

Faringdon Tennis Club A.G.M. 2019

Friday 27 September, 7-8pm.

Present: 16 members:

Sjoerd Vogt, Susanna Hunt, Mark and Max Mobey, Juliane Spiers, Anne and Andy Sawyer, Adrian Noke, Steve Perry, Mike and Helen Iremonger. Dave and Sheila Lugg, Tom Francis and Dave Tuck, Paul Margey

Apologies:

Alan Elbourn, Guy Mobey, Kate Haysman, Steve and Joyce Wright, Dave and Mary Tutt, Simon Onions, Dave Crawley, Sue Thrower, Judy Scotcher.

Minutes:

The Minutes of the 2018 AGM had been circulated, taken as read and signed as a correct record.

Financial Statement –Steve Perry:

The club is in a good financial situation, due to our high membership (278). Copies of the balance sheet and revenue account were circulated and are available on the website.

We have a sinking fund for painting/resurfacing the courts and for floodlights for Courts 3 and 4. This fund increases by approx. £8k/year

Match Secretary (Summer and Winter) Report: Adrian Noke

Adrian read his report. Please see the website for more details.

We are extremely grateful to Adrian for his outstanding logistical ability to arrange matches for 13 summer and 10 winter teams, booking courts and ensuring no clashes. It is quite a feat and we are all in awe.

Adrian noted that he would ensure there are no league games (either home or away) scheduled on the same day as the Club Championships next year as otherwise there could be a clash of interests for players.

In addition to teams competing in the leagues, Kate Haysman also runs the 'Silver Servers' over 60's, who play regular friendly fixtures against Wantage.

Coaching Reports:

Junior Coaching:

Guy Mobey was not present as he is now at university but he wrote a report explaining his involvement on Saturday mornings and introducing Dave and Tom, the new coaches. His report is on the website.

Tom explained that he and Dave are looking to increase the junior membership and the competing opportunities for juniors, with tennis camps planned for Oct, Easter and June half terms. Sjoerd mentioned that Faringdon Council would be keen to advertise these.

Tom is also planning on introducing a Cardio Tennis fitness session.

Ladies Coaching: Susanna Hunt's report is on website. Susanna explained that the number of ladies competing continues to rise and we will be looking to add an additional ladies team next year.

Chairman's Report

Juliane summarised from her report which is on the website, thanking key figures who volunteer their time for the club, explaining about the new coaching structure, the Club Championships and discussing future ideas such as a pavilion, table tennis and picnic table area. Examples were on view and the new additions were enthusiastically received by the members present. Watch this space!

Subscriptions for 2019/20

The subscriptions will remain the same as last year. These represent very good value for money and are some of the lowest in the county. Also floodlights are free too, whereas most clubs charge.

Committee Election

Thank you to the following committee members who are all happy to continue for another year:

Sjoerd Vogt
Alan Elbourn
Kate Haysman
Sam Bannister
Dave Crawley

Appointment of Officers:

All three officers were voted in, proposed by Andy Sawyer and Seconded by Mike Iremonger.

Chairman: Juliane Spiers
Secretary: Susanna Hunt
Treasurer: Steve Perry

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Helen Iremonger requested that the dug outs be made a little more user-friendly with perhaps shelving for belongings so the bench can be used to sit on.

Mike Iremonger requested some more net measures as the current ones seem to have disappeared

Dave Tuck requested improved signage to the club.

Sjoerd explained that the postcode for the club is now correct on the website so satnavs will get people to the correct venue.

A sign on the A420 to Faringdon Folly Sports Park (Tennis, Cricket and Rugby) would also be a good idea.