Faringdon Tennis Club Committee Meeting Minutes

Thu 3 Dec 2020, Zoom Meeting Venue, date and time:

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

Sam Bannister, Dave Crawley, Steve Perry, Mark Mobey

Apologies: Tom Francis, Dave Tuck, Kate Haysman

	Items Discussed	Actions
Membership	We have over 330 members, a record number.	
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Club Championships	There are still a couple of matches outstanding, which will be played by the end of this year.	
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.	
Tuesday evening tennis	Currently Ladies B Team train every other week, 6.30-8pm. Social Tennis Tuesdays will be weekly, 8-10pm.	
Coaching	Sunday 20 Dec, 10-1pm there will be a Fun Club Tournament for all members. There are also Tennis camps being held on Mon 21 and Tue 22 Dec. Information has gone out to members. Tom and Dave are going to introduce some additional adult coaching mid week.	
Flood Lights	We wish to extend our floodlights to cover Courts 3 and 4. This will allow greater flexibility for players and allow the junior coaching programme to expand. A sub-committee of Alan, Sjoerd, Dave and Tom will approach the LTA for a grant of 50% to help fund the cost, which Sj estimated at a total cost of £35k. Sj is to source quotes from suppliers, as there are now, 6 years after we installed floodlights on Cts 1 and 2, several LED suppliers. LTA need 3 quotes. It will take minimum 8 weeks for planning approval. Should plan for 12 weeks in case of issues. Juliane explained that her husband, Simon Spiers, a member of the club, has experience of school planning applications, and is willing to assist. Mark Mobey also mentioned Andrew Townsend, an architect, as someone who may also be able to help.	

Court Painting	It was noted that the grip on Cts 1 and 2 has improved since the repaint.	
Friday Fun Tennis	Alan is going to run 'Friday Fun Tennis' from 7pm onwards.	
LTA Junior Competitions	LTA junior competitions to be held at the club on Sat 23 Jan and Sun 21 Feb. Adrian has these dates so captains can avoid them for any rearranged matches	
Netball Training	Netball Training will take place on a temporary basis on Wednesday evenings 9-10pm on Cts 1 and 2 under the floodlights, until training can resume indoors.	
Tennis Club Grant	Alan suggested forming a sub-committee to include himself, Dave Tuck, Tom Francis and Mark Mobey, in order to use some of the funding to develop the junior tennis programme, including visiting schools to offer taster sessions. It was also agreed that the grant is to be employed to help develop upcoming talent and that the club will cover the cost of Max Mobey's Level 2 Tennis Coaching Course, so he can continue to assist with Saturday morning coaching and the tennis camps.	
Singles Ladder	Mark Mobey has introduced a singles ladder and approx. 25 people have already signed up. The ladder is predominantly male players, but there are a small number of females too, as there would not be sufficient interest for a separate female ladder. Please contact Mark if you wish to be included. The format is quite casual, so you can choose tie-breaks or short sets in place of full sets if you have limited time.	
Provisional Social Dates for 2021	Sat 24 April – New Season Social 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 9 Feb Tue 1 June Tue 31 Aug Fri 24 Sep – AGM Tue 30 Nov	Juls

Signed by: Dated: Juliane Spiers (Chairperson)