

**MINUTES OF THE  
BIRKDALE LAWN TENNIS CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Held on Thursday 21 April 2022 at 6:30pm  
On court 1 and 2

The Chairman (CH) thanked everyone for attending and during the course of the meeting conveyed her thanks to all the individuals responsible for the running of the tennis section and the wider club.

**Agenda**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approval of the minutes of the AGM held on 19 March 2019 (available on club website)
3. Matters arising
4. Chairman's/Captain's report (available on club website)
5. Junior and coaching report
6. Treasurer's report
7. Election of officers and volunteers for 2022 and resignations (list was up on tennis pavilion noticeboard)
8. AOB:
  - Opening of the newly resurfaced Courts 1 and 2
  - Tennis easter raffle draw
  - Unders vs overs tennis match

**Minutes**

1. The Chairman read out a list of apologies received and asked the meeting for any further apologies. 27 members were present at the meeting.
2. As the minutes had been on the website and notice board in the tennis pavilion and no questions were raised or inaccuracies reported, the Chairman signed them as a factually accurate record.
3. To be covered under separate headings later.
4. The Chairman read out her report informing the meeting of the following key points.
  - The 2021 season was a great success for Birkdale LTC with the main headlines being the fourth team securing promotion to the 6th division and our third team winning the Joseph Lord Cup against Ormskirk 3.
  - A great end-of-season party in our newly refurbished tennis pavilion was held in early August as well as a well attended mid-season American tournament social.
  - The season finished with our club tournament in late September. Congratulations to the winners:  
Men Singles - Luca Foresti  
Ladies Singles - Faye Lowery  
Men's Doubles - Matthew Johnson and Edward Pope  
Ladies Doubles - Wendy Grime and Haley Harrison  
Mixed Doubles - Sam Johnson and Haley Harrison
  - Both Courts 1 and 2 are now resurfaced in their new two-tone green colour scheme along with their new nets and posts.
  - Following the end of the tennis season, in early October, Courts 3 and 4 will also be resurfaced.

The Chairmen then told the meeting that league matches start next Monday and went through the first week of fixtures for Birkdale teams:

- 1st - Home against Aughton 1 (Monday)
- 2nd - Away against Argyle 2 (Monday)
- 3rd - Away against North Meols 4 (Tuesday)
- 4th - Home against Town Green 1 (Tuesday)
- 5th - Away against Maghull 1 (Monday)

The Chairman finished her speech by wishing everyone a very enjoyable season.

**5.**

Mark Doyle went through his coaching figures, sessions and plans for this season and beyond. Coaching numbers are healthy with lots of junior players coming up into the adult teams which is pleasing to see.

**6.**

Accounts were made available on request to the Treasurer prior to the meeting and were also available during the meeting via the Birkdale LTC website. Treasurer was present to answer any questions but none arose.

Accounts are in a healthy condition and we are able to continue to fund the ongoing improvements to the tennis pavilion and its garden. Barry Burn's family have donated £1000 towards the tennis section which we are extremely grateful for.

**7.**

#### **Resignations:**

David Norris (General Committee)

#### **New Officers and General Members:**

Namrita Chow agreed to join the committee as a general member.

#### **Birkdale LTC Committee 2022-2023:**

##### **Officers:**

Chairman: Carol Hughes

Treasurer: Margie Preston

General Secretary: Sam Johnson

Child Welfare Officer/Facilities Manager: Jane Johnson Club Coach: Mark Doyle

Social Secretary: Denise Marsters

General Committee:

Nicki Watson, Namrita Chow, Prue Markin and Moria Greenwood

#### **Team Captains 2022:**

1st Team: Carol Hughes

2nd Team: Mark Doyle

3rd Team: Jane Johnson

4th Team: Mark Doyle

5th Team: Mark Doyle

The list of officers for election had been displayed on the notice board for proposing and seconding.

**8.**

- Courts 1 and 2 were officially opened by Club President Pauline Coventry with a ribbon cutting.
- The easter raffle organised by Denise Marsters was won by Prue Makin. All money raised is going towards the new tennis pavilion garden.
- At around 7pm with there being no other business the meeting was closed and the unders vs overs match started.

*Photos are available on the website of the evening.*