Faringdon Tennis Club Committee Meeting Minutes

Venue, date and time: Clubhouse, Thurs 4 Jun 2015, 8.00pm

Those present: Susanna, Mark, Alan, Juliane, Kate Haysman, Sam Bannister

Apologies: Sjoerd and both Steves

	Items Discussed	Actions
	Minutes of previous meeting – signed	Mark
Financial	Steve provided copies of the club's 5 year Financial Projections. A copy is in the file with the minutes.	Steve/ Mark
Sports Fest GBTW Sun 14 June	Rugby and cricket are doing their own events. We are doing our GBTW (Great British Tennis Weekend) on Sun 14 June, 1.30-4.30pm	Mark/Alan
	We request that committee members help on the day with refreshments, registration and encouraging new members by explaining what the club can offer. We have a grant for this event which can be used for equipment, such as balls, zignets, ball machine, trophy cabinet.	
Folly Sports Park Signage	It is planned to put a sign at the corner of London St and Stanford Rd, saying Folly Sports Park, and underneath: Cricket, Rugby, Tennis.	Sj
Tennis Courts	Floodlights: The club would like to extend the floodlights to Ct 3 and 4 but it will not be in time for this winter. The plan is to look into LTA grants and an LTA engineer is coming out to inspect the lighting. Sjoerd is looking at a way of automatically switching the lights off at 10pm.	Sj/Alan
	Fretting: The repair to the fretting on Cts 1 and 2 is in hand and we are aiming to complete the work by September. If the contractors don't do this we will look into compensation as it is a safety issue which needs to be addressed.	Alan
	Painting: Matt requested that we look at painting Cts 1 and 2 as this would make visibility clearer under floodlights. The ladies match practices are always played with the lights on 100%, achieved by pressing the 2 top buttons on the controls on Ct 1. The men have agreed to do the same for their practices. Mark explained the significant maintenance costs that are associated with painting the courts.	

	Discolouration of Balls: We were told the discolouration of the balls should only last approx 6 months but it is now 10 months and they are still picking up colour. It is better than it was, but not ideal. Drainage: Alan is looking at ways of stopping the path flooding during the winter. Wind Breaks: Alan is getting a gueta for Harris fancing and wind breaks in	
	Alan is getting a quote for Harris fencing and wind breaks in addition to the planting that has taken place. Light by Car Park: The light closest to the gate and car parking places will be on a sensor, so there is no danger of falling in the dark, after floodlit winter tennis. Clubhouse Cleaner:	
	This is working well. Thank you to Kate, Alan and Anne for organising this. Gardening: A big thank you to Andy Sawyer for his wonderful work on the flower beds adjacent to the car park.	
Club Tournament	Steve Pugh has organised a club tournament: Matches to be played from now onwards, with Finals Day on Sun 19 July. Singles, Doubles and Mixed. Alan has found the old club Mens' Singles Trophy and will present that for the Mens' Singles Winner. Only fully paid up members can enter the tournaments. Gareth Cole is due to play Sjoerd in the singles but has still not paid his subs. Sjoerd will be entitled to a walkover unless Gareth pays up!	Steve Pugh
	Thank you to Steve for stepping in for Juliane as the Mixed A team captain	
Teenage Tournaments	Susanna has now done 4 of the 6 Teenage Mixed Doubles tournaments which have been popular and well attended, with between 10 and 16 players to each.	Susanna
Girls Tournament	Alan did a Girls Pizza Tournament with 13 girls – very popular! Sat evening, 5-7pm	Alan
	Alan has decided that instead of running the LTA Red/Orange/Green tournaments, that our club and its members would benefit more from just doing internal junior tournaments for our juniors, linking up with local clubs such as Shrivenham and Southmoor.	
Welcome Event New Members	Sun 12 April: This event took place and was very successful with all Mini Red courts and full size courts in operation.	Alan/Matt Susanna

Extra Teams for Winter	This winter the men would like a C team and the Ladies a D team. It was discussed at length by the committee and agreed that there were sufficient men and ladies to support extra teams. The ladies agreed that their top 3 teams would have small squads of committed players, chosen by the captain of that team, who would play as many games as possible, with the D team offering all members the opportunity to play in at least one match to gain match play experience. Mark and Matt said the men would probably operate a similar system for their 3 teams.	Mark/Matt Susanna/ Sam
Pimms and Prizes	26 May – this was a highly successful evening with 24 people and beautiful weather. Thank you to Alan, Juls and Anne. Next one is Tue 16 June.	Alan/Juls/ Anne
Celebration of One Year	It has been agreed that instead of a Grand Opening, it would be nice to celebrate in September 'One Year' in our new home We would like to recognise Pat Perkin's contribution to the club at that event (Pat sadly passed away last year) and also Sjoerd Vogt, who was mainly responsible for the creation of our new club.	Mark
OLTA Wimbledon Tix	Oxfordshire OLTA have some extra Wimbledon Tix and have asked clubs to put forward any names of people who they feel deserve those tickets. Faringdon would like to nominate Anne and Andy Sawyer, and also pay for those tix on their behalf, as recognition for their hard work as gardener and match fixtures secretary.	
Meetings	Mark has decided to vary when the FTC meetings are held, to encourage as many people to attend, and not exclude certain people who can never make a certain day of the week. Next meeting is Wed 2 Sep at 8pm Friday 18 Sep 7pm – AGM Tues 1 Dec 7pm	Mark

Signed by: Dated: Mark Mobey (Chairman)