

Minutes of Mapledurham Lawn Tennis Club AGM 2024

Held on 7th November 2024 at 7:00pm

Present

Dan Power (Chair), Kim Knight (Secretary), Lindsay Kennedy (Treasurer), Alex Denovan, Nick King, Dave Maynerd, Fiona Roach, & Ceri Tanner (Committee members), Tim & Tracy Boylin, Bernardo Guerreiro, Tom Henderson (GDT), Armand Kirk, Rodney Pinchen, Philip de Sausmarez, Steve Skelton.

Apologies

Christine Bates, Pam Hanson, Ania Haskins, Jane Lang (Welfare Officer), Jane MacLean, Leslie Maynerd, Julia & Nigel Stanbrook.

1. Welcome

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. 2023 Minutes

Approved.

3. Chair's Report

The Chair presented his report which had been circulated to the membership in advance. It has been a smooth year with no significant issues to report on. He thanked all the members who had contributed to the successful running of the club over the past year.

4. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer presented his report which had been circulated to the membership in advance. In summary it has been a sound year financially with a good surplus and a cash balance now over £40k, aided by a much smaller capital investment than in the previous year. The next major capital investment is likely to be the court resurfacing, the timetable for which will be considered by the new committee.

Membership is relatively stable, greatly assisted by another successful open day helping to replace the usual 10% attrition in membership.

The cost of court lighting had been raised at the 2023 AGM and the Treasurer confirmed that lighting costs are currently just over £1 per court hour, aided greatly by the club's investment in LED lighting.

The recommendation by the committee to make a small increase to the adult fee rates for 2025/26 and maintain junior fees rates at the 2024/25 level was proposed by Tim Boylin, seconded by Philip de Sausmarez and passed without a formal vote as there were no dissenting voices.

5. Tennis Captain's report

The Tennis Captain presented his report which had been circulated to the membership in advance. He thanked the team captains for their hard work over the past year. He noted with some disappointment that we are currently only running one weekend men's team.

6. Maintenance report

The Maintenance Officer presented his report which had been circulated to the membership in advance. It has been another solid year of progress. The one major issue is that the server lines on court 1 are not draining well. The

obvious solution is court resurfacing which, as noted by the Treasurer, will be considered by the new committee. He reminded the meeting that this is a significant expenditure (circa £15k inc vat per court).

7. Welfare Officer's report

On behalf of the Welfare Officer, the Chair presented her report which had been circulated to the membership in advance. He confirmed that the process was working well.

8. Election of club officers

The following were elected without a formal vote as there were no alternative candidates and no dissenting voices.

Chair: Bernardo Guerreiro

Secretary: Tim Boylin

Treasurer: Lindsay Kennedy

Welfare Officer: Jane Lang

Maintenance: Dave Maynerd

Committee: Alex Denovan

Committee: Nick King

Committee: Fiona Roach

Committee: Ceri Tanner

Dan Power will remain as Tennis Captain but not on the committee.

The Treasurer confirmed that this would be his last year on the committee.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Vets

Nick King reported that the vets sessions have seen a marked increase in participants over the past few months and they are now regularly using 3 courts. There are not currently any contention issues for the 3rd (unreserved) court.

9.2 Outgoing committee

On behalf of club members, Philip de Sausmarez thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work over the past year.

10. Close

The Chair confirmed that there was no other business that anyone wished to raise. He thanked the members for their attendance and closed the meeting.