

WEYBRIDGE LAWN TENNIS CLUB AGM 2018

Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019 held on Sunday 17th May at 12.30 PM in the Clubhouse.

Those Present:

Committee: Patrick Gibbon (Chairman), Alison Wade (Secretary), John Barlow (Treasurer), Richard Kottler (Membership Secretary), Mike McNulty, Alan Gallant, Andy Pepper

Members: Brian Chubb (Team Secretary), Adrian Joly (Club Coach), Nigel Swain, Geoff Mullens, Barry Sayers, Hana Pavlicova

Apologies: Cath and Greg Wallace, Pamela Scott, Janice Blanchard, Geoff Nokes, James Bellshaw, Stephen and Judy Parish

ITEM	REMARKS/DISCUSSION
1. Call to order, welcome and Apologies	Meeting started at 12.30 pm, Apologies read out and noted.
2. Minutes of the Previous meeting	Agreed and signed by the Chairman
3. Matters arising	<p>3.1. Tennis balls – Proposal to return to Wimbledon Slazenger balls from the Wilson US Open balls Action: To continue using the US Wilson balls for the time being, to be revisited at year-end. Response: It was agreed that due to the significant saving from purchasing the Wilson US Open balls which are subsidised by Surrey Tennis, compared to the Slazenger balls, we would continue with the Wilson balls.</p> <p>3.2. Proposal to introduce ‘sudden death’ on second deuce alongside 6-5 game rule during summer mix-ins. Action: To be reviewed by the Committee Response: To continue with standard ‘normal’ rules</p> <p>3.3. Car park being used by non-members Action: To be reviewed by the Committee. Response: A notice has been prepared and copies available in the Club House for posting on cars parked in the car park but not belonging to club members. The notice warns that they are parking in a ‘Members Only Private Car Park’ and request that non-members refrain from parking their vehicles. With the use of this notice, should offenders continue to park, the Club is in a position to take it further if need be.</p>
AGENDA	
4. Chairman’s report - PG	The Chairman gave his annual report covering the year’s activities. A particular highlight is the refurbishment of courts 1 and 2 to a new artificial clay surface combined with improved drainage. The courts will be formally opened by the Mayor of Elmbridge combined with an Open Day on Saturday 6 th April. <i>(Report available)</i>
5. Treasurer’s report - JB	Copies were distributed to those present. The Treasurer highlighted the significant expenditure due to the refurbishment of courts 1 and 2 involving the raising of the base to improve drainage and laying of two new artificial clay courts. There was a deficit on expenditure for the year, but with the aid of loans from members, we have a bank balance of £34,167 as at 1 st Feb to manage our ongoing costs. An increase to subscriptions for the new season is recommended to help plan for future expenditures in line with the Club’s 15 year financial plan, see item 9. In answer to a question from Nigel Swain, The Treasurer clarified that the ‘Barriers’ identified in the accounts refer to new screens for erection on the court fencing. <i>(Report available)</i>

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6. Team Secretary's report BC	Brian Chubb gave his report detailing the progress of the various teams throughout the season. There has been quite some success for all teams for Winter 2017/18 and Summer 2018, with most Men's and Mixed teams remaining in existing divisions and Ladies Teams being promoted. Brian gave special thanks to Aliso Wade for the continuing success of the ladies and organising Wednesday evening team practices. Brian reminded that all the team results are available on the club website for those interested, in addition to the associated league website arrangements. <i>(Report available)</i>																																				
7. Coach's report. AJ	Adrian Joly gave his report with his varied programmes for adult beginners and intermediates, team drills and juniors, plus holiday tennis camps. He has been pleased to secure the services of an LTA level 4 Coach, Richard Burns, on a part time basis offering further additional experienced coaching. He also highlighted his school links as part of the club's outreach programme to a local infants' school which is a good source of junior members and again ran the Quorn sponsored family cup competition held on the Club Open Day as part of the Great British Tennis Weekend activities supporting a lively family atmosphere. <i>(Report available)</i>																																				
8. Approval of accounts - PG	Accounts have been approved by Stephen Parish.																																				
9. Subscriptions for 2019/20 RK	Richard Kottler reported that the subs for the year 2019/20 have been increased as follows: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr style="background-color: #4F81BD; color: white;"> <th>Category</th> <th>Subs 2018</th> <th>Subs 2019</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>7 day Full Member</td><td>245</td><td>250</td></tr> <tr><td>7 day Full Couples</td><td>445</td><td>450</td></tr> <tr><td>Mid-Week</td><td>150</td><td>155</td></tr> <tr><td>Mid-Week Couples</td><td>275</td><td>280</td></tr> <tr><td>Young Adult</td><td>65</td><td>70</td></tr> <tr><td>Non Playing Member</td><td>15</td><td>15</td></tr> <tr><td>7 Day Intermediate</td><td>175</td><td>180</td></tr> <tr><td>7 Day Intermediate Couple</td><td>325</td><td>330</td></tr> <tr><td>Juniors 10 and under</td><td>40</td><td>45</td></tr> <tr><td>Juniors 11 - 17</td><td>60</td><td>65</td></tr> <tr><td>Parent Member</td><td>50</td><td>55</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Subs 2018	Subs 2019	7 day Full Member	245	250	7 day Full Couples	445	450	Mid-Week	150	155	Mid-Week Couples	275	280	Young Adult	65	70	Non Playing Member	15	15	7 Day Intermediate	175	180	7 Day Intermediate Couple	325	330	Juniors 10 and under	40	45	Juniors 11 - 17	60	65	Parent Member	50	55
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10. Election of Committee members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 3 vacancies. The following seeking re-election: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alison Wade (Club Secretary) and Richard Kottler (Membership Secretary) having served 3 years and are seeking re-election ○ 1 vacancy due to resignation of Cath Wallace (Committee Member) • At the close of nominations on 10th March the following had been received. 																																				
Candidate	Position	Proposed	Seconded																																		
Richard Kottler	Membership Secretary	Martin Dawson	Alan Gallant																																		
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11. Appointment or confirmation of auditors - PG	It was noted that an alternative auditor would be needed for 2019/20 accounts as Stephen Parish was standing down. Post meeting, Wade Smith agreed to take on this role. Action: Wade Smith to audit the 2019/20 Club Accounts.
12. Most Improved Player PG	Prior to the AGM Stephen Parish advised the Committee that he was relinquishing responsibility for identifying the Most Improved Player. Patrick reported that the Committee has taken on this responsibility and James Bellshaw has been nominated. In the absence of James at the AGM, Hana Pavlicova accepted the Tankard on his behalf in recognition of this achievement. According to tradition, Patrick listed the previous winners.
AOB	Item
1. Club Lease	Geoff Mullens noted the lack of progress with achieving the formal lease from Elmbridge Borough Council (EBC) of concern as our current annual Licence has no legal standing. Andy Pepper mentioned that this has been a risk since the Licence was granted in 1965. As EBC are required to maximise their assets the potential for being evicted so that the land can be used for another purpose is always a risk, but the chance of this are considered to be slim.
2. Vote of Thanks	Geoff Mullens gave a vote of thanks to all the Committee for all their work in what has been a very busy year and appreciate all that has been achieved.

The meeting closed at 13.30

Alison Wade
(Hon. Sec.)

18.04.2019