

Present: David Brunger, Sheila Hoyle, Elspeth Primrose, Mandy Gentleman, Ian Mackinlay, Pete Niccol, Scott Langley

Apologies: Catherine Brunger, Andrew Lints, Colin Reid

1. WELCOME

2. REVIEW OF LAST YEAR'S AGM MINUTES (available in printed out form)

Main topic of 2023 AGM was the new courts and their impact on club finances, plus changes within the committee.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Summary

- Key objective this year has been membership growth, both for the club itself and for the club finances.
- There has been an increase in social tennis including Rusty Rackets (thanks to Scott for organising) and handicap doubles.
- A programme of cardio sessions was put on by Ian and personal trainer friend Andrew which proved popular.
- There's been some success in the community with the club having a presence at Blackhall Sports Day and running sessions for the Brownies.
- Mixed results for the club teams in the leagues but thanks to the captains.
- Off-court, thanks to the committee for all hard work, including on the safeguarding and maintenance front and also the very successful quiz.
- Also thanks to non-committee volunteers, in particular Stewart Methven and Tony Harrison for work on and around the courts.
- Sean Harrison and Helen Colhoun have stepped down from the committee so more than ever we are looking for new committee members.
- The next social event is handicap doubles on 1<sup>st</sup> March, link to sign-up in most recent newsletter.
- Also looking to continue the club's partnership with the bowling club.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Summary – printed out Accounts available

- Balance has gone from £5K to a healthy £10K as at end September 2023.
- If subscriptions stay roughly the same we should end up with around £15K by the end of next financial year.
- This year subs brought in £14k, with the 3-year subs offer having one more year to go.
- We got grant funding of £1400 for the new gate.
- Quiz night raised just under £500
- The retention on the new courts is now fully paid.
- There are minimal clubhouse expenses and some ongoing electrical works, cost as yet unknown.
- A new timer is needed for the floodlights – since the timer for the old halogen lights broke down last year it has been on manual. (David has asked Hallidays about getting a replacement).

## 5. COACH'S REPORT

- Ian is currently coaching about 50 pupils per week. This includes Fridays when, now that Elspeth has stepped down from Friday groups, he has split the groups into smaller & shorter classes. Calum Jack (who has been supporting Ian) has received very good feedback.. Unfortunately he's unavailable this summer but another teenaged member is progressing through Level 1 qualification so may be able to help out in the future.
- Out of his pupils he has about 6/7 regular tournament players
- Ian is still helping some of the women's team players and would like to try running the cardio again.
- He is going to offer pre-season doubles lessons to the men who have recently joined.
- Last year he started a beginner adult group which was good fun though has fizzled out this year, however he may give it another try.
- He is planning summer camps and at least one Easter camp.
- He is also up for a once a month Rusty Rackets coaching session, on a Thursday evening.

## 6. SAFEGUARDING

Mandy confirmed that all documents and policies have been updated and are all on the website.

Re risk assessments for junior events, she will prepare one and thereafter it can be used as a template.

## 7. SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR UPCOMING YEAR

Subscriptions for 2024/25 were agreed to be capped at c.3% increase to keep membership affordable and comparable to nearby clubs.

Membership Category	2023/24	2024/25
<b>Adult (Aged 26+)</b>	<b>£185</b>	<b>£190</b>
<b>Family</b>	<b>£350</b>	<b>£360</b>
<b>Adult (25 &amp; Under/unemployed)</b>	<b>£99</b>	<b>£102</b>
<b>Junior (10 &amp; Under)</b>	<b>£32</b>	<b>£33</b>
<b>Junior (11-18)</b>	<b>£60</b>	<b>£62</b>
<b>League Membership only</b>	<b>£99</b>	<b>£102</b>
<b>Country member</b>	<b>£110</b>	<b>£113</b>
<b>Midweek</b>	<b>£110</b>	<b>£113</b>
<b>Parent Helper</b>	<b>£60</b>	<b>£62</b>
<b>Non-playing</b>	<b>£27</b>	<b>£28</b>

## 8. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

With Sean and Helen leaving the committee is looking for new people who wish to make a difference, eg Scott starting up Rusty rackets. Scott kindly agreed to join the committee.

Also need junior representation – Ian will speak to people about it.

## 9. AOB

- Someone has taken up the prize family membership recently available so may get new permanent members out of that.
- Suggested other ways to drum up membership might be flyers to eg put in shop windows, also social media again as this has recently worked.
- A Rusty Rackets tournament might be a good idea or a weekend slot, although weekends are often difficult for people with young families.

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