 2013/2014"  
Moved R.Jamieson [Box Hill] / C.Roberts [Nth Ringwood] **CARRIED**.
- 7.2 Honoraria for 2013-2014 –  
MOTION: "That the Honoraria be unchanged for the next financial year 2013 - 2014".  
Moved R. Jamieson [Exec]/ K.Higgins **CARRIED**
- 7.3 Affiliation/Team Entry Fees – Treasurer R. Jamieson recommended  
MOTION: "that the team entry for 2013/2014 remain the same as the current year" Moved  
R.Jamieson / B.Kane **CARRIED**
- 7.4 **By-Law changes –**

**CURRENT BY-LAW 4 [b] – ENTERING TEAMS**

Teams must be submitted on or before the closing date for entries as determined and advised by the Executive. Teams must be entered on the official team entry form or Online if entry is available. Each Club is required to nominate the Competition format plus grade or section in which it desires to enter a team. The Executive reserves the right to grade the team as it sees fit.

**NOTICE OF MOTION** "that By-Law 4 [b] be changed to the following"

Teams must be submitted on or before the closing date for entries as determined and advised by the Executive. Teams must be entered using Online entry only. Each Club is required to nominate the Competition format plus grade or section in which it desires to enter a team. The Executive reserves the right to grade any team as it sees fit."

Moved R.Van Weert Seconded C.McKenzie **CARRIED**

**CURRENT BY-LAW 5 [a] - REGISTRATION**

Prior to the commencement of each season, Clubs must register all team members on the official team entry form.

**NOTICE OF MOTION** "that By-Law 5[a] be changed to the following"

Prior to the commencement of each season, Clubs must register all team members using the On-line team entry.

Moved R.Van Weert Seconded G. Kunti **CARRIED**

**7.5 Association Rules –**

**NOTICE OF MOTION** "That Eastern Region Tennis Inc replaces the current ERT Inc Rules and adopts the new ERT Inc Rules as per the attached document."

Moved C.Roberts Sec K.Higgins **CARRIED**

A Special Vote of Thanks to Charlie Roberts was recorded for the work done on behalf of ERT in preparing the new Association Rules.

- 7.1. **Matthew Kennedy CEO of Tennis Vic** gave a brief outline of the working of Tennis Vic:
- Tennis is the most popular Individual Sport in Victoria [24 FT Staff + 7 Community Officers]
  - He encouraged Clubs to nominate members for TV Service Awards.
  - Mentioned The Future Leaders Training Course.
  - The Monthly E-Newsletter + Grants on offer.
  - Hot Shots in Schools plus the Hot Shot League Competition which closes on 11/9/13.
  - Social Play plus a Business model for Clubs.
  - Relationships with the Government and Local Councils.

Belinda Kleverlaans spoke about the Australian Open [AO] Blitz which is an Interactive Online Computer competition. Competition starts mid October and close just before the Australian Open. 36 Communities around Victoria will be visited to promote tennis and this competition. The top Club/Town will be linked to the Male No.1 player then second Club /



- Town will be linked with the Female No.1 player and so on. Major prizes will be awarded along the way with a weighting for small towns. Gold coin donation will go to local Charities.
- 7.7 The forthcoming **Presidents Dinner** was mentioned and reply slips were made available on the back table. Speaker to be Judy Dalton – President of the Fed Cup Foundation. Date Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Chirnside Park Country Club.
- 7.8 Next **Club Coaches Forum** is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November at North Ringwood TC.
- 7.9 Mention was made of the new **ERT Website** and that ERT was on Facebook.
- 7.10 **Working with Children {WWC} checks** are needed by Club Officials and transporting parents.
- 7.11 Last Summer and Winter **Perpetual Shields** are due back to the Association Secretary by 15/9/13.
- 7.12 Season Team Entries can be paid by Direct Debit.

As there was no further General Business, Robert Jackson thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 9:30pm. Everyone was invited to stay and enjoy fellowship plus supper.

## **Minutes of Eastern Region Tennis Inc Special General Meeting** held on Thursday 28/11/14 at North Ringwood Tennis Club, 246 Warrandyte Rd, Ringwood North.

**Welcome** to all by President Robert Jackson and members of Tennis Vic.  
Attendance - representatives from 61 clubs – not attendance 12 clubs = 73 clubs.

### **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING ITEM – CHANGE TO BY-LAW 21[h] CURRENT WORDING**

Notwithstanding any other provision of the By-Laws, in junior Finals a team may use eligible registered team members in a direct substitution of up to two (2) players in the last two (2) doubles sets in the Mixed Singles/Doubles, Boys Singles/Doubles (Junior Saturday competition only), Girls Doubles, Boys Doubles, Junior Open Singles/Doubles and Junior Open Doubles. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the By-Laws, in Junior Finals a team may use eligible registered team members in a direct substitution of up to two (2) players in the last doubles set only in the Girls Singles/Doubles, Boys Singles/Doubles (Junior Sunday Competition only) and Junior Development Competition. The players not substituted must remain in their player positions. No substitution is allowed in the President Shield or Rubbers formats with the exception of injury.

### **NEW WORDING:**

Notwithstanding any other provision of the By-Laws, in junior Finals a team may use eligible registered team members in a direct substitution of up to two (2) players in the last two (2) doubles sets in the Mixed Singles/Doubles, Boys Singles/Doubles (Junior Saturday competition only), Girls Doubles, Boys Doubles, Junior Open Singles/Doubles and Junior Open Doubles. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the By-Laws, in Junior Finals a team may use eligible registered team members in a direct substitution of up to two (2) players in the last doubles set only in the Girls Singles/Doubles, Boys Singles/Doubles (Junior Sunday Competition only) and Junior Development Competition. Notwithstanding any other provision of the By-Laws, in Junior Finals a team may use an eligible registered team member in a direct substitution of one (1) player in the doubles set in the Open Rubbers and Presidents Shield. The playerS not substituted must remain in their player positions. No substitution is allowed in the President Shield or Rubbers formats with the exception of injury.

**MOTION:** that the changes to the wording of By-Law 21[h] be approved.  
Moved R. Van Weert Sec R. Graham CARRIED

## President's Report

By Robert Jackson

**This 2013/14 President's Report is partly repeating a request that the role/ involvement/commitment required at an Association level needs a lot of ERT Clubs to re-consider their position and to show more support and input. ERT has mentioned/appealed for vacancies to be filled on our ERT Committee's previously, where we have had several vacancies over the last few years, which cannot be allowed to continue, if we are to provide the services we do. I certainly will not be continuing year in year out, as I think I have just completed my 16th year as President, which is too long a tenure. There needs to be a better succession plan than what we have at the moment, and the incumbent needs to have some time on the Committee to gain the knowledge and workings of the Association. We do not have the back up support with personnel should a member of our Executive fall ill, and need to have some time off e.g. back up Record Secretary and/or ERT Secretary or a Junior Tournament/Development person and/or an experienced member of our Executive. I wonder what the Clubs would say, if we did not have a Record Secretary or a Junior Tournament/Development Officer?**

The ERT Clubs and individual Club Committee's and members need to communicate more and become more aware of the Association's role and provide some more resources/personnel to ERT. Without support and commitment from the volunteers, the current ERT Junior and Senior weekend competition cannot survive. ERT had approached Tennis Victoria about their assistance in hopefully providing an initiative for all the various Tennis Associations in the Eastern suburbs to consider a review of their operations with a view to a possible amalgamation of the various Night Tennis Associations, various Midweek Ladies Tennis Associations and ERT weekend competitions to



look at the bigger picture to consider the potential benefits of a rationalisation, which could have offered more people to be available for the Association to provide a better service and then to play under one set of rules/regulations etc. Unfortunately this approach from T.V. to the various Tennis Associations in the East, did not receive a very positive response which was a very disappointing and to me a disillusioning outcome. This was to be a discussion topic for the betterment of the Sport in the Eastern Suburbs for the longer term survival of our Sport. Now we need to move on, but do need to find new volunteers for some ERT Committee's and sub-committee's which still have some vacancies. It is important that a copy of tonight's AGM 2013/2014 booklet is made available to your Club's Committee's and that the discussions and information from all ERT Meetings over the year, finds its way back every time to the individual Club's Committee's and their individual Club members, so they are all kept up to date on the activities of ERT. The TV initiative "Hot Shots" has not really got off the ground in the Eastern Suburbs, which is disappointing and to update the ERT member Clubs, TV expected a partnership with ERT, with some of the administration to be undertaken by ERT, but we simply don't have the personnel, although a few of us volunteered. This project is based on local government boundaries, which needs to be re-considered by all the Clubs interested in being involved in the "Hot Shots" program which is hoped to be the equivalent or better than the Aus-Kick program with AFL Junior Football. Obviously our ERT JDC programs are similar to this, which we would request to still be

supported by the Clubs and to consider an alternative time for any proposed timeframe for the " Hot Shots " if the program was to be considered by the Clubs within a local government zone. It is possible that a Convenor would need to be provided here, as ERT does not have the resources available to do everything.

As the delegates tonight should all be aware, Tennis Victoria has introduced a new TV Affiliation process for 2014/15 onwards where the majority, if not all ERT Clubs should have now paid their 2014/2015 Affiliation fees. This new Affiliation model, will have provided a financial saving to the majority of Clubs, but there are still some Clubs within ERT who are disadvantaged under the new model. These Clubs are now working with TV to establish ways to increase their revenue (and hopefully membership) to offset their increased TV Affiliation fees.

The Sport in general is still in need of an injection of new Volunteers/Participants/Ideas at all levels at both a Club/Association level and we know that some Clubs are struggling with filling some positions at their Club. We also know from previous discussions, that some local councils are still encouraging mergers/ amalgamations/rationalisation of some Tennis Clubs, within their local Council. There is still a need to address these concerns now with the local Councils and to ensure that the Councils do not reduce any role they play with the Club and in fact, the Councils should be taking more interest in the rejuvenation and upgrading of the facilities at all Tennis Clubs.

I can now report it is 20 years ago since Eastern Region Tennis Inc was created in 1994. The ERT Annual Report will show a profit, which is a very positive result for a non-profit organisation, which shows we are all doing something right. We made a huge profit of \$2.00 last year, so the Treasurer has again this year balanced the books brilliantly. The Treasurer will elaborate on these details in his report and although I have mentioned this in previous years, we must acknowledge and congratulate the valued contribution of our Treasurer - Mr. Robert Jamieson - thanks again for a magnificent contribution in your reporting and very comprehensive financial reports provided to the Executive over the last 12 months. Thanks Robert for a Glasgow Commonwealth Gold Medal performance.

We need to congratulate the contribution made by all the ERT Executive and all sub-committee's who have done a brilliant job and given their time and effort, and with some reduced personnel. We need to especially recognise the people involved with our ERT Junior Tournament, especially Mrs Fran Absolom, who has now done this job brilliantly for many many years. Her main assistant over the years has been Mrs Deb Innes, who is now living interstate, and whom we should also publicly acknowledge in this year's report, as they have both been brilliant contributors with their sub-committee people who have worked tirelessly for ERT over the years.

Here is a summary of our ERT Team Entries for each of the last 4 seasons, which are all self-explanatory. With a change in some of our Junior formats/teams in the last couple years, the number of Junior Teams is slightly misleading when we have a lot more 3 person teams as opposed to the traditional 4 person teams. We still have a gender imbalance with a lot less girls playing now, compared to recent years, which we cannot explain. We may propose to hold a forum with the Club President/Secretary in the short term to further discuss and evaluate this issue, so that we can better plan for the future.

Robert Jackson

*Robert Jackson*

PRESIDENT  
EASTERN REGION TENNIS INC.  
5th August 2014

ERT Team Entries Summary										
Winter Teams	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Senior	154	144	135	138	132	134	122	121	118	107
No. of Clubs	54	50	55	52	53	54	52	44	49	48
Junior	566	570	524	504	480	473	434	470	481	503
No. of Clubs	71	72	70	68	69	70	67	64	63	64
Summer Teams	2004-5	2005-6	2006-7	2007-8	2008-9	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Senior	282	245	238	225	203	207	190	191	179	172
No. of Clubs	66	60	60	59	59	58	57	58	58	54
Junior	590	619	598	559	527	518	518	501	511	556
No. of Clubs	69	71	74	71	69	65	71	68	68	65

ERT Summer Team Entry Summary by Format										
	2004-5	2005-6	2006-7	2007-8	2008-9	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
XR	8	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
XS	78	63	59	48	39	36	34	19	0	0
SD				28	29	39	40	45	39	48
MR	15	12	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
OS	117	109	117	102	102	93	88	96	109	105
OSD	64	55	55	41	33	39	28	31	31	19
<b>Senior</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>172</b>
Change	101%	87%	97%	93%	90%	102%	92%	101%	94%	96%
SAT OR									66	103
SAT XSD	153	155	130	145	133	124	121	79	59	37
SAT XD	16	16	7	16	8	8	4	0	0	
SAT BSD	165	187	187	172	168	168	168	176	154	150
SAT BD	39	23	29	24	21	24	18	11	25	
SAT GSD	69	66	81	64	75	75	77	77	65	67
SAT GD	8	16	14	9	8	8	6	0		
SAT U/9							4	9	0	
SAT JOD							3	6	8	41
SAT JOSD							9	16	24	37
SUN JOSD								6	0	
SUN OR									7	14
SUN XSD	23	26	22	25	11	7	14	0	0	
SUN BSD	76	87	84	69	68	62	61	85	65	61
SUN GSD	41	43	44	35	35	42	29	35	29	29
SUN U/9							4	1	9	17
<b>Junior</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>556</b>
Change	94%	105%	97%	92%	94%	98%	100%	97%	102%	109%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>728</b>
Change	96%	99%	97%	93%	93%	99%	98%	98%	100%	106%

## Competition Report

By Ray van Weert

**For the 2014 winter season, we have had an increase of 2 Open Rubbers sections on the 2013 winter season and an increase of 6 Open Rubbers sections on the 2012 winter season. We anticipate that the number of entries will continue to grow.**

**The only concern for the growth in Open Rubbers teams is that some clubs are running out of courts to cater for the increase in the number of teams.**

Our Junior Development Competition (JDC) appears to have plateaued at about 44 teams for the winter season.

This also applies to the other formats in the junior competition. There were 503 junior teams entered for the 2014 winter season compared to 481 teams entered for the 2013 winter season. This represents a growth of 4.5% in junior teams. The majority of the growth in teams is due to the increase in the number of teams playing the Open Rubbers format.

The number of teams playing in the senior competition is on the decline. For the 2013 winter season, there were 118 teams whereas for the 2014 winter season, there are 107 teams. This represents a decline in teams of 9%.

The main factor in the decline in teams is that some clubs have moved their teams to the Waverley competition so that they can play in a seniors mixed format.



We will continue to monitor the current formats to facilitate the changing requirements of our tennis teams, tennis clubs and tennis players.

The on-line system has been in use for a number of seasons now and the majority of clubs are enjoying the use of an easier and more effective entry process. Clubs can now enter teams after the round 13 matches have been completed. This allows clubs to have more accurate data when determining the composition of their teams and the grading of their teams. We have also introduced a one page fixture that clubs can print off as an easy reference guide at the start of the season and provide to their teams.

I would like to thank Cynthia McKenzie for her outstanding efforts as both the Junior and Senior Record Secretary in the past year. I would also like to thank George Kunti, Deb Driessen and Hugh Hayes as well as our Secretary, Judith Dungey for their contribution and hard work for the competition committee throughout the year.

*Ray van Weert*

*Competition Executive Officer*

# Tournament/Development Report

By Fran Absolom

**On behalf of the Tournament / Development Sub Committee I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 2013/2014.**

The Tournament/Development sub-committee continue to maintain their focus on team's events. These events all offer our players the opportunity to participate in high standard events, which focus on good sportsmanship, offer a high level of competition providing continuing development opportunities and the benefits of a team environment with a sense of pride in representing their association.

We entered teams in the four (4) Tennis Victoria run events which were played against representative teams from Regional and Metropolitan Tennis Associations. Events were as follows:

**Wayne Arthurs Cup** (10 and under) 4 players finishing 5th

**Frank Sedgman Cup** (11 and under) 4 players finishing 7th

**Alicia Molik Cup** (12 & under) 4 players finishing 7th

**Inter-Regional/Association**

**Challenge** (12, 14 and 16 and under) 10 players finishing 3rd

ERT teams also participated in (2) Association run team's events.

The 60th Mrs Pat Pearce Memorial Shield was hosted by North Suburban Junior Tennis Association. The reduced format run during the 3 day Easter holiday again proved to be a very successful event. The ERT team (16 players) received 4 weeks of training in preparation for this event. Thank you to Burnt Bridge Tennis Club for making



their facilities available for squad training and to their coach Daniel Kittelty. Despite all out efforts the competition proved too strong with ERT finishing 4th.

ERT had 3 individual award winners: Pat Semmens/Angelo Cianchi Award ( best overall player in opposite age group) –

Josh Griffin

Best player 15 & Under Girls –

Maddison Stark

Best Player 13 & Under Girls – Pearl Jansz

North Eastern Junior Tennis

Association will host this event in 2015.

ERT also participated in the Daphne Fancutt Shield run by Waverley Tennis in the days leading up to the Australian Open. 12 players represented ERT playing against 5 other associations. This saw another credible performance by our team who finished in 4th position.

The Tournament & Development committee again ran the 16th Annual Junior Tournament at NRTC and surrounding clubs. Despite a small fall in numbers participating it still proved to be a very successful event. We will apply to run this event again in 2015.

The 2013 Junior Pennant saw 20 teams representing ERT. This competition offers our talented juniors a



rubbers format team's event where they can represent their association in regular weekly competition. In 2013 ERT had 5 teams in finals, winning 3 pennants. Serena Wang was awarded

years. We have just rolled out our new uniform and this week saw many very proud and well-dressed ERT representatives play in the uniform for the first time.



Junior Pennant Player of the Year in 14 & under Girls age group. In 2014 we have 19 teams entered who now begin their campaign to develop their tennis and play for the elusive pennants. I would like to thank the following clubs who have made their courts available for use by ERT teams for this season – Guy Turner Reserve, Donvale, Wantirna, Doncaster, Gracedale Park & Upwey South and to thank the wonderful parents and team managers for their support throughout the year.

Detailed reports and photos of each of these events are posted on the ERT website and I encourage you all to have a look at them.

This year we say goodbye and thank you to Maureen Pratt our uniform supplier who has individually fitted and made our ERT uniforms for many

I would also like to thank my enthusiastic sub-committee for the enormous amount of time and effort put into continuing these programmes and managing the team events. Special thanks to Deb Innes who has left us following interstate transfer. She is sorely missed. We are in need of additional committee members to share the load in this most rewarding & enjoyable aspect of tennis.

I hope that we will continue our participation in all of these worthy events in 2014/15 but anticipate this will be difficult without extra personnel, commitment, & support for this committee to continue these programmes.

*Fran Absalom*  
*Executive Officer, Tournament/Development*

# Treasurer's Report

By Robert Jamieson

This financial year the association recorded a surplus of \$2765 compared with a surplus of \$2 last year. We budget to break-even or finish slightly on the right side so this is a good result.

Some items of note are:

1. **Income** were down by \$9365 with reductions in most income items but especially income from our annual junior tournament. It is pleasing to see both team entry fees go up and fine income go down!
2. The surplus on the **ERT Junior Tournament** was \$5649, down from \$11405 last year largely due to fewer entries and because we did not run a canteen this year.
3. We were not the hosts of the **Pat Pearce Carnival** this year so the income and most expenditure from last year was not incurred this year.
4. **Administration costs** were largely in line with the previous year.
5. We held the **President's Dinner** which was run at a net cost of \$3951.
6. **Interest Income** was down by \$821 noting that interest income was accrued in our accounts for the first time last year resulting in a higher figure for that year.
7. There was a saving on **computer software** of \$4101 compared with last year, plus a saving of \$1812 on **email/web expenses** as these were one-off costs last year.



We plan to offer the same honoraria in 2014-15 as was paid in 2013-14 save for a \$500 increase in computer honorarium to reimburse Neville Mears for his on-going assistance with the new on-line entry system.

ERT has very adequate financial reserves and in the coming year we are budgeting for a small surplus.

My thanks to Kevin Solomon, our auditor who gives up his time on a voluntary basis to assist ERT despite not being a tennis player himself!

*Robert Jamieson*

*Treasurer*





## Eastern Region Tennis Association Inc.

# COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The Committee members present the following report on the association for the financial year ended 30 June 2014.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The name of the committee members in office at any time during or since the end of the financial year; unless otherwise stated,

Committee Member	Meetings eligible to attend	Meetings attended
Robert Jackson	6	5
George Kunti	6	6
Kevin Higgins	6	6
Judith Dungey	6	6
Robert Jamieson	6	5
Fran Absolom	6	4
Ray van Weert	6	4
Charlie Roberts	6	2
Chris Fallon	6	3

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were:

- \* to provide tennis competitions and tournaments for members of the association;
- \* to provide tennis training for juniors: and
- \* to organise junior teams to represent the association.

### SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

### OPERATING RESULT

The surplus from ordinary activities amounted to \$2765.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.

**Robert Jackson (President)**

14 August 2014

Melbourne

**Robert Jamieson (Treasurer)**

14 August 2014

Melbourne



**Eastern Region Tennis Association Inc.**

## **COMMITTEE'S DECLARATION for the year ended 30 June 2014**

We, Robert Jackson and Robert Jamieson, being members of the Committee of Eastern Region Tennis Inc., certify that -

- a) the accompanying financial statements and notes comply with accounting standards to the extent described in Note 1 to the financial statements and give a true and fair view of the financial position of Eastern Region Tennis Inc. during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2014.
- b) at the date of this declaration there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

**Robert Jackson (President)**  
14 August 2014  
Melbourne

**Robert Jamieson (Treasurer)**  
14 August 2014  
Melbourne

# **Independent Auditor's Report**

to the Members of Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

I have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Eastern Region Tennis Inc, which comprises the the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2014, the income and expenditure statement, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the statement by the Committee.

## **Responsibility of the Committee for the financial report**

The Committee of the Eastern Region Tennis Inc. is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report. This responsibility includes such internal control as the Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report to be free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## **Auditor's responsibility**

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. I conducted the audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

## **Independence**

In conducting our audit we complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

## **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

Due to the cash nature of certain funds received and expended by the Association it is not practicable for me to verify that all sums which may have been received or expended have been properly accounted for. Accordingly, as the evidence available to me regarding funds received and expended in cash was limited, my audit procedures with respect to funds received and expended in cash had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the

financial records. I am therefore unable to express an opinion whether funds received and expended in cash by the Association are complete.

### **Qualified Opinion**

In my opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Eastern Region Tennis Inc. as at 30 June 2014 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of preparation described in the Notes to the financial report.

### **Basis of accounting**

Without modifying my opinion, I wish to highlight that the financial report are Special Purpose Financial Statements that have been prepared on an accruals basis, are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Committee's financial reporting responsibilities. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.



**Kevin Solomon**  
Honorary Auditor  
Melbourne, VIC  
1 September 2014



# Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

ABN 95 114 479 484

## Statement of Financial Position

as at 30th June 2014

2013		2014	Notes
	<b>Accumulation Account</b>		
\$112,835	Brought Forward	\$112,837	
\$2	Plus Surplus (Deficit) for the Year	\$2,765	
<b>\$112,837</b>		<b>\$115,602</b>	
	REPRESENTED BY:		
	<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
\$2,788	Office Equipment	\$1,743	2, 3, 4
	<b>Net Current Assets</b>		
\$13,394	Westpac Bank Accounts	\$15,548	
\$99,015	Westpac Term Deposit	\$101,505	
\$910	Clothing Stocks	\$162	5
\$2,360	Accrued Income	\$1,546	
\$945	Stock of Balls	\$210	5
\$882	Deposits Paid	\$882	
\$1,095	Sundry Debtors	\$1,775	
\$208	Trophy Stocks	\$605	5
<b>\$118,809</b>		<b>\$122,233</b>	
	<i>less</i>		
	<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
\$1,636	Accrued Expenses	\$3,910	
\$2,176	GST Payable	\$810	
\$3,556	Prepaid Junior Pennant Fees	\$2,769	
\$1,392	Sundry Creditors	\$885	
<b>\$8,760</b>		<b>\$8,374</b>	
<b>\$112,837</b>		<b>\$115,602</b>	

## Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

### Income and Expenditure Statement

For the 12 months ended 30th June 2014

	2013-14	2012-13	Change	Notes
<b>INCOME</b>				7
Team Entry Fees	\$46,418	\$44,960	\$1,458	
Fines	\$4,991	\$5,530	-\$539	
Sale Balls	\$5	\$715	-\$710	
Sale Trophies	\$48	\$50	-\$2	
Sale Clothes	\$3,440	\$2,295	\$1,145	
Sale Canteen	\$0	\$3,625	-\$3,625	
Tournament Entry Fees	\$16,722	\$21,290	-\$4,568	
Sponsorship/Advertising	\$659	\$1,386	-\$727	
Affiliation Fees	\$1,327	\$1,355	-\$27	
Interest Income	\$3,810	\$4,630	-\$821	
Miscellaneous Income	\$10	\$983	-\$973	
President's Dinner Income	\$900	\$877	\$23	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$78,331</b>	<b>\$87,696</b>	<b>-\$9,365</b>	
<b>COST OF GOODS SOLD</b>				
Cost of Trophies	\$50	\$25	\$25	
Cost of Clothes	\$3,807	\$2,437	\$1,369	
Cost of Canteen	\$7	\$2,131	-\$2,124	
<b>TOTAL CGS</b>	<b>\$3,864</b>	<b>\$4,594</b>	<b>-\$730</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				7
Pennants and Trophies	\$12,233	\$15,255	-\$3,022	
Entry Fees/Affiliation/Sanction Fees	\$3,632	\$3,782	-\$150	
Honoraria	\$18,570	\$18,160	\$410	6
Coaching & Officials Fees	\$6,115	\$5,994	\$121	
Entertainment & Presentations	\$6,984	\$5,645	\$1,339	
Administration Expenses	\$8,340	\$13,577	-\$5,237	
Court Hire	\$2,271	\$3,503	-\$1,232	
Ball Purchases	\$2,213	\$2,839	-\$626	
Hall Hire	\$663	\$867	-\$205	
Printing & Postage	\$8,444	\$9,406	-\$962	
Junior Challenge Events	\$1,193	\$2,401	-\$1,208	
Depreciation	\$1,045	\$1,673	-\$628	3
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$71,702</b>	<b>\$83,100</b>	<b>-\$11,398</b>	
<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>	<b>\$2,765</b>	<b>\$2</b>	<b>\$2,763</b>	



## Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

ABN 95 114 479 484

### Cash Flow Statement

For the 12 months ended 30th June 2014

	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2012-13</u>
<b>Cashflows from operating activities</b>		
Receipts and sales from members	\$74,655	\$83,181
Payments to suppliers	(\$73,821)	(\$83,054)
<b>Net cash inflows from operating activities</b>	<u><b>\$834</b></u>	<u><b>\$127</b></u>
<b>Cashflows from investing activities</b>		
Investment interest received	\$3,810	\$4,245
<b>Net cash inflows from investing activities</b>	<u><b>\$3,810</b></u>	<u><b>\$4,245</b></u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents held	\$4,644	\$4,372
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year</b>	\$112,409	\$108,037
	<u><b>\$117,053</b></u>	<u><b>\$112,409</b></u>



## Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

ABN 95 114 479 484

### Statement of changes in members' funds

For the year ended 30th June 2014

	<u>Accumulated Surplus</u>
<b>Balance at 1 July 2012</b>	\$112,835
Net surplus for the year	<u>\$2</u>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2013</b>	<u><b>\$112,837</b></u>
Net surplus for the year	<u>\$2,765</u>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2014</b>	<u><b>\$115,602</b></u>



## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014**

**1 Significant Accounting Policies**

These financial statements are Special Purpose Financial Reports (SPFR's) prepared for use by the members of the Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

For the purposes of these statements, the association is not a reporting entity.

This special purpose financial report, unless otherwise stated, has been prepared in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views.

The statements are also prepared on an accruals basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current values of non-current assets.

**2 Equipment**

Equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

**3 Depreciation of Equipment**

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost over the useful life to its estimated residual value. The estimated useful life of the equipment is approximately three years.

**4 Purchase/Sale of Equipment**

The Association did not purchase any equipment during the year.

**5 Valuation of Inventory**

Stock of Balls, Trophies and Clothing at 30.6.14 has been valued at historical cost.

**6 Honoraria**

	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>Change</b>
Competition Committee Honorarium	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Computer Development Honorarium	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
President Honorarium	\$500	\$500	\$0
Publications Honorarium	\$500	\$500	\$0
Secretary Honorarium	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
Tournament Committee Honorarium	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Treasurer Honorarium	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
Other Executive Honorarium	\$200	\$0	\$200
Record Secretaries (\$30 per section)	\$5,370	\$5,160	\$210
	<u>\$18,570</u>	<u>\$18,160</u>	<u>\$410</u>





# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014**

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### **Detailed Income and Expenditure by Activity**

	2013-14	2012-13	Difference
<b>Team Competitions</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
Fines	\$4,516	\$4,800	(\$284)
Team Entry Fees	\$42,764	\$41,927	\$837
Trophy Sales	\$48	\$50	(\$2)
Total Income	\$47,328	\$46,777	\$551
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Fixture Books	\$6,962	\$6,950	\$12
Pennant & Trophies	\$12,233	\$14,809	(\$2,576)
Entry/Penalty Form	\$513	\$825	(\$312)
Record Sec. Honorarium	\$5,370	\$5,160	\$210
Hot Shots Entry Fee	\$0	\$608	(\$608)
Total Expenses	\$25,078	\$28,352	(\$3,274)
<b>Victorian Junior Competition</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
Team Fees	\$3,655	\$3,033	\$622
Ball Sales	\$0	\$327	(\$327)
Total Income	\$3,655	\$3,360	\$295
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Ball Purchases	\$1,057	\$789	\$268
Court Hire	\$0	\$17	(\$17)
Entry Fees Paid	\$1,377	\$1,636	(\$259)
Sundry Expenses	\$76	\$0	\$76
Total Expenses	\$2,510	\$2,442	\$68
<b>ERT Junior Tournament</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
Ball Sales	\$5	\$388	(\$383)
Canteen Sales	\$0	\$1,208	(\$1,208)
Entry Fees	\$16,722	\$19,790	(\$3,068)
Sponsorship/Advertising	\$0	\$432	(\$432)
Total Income	\$16,727	\$21,818	(\$5,091)
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Ball Purchases	\$1,156	\$1,525	(\$369)
Canteen Purchases	\$7	\$768	(\$761)
Court Hire	\$2,271	\$2,940	(\$669)
Postage	\$0	\$0	\$0
Printing	\$0	\$230	(\$230)
Sundry Expenses	\$493	\$135	\$358
Tournament Officials' Fees	\$5,715	\$5,042	\$673
Player Sanction Fee	\$1,436	\$1,773	(\$337)
Total Expenses	\$11,078	\$12,413	(\$1,335)
<b>ERT Junior Challenges</b>			
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Sedgman Cup	\$127	\$127	\$0
Bendigo Challenge	\$602	\$1,211	(\$609)
Daphne Fancutt Shield	\$209	\$200	\$9
Alicia Molik Cup	\$127	\$127	\$0
Wayne Arthurs Cup	\$127	\$127	\$0
Total Expenses	\$1,192	\$1,792	(\$600)



## Eastern Region Tennis Inc.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

### Easter Carnival

#### Income

Canteen Sales	\$0	\$2,416	(\$2,416)
Entry Fees	\$0	\$1,500	(\$1,500)
Photo Sales	\$0	\$964	(\$964)
Total Income	\$0	\$4,880	(\$4,880)

#### Expenditure

Coaching Fees Paid	\$400	\$577	(\$177)
Ball purchases	\$0	\$525	(\$525)
Court Hire	\$0	\$545	(\$545)
Canteen purchases	\$0	\$1,364	(\$1,364)
Printing & Stationery	\$0	\$402	(\$402)
Sundry Expenses	\$0	\$113	(\$113)
Tournament Officials Fees	\$0	\$375	(\$375)
Trophies	\$0	\$446	(\$446)
Photos	\$0	\$848	(\$848)
Entry Fee	\$500	\$0	\$500
Total Expenses	\$900	\$5,195	(\$4,295)

### ADMINISTRATION

#### Income

Affiliation fees	\$1,327	\$1,354	(\$27)
Fine - Delegate non-attendance	\$475	\$730	(\$255)
Fixture Book Advertising	\$659	\$955	(\$296)
Interest Income	\$3,810	\$4,630	(\$820)
Miscellaneous Income	\$10	\$19	(\$9)
President's Dinner	\$900	\$877	\$23
Total Income	\$7,181	\$8,565	(\$1,384)

#### Expenditure

Bank Fees	\$21	\$51	(\$30)
AGM/Committee Functions	\$2,050	\$2,158	(\$108)
Corporate Affairs Fees	\$127	\$44	\$83
Depreciation	\$1,045	\$1,673	(\$628)
Affiliation Fees	\$318	\$373	(\$55)
Hall Hire	\$663	\$868	(\$205)
AGM Booklet/Sundry Printing	\$206	\$634	(\$428)
Storage	\$764	\$645	\$119
Office Equip Supplies & Maint.	\$446	\$319	\$127
Computer Software	\$0	\$4,101	(\$4,101)
Email/web Expenses	\$1,040	\$2,852	(\$1,812)
Stationery	\$1,279	\$827	\$452
Postage	\$378	\$365	\$13
Phone & Fax	\$4,095	\$3,643	\$452
President's Dinner	\$4,851	\$3,487	\$1,364
Total Expenses	\$17,282	\$22,040	(\$4,758)



**EASTERN REGION TENNIS Inc.**

# **the 2014 President's Dinner**



John Fitzgerald at 2012 Dinner



**Friday 17th October 2014**

**7pm for 7.30pm at Chirnside Park Country Club**

**68 Kingswood Drive  
Chirnside Park**



**GUEST SPEAKER**

**BRIAN TOBIN**

**President International Tennis Federation 1991-99**

**President Tennis Australia 1977-89**

**Will talk on**

**"recollections of tennis over the past 40 years"**