

Kingsholm Square Lawn Tennis Club Annual General Meeting 2019

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Kingsholm Square Lawn Tennis Club was held on 7th April 2019 at 15 Kingsholm Square from 7.30pm.

Present

Andy Tyler
Annie Gianini
Bob Gardner
Dave Mackey
Darron Knowles
Diane Clark
Doc Martin
Emma Sayles
Fran Mackay
Frank Coll
Gunter Morson
Louise Horner-Baggs
Lynda Fowler
Michaela Fox
Monica Harte
Nick Harte
Richard Godfrey
Sonia Beavon

Apologies

Agnese and Mark Davies
Annice Powell
Becks Price
Christine Townsend
Rachel Donaldson
Tracey and Adam Lubanski

Minutes of the Last Meeting

Read by Annie and approved by all present.

Matters Arising

The new bench commemorating Ron Cowdrey will be installed by his daughter, Judy Merriman when the club opens in May.

The date of opening for this year was confirmed as Saturday 4th May.

The role of the Welfare Officer was explained.

The website has been running for one year, applications for membership can be applied for directly from it.

Treasurer's Report

Bob distributed copies of last year's accounts.

We have a healthy balance at present, outgoings were relatively high this year, but we were able to cover them.

Andrew explained why we require an insurance policy.

Club subscriptions are currently set at:

- £25 for family
- £17.50 for single player
- £10 for non-player

It was agreed that these should not change for 2019.

Chairman's Report

Summer party and tea party last year were well attended.

Nick's Wednesday / Thursday coaching sessions were popular, and Nick will run them again in 2019. Andrew to advertise sessions and dates on the website.

A practice net was bought and added to the kit.

We invested in professional weed treatment on court one, court two had a treatment applied by us. Professional treatment is relatively expensive (£160 pa) so we are continuing with both and will compare the results at the end of the year. Two more professional treatments are being applied to court one this year, the next is set for 26th April.

The shed roof was patched last year and needs some minor carpentry and new felting. It was agreed that this was something we can manage ourselves and Richard and Nick agreed to organise it.

A suggestion has been made that we have the trees checked by a tree surgeon. Emma has had tree work done recently and can recommend a good, inexpensive firm that has links to the local Conservation Officer. Nick will organise some quotes.

A weekend gardening tidy-up was discussed. Nick was keen to postpone this until June and have a more heavy-duty session, including fix the shed. Andrew will liaise with Nick and broadcast the date nearer the time.

Dates for social events were agreed:

- Summer Party - 6th July
- Tea Party - 7th September

Fran thanked Emma and Jonathan for organising their private firework party. Sonia questioned how the social events worked and offered to organise the tea party this year. Andrew will contact her nearer the time and discuss the details.

There is a relatively healthy mowing and lining group, all now on a separate WhatsApp group. Andrew suggested that when volunteers mow and line the courts that they announce the date they are planning to do it on the group, so that others can help.

The cylinder mower needs servicing and minor repair. Emma recommended a company that will collect and return for free, Nick will approach them.

A bulb planting on court one was discussed and agreed.

Trustees for the Lease

The following are trustees under the current lease:

- Nick Harte
- Andrew Tyler

Trustees in Waiting

- Bob Gardner
- Richard Godfrey

Election of Officers

- Chairman - Annie Gianini
- Treasurer - Bob Gardner
- Secretary - Andrew Tyler
- Welfare Officer - Becks Price
- Groundsman - Nick Harte

Election of Committee Members

- Emma Sayles

Any Other Business

Annie thanked Nick and Monica for hosting the AGM, and Andy, Bob and Nick for their assistance in her first year as Chairman.

Nick talked about a dovecote that he has obtained and offered it to the club to be placed on the courts. Fran pointed out that by erecting it we start to move away from being tennis courts and towards a garden. It was generally felt that it wasn't appropriate to erect it on the courts

Doc suggested that we should have a croquet set to be set up on court two. Louise pointed out that it could jeopardise LTA membership and it was generally agreed that we would not proceed with this.

Fran has a platform ladder, ideal for tree pruning that she is happy to donate to the club.

Louise was secretary for Cirencester tennis club for five years and handled the Wimbledon ticket applications. She explained the process and has offered to advise Andrew on how to make next year's application.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm