

Dear Burnside Park Tennis Club Members,

I have prepared the information below in support of the proposed 2018/19 TCRI Affiliation Fees Motion that I hope you will consider and vote in favour of at our AGM on the 21st of July 2018.

2018/19 TCRI Affiliation Fees Motion

It is moved by the Burnside Park Tennis Club Inc;

“That affiliation fees be set at the following rates for the year from 01 July 2018 to 30 June 2019;

For Band One, from 0 to 25 Members inclusive, no fee, and thereafter, for each subsequent complete band of 25 members, an additional fee of \$612.50.

Also, that these figures are inclusive of GST and any TNZ affiliation fees payable.”

Background:

As Club Members you are likely aware that at the September 2017 Management Committee Meeting an almost identical motion moved by me was considered as an amendment and was unanimously approved by the BPTC Management Committee as recorded in the 21 September 2017 Management Committee minutes. At this meeting it was also agreed that BPTC would vote against the TCRI motion for a 6 Band Affiliation Fee Model.

The Vote Band Model was put to the 2017 TCRI AGM as an amendment but was rejected by the TCRI Chairman who stated that it should have been put as a motion and that the amendment “was too dissimilar in substance” to provide a valid amendment to the TCRI 6 Band Affiliation Fee Model. Hopefully this year we will succeed in putting forward our proposed 2018/19 TCRI Affiliation Fee Motion so that the TCRI members can consider and vote on it at the 2018 TCRI AGM.

Explanation:

I believe [Tony Simons' email dated 24 September 2017 \(attached\)](#), which was circulated to all TCRI Members provides an excellent overview of the advantages of the Vote Band Model and why it is far more fair and equitable than the current TCRI 6 Band Model.

Under the 6 Band Model Ellesmere pays less in affiliation fees than the TNZ affiliation fees required to be paid on their behalf by TCRI. I refer you to the communication received last year from Ellesmere, who despite being by far the biggest winner under the 6 Band Model, agreed that it was unfair and as such they would not support it. <http://lovetennis.co.nz/email-2017-09-26/>

I strongly believe the motion should be put to the TCRI AGM to give all Member Clubs and Sub-Associations the opportunity to consider and vote for an alternative model if they so wish. I, like many others believe the Vote Band Model is vastly superior to the current TCRI 6 Band Model, certainly the more bands and the smaller the size of each band the fairer the affiliation fee model will become.

If the Burnside Park Tennis Club shares my objective to benefit and grow Tennis in Canterbury then I would be very grateful if the Club would support and put forward the Vote Band Model as a motion to the 2018 TCRI AGM so that members can consider and vote on it.

Kind regards,

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