

St. John's Lawn Tennis Club Annual General Meeting

Tuesday November 25th 2008

Attended: Lindsey Baker, Colin Docksey, Suzette Elliot-West, Denise Holme, Anne Hopper, Simon Ingman, Betty Jenkins, Melanie Kitchen, Patrick McCall, Eric Marsh, Alan Moon, Belinda Pettitt, George Skomorowski, Rosemary Snook, Brian Morrill, Bob Wood.

Apologies: Andrea Bagg, Rosie Gable, Dave Hodgekinson,

1. Minutes of previous AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM were read and accepted.

Proposed: R Snook **Seconded:** P. McCall

2. Chairman's report - George Skomorowski

We have had another good year even though the Chairman was absent most of the year. Membership had been maintained and there was a good social programme including Eric Marsh's 80th Birthday celebrations. Maintenance of the facilities (fencing, nets and screens) had taken place and Sue Hay had developed a new web site for the Club. George announced his decision to stand down and Eric Marsh proposed a vote of thanks to George for all his work as Chairman which was seconded by the whole committee. George also said that he would be prepared to help the committee from time to time on specific tasks.

3. Treasurer's report – Lindsey Baker

ST JOHNS LAWN TENNIS CLUB **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS - UP TO 31st OCTOBER 2008**

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>2006/2007</u>	<u>2007/2008</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>2006/2007</u>	<u>2007/2008</u>
<u>Subscriptions :</u>	Adult	£10,745.00	£11,200.00			
	Junior	£ 1,835.00	£ 915.00			
				Company	£ 2,030.00	£ 2,030.00

Insurance	£ 430.00		Insurance	£ 862.05	£ 862.05
Bar Licence	£ 90.00		Bar Licence	£ 180.00	£ 180.00
			Swift Alarms		£ 171.16
			Kiddle Fire		
			Protection		£ 418.18

Visitor Fees	£ 33.00	£ 95.00
Wimbledon	£ 1,718.00	£ 1,300.00
Tournaments	£ 25.00	

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Tournaments	£ 7.78	

Affiliations

Court Hire	£ 1,194.00	£ 963.00	K.C. LTA	£ 1,183.00	£ 1,317.60
			K.C. LTA Winter		£ 60.00
			K.C. LTA Summer	£ 40.00	£ 40.00
			Maidstone Summer	£ 18.00	£ 18.00
			Maidstone Winter		£ 12.00
Junior Team		£ 13.00			

Social/fundraising	£ 754.48	£ 1,113.55	Social/fundraising	£ 476.44	£ 762.43
Lottery (floodlighting)			Lighting	£ 264.38	
EDF		£ 3,460.15	EDF(upgrade electricity supply)	£ 3,460.15	

Courts/Grounds

Coaching	£ 80.00	
BBQ	£ 250.00	
Court Cleaning		£ 900.00
Electrics repairs	£ 65.51	
Balls/Nets	£ 136.96	£ 299.24

Weedkilling	£	282.00	£	282.00
Clubhouse Cleaning	£	185.00	£	331.50
Gardening	£	875.00	£	1,275.00
Court Fencing			£	1,562.75
General				
Maintenance	£	100.27		
Nets/Screens	£	16.50		

Miscellaneous

Keys	£	10.00	Padlocks/Keys	£	49.43	£	11.85
			Postage/Printing	£	223.57	£	241.54
			Clubtags	£	73.00	£	64.60
			Honours Board	£	470.00		
			Engraving	£	27.00	£	34.35
			Furniture	£	89.96		
			Charity Donation	£	25.00		
			Flowers			£	93.00
			Other Expenses			£	28.00

Interest	£	983.06	£	1,227.23	Cash in hand		£	54.61	
					Future Court Maintenance	£	4,000.00	£	4,000.00
					Surplus	£	618.54	£	3,921.07

£17,807.54	£20,283.93	£17,807.54	£20,283.93
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Balance B/F (2006)	£22,010.00
Surplus (inc future court costs)	£ 4,618.54
Total	£26,628.54

Made up of as at 31/10/07:

Building Society	£ 127.20
A&L Current A/C	£ 349.84
A&L Business Instant Reserve	£26,151.50

Current Reserves of £26,628.54 are split as:

£ 16,000.00	set aside for future court maintenance
£ 1,539.85	for floodlighting (lottery grant), remaining grant with EDF for other
£ 9,088.69	expenditure

Balance B/F (2007)	£26,628.54
Surplus (inc future court costs)	£ 7,921.07
Total	£34,549.61

Made up of as at 31/10/08:

Building Society	£ 127.20
A&L Current A/C	£ 1,727.98
A&L Business Instant Reserve	£32,694.43

Current Reserves of £34,549.61 are split as:

£20,000.00	set aside for future court maintenance
£ 5,000.00	for floodlighting (lottery grant) for other
£ 9,549.61	expenditure

The accounts were presented by Lindsey Baker. Junior membership was reduced from last year but there may be junior family members not included in the subscriptions.

£5,000 from the Lottery was included in the current reserves and Melanie Kitchen reported that the new Planning application for floodlights had been submitted in early November which now met the environmental concerns about light spillage. A response was expected early 2009.

Proposed: Eric Marsh Seconded: Belinda Pettitt

A vote of thanks was offered to the Treasurer by Belinda Pettitt.

4. Junior section and Coaching – report by Rosemary Snook

We have 70 Junior members this year.

The Junior club night on Wednesdays which ran from April until September was well supported.

We ran a successful under 14 Road to Wimbledon tournament which was won by Tom Heavey, he went forward to compete in the area finals

The under 15 team competed in the Maidstone league and the under16 and under 18 teams in the Kent League.

A number of our stronger juniors have played in the men's teams this which is very encouraging.

We have also arranged American Tournaments, a mixed Generation tournament and a BBQ. The firework evening was also well attended by junior members. The Saturday morning junior coaching with Rosemary, Daniel Craig Hallam and Gary Carter is a great success with over 70 children attending and the holiday courses have also been well supported.

Daniel has also had good numbers to the Wednesday evening adult coaching especially in the 8.00pm group.

Betty Jenkins congratulated Rosemary on the number of Juniors and the range of activities.

Proposed: Betty Jenkins Seconded: Belinda Pettitt

5. Tennis Matches and Tournaments 2008 - Denise Holme

Matches and Tournaments 2008

We entered the same Kent teams in the winter and the summer, i.e. 2 Ladies, 1 Mens and a Mixed in the summer, no mixed in the winter. A Ladies and a Mens in Summer Maidstone, and for the first time a winter Ladies Maidstone. No relegations (I think), promotion for Ladies 1 in the summer with the final still to come.

We were also promoted last winter, but no one told us. The 1st team was largely Sarah Teubler, Viv Johnson, Kay Collard, Andrea Bagg and Denise Holme.

Anne Hopper had the dispiriting job of organising the 2's while not being able to play, so we hope she will soon be leading again from the front. Players included Lindsey Baker, Melanie Kitchen, Liz Bell, Liz Martin, Suzette Elliott-West, Irene McCall and Rosie Gable.

Dave Hodgkinson got out the Men week by week undeterred by various team members producing new babies who kept them home. The team was bolstered by newcomer Laurence Cailles, who joined Ben Janousek, Ali McLean, Richard Nolan, Patrick McCall, George Skomorowski and Paddy Gamm.

The Open tournament progressed well to the Finals, the results being

Men's Singles Paddy Gamm beat Ben Janousek

Ladies Singles Sarah Teubler beat Andrea Bagg

Mens Doubles Ben Janousek and Ali McLean beat David Raistrick and Paddy Gamm

Ladies Doubles Viv Johnson and Kay Collard beat Melanie Kitchen and Sarah Teubler

Mixed Doubles David Raistrick and Denise Holme beat Ben Janousek and Lindsey Baker

The handicap will need rethinking after this year.

Thanks to the other captains for their organisation and to Belinda Pettitt for being ball monitor.

6. Election of officers

Chairman

Patrick McCall was elected as Chairman

Proposed: Denise Holme Seconded: George Skomorowski

Tennis committee:

Existing members were re-elected (Tim Champion was not included for the time being as his position was uncertain)

Lindsey Baker, Andrea Bagg, Rosie Gable, Dave Hodgekinson, Denise Holme, Anne Hopper, Melanie Kitchen, Brain Morrill, Rosemary Snook, George Skomorowski, Simon Ingman, Patrick McCall

Proposed: Suzette Elliot West Seconded: Belinda Pettitt

New Member

Suzette Eliot West

Proposed: Patrick McCall Seconded: Brian Morrill

7. Any other business

1. Company members were Patrick McCall, Suzette Elliot- West, Simon Ingman, George Skomorowski (chairman for another year)
Eric Marsh proposed a vote of thanks to all.
2. Betty Jenkins thanked the Club for the donation to Cancer Relief made on the death of her husband.
3. Eric Marsh thanked the Club for his Birthday party.
4. Bob Wood asked about the numbers of British Tennis Members amongst the Club. This was only 72 at present including many children of family members and as a result the Wimbledon allocation of tickets would be reduced this year. It was agreed to try and persuade all members to join as there was no cost at present but it was noted that many had encountered problems when trying to enrol.
5. Rosemary Snook asked for the Mens's Singles Cup to be retrieved from Ali Maclean and given to Paddy Gamm.

The meeting was closed at 8.30pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 10th February 2009 @ 19.45