

## Longthorpe Lawn Tennis Club committee meeting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm via Zoom

**Present:** Jason Burgess(JB), Angie Axe(AA), Scott Murray(SM), Ken Wappat(KW), Shirley Short

1. **Apologies** Toni Butcher(TB)
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** – Accepted as correct.
3. **Matters arising** –JB informed that there was query of Ladies club session being an official session. KW replied that the session had been set up officially since 2009 but for some unknown reason not been added on the website. There used to be a Men's session but this had not been kept up. Attendance at the Ladies sessions have been very good and SS will monitor numbers and inform committee of any changes.  
Vicky Axe has volunteered to assist JP if he needs help in his role as Club captain until he leaves in August. Appointment of Club captain will be finalised at the AGM.  
Angela Pepper and Perri Selwood are hoping to commence social activity when CV19 restrictions are lifted.
4. **Chairman's report** -JB felt that with the championships now in progress, our key focus and strategy should be on competitive tennis.  
JB stated that he had received a welfare report from AA which has been dealt with.
5. **Membership update**- SM reported that we have had a big rise in 17 Minis following the new initiatives, plus some renewals. There were also 3 new Juniors and total adults number =147
6. **Treasurer's report** – TB sent her report as follows:  
Accounts figures as of today 12 July 2021 are as follows.  

Community Account	Rate Reward Account
£2468.30	£53175.93

  
Today I paid the annual Longthorpe Community Hall Rent of £1031.25 out of the Community Account(Bills)  
Last week I calculated through the notifications from Clubspark that the membership numbers are as follows.  
81 Adults  
25 Seniors  
9 Debentures who used Clubspark  
18 Juniors  
33 Minis  
5 Family memberships ( not sure of the family numbers)  
I mentioned at the last meeting my numbers may not tally with Scott's. Mine are calculated on Clubspark notifications and the bank account.  
It might be useful for Scott and I to liaise if mine are madly out.
7. **Juniors/Welfare** - AA-The LTA has launched a new course that is mandatory for all committee members. This safeguarding course has to be completed by Dec 2021. It is suggested that we allow 45 mins for this, in a meeting after the AGM, when any new members will have been elected. The course takes the form of an 8 minute video with pauses for discussion and participation.

Junior News : Euan Christie was thanked after he represented the Club in the Road to Wimbledon County Finals in Cambridge, stepping in at short notice after Charlie Whitty was unable to attend due to having to self isolate.

#### **Update on coaching and tennis events by Anita Duff**

The coaching continues as follows with George now taking over on Wednesday evenings 4-7pm currently. He will take over on Saturdays too and add an additional evening of coaching from September. We have 40 players, adults and juniors currently in the program and it continues to be popular.

16 Players have joined the membership base who joined the coaching programme in sessions such as red youth start juniors and Try tennis for Adults in May and June.

Coaching takes a scheduled 2 week break as per the 40 sessions per year for the monthly fee from 16<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August.

Colin and Katrin facilitated several Free adult coaching Team practices that were enjoyed by those that attended.

We have scheduled 2 weeks of tennis camps on the weeks of 19<sup>th</sup> July & 9<sup>th</sup> August. We hope to be able to provide players in our programme and junior members with an exciting and professional summer activity in addition to welcoming potential new players to the sport and the venue with the aim of giving them a great tennis experience so they want to continue into a weekly program and join the club on a longer term commitment. Parents that require child care during the summer will also be able to use this tennis activity. A policy for new players is in place to ensure players are encouraged to continue playing and join the club.

#### Additional coaching plans:

Part of this coaching will be targeting Adult coaching (daytime/Evening) as we would like to offer the club a session for intermediate/advanced players,(in addition to the improver sessions we currently run) and offer the First teams an opportunity to attend a taster session with George too.

We plan to add an additional Adult session Wednesday 7-8.30 intermediate advanced as soon as possible. There is also potential for a daytime session if you think this will be more popular. If you have any feedback on this before we launch this please let us know.

Club champs on the second round supported by Max and Angie. Hope this continues to be a great event for the club.

8. **League update** – JB informed that JP had resolved the issues with regards the entry of A team match card. Matches are proceeding well and results of matches are available on the H&P website. Due to the ‘pingdemic’, it is currently proving a challenge for all clubs to get teams out
9. **Hall committee report** -KW said that training for the use of the defibrillator is being organised. Training must be attained before the defibrillator can be commissioned
10. **A.O.B**
  - Open club weekend-SM is organising invitation to players from Railway and city club to play at LLTC towards the end of September
  - Proposed communication to members for ‘white kit’- JB to send out news letter ahead of AGM which will include information on this.
11. **Date of next meeting-** 17<sup>th</sup> August 2021 on Zoom