



## Meeting of the Tennis Section Committee held in The Clubhouse on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015

<b>PRESENT</b> Maurice Salzmann (Men's Captain and in the Chair), Janet Milford (Ladies Captain), Graeme Slack (Men's Vice Captain), Dave Worrall, Juliet Chenery, Emily Rushen, Tom Slack (Boys Tennis Captain)			
<b>APOLOGIES</b> James Temple (Head of Rackets), Charlotte Hanson (Ladies Vice Captain) and Veronica Barker			
ITEM	ACTIONS ARISING	WHO	WHEN
<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>JT has been chasing up invoices and payment for the sponsorship of banners.</p> <p>The tickets for the car parking space will be drawn at the Wimbledon Draw Tournament in April alongside a raffle.</p> <p>The position of the car parking space is not popular and a change of all the parking spaces was discussed. This will be taken to Club Committee in March.</p> <p>Accident forms to be placed in the Tennis Pavilion as suggested at the AGM. JT to arrange.</p> <p>The Winter Social Tournament on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February was very successful. Thanks to James and Graeme for their help in organising this event.</p> <p>Another tournament has been arranged for Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00am. If 24 members can be encouraged to enter the intention would be to try to run along a Team Tennis format.</p>	<b>JT</b>	

<b>Health and Safety Matters</b>	Several falls on court. Nothing recorded.		
<b>Correspondence</b>	None.		
<b>Main Agenda Items</b>	<p><b>2015 Summer Teams</b></p> <p>Four men's and four ladies teams have been entered into the Exeter and District Summer League.</p> <p>The confirmed captains are:</p> <p>A: James Temple  B: Adrian Gray  C: Dave Heaton  D: Dave Worrall</p> <p>A: Juliet Chenery  B: Chris Walsh  C: Charlotte Hanson  D: Stella Mclarin</p>		
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<p>Jill Clapp to be approached to be co-opted on the committee to become treasurer.</p> <p>Current Balance: £541.98</p> <p>Minus £240 for the Captain's Charity.</p> <p>45 shirts still available to purchase and £250 outstanding from sponsored banners.</p> <p>Tennis balls to be provided as last year so income from social events will be needed to finance this.</p>		
<b>Junior Report</b>	<b>Volunteer of the Year Nomination</b>		

	<p>Tom Slack picked up his nomination for Volunteer of the Year at the Devon LTA AGM and Awards Evening on Wednesday 28th January. This is just reward for all of Tom's work within the junior tennis section. His assistance with our junior squads and competitions is greatly appreciated by the coaching team and contributed towards the committee's decision to appoint him as this year's Boys Tennis Captain.</p> <p><b>12&amp;U Matchplay</b></p> <p>On Saturday 31st January, four of our juniors took part in a 12&amp;U matchplay competition at the club. Despite the incredibly cold conditions, Zak Wilton-Davies won all three of his matches which will help contribute to improving his rating ahead of the summer season. Josh Cunningham, Ollie Carnell and Rio Turl also took part.</p> <p><b>Upcoming Junior Tournaments</b></p> <p>The following tournaments will run within the next month:  Sunday 22nd February: 14&amp;U  Saturday 28th February: Flybe Mini Green  Saturday 7th March: Flybe Mini Orange</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>Aegon Team Tennis</b></p> <p>Five teams have been entered 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>		
<p><b>Captain's Report</b></p>	<p><b>Team Report:</b></p> <p>The men's A team are top of division 1. Had an excellent win against David Lloyd A last week.</p> <p>The men's B team are mid-table in division 2.</p>		

	<p>The ladies A team are 2<sup>nd</sup> in division 1.</p> <p>The ladies B team are 3<sup>rd</sup> in division 4.</p> <p>The mixed A team are 1<sup>st</sup> in division 1.</p> <p>The mixed B team may be relegated to division 2.</p> <p>The mixed C team may also be relegated but they have a game in hand.</p> <p><b>Courts 3-6</b></p> <p>JT has overseen an inspection of the tennis courts by Lee West, a contractor of the LTA and an official report is expected soon. The thoughts are that there is only 6-9 months life left in courts 3-6.</p> <p><b>Singles Ladder</b></p> <p>The Singles Ladder is proving very popular and has grown to 6 divisions.</p>		
<p><b>Matters from Club Committee</b></p>	<p>The President welcomed the Vice President and three new committee members.</p> <p>Swimming lanes have been organised although not totally satisfactory there is only 4 weeks until the outdoor pool will be re-opened.</p> <p>It was suggested that solar panels and heat pumps could be used to heat the outdoor pool but may not be feasible due to cost.</p> <p>Squash section would like a Squash Pro even if only part time.</p> <p>Persimmon monies have been received for revised golf course layout.</p> <p>No increase in club or section fees is probable. To be confirmed when subscription notices are sent out.</p> <p>£30 levy on cards will happen again this year, applied on 1<sup>st</sup></p>		

	<p>April.</p> <p>The renting of a bubble over the outdoor pool would cost £12k per annum. The Vice President asked if this could be a feasible trade off to save money on heating the pool.</p> <p>Still awaiting shields to cover the buttons on the indoor pool and tennis courts entry.</p> <p>Condensation in the men’s changing rooms need to be addressed. Not having push button controls on the showers causing showers to be left on could be the cause of this condensation issue.</p> <p>The age level of 14 and over in the sports bar could be reduced as the children’s area seems to be too young for responsible youngsters and early teens. The family bar is going to be re-furbished and this issue will be taken into account.</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> March at 10.00am. JT to put up posters and sign-up sheet and include on an e-mail to rackets members.</p> <p><b>Quiz Night</b></p> <p>Has been arranged for Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. JM to liaise with JT about posters and food. This will be open to all members. The Duckworth Suite has been booked.</p>	<p><b>JT</b></p> <p><b>JM</b></p>	
<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	<p><b>Post-Match Meals</b></p> <p>It was discussed that different sports sections seem to be quoted variable catering costs which is not obviously appropriate. To taken forward via Club Committee/Chris Jones.</p> <p>ER asked if it was possible to supply own food for certain occasions. It was discussed and agreed that such is not permitted.</p>		

	<p><b>Sports Bar</b></p> <p>DW/JC asked whether a notice from 2008 stating that hats and caps should be removed when entering the Sports Bar is still relevant. To be clarified at the next Club Committee meeting.</p> <p>GS asked whether there was a possibility of reducing the age limit for junior members using the Sports Bar, especially after matches and when major sports events are televised.</p> <p><b>Tennis Ladder</b></p> <p>JC commented that as the singles ladder is becoming very popular it may be worth considering a doubles ladder in the future. The committee decided to develop the singles ladder further before adding a doubles ladder.</p> <p>Entry into the East Devon Summer Mixed League was questioned. We have historically not done so given the numbers of men's and ladies teams but this can be considered again in the future.</p> <p>Best wishes were sent to Gael Salzmann from the committee wishing her a speedy recovery after sustaining an injury skiing.</p>		
	<p>There being no further business the Captain closed the meeting at 7.35pm.</p> <p><b>Next meeting: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 6.30pm</b></p>		