

Correction, Minutes of Meeting 72-5, July 11, 1972

Item "5" should read as follows:

- "5. It was agreed to institute a new National Men's 45 and over tournament and to retain the Seniors' (50) tournament as well as the Veterans' (60). Dick Farr will review the schedule and determine where to include the new National Men's 45 tournament in the forthcoming draft schedule."



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MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 11, 1972

Executive Committee meeting 72-5 was held at 6:00 p.m. at Bob Brown's house, Scarsdale, New York. The following were in attendance:

Peter A. Thistle
Alan W. Peters
Richard C. Farr
Mrs. Charles C. Stanton
Paul C. Molloy
G. Estabrook Kindred
Robert A. Brown

The following subjects were discussed:

1. National Men's Doubles - Cleveland 1973. After discussion of some recent actions taken by the Cleveland committee and review of copies of recent correspondence, it was agreed that Peter Thistle should clarify the guidelines within which the committee should operate in running the Tournament. Bearing in mind that this is a National Championship, not a Cleveland tournament, decisions to be made and actions taken can broadly be divided into two categories -- first, those of a broad, national nature which should be decided by the APTA; second, those of a local, administrative nature which can be handled by the Cleveland committee. As it appears some steps in the former category have been, or are about to be, handled by the local committee, guidance appears appropriate. Specific examples of items on which the manner of handling should be clarified are:

Sponsors - The Executive Committee has no objection to "sponsors", with recognition in the program, as a means of helping finance the tournament. Categories of sponsors depending on amount contributed is a good idea. But the committee should exercise caution not to create a special category for, say, one builder if recognition will accrue to him to the possible competitive disadvantage of others. In other words, the categories should be known to all so that everyone is given an equal opportunity, in order to avoid any risk of criticism of the APTA for favoritism of any sort.

Television - Whether or not the Nationals are televised



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should be taken up with, and will be a decision of, the APTA (National Tournament Director in consultation with Executive Committee).

Letterhead - APTA letterhead should be used in all correspondence with outsiders about the tournament. The Cleveland committee can be recognized, say, down the right side of the page. If this is desired, a draft or proforma of the suggested letterhead should be submitted to Pete Thistle.

Philip Morris - Any special form of participation other than as a "sponsor", as above, should be cleared with APTA.

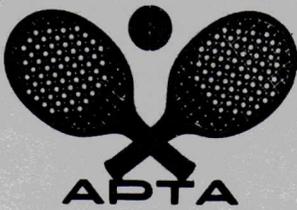
Prizes - Will be purchased by National Tournament Director. An acceptable alternative would be for Cleveland Committee to purchase, after types and costs are approved by National Tournament Director. No commercial markings.

Profit or Loss - The APTA endeavors to operate national tournaments on a non-profit basis and this should be the basic guideline in Cleveland. Recognizing that the budget will be significantly greater at Cleveland than at Fox Meadow and the difficulty of predicting costs and revenues in this new situation, agreement should be reached now as to the disposition of any excess or deficiency in revenues versus costs. A tournament budget should be submitted, as is the usual practice, at the earliest reasonable date but in any event no later than January 1973.

Incorporation - No.

Entry Form - Should be handled by National Tournament Director in usual manner through the APTA printer. Details, including entry fee, should be furnished to him by Cleveland Committee.

2. Tournament Committee organization and operation was discussed. Considering the increasing size and scope of this task, Dick Farr indicated that he would outline his views and suggestions in draft form for the Committee's consideration. Development of guidelines for running tournaments, which could be given to tournament chairmen, was also suggested.
3. The 1972-73 Tournament Schedule was discussed. Dates were assigned to all tournaments on which Peggy Stanton or Dick Farr had received correspondence. Others were spotted in as considered reasonable and based on past history. The draft schedule will be finalized by Dick Farr and sent to Brook Kindred for inclusion in the forthcoming Newsletter.
4. Rankings, as developed by the Ranking Committee, were discussed. Some comments were offered which the Ranking Committee



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will consider and the rankings will then be finalized and published in the Newsletter.

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5. It was agreed to reduce the National Senior Men's entry age to 45 but to retain a Seniors' 50 tournament as well as the Veterans (60). Dick Farr will review the tournament schedule and determine where to include the new Senior's 45 tournament in the forthcoming draft schedule.
6. It was agreed that we should accept Feron's offer to include a membership stuffer in his September catalog which will feature platform tennis. We must develop the form and print 20,000 copies by next month. We will also agree to mail his catalog to our mailing list.
7. The Etiquette booklet, which has been published, was distributed. A copy will be mailed to all members along with the next mailing of the Newsletter, and mention of this new publication will be made in the Newsletter.

X Revised &
Superseded
(attached)

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Brown

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