

Committee meeting 17 August 2020

Zoom

Tony N, Victoria, Angela W, Des W, Juliette, Clive, Jim, Caroline, Geraint, Emma

Apologies
Simon Nash

Minutes from last meeting – any matters arising.

Jim proposed

Des seconding.

Approved

Covid-19

Pleased that we were ready to go as soon as we got the green light from tennis wales. Kept members up to speed with new guidelines etc. A few points were discussed.

- hand sanitiser and gloves have run out. Although many are using their own, we will refill with the hand sanitiser provided by Tennis Wales.
- benches back out. Agreed. CB to organise.
- clubhouses can now be open. The committee agreed to open it. Anyone using it needs to wipe down when they lock up. Emma to look for signage on the LTA site. Make a form to tick off who has wiped up surfaces. Get wipes up there etc. And we monitor.

ERJ commented that track and trace was going well. Good that we're getting such interesting statistics on numbers of people using the club etc. Running at 40% utilisation. Emma will look at the statistics to see if there are any trends to look at for future event planning.

Teams

Greg has resigned as men's captain. We will send out an email to see if anyone would like to take this on an interim basis until the AGM in November. GR will put some wording together so that people know what they're letting themselves in for if they did want to do on the interim basis.

GR suggested that Caroline J becomes club captain. And then Simon Howe would liaise with the mens teams.

We have entered two ladies, two mens vets and two mixed teams. We have also entered some junior teams.

Finance

£1000+ in the bank account.

Pay to play – Have had 2 amounts come in so far. 5 have booked.

Looking on figures for the £100 club. £22 per month. We have 300 in the bank. Twice a year.

CB not aware of any expenses coming through.

Tricky to get any more information from CAC. But DW will continue working on the budget.

Membership

- 7 – Membership
- 228 paid members
- 23 unpaid members
- Of the 228 – 61 new members. 22 are from David Lloyd.
- Total revenue £19890
- Prospective – 16 adults, two families, four juniors.
- Unpaid memberships – split between juniors and adults.

JS commented that of the unpaid memberships, only a few are shielding. The committee wondered why they're not renewing. JS is chasing but they're not communicating.

JS – queried if we can have a pro-rated membership on 1 October. Committee agreed and Jim and Des agreed on behalf of CAC.

CAC update

JA provided an updated about CAC staff and finances.

Tomorrow's generation school

Confirmed two days a week when they start – Thursday and Friday. At the beginning of October. DW working to get a short-term lease agreement put forward. Capital Law solicitors will approve.

Meeting two teachers tomorrow to check spatial awareness issues.
£5k pa in rent.

They do have their own health and safety officers and DW hoped that ERJ can attend at the same time.

TN commented about the H&S and fire regulations and to ensure that Tomorrow's generation have that looked at with regards to educational establishments.

ERJ queried whether the back fire shutter door can be linked with the front shutter opening door. CB to follow up the quote that he received.

Pay 2 play

CB – originally had the concept of changing the code every week. There are issues around this due to our two-week booking system.

We will continue until January at least, and advertise in various places.

- Put an advert in the Link.

- New house hotel
- Social media
- ERJ/VM to coordinate.

Coaching

- Booking for junior coaching going forward.
- cardio tennis – fully booked and a second one going soon.
- Response to the ladder leagues – has been really encouraging. Thanks to the Reid Jones for sponsoring the ladders.
- RPT course – five girls signed up. Really good for the club, as getting girls doing this is very good.
- Planning a lesson on a Wednesday for men in the evenings. We will monitor.
- Tony agreed to use courts 4 and 5. If we can get benches for equipment. GR and JA have bought one bench and Tony has bought the other. Thank you to the three of them for donating these.
- Coaching of the older juniors from September.

House and grounds

- Carpark was done. And there is a big bag of gravel to top up the holes.
- Weed killed around the court.
- Deep brush – when weather is good. Planned in.
- Five tonnes of infill delivered – sufficient for the rest of the year.
- ERJ asked can we put up sign for courts 2 and 3 to show which one is which.

Social

No social events at the moment.

Club championships

- GR suggested postponing until the Spring.
- Committee agreed.
- Will revisit at the end of the year.

Social mix-ins

- Mens night seems to work well.
- Ladies night also was organised well on a recent Tuesday.
- GR hasn't had any feedback of any note.
- GR will task a couple of us to discuss with the people at the relevant nights and whether they like the changes etc. Canvas opinions over the next few weeks.
- Had a quick discussion regarding juniors on social nights.

Management committee restructure

- Roles and responsibilities. Each of us to write down what they think their role is that they hold on the committee
- With a view to rejigging the committee in November AGM.

Project planning and timelines

Push us on the timelines for projects that we can do over the next 6-12 months.

We can start putting a few things in place.

- International twinning – GR to liaise on this
- Fundraising for the practice wall
- Honours boards – ask whole membership about making a contribution to honours boards
- Accessibility – lift/chair lift (opening up to disability) – need quotes for chair lift/lift or how to make the club house accessible
- New member evening – when things are up and running. Nice to have something for our new members. (AW)
- Investigate whether we go down the padel route. (CB and SH)
- Recycling balls – green bin (VM to buy and pop in the club house once it's open)

AOB

- JS - Tags and membership cards. Will get these when CAC open (not for a while).
- Need to remind members re locking up if you're the last one there. A sign up to remind people – agreed was a good idea. Also remind people to drag and sweep courts.
- Query re: mixed Thursday. All three courts booked, but not many people up there. The committee agreed to look at it this week and then just keep court 1 as the booking.
- 100 club - try to increase numbers. JS will add to her welcome email.