Faringdon Tennis Club Committee Meeting Minutes

Venue, date and time: Susanna's House, Tues 11 Feb 2014, 8.00pm

Those present: Susanna, Sjoerd, Mark, Kate, Steve, Juliane, Anne

Apologies: Alan, Matt

	Items Discussed	Actions
	Minutes of previous meeting – signed	Sjoerd
Financial	Lloyds Relocation £54, 484.65 Main Account £21, 259.09 Barclays £121.74 Junior Acct: 577.17 Total £76, 442.65 Steve explained that we have received £50k from Builders Ede. Also we owe the Inland Revenue £1.80 in corporation tax!	Steve
Maintenance	Until the clubhouse dries out, we cannot have the main lights on. Alan has removed the fuse so there is no danger. We have put a lamp in the clubhouse for match teas but the evenings are getting lighter now so hopefully it won't be too much of an issue.	Alan
Relocation	The pavilion is on schedule with the kitchen due to be fitted in March. Anne Sawyer has done an excellent job on the design, flooring, seating etc. with help from Judy Scotcher. We discussed banquette seating with storage, fold away tables and chairs, a trophy cabinet and quality notice-boards. There will be a keyless code system to enter the building. The courts cannot be laid until the weather improves so we anticipate they will be ready in May. The diggers have cleared a lot of soil which will be used to help with landscaping and to shelter the courts from the prevailing wind. We discussed the best court surface and the general consensus was that we will probably continue with the same surface as we currently have at Southampton St, porous macadam. It requires minimal maintenance and is not slippery when wet. The painted surface on the bottom half court originally appeared better but is now more slippery than the unpainted surface. We should all continue to discuss with other clubs their experience of painted courts before a final decision is made. Mark Mobey explained what good drainage the rugby ground has and we hope the same will be the case with the tennis courts. Instead of a Tennis Club official opening in April, it has been agreed that there will be a Folly Park Grand Opening to include all the sports in September on 6/7, 20/21 or 27/28, depending on when a member of royalty is available.	Sjoerd/ Anne

Coaching at the new club	Susanna and Alan have both spoken to Matt Williams who is currently coaching at Kingston Bagpuize and he is keen to be part of the new coaching set up in Faringdon. We anticipate with the extra court space, floodlights and new members that there will be more than enough coaching for 3 coaches. Matt is also keen to play competitive tennis for the club and to captain and lead Men's team practices.	Alan, Matt, Susanna
Nomination of Captains	Don and Judy, who are both stepping down as captains, felt there should be a more formal system for nominating new captains rather than existing captains feeling they have to continue or find a replacement. Mark is going to see if ClubMark has a template for this. Currently Anne Sawyer as match secretary emails all captains When the leagues require new names for the coming season. This is Jan/Feb in preparation for the summer season and July/Aug in preparation for the winter season. If the existing captain wants to step down they will email their squad to see if anyone else is happy to take over. Most captains seem relatively happy with this arrangement but if the club feels something more formal should be adopted we are happy to set something up.	Sj/Anne Mark
Social Events	Sportsfest in summer. We have been successful in securing £3k for this 3 day event to take place 3/4/5 August (Sun/Mon/Tues) to coincide with the Music Fest. Alan, Susanna and Matt will provide coaching for these 3 days. Tues 20 May – 6pm Pimms and Prizes (and Wimbledon Draw) Wimbledon tickets are being done on a new electronic system this year.	Alan/ Susanna/ Matt
Club Mark	Club Mark is presenting their new vision at Easter so we don't need to do anything further until after that.	Mark Mobey
Work Day	It has been agreed not to hold a work day this year as we shall require all hands on deck when we move to our new location.	
Membership Renewal	Sjoerd will soon be sending out the annual newsletter in preparation for membership renewal. Mark to provide the Junior tournament dates for the newsletter. It was agreed at the AGM that Membership for 2014/15 will be: £80 per adult and £165 for family membership.	Sjoerd Mark
Meetings	Meetings for 2014, all 8pm at Susanna's (or new clubhouse!): Tues 3 June Tues 2 Sep Fri 19 Sep - AGM Tues 2 Dec	

Signed by:	Dated:
	Sjoerd Vogt (Chairman)