

Council 30.12.07.	The Secretary submitted a balance sheet in connection with the Complimentary dinner tendered to him.
Dinner	The E. Brooker at Potts' Hotel, showing a deficiency of £6-1-6. The balance sheet was adopted, and regret was expressed that the general body of tennis players & members of the Council had not given the dinner better support.
Income from	The Secretary reported that he had received from the Lands Department a copy of the suggested conditions under which the Warehousemen's Cricket Ground should be divided & utilized during the next ten years. (Report appended.)

The following are the suggested conditions under which the old "WAREHOUSEMEN'S CRICKET GROUND" should be divided and utilised during the next 10 years.

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1. Cut off a strip 150 feet deep along Northern end - give the Lawn Tennis Association full control of this ground at a charge of £50 per annum.
 2. Melbourne Cricket Club to be given the use of the remainder subject to the annual charge of £150.
 3. The M.C.C. and L.T.A. to spend £1000 and £150 respectively on the re-arrangement of the ground and the re-erection of the pavilion (£150 provided by L.T.A. to go towards the building, a new wing to be added thereto for dressing rooms for Lawn

4. L.T.A. to spend a further sum of £1000 on the laying out of the tennis ground, stands &c. subject to approval of Committee of Management.
 5. The works indicated in 3. and 4. to be completed within 12 months.
 6. Present pavilion and quarters to be removed within two months.
 7. Arrangements to be made by which the ground will be available as in the past to outsiders on week days at moderate charge.
 8. Rates and Insurance charges to be paid by Clubs. Insurance to be in name of Committee of Management.
 9. Tenancy to be for 10 years. All improvements to be the absolute property of the State.
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10. During the special tennis matches the Lawn Tennis Association to have the use of oval for the necessary period of preparation of additional greens, and also to control admission and take all revenue during matches. M.C.C. members to have no right of admission on these occasions.
 11. Committee of Management to undertake the up-keep of the pavilion and external fencing - Improvement of reserve by planting.
 12. All expenses in connection with playing grounds and use of buildings to be borne by the Clubs.

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On the morning of the 2nd of December the
Communication was received.

At a meeting of the Secretary submitted a draft of new Constitution
which had been compiled by him & adopted
by the Sub-Committee appointed, & stated that
a copy had been sent to each Club Secretary for
perusal & that a meeting of Club Secretaries had
also been held to discuss them informally.
The clauses were taken serially & various
suggested amendments & alterations embodied
in same.

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Council
20.12.07
Rescission
of old Consti-
tution & Rules

Mr Heath moved. Mr Thomas seconded that
the present Constitution & Rules of the L.T.A.C. be
& are hereby rescinded.
This motion was carried unanimously (12 voting)
OLD RULES RESCINDED.

Adoption of
new Constitu-
& Rules

On the motion of Mr Heath 2nd by Mr Barwood, the
new Constitution & Rules as previously decided
upon, were ^(unanimously) adopted as the Constitution & Rules
of the Lawn Tennis Association of Victoria.
(Copy appended). (12 voting).
NEW RULES ADOPTED

Motion of Thanks
to Mr H. D.

On the motion of Mr Heath 2nd by Mr Thomas ^{by acclamation}
special vote of thanks was passed to Mr Koch
for his work in compiling the new constitution
& it was decided to record same on the minutes of
the proceedings.

Circular re
members

INVITE
MEMBERS

The sub-committee previously appointed as ass^{ns} from
was authorized to draft & issue a circular letter
to Lawn Tennis players & supporters asking them to
join the Assoc as members early next year so as
to enable an immediate commencement to be
made with the work of forming the Courts etc.

Motion of Thanks
to Chairman

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the
Chairman.

(See next & succeeding pages for Copy of
Constitution & Rules as adopted at meeting)