GLTC Committee Meeting – 8 February 2021

Zoom call

Present	Apologies	NE LAWN TEN
Trisha Esplin Jacque Woolley Maddy Marley William Freeman Andy Rice Jane Bowen James Marchant Kirsty Rowlandson Krystyna Windle	Lorraine Squire	TENNIS CLUB

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - APPROVED

2. COACHING UPDATE

Ref	Subject	Update	Status
	Coaching contract	Trisha has already had some discussion with Marc about his contract. A draft contract has been produced and discussed by the Committee members. Members were asked for confidentiality about the discussion, therefore it wasn't minuted.	
		The Committee empowered Trisha and Jane to negotiate Marc's contract on the Committee behalf.	
	Help for coaches during Covid	The Committee discussed the matter. It was understood that LTA and government supported coaches / self employed people respectively. It was voted that it wasn't the Club's responsibility to give extra monetary support to coaches. However, the contract negotiations are going to be sped up, so Marc knows and agrees his position.	

3. MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Ref	Subject	Update	Status
	Junior 'Plus' membership proposal	Older juniors (14 and above) should be able to book Court no. 2. This can be done on ClubSpark. There are some restrictions on those bookings: • can be made within time windows (TBD) • maximum 3 days ahead • not during social evenings This proposal is going to be placed in front of AGM.	
	Membership fees for 2021/2 season	We will have the same membership fees as in 2019.	
	Guardian membership	During Covid Guardian members were able to book a court, but this has to revert to normal. Guardian members are not able to book a court, but can play when their child is being coached and a court is free. Also they can play with their child.	

4. HOUSE AND GROUNDS (Jacque and James)

Ref	Subject	Update	Status
	Notice boards	Paper on the green notice boards in the Clubhouse is worn out and should be replaced.	Action Jacque

Ball recycling	Ball recycling is under control. When Covid finishes Jacque will send them out.	Action Jacque
Handrail outside	Hasn't been painted yet, probably because of low temperatures. The painter has been given a 'go ahead'.	
Tarmac outside	James is waiting for a quote.	
Bulb on Ct 5	 Trisha and James have looked at a cheaper option for replacing bulbs. The options were: Maintenance man with a ladder – we have concerns about insurance Marc – he should not do jobs like this A fireman (Gary) – is fully insured and offered to do it for £50. Seems the best option. 	Trisha to send Gary's details to James
Bulbs general	Quoted cost for single bulb replacement including hire of tower is £450+. It would cost £45k to replace bulbs with LED lights, seems very expensive. We will stick to bulbs and replace them when they blow up.	
Court dragging	 Peter Sharpe suggested dragging the courts monthly as an addition to the regular court maintenance. The dragging would be done with heavy brushes, which would have to be purchased. They could be pulled by a volunteer on a mobility scooter The committee discussed this proposal: Trisha thought as the courts are now being well maintained with twice yearly professional cleans, (previously done haphazardly & infrequently and with more frequent dragging. The playing surfaces should be assessed throughout this season. She also doubted we would get a volunteer for about 5 hours a month. Jane was not sure about the insurance for the volunteer. James said that he didn't get any reports of people slipping. Jacque thought CT 2 gets slippery in winter. Andy said that the most important thing is to keep courts free of vegetation. For this purpose our existing brushes are adequate. We have a blower in the shed, which could be used for removing the collected debris. If we were going to implement the proposal, we would need to erect a shed to store the mobility scooter and heavy brushes. It was decided to buy one more (light) brush, similar to the current ones, so each court would have one (Courts 3 and 4 can share). James will talk to Peter about this decision. 	Action James Action William

5.MATCH AND TOURNAMENT (William)

Ref	Subject	Update	Status
		Nothing to report due to Covid	

6. PR

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	Social media	Peter Cannon volunteered to run the Facebook page. There have been some new postings; Andy is delighted	
	Website	Krystyna volunteered to run the club website. Tom Butler gave her instructions on how to do it and she now has admin privileges.	
	New membership letter	New membership letter should mention the Club's Facebook page.	Action Andy

7. FINANCE

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Update	The Club's finances are in good shape.
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	Lorraine applied for Uttlesford Grant. Thank you Lorraine.

8. SOCIAL AND EVENTS

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		Covid got in the way	

9. AOB

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	Attendance	Marc should attend Committee meetings unless we are discussing his contract or there is other conflict of interest.	
	Wimbledon draw	Trisha registered for Wimbledon draw, but we don't know LTA stance.	
	Tounaments	Andy to circulate links to tournaments which are going ahead, so that people can still watch some good tennis	Action: Andy
	Committee members	Sally Harris is not a Child Protection Officer; she has been replaced by Clare Jackson. This is not a full Committee member position.	
	AGM	 We will have a remote AGM again this year. Committee members will send reports to Krystyna by the end of February. Krystyna will collate them, together with accounts and Committee proposals. The document will be sent to Club members at the beginning of March. Club members will be invited to comment and email objections, which will be discussed by the Committee. It was decided that arranging a Zoom call for AGM wouldn't be practical due to large number of attendees. 	Action: All
	Teams' Captains	Adrian Hooley volunteered to be Mens' Captain. Kirsty Rowlandson volunteered to be Womens' Captain. They should be invited to Committee meetings.	
	Table tennis table	Last year Marc raised £174 for "Guess the Length of Sofia" competition for a good quality table tennis table. The club will match the difference to bring it to $£350/£400$ for the table Marc selected. Marc can sell the old table on ebay.	Action Marc.
	Restringing	The Committee agreed for Marc to use the Clubhouse for 1-2 days before re-opening, so that people can deposit their rackets for restringing, provided it complies with government guidelines.	
	Junior social play	Older juniors (14+) are allowed to play in Social Saturday and Tuesday sessions provided Marc thinks they are of high enough standard. We should start inviting them to Saturday sessions first. Maybe there could be a Junior Social on Saturdays after the current Social.	Maddy to talk to Marc

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING TBD

GLTC Regular Payments/Schedule List: Insurance Renewal – 22nd March Emergency Lighting, fire extinguisher test – 30th September LTA Membership – 30 November Court maintenance – bi-annually end April/end Oct

Krystyna Windle 12 February 2021