



**Meeting of the Tennis Section Committee  
held in The Clubhouse on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

<b>PRESENT</b> Maurice Salzmann (Men's Captain and in the Chair), Janet Milford (Ladies Captain), Graeme Slack (Men's Vice Captain), Charlotte Hanson (Ladies Vice Captain), Dave Worrall, Juliet Chenery, Emily Rushen, Tom Slack (Boys Tennis Captain) and James Temple (Head of Rackets)			
<b>APOLOGIES</b> Veronica Barker			
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS ARISING</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>WHEN</b>
<b>Minutes of the Last Meeting</b>	The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record.	<b>MS</b>	
<b>Matters Arising</b>	<p>The Club Night Christmas Dinner was well supported and there was great feedback on the service and food. JT has contacted the relevant departments to pass on the committee's thanks.</p> <p>CH will look at funding for the February committee meeting.</p> <p>JT is to chase up the sponsors payments for banners.</p> <p>The raffle for the car park space will be drawn at the Wimbledon Draw in April along with other prizes. DW and MS to arrange.</p>	<b>CH</b>    <b>DW</b> <b>MS</b>	
<b>Health and Safety Matters</b>	<p>As discussed at the AGM, JC suggested leaving forms to records falls on the tennis courts in the pavilion. JT to arrange.</p> <p>The wall behind courts 4-6 is continuing to show signs of deterioration. JT explained that the maintenance team are</p>	<b>JT</b>	

	<p>aware of the issue and plan to look at the problem after work fixing the wall by the outdoor swimming pool is complete.</p> <p>GS suggested an exploration to determine what is causing the mortar to come away from the wall, rather than just patching up.</p>		
<b>Correspondence</b>	None.		
<b>Main Agenda Items</b>	<p><b>2015 Summer Teams</b></p> <p>There will be four men’s teams entered into the Exeter and District Summer League. JT has spoken to Tim Agutter and both are keen to include some of the junior players in the teams this year.</p> <p>The confirmed captains are:</p> <p>A: James Temple  B: TBC  C: TBC  D: Dave Worrall</p> <p>There will either be three or four ladies teams entered. This will depend on the players available. JT to speak to Maureen Sowerby at the EDTL to determine the consequences of withdrawing a team.</p> <p>JC confirmed that she would be happy to continue captaining the ladies A team. CH is also happy to captain a team. Which team will be determined by the number of teams entered.</p> <p>The deadline for entries is 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2015.</p> <p>JT to liaise with the team captains to determine the final entries.</p>		
<b>Treasurer’s Report</b>	Discussed at the AGM.		

<b>Junior Report</b>	<p><b>Upcoming Junior Tournaments</b></p> <p>There are a series of junior tournaments set for early 2015:</p> <p>Saturday 24th January: 16&amp;U  Saturday 31st January: Flybe Mini Red and 12&amp;U  Sunday 22nd February: 14&amp;U  Saturday 28th February: Flybe Mini Green  Saturday 7th March: Flybe Mini Orange</p> <p>There will also be a series of friendly matches against other club across Devon at all age groups.</p> <p><b>2015 Road to Wimbledon</b></p> <p>This spring, we will once again be hosting a 14&amp;U Boys Road to Wimbledon event. The winner of this tournament will progress to the county finals with a chance of going on to play in the Grand Final at Wimbledon later in the summer.</p> <p><b>2015 Junior Squads</b></p> <p>The new term of junior squads has begun. We continue to be as busy throughout the winter as during the summer period with over 80 children taking part in mini tennis groups throughout the week as well as additional individual lessons.</p> <p>Our Friday evening session for the older juniors continues to grow. We now have 20 juniors at the 16&amp;U, 14&amp;U and 12&amp;U age groups attending the coaching and matchplay session run by Tim and I. Due to this growth we plan to enter two older teams into the Aegon Team Tennis competition this summer.</p> <p><b>Aegon Team Tennis</b></p> <p>We will be entering five teams into the Aegon Team Tennis event which begins in April. The teams will be 9&amp;U, 10&amp;U, 12&amp;U Boys, 16&amp;U Boys and 16&amp;U Girls. Our 2014 teams all won their respective divisions and thoroughly enjoyed the competition so we hope that this year will be as successful.</p>		
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<p><b>Captain's Report</b></p>	<p><b>Team Report:</b></p> <p>The men's A team are 1<sup>st</sup> in division 1.</p> <p>The men's B team are 5<sup>th</sup> in division 2.</p> <p>The ladies A team are 3<sup>rd</sup> in division 1.</p> <p>The ladies B team are 4<sup>th</sup> in division 4.</p> <p>The mixed A team are 1<sup>st</sup> in division 1.</p> <p>The mixed B team are 6<sup>th</sup> in division 1.</p> <p>The mixed C team are 6<sup>th</sup> in division 3.</p>		
<p><b>Matters from Club Committee</b></p>	<p>To be attached.</p>		
<p><b>Diary Matters</b></p>	<p><b>Winter Social Tournament</b></p> <p>The next social tournament is on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00am. JT to put up posters and sign-up sheet and include on an e-mail to rackets members.</p> <p><b>Wimbledon Tournament</b></p> <p>The date of the Wimbledon Finals Tournament needs to be moved to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July.</p> <p><b>Quiz Night</b></p> <p>JM to speak to Liz Turner about holding a Quiz Night on the 20<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p><b>JT</b></p> <p><b>JM</b></p>	
<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	<p><b>Court Re-surfacing</b></p>		

	<p>JC suggested asking the companies who have previously submitted a quotation for the re-surfacing of the courts to update their position. This will allow the process to move faster should the LTA assessment indicate a need for work to be undertaken.</p> <p>JT to contact the companies involved.</p> <p>JT also in the process of arranging a review of the courts surface.</p> <p><b>Match Balls</b></p> <p>DW expressed his belief that the provision of match balls by the committee should be encouraged as it is greatly appreciated by the teams.</p> <p>MS agreed but stated that there was a need to bring in money from the social tournament to support this expenditure.</p> <p><b>Social Tournaments</b></p> <p>It was suggested that the committee could experiment with running one of the Sunday social tournaments in the afternoon in an attempt to attract players who struggle to make the 10.00am start. To be discussed further in February.</p> <p><b>Tennis Ladder</b></p> <p>DW was pleased with the high number of players signed up for the start of the new tennis ladder. He suggested that moving forwards, asking for a small fee may be another way of bringing in money.</p> <p>MS suggested that the ladder is allowed to develop and grow to start with before asking for any money to be paid.</p>	<p>JT</p> <p>JT</p>	
	<p>There being no further business the Captain closed the meeting at 9.20pm.</p> <p><b>Next meeting: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 6.30pm</b></p>		