

Faringdon Tennis Club

Committee Meeting Minutes



Venue, date and time: Clubhouse, Wed 2 Sep 2015, 8.00pm

Those present: Susanna, Mark, Alan, Julianne, Matt, Sjoerd, Steve Pugh, Steve Perry

Apologies: Kate Haysman, Sam Bannister

	Items Discussed	Actions
	Minutes of previous meeting – signed	Mark
Financial	Steve provided copies of the clubs' finances. A copy is in the file with the minutes.	Steve/ Mark
GBTW	The GBTW (Great British Tennis Weekend) on Sun 14 June was a great success with well over 100 people attending. Since the event, membership has continued to increase. The tennis club would like to thank the council and the New Homes Fund for their grant which helped us purchase equipment, and advertising to make it such a success.	Mark/Alan
Folly Sports Park	<p>Sj asked everyone to think of items to improve FSP, which would benefit all 3 clubs (tennis, rugby and cricket), such as signage, gardening, a defibrillator.</p> <p>Malcolm Gee, whose wife and children are members of the tennis club, is Faringdon's First Responder and has recommended that FSP has a defibrillator on site.</p> <p>Andy Sawyer has stepped down as our gardener. He has done a lot of work to the 3 flower beds at the entrance to the car park. Mark and Alan are to speak to rugby and cricket to see how to maintain those beds.</p>	Sj Mark/Alan
Tennis Courts	Courts 1 and 2 have been re-laid and the painting of all 4 courts is due to take place Mon 14 Sep. A green court with a red surround. It was agreed to paint all 4 as the power-washing of the courts made no difference to the discoloration of the balls.	Sj/Alan
	<p>Wind Breaks: This is on-going. Sj explained that some of the plants have been ripped out and some have died so it has not been as effective as we had hoped. We are still looking to repair this.</p>	Sj
Club House	Trophy Cabinet. Juls is going to look into purchasing one. The club has won a number of trophies over the years and now we will have the space to display them properly.	Juls
Club Tournament Sat 12 Sep	The Finals of the club tournament will be held on Sat 12 Sep at 12.30. Mens Singles + Ladies Doubles followed by Mens + Mixed Doubles. There will be a photo at 12.15 of all team players, for Folly Newspaper and to celebrate 4 teams getting promotion this summer.	Steve Pugh

Winter Matches	Anne had asked how the club felt about 2 home matches at once. The committee felt this would be OK, but if captains wish to bring a match forward to the morning, they could do that on an individual basis.	
Winter Team Captains	Mens A: Matt Williams Ladies A: Susanna Hunt Mens B: Mark Kiff Ladies B: Chris Noke Mens C: Mark Mobey Ladies C: Sam Bannister Ladies D: Sian Starr	
Guy Mobey	Guy, 14 yrs old, has been a member of Faringdon Tennis Club for 10 years and plays for our Mens A team. His coach is Matt Williams and Guy also trains in Abingdon at the LTA's Oxford tennis centre. This summer Guy won the Oxfordshire County Closed Tournament for his age group. This is a great achievement which will be the subject of an article in the Folly and the club would also like to congratulate Guy and his family.	
AGM Reports	The AGM is on Fri 2 Oct and the following reports need to be submitted by Fri 25 Sep, to be put on line prior to the AGM: Chairman's Report – Mark Mobey Treasurers' Report – Steve Perry Coaching Report: Alan, Matt, Susanna Tournament Report: Steve Pugh Team Match Report: Anne Sawyer	ALL
Clubspark On Line System	It would appear that not many members are using the online booking system. Sjoerd is looking into switching to the LTA's own on line system, Clubspark, which is FOC.	Sj
What our club can offer its members	The committee are keen to try to help all 200 members of our club to get the most out of their membership. The demographic of our club is changing and families now make up a significant portion. Sj is going to look at this in more detail. We can then create events to target specific groups, such as teenagers, children, ladies, men, families, team players, social players. Alan would like a Junior night. Alan has also created a Rookie Night on a Friday for his Rusty Racket group and new members.	
Communication to Members	Sam Bannister suggested a monthly flier via email regarding club events which was well received. This would mean someone co-ordinating 12 'newsletters' to members throughout the year, rather than random emails as and when things crop up. It was also felt that it would be worth printing and distributing fliers for certain big events during the year, as not everyone responds to emails.	
PR Event in April 2016 Sat 9 April, 4-6pm (tbc)	Susanna suggested an event in the format of an information evening, giving all members an opportunity to meet the committee, coaches, captains, and other members and to find out how the club could best meet their individual needs. This event would need to take place at the cricket club as our	Susanna

