

Minutes of DTTA Committee held 6 pm 21 December 2018 at Clubrooms

Apologies: Gavin Gerschwitz

Attended: Gavin Bedford, Robert D'Arcy, Robert Ho, TY Lee, Michael Yaxley, Chris

Depasquale

Also present was Graham Symons (TTNT) at the invitation of the committee.

In the absence of Gavin Gerschwitz the minutes were taken by Chris Depasquale. Meeting closed at 6:38 pm.

Item 1 – Sonny Cartwright

GS informed the committee that Sonny had agreed to meet him an hour before the committee meeting and had failed to do so. GS also reported that Sonny had committed to making regular repayments of \$20 off his debt to TTNT but the payment due 21/12/18 had NOT been made.

The committee considered whether Sonny's membership should be suspended. It was agreed that the point was moot as his membership expires on 31/12/18 and we are shut down until then.

It was resolved that Sonny Cartwright would not represent the NT at table tennis again or participate in TTNT events like the NT Open while his debt to TTNT remains outstanding. GS will consider informing any other jurisdiction Sonny moves to (e.g. Victoria – such a move has been rumoured). It was also resolved that DTTA will accept membership of Sonny in 2019 upon payment of the registration fee and completion of the relevant paperwork.

Item 2 – Cheques approved

The committee approved payments to Elfrida Kalich (\$575) and Mitch Bedford (\$640) for junior program coaching, and \$80 to TY Lee for coaching/supervision at the Team Health table tennis day.

Item 3 – Sponsorship in 2019

Upon question from TY Lee it was clarified that the VIP function referred to in the draft protocol gave Deckchair cinema only as an example but that other possibilities exist (a dinner at Karawa restaurant was discussed as another possibility). Sponsors are to receive a certificate of appreciation at the VIP function. The sponsorship protocol was formally endorsed. Follow-up actions: Chris Depasquale to respond to inquiry from Darrell Elivera; TY to follow up PGC and Cazalys for 2019.

Item 4 – Display in the Smith St Mall Hub in early 2019

This was largely for information only. Committee endorsed having brochures and information at the site. Documents about membership and match fees, grade match competition and pre-season competition already exist (recently circulated to the membership) – these would need to be printed and available. Additional documents about the 2019 junior program would need to be prepared and printed, as well as the Seniors session on Thursday mornings.

Item 4 a – Defence Expo

GS gave information of the annual Defence Expo to be held at the Darwin Convention Centre on the Waterfront on Saturday 9 February. TTNT has booked a spot (as they have done the

last couple of years). DTTA will need to have the brochures referred to in the previous paragraph available by then, including a new one for juniors.

Item 4 b – Junior Program in 2019

It was observed that this will be scheduled to start on 4 February 2019, which had been the intended next DTTA meeting. Elfrida has said that she will be travelling much of 2019 meaning we will need others to manage the junior training program in 2019. Names discussed were TY Lee, Anhtai Lee, Oscar van Cuylenberg and Jonathan Tong. Format discussed included breaking it into separate sessions for Under 13 and 13+ aged groups, with a mix of coaching and competition for the under 13 group.

The junior program is the joint responsibility of TTNT and DTTA, as TTNT gets grant funds for the program which flow through to DTTA coaches involved in the delivery of it.

It was resolved that Graham Symons and Chris Depasquale will meet in January and put together a proposed program for 2019 for endorsement by DTTA in time for a 4 February commencement.

Next Meeting – Monday 28 January at 7:30 pm.