

## **Cheddington Tennis Club AGM**

Held at Cheddington Pavilion on 20<sup>th</sup> March '24

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from Andrew Wood, Chris Ingram, Bex Stanley, Julie Stanley, Matthew Soundy, Claire Covington, Sue Banks, Pat Brindle, Mario Ciancio, Jenny Winfield, Pete Marshall, Phil Archer, Sue Worrall, Jamie Lee.

### **MINUTES OF LAST YEAR'S AGM**

Approved. No matters arising.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – for year 1st Oct '22 – 30<sup>th</sup> Sept '23 – Andy Thompson**

Andy noted that it was a solid year for the club.

During the year:

- Club night held on Tuesday & social sessions on Monday & Friday. Thanks to Tiff, Mike & Linda for organising
- Club tournaments were completed with finals in Sept with Jenny Winfield/Jane Grimette winning ladies, Jane Grimette/Tom Booth mixed & Tom Booth/Andy Thompson the men's. The round robin format was a challenge & this year will be a knock out format.
- Social tournament was cancelled due to weather.
- Pimms afternoon in June and mulled/wine mince pie evening in Dec which again turned into an indoor ping pong evening due to inclement weather

Club continues to make use of the pavilion for home matches & events. Discussion continues with PC on separate arrangements for toilet access.

Thanks were given to:

- Bex Stanley for her ongoing support
- Mike for organising the Mon/Fri club sessions & Tiff for leading on club night.
- Alexis Jones as fixtures' secretary & all team captains. Pete Marshall is standing down as M1 captain & particular thanks extended to Pete for his 5 years of captainship.
- Committee members for their work in the past year -Tiff, Andrew Packard, Andrew Wood, Chris Ingram, Bex Stanley, Jenny Baxter and Matt Jameson who joined the committee during the year.

Courts are in good condition but will be cleaned in the next week.

Membership continues to be healthy with a total of 143 members. 3 month summer special and half yearly membership both proved popular & resulted in increased membership takeup.

Safeguarding – the LTA have circulated a safeguarding survey & we expect a safeguarding support visit later in the year which will require strengthened policies. Tiff has done a great job in wading through the guidance & upgrading our policies accordingly & welfare officer Genna Lake has carried out a training session to ensure we comply with the new regs. This will allow us to improve our involvement with under 18's.

Coaching – numbers are down from 2 years ago but adult beginner coaching has resumed.

We mention the sad passing of Geoff Stanley last summer, who really was a friend of the club.

Andrew Wood & Matt Jameson have both stepped down from the committee due to work commitments & thanks noted for their work.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT – Y/E 30<sup>th</sup> September '23 - Andrew Packard**

The financial accounts have been finalised and distributed to all members. The club's financial position remains strong with the cash balance increasing by almost £6,600 to £33k, with most of that on deposit. There was a surplus of £5,787 allowing us to meet the target of £5,400pa towards the sinking fund.

Membership subs decreased by 4.5% despite subs increasing by 5%, due to a net decrease in membership numbers. Coaching income was reduced due to a general reduction in participants. Match fees remained the same & interest was received from cash on deposit.

Expenditure was lower & there were no legal fees incurred.

Budget for surplus in current year is less than required based on estimate of numbers and fees, and therefore fund raising might be necessary.

Thanks to Julia Robinson for acting as examiner and for providing an independent examination and report of the financial statements.

Questions from attendees:

- Frequency of court resurfacing? – 10-12 years
- Will they be repainted? – yes, if necessary

#### **JUNIOR COACHING REPORT – Bex Stanley**

Bex thanked the club for all their condolences & kind thoughts at the time of her father's death.

Good turnout for adult beginners' lessons.

Most improved junior player was Sam Burnham, who has been invited to play with M3.

### **CAPTAINS' REPORTS**

We are running a total of 7 teams in the ADTL. The winter '22/23 league is ongoing and results are as per attached Captains' reports.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEE**

Any interested parties were invited to put themselves forward.

Chairman – Andy Thompson -proposed by Alexis Jones & seconded by Sue Gordon

Vice Chair/Acting secretary – Tiffany Richards – proposed by Liz McMillan & seconded by Jenna Lake.

Treasurer – Andrew Packard – proposed by Tom Curtis & seconded by Caroline Craddock

Committee – Chris Ingram, Rebecca Stanley, Jenny Baxter – proposed by Dave Gordon & seconded by Mike Buckle

New committee member Kelly Collins, proposed by Tiffany Richards & seconded by Alexis Jones

Coach – Rebecca Stanley

President – Norma Hagan

Vice President – Mary Glendinning

Jenna is happy to continue as welfare officer.

### **MEMBERSHIP FEES for 24/25 SEASON**

Fees are very competitive compared to local clubs and represent good value for money.

Membership fees for the 2024/5 year will increase to £90 for adult with 20% reduction so £72 for existing members who renew before 1/6/24.

Match fees will increase to £3.25/match.

## **AOB/QUESTIONS**

Mike Buckle asked –

- About the demise of M3. Team was supposed to be merged with M2 but its not happened. Matthew Soundy to advise. Tiff will try to organise some friendlies for M3.

Pathway required to bring juniors through. LTA guidance is that anyone under 18 is regarded as a child and must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. Further guidance awaited from LTA as to whether all adults in any official club capacity need to be DBS checked.

JE Baxter

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