

Faringdon Tennis Club A.G.M. 2018

Friday 21 September, 7-8pm.

Present: 16 members:

Sjoerd Vogt, Susanna Hunt, Mark, Tess and Max Mobey, Alan Elbourn, Julianne Spiers, Anne and Andy Sawyer, Judy Scotcher, Dave and Caroline Weston, Adrian Noke, Steve Wright, Dave Crawley, Dave Kimber.

Apologies:

Kate Haysman, Steve Perry, Mick Mullens, Jim and Ali Scott, Carolyn Murphy, Derek Bray, Joyce Wright, Mike and Helen Iremonger, Dave Tutt.

Minutes:

The Minutes of the 2017 AGM had been circulated, taken as read and signed as a correct record.

Financial Statement –Steve Perry:

A financial statement was circulated, with Sjoerd answering any queries in Steve's absence.

The club is in a very healthy financial situation, due to our high membership.

We have a sinking fund, for maintenance of the courts, which need to be repainted every 4 years and resurfaced every 10 yrs (£30k to resurface)

The electricity at the club is approx £1k per year, £600 for floodlights and £400 for the clubhouse. Our solar panels give us a return of approx £1.2k per year.

Copies of the balance sheet and revenue account were circulated and are available on the website.

Match Secretary (Summer and Winter) Report: Adrian Noke

Adrian read his report. Please see the website for more details.

Adrian has done a fantastic job of arranging the matches for 8 summer teams and 8 winter teams. 49 players represented the club over the summer and 65 over the winter season.

In addition to captaining the Men's A team, Adrian also works as the club's Press Officer, producing photos and articles on a monthly basis for the Faringdon Folly Newspaper. His contribution to the club is much appreciated.

Coaching Reports:

Junior Coaching

In Matt Williams' absence, Alan Elbourn spoke about junior tennis at the club
Matt's report is still due.

Alan explained that club players want different things from their tennis. Some want competition, some just want social tennis. The club's job is to try to provide for all the member's needs. A lot of the men are keen to compete at

singles, and there is a list of players on the website with their contact details, so they can contact one another to arrange singles matches.
Alan is stepping back from coaching more and more, but there are more coaches coming forward:

Guy Mobey is due to take his Level 3 Coaching Award
Paul Miller is taking his Level 2 Coaching Assistant Award
Dave Curzon would like to take his Level 1 Coaching Assistant Award

The Club currently has 3 LTA level-3 licensed coaches:

Matt Williams	Level 3	Performance Coach
Alan Elbourn	Level 3	Club Coach
Susanna Hunt	Level 3	Club Coach

Ladies and Girls Coaching: Susanna Hunt's report is on website

Susanna explained how much ladies eventually enjoy competitive tennis, starting off at the coaching sessions and then realising they are good enough to compete for Faringdon in the leagues. Having 4 ladies teams in varying divisions means that there is a team that caters for every ability and there is a progression as players improve.

The Club Tournament: Steve Wright

Steve, Alan and Guy all helped to organise a very successful club tournament this year, with 69 competitors in singles, doubles and mixed. There were approximately 40 spectators during the Finals Day on Sat 8 Sep.
The 'handicap' system, of pairing stronger/weaker players together worked well, ensuring closely fought matches throughout the tournament.
Next year, the plan is to also arrange a Parent and Child tournament on Finals Day.

Catering for Social Functions: Anne Sawyer:

Anne continues to provide her catering services for all the social functions at the club. The food/drink was certainly enjoyed by all at the quiz. Thank you Anne.

Chairman's Report – Mark Mobey:

Mark's report is available on the website. After 4 years as Chairman, Mark is stepping down and Julian Spiers will take over as our new Chairperson.
Juliane presented Mark with a card and gift to show our appreciation of the fantastic job he has done for the club.

Mark is going to continue to help Alan and Matt develop junior competitive tennis at Faringdon, entering junior teams in the Aegon competitions.

Steve Wright commented that the committee are all friendly and approachable and that this plays a big part in the overall success of the club.

Subscriptions for 2018/19

The subscriptions will remain the same as last year. These represent very good value for money and are some of the lowest in the county. Also floodlights are free too, whereas most clubs charge.

Committee Election

The following committee members are all happy to continue for another year:

Sjoerd Vogt
Alan Elbourn
Matt Williams
Kate Haysman
Sam Bannister
Dave Crawley – new committee member

Appointment of Officers:

All three officers were voted in. Julian as the new Chairperson and Susanna and Steve who are continuing in their roles:

Chairman:	Juliane Spiers	Proposer: Alan	Seconders: Tess
Secretary:	Susanna Hunt	Proposer: Steve	Seconders: Adrian
Treasurer:	Steve Perry	Proposer: Tess	Seconders: Dave C.