

## **Faringdon Tennis Club A.G.M.**

**Friday 21st September, 2012**

### Present: 16 members:

Sjoerd Vogt, Susanna Hunt, Steve Perry, Mark Mobey, Alan Elbourn, Juliane Spiers, Judy Scotcher, Anne Sawyer, Mike and Helen Iremonger, Carolyn Murphy, Andrew and Katie Ainslie, Margaret Curtis, Lynette Forsythe, Paul Ray

### Apologies:

Alan and Carolyn Taylor, Paul and Roma Silver, Andy Sawyer, Tracey Collen, Dave and Lyn Williamson, Dave Tutt, Don Cain, Kate Trivedi, Lin and Andy Cathcart.

### Minutes:

The Minutes of the 2011 AGM had been circulated, taken as read and signed as a correct record.

### Financial Statement – Lin Ross:

The accounts were circulated and a record is attached.

Steve Perry and Sjoerd explained that the planning application costs were broken down approximately into £5k for soil and drainage surveys, £7k for architect and planner fees and £3k for Misc costs.

Adoption of the Accounts:

Proposer: Mark Mobey

Seconder: Mike Iremonger

### Match Secretaries' Reports:

Summer Secretary: Steve Perry

Winter Secretary: Anne Sawyer

Anne explained that all 5 teams in the winter had remained in the same divisions.

Steve explained that the Monday night team had secured promotion back to Division 1 and the Mixed team to Div 6. Ladies B team have been promoted to Div 3, the same divisions as Ladies A.

Mens A went down to Div 5 and Mens B team also dropped a division.

Match Secretary reports are attached to provide further details

### Coaching Reports:

Junior Coaching Alan Elbourn read his report

Adult Coaching Susanna Hunt read her report

Alan spoke of the Olympic event he did at Southmoor with 40 children who had never played tennis before. He also talked about his Toddler group.

Faringdon club has 3 Junior County players. Matt Williams continues to do individual performance coaching at Faringdon for certain junior players but has secured a position at Southmoor club which means he remains local.

Susanna explained that the Ladies C team had their best result last winter and continues to thrive with players being promoted to B team and new players coming into the C team. Sam Bannister is new C team captain. Also, there is now a girl's tennis group and the aim is to develop squads of girls playing doubles and competing in a Junior league.

Both coaching reports are attached

#### Chairman's Report – Sjoerd Vogt:

Sjoerd summarised his report at the meeting and the full report is attached. Sjoerd made a point of thanking Lin Ross for her ten years as Treasurer. Steve Perry has kindly agreed to take over. He thanked Alan for the Wimbledon ticket allocation. He explained that membership was healthy. For years it was at 90, now it hovers at approx 130. We usually lose approx 20 each year, which means we are gaining approx 20 to remain at this figure. He alluded to our new status of being incorporated, a limited company by guarantee. The old trustees have been replaced by Directors. We also have CASC status (Community Amateur Sports Club)

#### Relocation Update – Sjoerd

There has been a bottleneck with a delay in Bloor homes handing over the land to the District Council. That has now been resolved and the transfer of all the land apart from the rugby pitch must now take place before end October. We will begin building in 2013, once the weather is suitable. In the meantime we shall continue to use the courts at Southampton St.

#### Clubmark

Faringdon is one of only 12 tennis clubs in Oxfordshire with Clubmark status and Mark Mobey briefly explained the benefits and the need to retain it.

#### Subscriptions for 2012

Adult subscriptions will remain at £75 for an adult

2 new categories of subscription have been introduced:

Accompanying Parent: £20 – for adults who wish to play with their children

Social Member: £10

This is in preparation for when we move. The cricket club has social membership for £10 to enable people to have a drink in the Pavilion.

Proposer: Mark Mobey

Seconder: Margaret Curtis

#### Committee Election

There have been a couple of changes to committee members:

Current committee is Sjoerd, Anne, Don, Susanna, Julianne, Mark, Alan, Steve and Lin.

Anne Sawyer wishes to stand down from the committee but will take over Summer Match Secretary from Steve Perry. She will be both Winter and Summer Match Secretary.

Kate Trivedi will replace Anne Sawyer on the committee:

Proposer: Alan Elbourn  
Seconded: Lynette Forsythe

Lin will step down as she has now handed over the position of Treasurer to Steve Perry.

Don Cain would like to step down from the committee and he will be replaced by Matt Williams.

Proposer: Juliane Spiers  
Seconded: Mike Iremonger

Sjoerd and Alan thanked Anne Sawyer, Don Cain and Lin Ross for all their help and wise words over the years.

Appointment of Officers:

Chairman: Sjoerd Vogt  
Secretary: Susanna Hunt  
Treasurer: Steve Perry

Proposer: Andrew Ainslie  
Seconded: Anne Sawyer

The meeting was adjourned at 8.30pm when we all moved across the road to the Portwell for a one of Alan Elbourn's infamous quizzes!