

The National Capital Tennis Association
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2015

November 25th, 2015
Britannia Yacht Club

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:45pm with Phil Johnson, NCTA President of NCTA, presiding.

AGENDA:

The following was the Agenda adopted for the NCTA AGM 2015:

1. Roll call
2. Approval of minutes of last AGM
3. President's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. OTA update
6. Partnership with the City
7. Election of Officers
8. Any other business
 - Defibrillators at City clubs

ROLL CALL

Bruce Ramsay, Secretary, undertook a Roll Call. The following NCTA and OTA voting Clubs were in attendance, and thus a quorum was declared:

- The Glens
- Glen Cairn
- General Burns
- Barrhaven
- Britannia YC
- Craig Henry
- Elmridge
- Orleans
- St. James
- TCWO
- Manotick
- Carleton
- Kunstadt Sports

In addition, other members of these clubs and organizations, as well as members from non-affiliated clubs, attended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST AGM

The minutes for the AGM 2014 had been previously distributed by email. Bruce Ramsay briefly summarized the minutes, and stated that there were no outstanding action items. Claude LeBlanc (Barrhaven) tabled a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Wendy Faas (BYC). Minutes were approved.

*****PLEASE NOTE*****... detailed information on all reports submitted are included in the PowerPoint slides sent with these minutes. Only summary information, questions and clarifications are included below.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Phil Johnson's report highlighted progress with regard to moving way from a 2-tier membership model (NCTA/OTA) to a single OTA membership model. He also stated that we need to work on bringing non-affiliated clubs into the fold. He highlighted the increased participation in playing programs, particularly for juniors, the new coordination initiative with the City, and the upcoming senior nationals to be held in Ottawa (TCWO, Rideau, and OTLBC) in August, 2016.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marinus Wins, NCTA Treasurer, reported that NCTA foresees a projected surplus of \$800 for 2015. The 2016 budget calls for revenues of \$15,950 and expenses of \$15,600...for a projected surplus of \$300.

OTA REPORT

John Wins-Purdy presented an update on the Capital Kids program. Participation was up the 1478 kids in 4 sessions and 7 different locations. He also presented results of a parents' survey, and plans for 2016. He reminded the members that the Trillium funding ended in 2016, and that we should look towards sustainability for this program for 2017b and beyond.

Claude LeBlanc of Barrhaven noted that very few of the Capital Kids discount coupons were presented at the clubs, and that it was hard to see any club membership increase as a result of this program. The feeling was, however, that the linkage may not be direct. Little Aces likely feeds into junior program and camp and, from there, club membership may start to increase after a few years. There was general consensus that we should for funding to continue this program, either from sponsorship or charging nominal fees.

John then presented results from the Little Aces in Schools program, through which 4600 kids from 41 schools have been exposed to the game of tennis. He went on to discuss high school and elementary tennis competitions, the OTA junior tennis tournament structure...including the Rogers rookie tour, and the Future Stars U10 tour. He presented statistics on the City of Ottawa tennis programs, including instructional programs and summer camps. His contract role with

City Parks and Rec covers two main areas...program development, and the new tennis club sponsorship program. Those interested in pursuing this program should contact John.

Fei offered assistance to all OTA/NCTA in website design and development, and in creation of club flyers and graphic design. This is part of the benefits package available to all OTA/NCTA club members.

There was a concluding discussion on the benefits of OTA membership, and of the overall OTA investment in the region, which totals over \$111K...funds which would not be available to the local tennis community without OTA membership.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The slate of candidates submitted for election was presented.

Claude Leblanc (Barrhaven) proposed a motion to elect the slate of nominees. Seconded by Michael Paduch (Challengers). The final slate was elected unanimously.

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The following were unanimously elected to an additional 2-year term:

- President – Phil Johnson
- Vice President – Brian Briggs
- Secretary – Bruce Ramsey
- Treasurer – Marinus Wins
- City Representative – Ward Cosman
- Business Representative – Ron Kunstadt
- Club Representatives:
 - Paula Jokiel (Manotick)
 - Beth Everson (OTLBC)
 - Gary Eikenberry (Elmridge)

OTHER BUSINESS

Claude LeBlanc had a question about the defibrillators promised by the city last year for all community clubs. Ward Cosman was not in attendance, but Phil indicated that there were some issues with training requirements. ACTION: That being said, Phil will follow up with the City on this action item.

ADJOURNMENT

Phil Johnson thanked all for attending and adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00pm.