

# **Berkswell & Balsall Common Tennis Club**

## **Minutes of AGM Held at the Lant Community Centre on 11 November 2013 At 7.30 Pm**

### **Present**

There were 26 members present & 5 apologies.

### **Minutes of the previous AGM**

These were agreed & signed.

Proposer: Bob Harris      Seconder: Nikki Paton

### **Matters Arising**

None

### **Reports**

#### **Ladies Captain**

Sue said that prior to the beginning of the season Nikki Paton and Gilly Dale organised 3<sup>rd</sup> team practices and Sally Webber organised 2<sup>nd</sup> team practices, also including any 1<sup>st</sup> team players, for which she was extremely grateful, so a big thank you to them.

Sue reported the League results:

	The first team finished bottom of Division 2
	The second team finished second in Division 4
	The third team finished sixth in Division 5

#### **First Team**

The 1<sup>st</sup> team had hoped to stay up but they always knew it would be a struggle. It was a big initiation for the youngsters who played – Jess Crawley, Jo Brattle, Emma Lycett and Emma Thomas – but Jess and Jo, who were able to play more often, improved as the season went on and always seemed to enjoy their matches. Katie Standley was an ever-present member of the team, and her willing acceptance of a variety of partners throughout the season was much appreciated. Well done to all of them. Thank you too to Louise Baker, Dottie Parkes and Angela Stuart-Smith for helping out; they would not even have been able to put a team out some weeks without them.

#### **Second Team**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> team were hoping to be promoted having been unexpectedly demoted the previous season. Well done to the whole team – the backbone of which was Sally Webber (captain), Hilary Brattle, Judith Thomas and Suzanne Barney – for a strong, consistent performance all season which nearly saw them win their division. They were neck and neck with Leamington 3 throughout the season before being pipped at the post. Helen Atherton, Sarah Kirk and Chrissy Grafton also made important contributions – thank you to them.

#### **Third Team**

No expectations were placed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> team at all – Sue wanted as many people to play and enjoy matches as possible and this was achieved mainly due to the captaincy of Gilly Dale and Nikki Paton. Thanks to all those who played - Emily Johnson, Kotie Viljoen, Jane Watson, Karen Morris, Sally Bell, Linda Shaw, Christine Harris, Angela Stuart-Smith, Sarah Kirk, Chrissie Grafton and Hayley Napier. Sue hoped it was an enjoyable introduction to league tennis for those who had not played league before. Finally, Sue thanked Jon Baber for his invaluable help with team selection, often a thankless task. She would not be continuing as captain next year, although she hoped to play in some matches. She wished all the best to her successor.

## Mens Captain

Jon presented the following report:

### 1st team – Finished 7<sup>th</sup> in Division 1- Relegated

A difficult season for the first team, finishing 7<sup>th</sup> after a poor start. Despite the fantastic efforts from Chris Barker, Dave Green, Ted Bloom, Rich Portas, and Jon, sadly division 1 survival was not to be. Also thanks to Harry Malone, Jack Malone, and Graham Selby who stepped in to help the campaign.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Team – Finished 7<sup>th</sup> in Division 2 – Relegated

Like the first team, a very disappointing season for the seconds.

Despite Captain Harry Malone's best efforts, the second team was plagued with injuries and bad luck throughout the season.

The second team squad consisted of Harry Malone, Jack Malone, Paul Westall, Jon Parry-Evans, and Duncan Mayne

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Team – Finished 4<sup>th</sup> in Division 5

Well done to Chris Rees's 3<sup>rd</sup> team, who will remain in division 5 after some really tough matches.

Well done to all the 3<sup>rd</sup> team squad including Chris Rees, Jack Crossley, Graham Selby, Phil Dale, and Chris Rhodes.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Team – Finished 1<sup>st</sup> in Division 6 – Promoted

Congratulations to the 4<sup>th</sup> team led by Chris Rhodes for winning division 6 – they will now play in the same division as the 3<sup>rd</sup> team next season.

Congratulations to all the players who took part in the team's promotion. These included Chris Rhodes, Alan Dick, Patrick Parry-Evans, Matt Quinn, Rich Clews, and Rob Atherton.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Team – Finished 6<sup>th</sup> in Division 7

A very respectable 6<sup>th</sup> position for our 5<sup>th</sup> team, David Browne led a squad consisting of Alex Nurse, Peter Brough, Simon Jones, Dean Henry, Stuart Evans, Colin Grafton, and Ali Watson.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Team – Finished 8<sup>th</sup> in Division 7

Mark Esling took on the role of 6<sup>th</sup> team captain for this season and did a very precise and well organised job ensuring that many of our juniors had a taste of league tennis.

The feedback I received from both juniors and parents was very positive referring to how well Mark had ran the team and also how much our juniors had enjoyed representing our club at a senior level.

The senior squad members consisted of Mark Esling, Bob Harris, and Anthony Morris.

For the juniors: Christopher Barker, Julian Wreford, Duncan Mcclenaghan, Charles Davies, Tom Bland, Jack King, and James Goodwin.

## The Spring League

The 2013 season saw the introduction of an additional team to the Spring League captained by Bob Harris. The 2<sup>nd</sup> team, who naturally started in division 3, finished a very respectable 3<sup>rd</sup> narrowly missing promotion.

Our first team has been relegated from division 1 and will now play in division 2 for the 2014 season.

I would like to thanks all the players who participated in the spring league:

Paul Westall, Phil Dale, Graham Selby, Chris Barker, Jack Malone, Bob Harris, Chris Rees, Alan Dick, Chris Rhodes, Peter Brough, Patrick Parry - Evans, Stuart Evans, Dean Henry, Mick Lloyd, and Rob Atherton.

Finally, Jon thanked all the team captains: Dave Green, Harry Malone, Chris Rees, Chris Rhodes, David Browne, Mark Esling, and Bob Harris for all their hard work throughout the season.

## Vets Leagues

### Ladies

Katie reported that the ladies Vets had an excellent season finishing top of the second division. They won 9 matches and drew 2. Out of 88 sets played, they won 66.

There was a core of regulars who worked to gain promotion, together with Henley in Arden, into the first division. She thanked all the ladies who played.

## Mens

Bob & Chris reported that we have had two Mens teams playing in the Warwickshire Vets Leagues for the last two years. Matches are played between September and December at the weekend, with our home matches being held on a Sunday morning.

At this time last year, the Vets A team was top of Division 2. They needed a 4-0 win in their final match of the season against Moseley to ensure promotion to Division 1 – which they achieved, thus finishing in second place one point behind Edgbaston Priory and one point ahead of Rugby. However, this season the A team has found it much tougher, competing against several teams with County Vets players in their squads. Following yesterday's match at Edgbaston Priory, the A team has now won 5 rubbers in 9 matches and are currently bottom of the table.

The Vets B team enjoyed many good games in Division 3 last season, and just pipped Beechwood B to the honour of supporting the league as a whole. This season we have again been vying with Beechwood B for the same honour, having drawn 2-2 with them earlier in the season, and yesterday was the return match. Despite the scheduled 11am start, it took our opponents until 11.15 to decide who was playing in their team and until 11.25 before they found two tubes of balls. This gave us a psychological edge in the opening games, and sure enough we achieved a stunning 4-0 win to double our points total and leap up the table. The fixture featured a match where Bob and Peter were the two youngsters on the court, as well as Chris Bull returning from injury and Dean in devastating form.

So far we have had 18 players representing the club in these matches this season, and it provides a great opportunity to play against clubs who do not play in the summer Coventry & District League. However, we do need some younger Vets (45 and over) as the average age of our combined squads is nearer 60 than 45, and various body parts are beginning to wear out!

## Tournaments

David reported that Tournaments in 2013 started with the Final of the Floodlit Cup, in which Chris Bull and Helen Atherton played against Sue Walsh and himself, with Sue and David triumphing on the day. This year's event is now under way,

The start of the new tennis season was ushered in by a mixed doubles handicapped tournament held on Sunday 21st April. The turnout was excellent and all 6 courts were in action for 3 hours. All players coped admirably not only with the blustery conditions, but also with the somewhat different scoring arrangements!

Mens Winner - David Green; runner up - Matt Quinn  
Ladies Joint winners - Judith Thomas & Hilary Brattle

The Davids Cup was held on July 7<sup>th</sup>. The sun shone, a full complement of players turned up, the dress code of beachwear was duly observed and the event was organised by Chris Rees. Due to the sterling efforts of Nikki and Patrick, a delicious BBQ was on offer. The winners were Alistair Watson, Chrissie Harris and Alan Dick who eventually prevailed 9-7 over Ted Frith, Linda Shaw and Dave White.

Finals Day in September was also blessed with decent weather and also some excellent tennis with the results as follows:

Mens 90+	Winners - Paul Westall & Colin Grafton Finalists - David Green & John Walsh
Ladies Doubles	Winners -Katie Standley & Sue Walsh Finalists - Suzanne Barney & Judith Thomas
Teens and Has-beens	Winners - Helen Atherton & Jess Crawley
Ladies Singles	Winner - Jess Crawley Finalist - Dottie Parkes
Mens Singles	Winner - Jack Malone Finalist - Harry Malone
Ladies 90+	Winners - Judith Thomas & Suzanne Barney Finalists - Dottie Parkes & Sue Walsh
Mens Doubles	Winners - Chris Barker & David Green Finalists - Jon Baber & Ted Bloom

Mixed Doubles

Winners -Matthew Quinn & Sally Webber

Finalists - David Green & Sarah Kirk

Thanks go out to all umpires who volunteered on the day and also to Lorna who kept us refreshed in the morning, Elaine for the lunchtime buffet and to Chris Barker, Richard Portas and Paul Westall for the excellent BBQ in the afternoon.

## Club Sessions

**Angela** said that she was delighted that over the past 12 months, we have welcomed some new members to our Saturday Club Afternoon. She is very pleased that our Saturday regulars have made a big effort to interact and make them feel relaxed and included in the playing and the socialising of our beautiful game. Hopefully new members will spread the word and encourage their families and friends to also come and join us.

Weather over the past 12 months has been very unusual. We had floods in November; 4 to 6 inches of snow in January and March, then more heavy rain followed by hot dry conditions. This, however, did not stop us playing on a Saturday afternoon. We are seeing more people playing on a regular basis each week. Six courts are regularly being used and on good sunny "tennis weather" days we've had 32 people wanting to play.

Although we only managed tea and biscuits 3 times this year she feels there is a camaraderie amongst our club members and much happy banter is to be heard between those sitting and resting and those in mortal combat on the courts.

For the first time this season she received less complaints than usual regarding court surfaces, broken nets, dead tennis balls, dodgy line calls, car parking etc. This, of course, maybe due to the fact she's going deaf or has forgotten to take her earplugs out.

The Strawberry Tea Afternoon for Breast Cancer Care on June 22<sup>nd</sup> was very well supported despite the windy weather and squally rain showers; but this did not deter anyone from partaking of the glorious cakes.

It was very pleasing to see so many adults and children come and join us on the Saturday afternoon of the Village Fete, September 28<sup>th</sup>. She sincerely thanked those Club members who gave up their Saturday tennis to help out at this event. We certainly raised the profile of the Club.

All in all, Saturday afternoon continues to be a fun, relaxing Club afternoon for all those tennis members who enjoy playing social tennis.

Finally she asked anyone, who has any ideas on ways to improve the afternoon, to contact her.

**Patrick** thanked Judith Thomas for her great work in organising the volunteer rota and the ball supply for each week; and he thanked the volunteers themselves. We've now changed to a permanent 6.30pm starting time (winter and summer). All are welcome to come and play and join us in the bar afterwards; or even instead on a very cold night. Winter also brings the occasional chance for hot soup and pizzas after the tennis.

## 100 Club Report

Dottie reported that this year the 100 club brought in an income of £1584 and with the 6 draws of three prizes totaling £900 makes the sum of £684 added to the club funds.

Over the year we have lost 5 members due to moving away and sadly Harold but gained 6 new making a membership total of 66.

Thanks to Jackie's hard work in February the membership form went out with the annual shoe tags and this worked very well. The fact that Dottie carries the forms with her in her 'kit bag' when she's down at the club plus word of mouth from members and she's confident that the 100 club membership will continue to rise, albeit slowly, over the next few years.

## Friendly Matches

Sally apologised for her brief report.

She said she had been a little more successful in arranging matches this season with fixtures played at Kenilworth and Knowle & Dorrige followed by delicious teas - clearly the tea factor is just as important as playing the actual match! However, it is still a difficult and time consuming task contacting players and persuading them that they would love to play! Nonetheless, she will persevere and hopefully it will go from strength to strength next year!

## Junior Coordinator

Jackie presented the following report:

### Tournaments

We have had a busy year with LTA sanctioned tournaments running at least once a month all year for children aged 5-14. We also ran an extra mini red tournament for 'complete beginners', which has encouraged a number of the younger juniors to enter more tournaments both at the club and in the local area.

The club's perceived performance by the LTA relates directly to the number of matches each junior has played (Regularly Competing Junior - RCJ) and once again we have come very close to hitting the targets set by the LTA for the year, putting us in the top third of all clubs in the county.

### Aegon League

We have 2 league winners this summer - our Mini Orange (under 9's) and 14U's claiming victory over their rivals. Congratulations go to:

9U Harry Court, Matthew French, Josh Golsby-Taylor, Amelia McManus, William Morris, Phoebe Tomkins and Dylan Vine

14U Robert Atherton, Charles Davies and Duncan McClenaghan.

### Clothing

Still available for the discerning club member!

### Presentation Evening

The juniors' evening was held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at the club, where the junior championship winners, SLAM winners, Road to Wimbledon champion, Most Improved Players, League players and older juniors who competed in the leagues with the adults were presented with trophies and treats. It was a fun evening where the kids played quiz games of 'Higher' or 'Lower' and demonstrated their general knowledge.

### Junior Membership

We changed the categories this year to:

Junior Tots Aged 3-5

Junior Infant Aged 5-7

Junior Primary Aged 8-11

Junior Aged 12-18

These changes allow us to target our marketing at the various infant/primary/secondary schools more effectively.

## Coaching

Stuart reported that as we end 2013 the junior coaching programme consists of thirteen group coaching sessions per week. We run seven club groups and six performance squads, all operate midweek. In addition to the performance and club groups the Coaching Team also offer Tots Coaching, this was introduced in 2012 and has expanded from two to three sessions during the year. Five Cardio Tennis are running each week and Rusty Rackets is still operating on a Thursday Evening.

2013 saw an increase in the competition programme offered at the club. Collen and Jackie organised monthly Grade 6 tournaments with a good mixture of internal and external entrants. Jon organised 8 junior slams and we had a record number of entries across the season for our Slam events.

Six school holiday camps were organised, one in February, one at Easter, three during the Summer and one in October. Holiday camps form an important part of junior recruitment, after each course we have juniors join as members.

The club entered teams in the Warwickshire Mini Tennis Leagues and Tennis Leagues and this provides match experience for our better juniors.

Currently our Regular Competing Juniors numbers are:

43 players have played 6 matches

22 players have played 20 matches.

These numbers are slightly down from 2012 which is disappointing considering we have record entry levels for events. The main reason for the dip is that match results now have to be submitted via an on-line results manager and the whole coaching team haven't quite to grips with the technical requirements. This means we have match results that are waiting to be submitted. Training has been organised with the county office later this month to solve this problem.

We are lucky enough to have a great coaching team at Balsall Common. Jon, Collen and Rachael are top class coaches and we have outstanding coaching assistants in Harry Malone, Jack Malone and Jack Crossley. It is very encouraging to see other young leaders volunteering within the coaching programme and in 2014 we plan to put a structure in place that will reward these volunteers with a qualification.

"Finally a thank you to the committee and members for your continued support of the coaching programme and we look forward to working with you in 2014"

Alan mentioned that we now have a Coaches Charter which can be viewed in the Clubmark Folder. This spells out the relationship between the Management Committee and the Coaches, what the club expects from the coaches and what the coaches can expect from the club. This is signed by the Chairman and the Head Coach.

## Membership

Jackie said the committee have been very pleased with the increased take-up of membership this year. She illustrated this with the following table:

Category	Ages Pre 2012	Ages Post 2012	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Coaches			5	5	4	4	3
Family			16	14	14	12	13
Social			31	25	11	27	27
<b>Seniors</b>							
Senior	26-64		95	91	107	137	156
Senior Citizen	65+		23	23	24		
Young Adult	18-25		16	11	10		
			134	125	141	137	156
			7%	-11%	3%	-12%	0%
<b>Juniors</b>							
Junior Tots	-	3-5	26	8	0	142	152
Junior U7 / Infant	5-7	6-7	30	38	22		
Junior 7-10 / Primary	7-10	8-11	43	33	52		
Junior (incl. Intermediate)	11-15	12-18	65	53	63		
	16-18	-	0	11	14		
	Junior Total		65	64	77		
			164	143	151	142	152
			15%	-5%	6%	-7%	0%
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>329</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>335</b>
			12%	-3%	-1%	-9%	0%

Total Membership is up from 293 to 329, a 12% increase. Senior membership is up by 7% and Junior by 15%. As she explained in her Junior Report, the junior categories were changed this year to better match the schools.

Alan explained that the committee took action over members who did not re-subscribe. Reminders were sent before they were removed from our membership list. The coaches were very supportive and enforced the "no fee, no coaching" policy.

Astrid also said that players whose club membership had lapsed were removed from our list of British Tennis Members so that the number of BTMs registered to our club better matched our club membership figures. This could result in a lower allocation of Wimbledon tickets so she urged all members to join British Tennis.

Jackie was asked how many members had availed themselves of the staged payment method and she said only 5 but she will continue to offer this method.

She asked the meeting whether any members would be interested in paying their subscription online. Chris Rees also suggested payment by Bank Transfer or Standing Order as people are using fewer cheques.

## Accounts 2013

Alan circulated the accounts prepared by Anne.

Total net assets stand at £52,356 compared to £39,238 at the end of 2012.

Subscriptions are up by 13%. The Race Night was the major contributor to the increase in Social and Fundraising income. Court Rejuvenation of Courts 1 & 2 to extend their playing life accounted for the increase in Court Maintenance expenditure in 2012 so less has been spent on Court Maintenance this year.

Our biggest expenditure is the levy to the Sports Association of £9,600 which has been held for 1 year but Alan warned that this is will rise by 5% next year to help balance the books.

In 2012 the Court 6 resurfacing costs of £27,782 were taken from the Court Renewal Fund. This year we had the cost of nearly £34k for installing floodlights on Courts 3 & 6. However the club received a grant of £15,000 and a loan over 10 years of £15,000 from the LTA for these projects..

Alan explained that the Balance Sheet showed net current assets of £52,356. Our loan to the Sports Association is due to be fully repaid in the coming year. The surplus carried forward, taking into account the LTA loan, is £39,256.

Alan emphasised that we are still a cash-rich club in a healthy financial position.

Chris Barker proposed the accounts should be adopted, Astrid seconded it. The accounts were adopted.

## Chairman's Report

Alan said: "It's been a really good year for our tennis club, both on and off the court.

Whilst our tennis teams have had a mixed year, all those involved have participated with passion and aplomb – their enthusiasm and commitment is commendable. Our internal competitions have also been extremely well supported, especially the 'start of season' mixed doubles tournament, and the ever popular David's Cup, with both events incorporating the all-important fun element.

However, perhaps the highlight of the year was the club's successful application for Clubmark Reaccreditation. Clubmark is a national Sports Club 'gold standard' which was first awarded to our club in 2009. In order to maintain this standard, we had to apply for reaccreditation in 2013. To achieve this award, we had to demonstrate, for example, that we have a sound operational structure in place; that we have best practice policies and procedures for safeguarding junior and adult members; that we deliver a comprehensive tennis programme for all ages and abilities, and that we have a clear plan of action to take our club forward. On Thursday 24th October at a Warwickshire LTA Club Forum, Astrid Westall received the award on behalf of our club from John Kenney, LTA Councillor and President of the Coventry & District Lawn Tennis League.

Earlier on this year, we eventually completed our major capital project with the installation of floodlights on courts 3 and 6. The total cost of this project, including court 6 replacement, was £62k. It is therefore extremely gratifying to have received during the course of this year, many favourable comments from visiting teams and guests regarding our excellent facilities.

However, it is incumbent upon all members to look after these facilities on an ongoing basis.

One of our key objectives as a committee for 2013 was to increase our membership numbers, given the disappointing figures for 2012. I think it's fair to say that we have delivered! At the end of our financial year (ending August 31st), our total membership was up by 12%.....but it's got even better! As I write this report, our membership numbers have increased from 293 to 348, an increase of 19%!! In my view, this excellent result has been achieved primarily because of the unity of purpose demonstrated by the committee in their resolve, not only to attract new members but equally importantly to retain existing ones.

The change in membership categories (especially juniors); the 'bring a friend to the club' month and the 'Andy with a racquet' campaign were significant initiatives. Moreover, improvements to the members' handbook, better club signage, and a more proactive approach to the website have all contributed in some way to the improvement in membership numbers.

On the social side, I am also delighted to report that we have had a very successful and diverse year. Starting with our regular Comedy Night in March, we then moved on to Les Ross's Motown Evening, followed by the wonderful (and calorie busting!) Strawberry Tea in June.....and who could forget the



very glamorous 'Rat Pack' soiree! Tradition was then dispensed with in October when the annual presentation dinner dance was replaced with the Awards Ceremony taking place on Captains' Night . With over 80 people in attendance, the committee's decision was vindicated! (or perhaps it was the irresistible appeal of a £6 curry!) And there's more to come.....Race Night on the 15<sup>th</sup> November, Christmas Party Night on December 6<sup>th</sup> and of course Tennis & Tipple on December 27<sup>th</sup>.

Members support on all these occasions is greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to next year, one of our greatest priorities is to consider/plan items of potential expenditure e.g. at some stage in the next 2-3 years, we will need to replace courts 1&2. This will probably mean both a new macadam base, as well as a new surface for both courts. The question is when and of course type of surface?! In the meantime, we shall probably need to consider deep cleaning and resanding courts 4&5, as well as courts 1&2 as an interim measure. In addition, we are also in the process of reviewing lighting levels on the same courts, given the disparity compared to the new lights on courts 3&6. We are therefore reflecting on the possibility of relamping courts 4 & 5. On these issues, members views are of course always welcome, but in any event we shall keep everyone abreast of developments.

Rest assured, we shall not 'rest on our laurels'!"

Alan then invited members to voice their views on these potential developments. It was agreed that the first step should be a survey of the floodlights to get a professional assessment which would cost about £250. Because the wiring on Courts 4 & 5 is old, Bob suggested an electrical assessment too. Dean asked how soon the club could reapply for LTA funding and Alan said it was 3 years but there are other sources of funding that can be explored. Patrick asked how much a 7<sup>th</sup> court would cost and was told in the region of £60k but it is questionable whether there would be the demand for more court time to justify another court.

On the subject of the dirt on Courts 1 & 2 after heavy rain, Bob suggested the club should purchase a bucket and shovel to scrape off the mud which would reduce the risk of anyone slipping.

Alan emphasized that the planning of court development, and courts & lighting maintenance re-enforced the need for a Grounds Convenor to replace David Browne, who is resigning from the role.

Alan finished by saying: "I would like to take this opportunity to thank Angela Stuart-Smith and David Browne (who are stepping down from the committee) for their sterling efforts over the past year. Indeed the committee as a whole deserve major plaudits – without their excellent input this year, the successes that we have had would simply not have been possible. Their support for the Chairman has been terrific!"

## INTERVAL

### Election of Officers & Committee

**PRESIDENT:** Peter Nurse Proposer: Alan Dick, Seconder: Maureen Milnes

**VICE-PRESIDENTS:** The re-election en bloc of J Green, J Hare-Scott, K Rose, B Standley, E Innes, P Brown, M Milnes & B Green was proposed by Chris Barker and seconded by Anne Tucker. Carried unanimously.

**CHAIRMAN:** Alan Dick Proposer: Nikki Paton Seconder: Gilly Dale

**VICE CHAIRMAN:** No nominations

**SECRETARY:** Astrid Westall Proposer: Barry Standley Seconder: Angela Stuart-Smith

**TREASURER:** Anne Green Proposer: Bob Harris Seconder: Judith Thomas

**LADIES CAPTAIN:** Gilly Dale Proposer: Pam Brown Seconder: Angela Stuart-Smith

**MENS CAPTAIN:** Jon Baber Proposer: Chris Barker Seconder: Matt Quinn

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:** Jackie Bland Proposer: Gilly Dale Seconder: Patrick Parry-Evans

**JUNIOR COODINATOR:** Jackie Bland Proposer: Nikki Paton Seconder: Maureen Milnes

**GENERAL COMMITTEE:** David Green, Chris Rhodes, Chris Barker, Patrick Parry-Evans and Nikki Paton were re-elected en-bloc Proposer: Judith Thomas Seconder: Bob Harris  
There remained one vacancy on the committee and a nomination had been received for Matt Quinn. As there were no other nominations, Matt was elected:  
Proposer: Astrid Westall Seconder: Dean Henry

**NON COMMITTEE:**  
**100 Club:** Dottie Parkes  
**Friendly Sec:** Sally Bell

Alan welcomed the new members onto the committee and explained that it was possible that the committee would co-opt some other members during the course of the year, as we were keen to engage younger members in the running of the club.

### **A.O.B.**

Maureen Milnes raised the following issue: "In order to avoid the situation that occurred last Sunday morning when no courts were available for use by members after ten o'clock because two mens teams were playing at home and a Junior Tournament was being held, that next season, if two mens teams are drawn at home then one team should start at ten o'clock and the other at eleven o'clock. This would leave courts free for some general play during a morning."

Alan said that his aim was for all members to come up to the club and have fun. However it was not always possible to have a court at all times as other activities e.g. league matches, tournaments and coaching, sometimes had to take priority.

As a principle for 2014, it was agreed that the club should endeavour to ensure that at least 2 courts are free for all members to play tennis between 10am and 12 noon every Sunday.

Jackie is to liaise with Bob when she sets the dates of the Junior Tournaments. Bob will request to the Vets League that both our 2 teams are not scheduled to play at home on those dates.

Maureen appreciated that it is too late to make alternative arrangements for the potential clash on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Alan told the meeting that the committee were already reviewing the Court Priority Sheet for next year and also were also considering an Online Booking System.

The Chairman closed the meeting.

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	2013	2012
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
Subscriptions	26822	23757
100 Club x 6 draws (6 2012)	636	702
Social and Fundraising	2096	719
Floodlight Tokens	895	858
Tournament and Match Fees	1217	1047
Sale of Balls	496	679
Clothing sales	187	
Bank Interest	24	28
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>32373</u>	<u>27790</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Court Maintenance	1858	4974
Other Repairs & Maintenance	341	504
Gardening	248	318
Coaching	0	260
Tennis Balls	1480	1295
Equipment	1175	1905
Fees:		
Sports Association	9600	9600
Warwickshire LTA	600	600
League Fees	191	194
Sundry Expenditure:		
Administration	1250	949
Trophies & Prizes	537	383
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<u>17279</u>	<u>20982</u>
<b>Operating Surplus</b>	<u>15094</u>	<u>6808</u>
<b>Less Exceptional Items</b>		
Resurface Court	<u>33776</u>	<u>27782</u>
	<u>-18682</u>	<u>-20974</u>
<b>LTA Funding Received</b>	<u>15000</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>-3682</u>	<u>-20974</u>
<b>Transfer to court renewal fund</b>	10800	10800
<b>Transfer from court renewal fund for resurface</b>	-18776	-27782
<b>Transfer to general fund</b>	4294	-3992
	<u>-3682</u>	<u>-20974</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2013**

	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Bank Balance	51065	38171
Stock Balls	585	621
Stock Clothing	616	
Debtors & Prepayments	90	446
	<u>52356</u>	<u>39238</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Creditors & Accruals	0	0
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>52356</u>	<u>39238</u>
Loan to Sports Association	1900	3700
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<u>54256</u>	<u>42938</u>
<b>LTA LOAN</b>	15000	0
	<u>39256</u>	<u>42938</u>
<b>Financed By:</b>		
<b>MEMBERS CAPITAL FUND</b>		
General fund brought forward	16720	20712
Addition to General fund	4294	-3992
	<u>21014</u>	<u>16720</u>
Court Renewal fund brought forward	26218	43200
Addition to Court Renewal fund	10800	10800
Reduction for resurface	-18776	-27782
	<u>18242</u>	<u>26218</u>
Surplus carried forward	<u>39256</u>	<u>42938</u>