



SALISBURY TENNIS CLUB

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at 7.30 pm on March 27th 2019 at the Club

1). Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting in the Club and thanked everyone for ensuring that the meeting was quorate. He appreciated that it was not the most exciting event of the year and that he would make every effort to keep it short and hopefully sweet so that everyone could get home to watch the voting in the Commons. He took comfort from the possibility that he was not the most unpopular Committee Chairperson in the Country at the moment.

2). Apologies

Peter Coley, Paul and Cilla Cunningham, Susan Davenport, Richard Downard (who apologised for not being able to come to the meeting where he was seeking election to the Committee). Tricia Dragonetti, Joe Edmonds, John Islip, Mike Knight, Joe Revelle and Jacky and Roger Witt

Present (28)

Stephen Berry (Chairman), Andrea Benskin, Sue Burt, David Booth, Lee Burt, Liz Crossley (Committee Member), Judith Cutler (Match Secretary), Tim Douglas, Will Dunlop, David Edmonds, Joe Fuller (Committee Member), Alison Herod (Committee Member), Sally-Ann Ingram, Peter Lloyd (Committee Member), Lee Mahony (Head Coach), Lesley Maynard (Membership Secretary), Geoff Naish, Richard Pearce (Committee Member), Mary Ann Pelton; Shaun Reason, Louise Robinson-Woledge, Chris Rolfe; James Sinclair, Douglas Smith, Trina Smith (Secretary), Paddy Watts, James Watson, Simon White (Treasurer)

3). Minutes of AGM held on the 14th March 2018 (as displayed on the notice board and website).

The Chairman proposed and Mr P Lloyd seconded the proposal that the Minutes be agreed and signed. This was unanimously agreed.

4). Matters arising.

a). Identification of bees

The Secretary confirmed that following the last meeting she had sought advice on the bees that appeared on the banks – mainly in the Autumn were Miner Bees. They do have stings which shouldn't penetrate human skin and are non-aggressive.

5. Chairman's Report

Attached. There were no questions.

6). Hon Secretary's Report

Attached. There were no questions.

7). Hon Treasurer's Report

Attached.

The Treasurer presented the accounts which had been circulated to those attending the meeting.

Mr D Booth asked how long the cctv tapes were held before they were written over. The Chairman confirmed that they were approximately on a 28 day loop. They were movement activated.

Mrs E Crossley asked how the Groundman's work load was organised. The Chairman confirmed that he very much worked to own work rota but that if the Committee felt that there was something specific that required attention, he usually spoke to him. If there was an extra specific job done, then he billed us separately for it otherwise he was paid on a monthly basis. It was agreed that the site was looking very tidy and he did a good job.

Although we had been able to claim some of the damage caused by the three break ins off the insurance, the costs had been mitigated by so many people helping with the repairs, cleaning up etc. The net cost was not a massive amount and since the cctv and alarm had been fitted, there had been no further break in attempts.

Mr P Lloyd proposed that the account be approved and drafted and Mr J Watson seconded the proposal. The Accounts were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

The Treasurer was thanked for all his work during the year.

8). Memberships Secretary's Report

Report Attached.

Mr R Pearce left the meeting.

9). 2018/189 Membership Subscriptions

The Membership Secretary reported that the Committee had agreed that there should be a small increase in the subscriptions for the following year. These had already been sent out using Clubspark with a request for payment at the reduced rate before the 31st March 2019.

The rates agreed were

Category	Reduced Paid by 01.04.19	Full
Single	£200	£226
Couple	£359	£405
Family	£405	£446
Country 20	£133	£149
Country 30	£97	£108
Under 21	£85	£95
Under 18	£72	£83
Under 16	£62	£72
Under 10	£25	£25
Off Peak	£75	£75
Social	£25	£25

Mr D Edmunds said that he had experienced a problem following the link to join and Mr P Watts noted that a number of junior parents had said they were also struggling to renew.

The Membership Secretary referred everyone to the link via the web site and explained how it could be accessed.

10). Match Secretary's Report

Report Attached.

Mr D Booth reiterated the Match Secretary's comments regarding the Men's A Team's success.

Mr S Reason left the meeting.

11). Approval of Revised Constitution

The Chairman reminded members that the Constitution had been amended the previous year but, at that point, other suggestions had been made, and the Committee had felt that further updates were required. Peter Lloyd had spent a considerable amount of time drafting the new version. As an explanatory note had been sent out prior to the meeting, there were no questions and Mr T Douglas proposed and Mr D Booth seconded the proposal that the new Constitution be approved as drafted. It was unanimously agreed.

12). Election of Officers

The Chair confirmed that as per the Agenda, the current Committee Members who were willing to stand for re-election were

Mr S Berry, Mrs J Cutler, Mr J Fuller, Mrs A Herod, Mr P Lloyd, Miss L Maynard, Mr R Pearce, Mrs K Smith and Mr S White.

Mr R Downard is standing for election to the Committee and has been proposed by Mr S Berry and seconded by Mrs K Smith

As there were no other nominations for the single vacancy, the Chairman recommended that in accordance with the Constitution everyone be voted in en bloc. The motion was proposed by Mrs E Crossley and seconded by Mrs M Pelton and unanimously agreed.

Those standing for election as Officers of the Club in accordance with Clause 9.2.4 of the Constitution were confirmed as

	<u>PRESENT HOLDER</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Chairman	Mr S Berry	Mr S Berry
Hon. Secretary	Mrs K Smith	Mrs K Smith
Hon. Treasurer	Mr S White	Mr S White
Hon Membership Secretary	Miss L Maynard	Miss L Maynard
Hon Match Secretary	Mrs J Cutler	Mrs J Cutler

Mr D Booth is standing for election as President of the Club

The Chairman explained that David Booth had been a member of the Club for many years. He had been Chairman of the Committee between 1994 and 2001 as well as being a Committee Member. He is currently a Trustee of the Club.

As there were no other nominations for Officers of the Club, the Chairman recommended that in accordance with the Constitution everyone be voted in en bloc. The motion was proposed by Miss A Herod and seconded by Mr T Douglas, and unanimously agreed.

The Chair thanked Mrs E Crossley for her term in office as a Committee Member and she was given a small gift to thank her for everything that she had done during that period.

13). Coach's Report

Report Attached.

The Head Coach noted that he had been delighted to sign his new Contract – it would be his 19th year at the Club.

Mrs E Crossley asked whether Lee expected that we would still be able to continue receiving the discount for playing at Downton. The Head Coach said that he was aware that Downton were interviewing for a new Head Coach so it was really too early to say whether the arrangement would continue, but he would do his best to ensure that it did.

14) Safeguarding

Mrs K Smith explained her role as Club Welfare Officer. She had to have a DBS check and attend regular training. The Club had been one of the first clubs to be audited earlier in the year and had passed with many parts "Exceeding". The feedback from the Members' Survey had been generally very supportive with the word "friendly" coming over time and time again and the Regional Safeguarding Office for the South West had said it was "A great effort by you and your Committee".

The Committee took safeguarding and inclusion very seriously and it was an item on the Agenda at every meeting.

15. Resolutions for consideration of which at least 14 days written notice has been given

No resolutions had been received.

16). AOB

Mrs M Pelton asked whether anything was going to be done about the club web site. When she had been trying to re-join, she noted that it was very out of date. Mrs E Crossley agreed with this and said that it should be improved to encourage new members. The Welcome Pack was very out of date.

Mr P Lloyd confirmed that the Committee knew that this was something that needed to be addressed and they would take on board members' comments.

Mr J Watson asked whether the Committee had any thoughts on what funds may be spent on once the LTA loan for the Clubhouse had been paid off. The Chairman confirmed that this had already been discussed but no decision had been made. Generally it was felt that the clay courts were approaching the end of their playable life and replacing them with a different surface may be considered.

Mr D Edmunds asked about the £16,800 transfer to the Sinking Fund. The Treasurer explained that it was a figure recommended by the LTA based on the number of courts that we had.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 20.55 hrs