## Faringdon Tennis Club Committee Meeting Minutes

Venue, date and time: Tue 2 Mar 2021, Zoom Meeting

Those present: Juliane Spiers, Susanna Hunt, Alan Elbourn, Sjoerd Vogt,

Sam Bannister, Dave Crawley, Steve Perry, Mark Mobey

Tom Francis, Dave Tuck, Steve Wright

Apologies: Kate Haysman

	Items Discussed	Actions
Newsletter	Sjoerd to compile a Newsletter to be sent out to all members this month inviting them to renew membership, enter the Club Champs and let them know of upcoming diary dates.	Sj
Club Championships	There is still a Men's Doubles match outstanding from last year. Steve Wright to contact the four men involved to see if it can be played by Easter. Club Champs Final is Sat 18 September. (backup date = Sun 19 Sep) Entries will be invited from 1 April, with the closing date for entries on 8 May. Captains to encourage their squads to enter. In particular, the ladies singles is always undersubscribed, so we are looking at ways to encourage more ladies to sign up. Mark Mobey has taken over as captain of the Mixed B Team, so he is also keen to recruit more women for that. Steve W. suggested a ladies plate competition, with everyone guaranteed a couple of matches, and perhaps short sets of 4 games instead of 6.	Steve W.
Safeguarding and floodlights	The clubhouse is still not open, as per LTA guidelines, which means only committee members, coaches and captains currently have access to the floodlights switch, inside the clubhouse.	
LTA Latest Covid Guidelines	Coaching groups of up to 15 children and 12 adults can take place from 29 March. Social Tennis is permitted as long as it is classed as an 'organised event'. Players are to complete the track and trace book. The courts will be open from Monday 29 March with booking available via Clubspark from 22 March.	
Social Tennis Sessions	Alan Elbourn will be starting the Sunday morning sessions on Sunday 4 April.  Tuesday (8-10pm) and Friday (from 6pm) evening social tennis will start up at the end of April.	Alan
Tennis Camps	There is an Easter Tennis Camp 12-16 April, and a May Half Term Camp 1-4 June, 10-4pm on 3 courts and the Elbourn Arena. Court 1 is still available for club members to book. Dave and Tom will be offering the camps to squad players and to FJS and St Hugh's schools.	

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	They also plan to offer extra sessions on a Thursday evening after school to Years 3-6, an adult session, plus a cardio session.	
LTA Tournaments	5 dates have been allocated to LTA Tournaments on the following dates, with 2 or 3 courts booked: 18 April, 16 May, 20 June, 18 July, 14 August. These are being organised by Dave and Tom.  Adrian Noke is aware of the dates, so no matches will clash. There will only be 1 court available for Social Tennis on 18 <sup>th</sup> April, however the other dates are for the afternoon. The LTA Tournaments are Grade 4 and 5 tournaments, open to players from other clubs, but Tom and Dave will be encouraging their strongest local Faringdon club members, from their coaching squads, to enter.	Dave, Tom
Anne Sawyer	Anne is going to step down from organising the consumables for the clubhouse (coffee, tea, etc), but will continue to arrange the cleaning rota. Susanna will take over looking after consumables.  Juliane is to organise a thank you gift for Anne, for all the years she has volunteered at the club.	Anne Susanna
Flood Lights	We are proceeding with lights for Courts 3 and 4. Sj and Alan to look at repairing/replacing some of the lights on Courts 1 and 2. The rugby club have applied for a pavilion, a road leading to the pitches, floodlighting for one of the rugby pitches and for a floodlit hockey ground. Mark Mobey suggested we would perhaps need to approach the Nursery View residents again, regarding additional floodlights.	Sj, Alan
Court Painting	Courts 3 and 4 are to be repainted during the first 2 weeks of May	Sj
Membership Fees	These are due 1 May. We will be offering a discount of £20 for an adult membership and £40 for a family membership for all those who renew their membership before 1 May.	
Wimbledon Tickets	There will be no club ballot this year, as those people who had tickets for last year, have had them carried over to this year instead.	
Netball Training	Netball Training will potentially take place on a temporary basis on Wednesday evenings 9-10pm on Cts 1 and 2 under the floodlights, until training can resume indoors.	
	The netball lines are much less visible now and do not pose a problem at all on Court 1 to tennis players.	

Woodview Tennis Court	This court is used by Faringdon Junior School during term time, during the day and Juliane suggested that Dave and Tom might like to speak to the school about offering coaching on the court, as it would be convenient for either lunchtime or after school coaching. Alan and Susanna have both coached on the court in the past.	
Purple Crocus	Five hundred purple crocus bulbs have been planted adjacent to the courts. 'Purple for Polio' donated by the Rotary Club.	
Provisional Social Dates for 2021	Although our New Season social cannot take place in April, we hope most of our our Pimms and Prizes will be going ahead.  Tue 18 May – Pimms and Prizes  Tue 22 June – Pimms and Prizes  Tue 6 Jul – Pimms and Prizes  Sat 18 Sep – Club Champs Final	
Meetings-2021	All committee meetings will be Tuesdays at the clubhouse 7pm Tue 1 June Tue 31 Aug Fri 24 Sep – AGM Tue 30 Nov	Juls

Signed by: Dated: Juliane Spiers (Chairperson)