

Elmwood LTC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 9th March 2021 – held remotely due to Covid-19 pandemic

Present: Dirk (DL), Faraz (FS), Flavia (FB), Hak (HK), Jean (JC), Louisa, (LB), Mindy (MB), Richard (RO), Rocky (DH) & Rosette (RW)

Apologies: Matt (MM), & Valerie (VF), Jackie (JS), Guy (GB)

Some items and actions are frozen in a pre-lockdown status.

New items are not highlighted.

	ITEM	ACTION
1	Uncorrected minutes of February-21 meeting had been circulated in advance – corrections were pointed out and minutes amended accordingly.	
2	<p><u>Matters arising from previous minutes:</u></p> <p>Rusty rackets: finished before shutdown, was well received. FS has received feedback from 5 people who attended. All were positive, they would like to continue, and feedback has been provided to JS and she will send to the LTA.</p> <p>Bike Rack – ground secured one with rubber matt to stop mud was agreed. DL will organize hopefully in time for re-opening.</p> <p>Windbreak for Court 6 to be the current one between 3 & 4 moved. FS to research option of more a transparent one between 3 & 4. Will be bought & erected when club re-opened.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>DL</p> <p>FS</p>
3	<p><u>Mobile Tower</u></p> <p>We have had agreed to allow Waldon Telecom access to the club to survey the grounds on Thursday 8th April at 9.30am for the survey.</p>	
4	<p><u>Coaches</u></p> <p><u>Group Coaching</u></p> <p>Flavia circulated posters to promote all coaching opportunities, including the new initiatives, rusty rackets and mixed improver session on Wednesdays. These will be added to website and sent to membership when we know the end date of the lock-down.</p> <p>FF confirm Road to Wimbledon Finals, Elmwood will host this with South Hampstead Tennis Club on the 10th and 11th of July. All as previously agreed. Court 4 to 6 will be used on both days from 9am to 6pm. Covid 19 guidelines will be followed.</p> <p>2 junior teams (one 8 and Under (1 court) and one 10 and Under 3 courts)) have been entered in the Middlesex League. These will be played during the weekend.</p> <p>Junior program starting on 29-March as soon a lockdown ends to 17-July.</p> <p>As already agreed by the committee, FF will be starting the junior Friday Match Play Session with Daniele at 4.30pm from the 9th of April on the 3 hard courts. All of the sessions will be run following LTA guideline</p> <p>FS requested after lock-down ends that some clay-court bookings in the evening could be reinstated for squad practice. This is in response to adults requesting clay courts for group sessions. Tuesday intermediate / advance ladies, 7.00 – 8:30 / two clay courts Wednesday men’s training, 7.00 – 8:30 / two clay courts Thursday ladies team training 7.00 – 8:30 / one clay court. This was agreed and court demand will be monitored.</p>	<p>RO</p>

	<p>It was agreed that FS could start racket stringing in the club house before lockdown ends.</p> <p>Easter Camp by Oliver Silva Agreed Olli proposed 5-9th April and 12-16th April 10:00 - 14:30pm Monday to Friday. Only use of club to be for toilet access. All DBS, coaching & first aid certificates to be valid. Agreed but 2 hard courts.</p>	RH
5	<p>Clubhouse Clubhouse has been closed. Nothing to report.</p> <p>Clubhouse Internal Refresh Project: This will be reconsidered and HK + FF to contact VF to restart.</p> <p>New Clubhouse Project Sub-committee Various options were discussed, but the Sub-Committee will consider all options and make a recommendation at the next meeting.</p>	HK, FF, VF
6	<p>Committee reports</p> <p>Secretary: No activity.</p> <p>Men's Captain: All matches stopped (2 played) and winter league cancelled. 3 Men's teams will be entered for the Middlesex Summer League. Magda to enter Mixed Vets</p> <p>Women's Captain: 1 Women's team will be entered for the Middlesex Summer League due to loss of three 1st team players.</p> <p>Membership Team Report Membership stands at 566 members (337 playing adults) and £57,204 membership fees (last month 558 and £56,389). We have offered a refund to the 10 Leisure members who paid before lockdown #1 came into force. Total for 2019/20 368 members and £38,550.</p> <p>The Waiting List stands at 124 entries (representing 182 adults). The Waiting List increased by 13 entries (19 Adults) since 1-Feb-21. Still extraordinary.</p> <p>The renewal process is underway. The first reminder email was sent to existing members on 3-March-21 at 00:01 and the first payment was made at 01:12 and the second at 05:00. So far 120 members have renewed for a total of £13,230. Only 1 was at the discount rate. 1 couple have declined (having twins) and 1-adult + junior (not used courts).</p> <p>Contact Leisure members and allow to join if they wish, the only benefit would be they could be considered for a Wimbledon ticket draw run this year centrally by the LTA.</p> <p>Agreed to artificial clay maintenance for 2021 – 18-June & 16-Sept.</p> <p>Treasurer: Membership fees being paid.</p>	RO

	<p>No other income.</p> <p>Social Secretary: No activity.</p> <p>Bar Steward: No activity.</p> <p>Coach Liaison Checked LTA recommendations re parents attending children's lessons. Confirmed as 1 adult per child.</p> <p>Junior Parent Liaison: No activity.</p>	
7	<p>AOB</p> <p>Clothing left in men's changing room Several items have been in there for some time. Matt offered to bag these up and take them to local charity shop if not claimed. Carried over to next meeting.</p> <p>Guest Fees Matt & Valerie offered to help with a sign for members to make an online payment of £5.00 for guests. Carried over to post lock-down.</p> <p>Complaint Handling Complaints about the manner of committee members approaching members about issues needs to be considered. Suggestion to discuss when/why/how we do this to manage difficulties and potentially contentious situations better will be discussed when we have more agenda time.</p> <p>Weeding court 1-3 & further regular maintenance Delay due to foul weather last month but have made progress with trench by courts 4-6.</p> <p>Memorial Plaque The request from that the club fund a Plaque (£66) in memory of Henry Oluwarotimi Williams (long serving ex-member) was agreed. It was also agreed to locate the plaque outside the fence on All Souls Avenue next to the flowers. The feedback from the family was "as a family we really appreciate this, words can't say it all".</p> <p>A wider concept of a Tribute List to past members who have made a significant contribution to the club would be great for the new club house.</p> <p>Beehive request A request had been received to locate beehives at the club. More details have been provided. Locate on roof of electricity due to danger of children knocking things over. Invite the beekeeper to visit and discuss.</p> <p>Barrie Neilson's photo history Long standing member Barrie Neilson has made good use of lockdown by scanning a trove of old photos relating to the club and these are being placed on the club website under the Social Events – Photo History menu option.</p> <p>Break-ins A neighbour reported that some young uninvited guests were jumping over the fence and hanging out at the club. HK went in to investigate and found some</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>MM/VF</p> <p>LB</p> <p>RW</p> <p>LB, DL & JC</p>

	<p>damage done, and then a few days later caught 2 of them and saw them off. Rosette and Flavia packed away remaining equipment that had been left for safety. Suggestion on making a clearer sign (RH) and anti-climb paint (RW will investigate).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next meeting Tuesday 13th April-21 7:30pm</p>	RH, RW
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