

TRING TENNIS CLUB

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11th June at 8pm

Present: Pat Collins, Barbara Davies, Julie Hoskins, Nigel Kippax, Breda Tunnell, Julie Turner (from 2045) Kirstie Campbell, and Ken Tavener.

1. Apologies

- Received from Peter Dickenson, Kate Bowyer, Sheena Cogger, Sarah Painter, Julie Turner (Late arrival) June Mordey

2. Approval of minutes of previous meeting held 12th March 07.

- Approved.

3. Matters Arising

4. Maintenance Issues/Feedback

- Tree Monkey approved for Hedge cutting @ £1600.00; date to be arranged.
- Fence Repairs; LT to talk to John Healing's son to get a quote for repairs to holes and gaps at base.
- Court Litter Bins; these need regular emptying, this should be done on club evenings and afternoons. Committee to monitor.
- Fences to be treated. LT has bought a machine for this.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Balance in National Savings £85546.00 and in Barclays £2676.00.
- KT advised that the National Savings account was being withdrawn, Alliance & Leicester Community Instant Access Deposit Account recommended and the following was agreed by the committee:
 - The acceptance of the terms and conditions of this account as set out in the Organisation Mandate attached as Appendix 1
 - KT and BT are authorised to open the account
 - KT to be the Authorised signatory to operate the account.

6. Membership Secretary's report

- Full members 149; Midweek 25; Intermediate 15; Student/Uni 8; 18/21 5; Country 2; Social 10; Life Members 10 including 5 players; VPs 11; Juniors 219 and under 10 66.
- PC advised that full membership showed a drop as she had separated the membership categories in a different way, in fact this is fairly stable. Concern voiced over drop in mid week members, down by approximately 33%.
- *JT to design poster/flyer to promote midweek membership. KC to arrange to distribute to local playgroups, infant schools and libraries. A second open day to be considered for September.*

7. Newsletter feedback/Website update

- First newsletter sent out by email. Positive feedback received with the only problems being incorrect addresses or problems opening attachments. A copy is on display and hard copies can be requested by members. In future the newsletter will be on website and reached via a hyperlink.
- NK reported that no progress had been made on website. Committee agreed that;
 - Tringtenniscub.co.uk to be the address.
 - *Email to be sent asking if any members could design website. JT*
 - *NK to co ordinate website progress.*

8. Club Tournament

- Finals Day
 - NK to organise Umpires and Prize giving.
 - KB to organise line judges and balls.
 - JH to organise BBQ for lunch at a flat rate of £5.00 per person
 - BT to organise tea and tea rota. Committee members to help.
 - BD has obtained all trophies. New Men's Singles Trophy donated by James Watson (President)
- *Tournament 2008; Once 2007 finished Tournament committee to discuss proposals for 2008; These are to be presented and voted on by committee and if passed will go forward for Club Members to vote on at the AGM. Action by NK, PD, SP & JM*

9. Senior Status for Juniors

- The following Juniors have been granted Senior Status;

Richard Beeny	Becca Stanley
Ollie O'Gorman	Georgia Kearney Perry
David Cogger	Katy Turner
Owen Williams	Gemma Poll
Ryan Bannister	Lucy Stacey

JT to send letters confirming.

10. Recycling Initiative.

- BD advised a club member; Amanda Goff had volunteered to recycle plastic, tins and cardboard. Committee agreed to adopt this. *BD to approach Amanda to provide suitable bins or recommend some. Club to pay the costs of same.*
- *BD to check with Sarah Tricks if facilities still exist for tennis ball recycling.*

11. Winter Teams

- JT advised members had requested 3rd Ladies team be entered for ADL winter 2007 season as this provided more matches than current Herts League.
- Committee agreed to this subject to;
 - Sufficient court space approx 6 home matches. *SC to advise.*
 - Ladies' captain to retain final choice of squads for all Ladies Teams but Daphne Koslowski had volunteered to run team once squad allocated/agreed.

12. AOB

- Slazenger offer received from Herts LTA. JT requested that costs of Slazenger and Wilson be compared as ADL league sponsored by Wilson. *KT to check and report back next meeting.*
- Clubmark to be introduced by LTA at Wimbledon. This may linked to funding in future.
- No Smoking Policy clarified. No smoking allowed in clubhouse by law; signs displayed to that effect as per legal requirements. Committee agreed smoking could continue as before in grounds.
- Drainage on courts 1 & 2 raised and question of resurfacing in September. KT advised last done in 1999 but that surface good, drainage improvement would only be obtained through courts being dug up and completely re done. *NK will request LT to investigate costs of resurfacing with attention to drainage issue and report back.*

13. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 10th September at 8pm.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9:55pm.