

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TRING LAWN TENNIS CLUB

MINUTES OF AGM HELD ON 23 JANUARY 2009

Members attending: Nigel Kippax, Barbara Davies, Pat Collins, Ken Tavener, Ann Hawkes, John Hawkes, Amanda Hopgood, June Mordey, Julie Turner, Kate Bowyer, Breda Tunnell, Len Tunnell, Mike Sheridan, David McGuinness, Andy Criddle, Ann Rand, Joan Desborough, Bob Robertson, W Evers, Chris Foster, Dave Foster, Linda Flood, Anne Wollacott, Mike Burbidge, Carol ball, Anne Johnson, Sylvia Watson, James Watson, Bev Casey.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Brenda McClaren, Sally Kirk, Ros & John Alcock, Sarah Painter, Jackie & Derek Dyett, Nicky Criddle, Sheila Richardson, Caroline Thorley, Viv Bryan, Sarah Painter, Mandy Bobrowski, Julie Hoskins, Ronnie Harwood, Norma Collins.

2. Approval of Minutes of AGM on 22 January 2008

The minutes of the last AGM were approved. Proposed by Amanda Hopgood and seconded by Kirstie Campbell.

3. Matters Arising

None arising.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman thanked all the committee for their hard work and especially those standing down this year Ken Tavener who has guided the club so well and left the club in a healthy financial position, Pat Collins, Sheena Cogger, Kirstie Campbell, Len Tunnell and Peter Dickenson who will be leaving the area in the summer but will continue as Men's Captain until then if voted on. Gifts were presented to those standing down.

NK also outlined the plans for a major development of Sports facilities proposed for Tring by Tring Sports Forum. This has been lodged with the council as a "Plan for Consideration". Andy Criddle explained that this meant it was a long way from the Planning Stage. The main development would be funded by the relocation of Tring School to the new Sports Park and the sale of the current site to developers for housing. Each individual club would be responsible for obtaining funding for the development of their respective facilities. JW raised the question of whether Tring LTC would remain a member's only club or if this would have to change. NK replied it was too early to tell on this point and on other issues such as location of courts.

5. Treasurer's Report

Ken Tavener presented the accounts and highlighted that income from subscriptions had dropped in real terms despite a small increase in 2007. The club also stands to see a marked drop in income from interest. This could drop to as little as £600 in the year to September 2009, a drop of approximately £2000. During the last financial year there had been extra expenditure due to upgrading of the showers, electrical work and new heating plus resurfacing of Courts 1&2. During 2009 there was planned expenditure amounting to £14,000 on new fencing, paving, carpeting and a shelter by courts 5& 6 plus the resurfacing of courts 5 & 6. In view

of this an increase in subscriptions was being proposed to keep the finances on track.

Ken Tavener thanked Caroline Thorley for carrying out the audit of the accounts. The Treasurer's report was approved. Proposed by Amanda Hopgood and seconded by Breda Tunnell.

6. Subscriptions:

It was proposed subscriptions should be increased as follows and voted in unanimously:

Membership Category	Proposed Subscription
Full	from £102 to £110
Husband & Wife	from £194 to £210
Intermediate	from £80 to £88
Midweek	from £62 to £70
Country/Student/18-21	from £47 to £52
Student (former Junior member at University)	from £22 to £27
Junior	from £35 to £40
Under 10s	from £15 to £17
Social	£5

Joining fee to remain the same at £20/£10

Junior Sliding Scale: First two children £40 each, and thereafter a reduction of £5 per child.

7. Court Surfaces

LT outlined the costs for the various surfaces as per the attached letter. In view of the high cost of the initial outlay for new surfaces and the ongoing maintenance NK recommended that the club retain porous tarmac as the surface for courts 5 & 6. This was proposed by NK and voted in unanimously.

The work will take place in March 09 and additional lines will be painted on the courts to mark out junior tennis courts.

8. Election of Officers and Committee

Nomination for officers were as follows:

POSITION	NAME	PROPOSER	SECONDER
Chairman	Nigel Kippax	Barbara Davies	John Hawkes
Secretary	Julie Turner	Nigel Kippax	Andy Criddle
Treasurer	David McGuinness	Breda Tunnell	Jim Bowyer
Men's Captain	Peter Dickenson	Nigel Kippax	June Mordey
Ladies' Captain	Sarah Painter	Sheena Cogger	June Mordey
Fixtures Secretary	June Mordey	Julie Turner	Barbara Davies
Membership Secretary	Joan Desborough	Pat Collins	Barbara Davies
Mid-Week Rep	Anne Wollacott	Martin Allen	Sheena Cogger
Junior Rep	Barbara Davies	Sheena Cogger	Amanda Hopgood
Ground Steward			
General Committee	Breda Tunnell	Dave Foster	M McAllister
	Martin Allen	Sheena Cogger	Nigel Kippax
	Julie Hoskins	Julie Turner	Nigel Kippax
	Viv Bryan	Barbara Davies	Julie Turner

The above were duly elected. As there were no nominations for Ground steward the committee would approach and appoint someone to this post at a later date.

9. Election of President, Vice Presidents and the Honorary Auditor

The President, Vice Presidents and Hon Auditor as stated on the agenda, were re-elected.

10. Awards & Trophies

BD explained this would not take place until a later date as Herts. LTA had not yet made the presentation to the club.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.52 pm.