

RADLETT LAWN TENNIS & SQUASH CLUB

MINUTES OF THE TENNIS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 AUGUST 2011

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Those present:

Marion Barnard - Chair
Gurinder Chhina
Philip Diamond
Clive Jacobs (observer)
Jordan Miles
Mike Potter
Jane Sheridan (observer)

Apologies:

Claire Booth
Danine Irwin
Malcolm Sprei
Daniel Wolfson

1. Marion welcomed those present and read out the current Job Description for the Tennis Committee that was handed to her by Jackie Underwood current Chairman of the General Committee.

2. Organisation of the Committee

Marion Barnard had sent out a note with the Agenda covering the suggested roles that she felt needed to be filled and a discussion followed.

a. Publicity and PR

It was agreed that there was a lack of Publicity and PR for events held at the Tennis Club. Claire Booth had already advised Marion Barnard that she would like to share this role with another member of the Committee and Phil Diamond agreed to take on the role with Claire.

It was agreed that Phil and Claire would publicise the next two men's 1st team matches both within the Club and outside. The dates are Sunday 11 September and Sunday 18 September 2011 both at 13:00. Our Men's first team are the defending Hertfordshire Champions.

Action: Phil and Claire.

Action: Marion Barnard offered to do the catering for both matches. Unfortunately she has since realised she has a match herself on 11 September! Marion will endeavour to find someone to cover for the 11th.

b. Tournament Organiser

Simon Spalter has kindly organised the junior and senior closed tournaments this year. Clive Jacobs suggested a handicap tournament might be good fun in the future. The committee would like to know how much profit the open junior tournament made this year.

Action: Marion

c. Junior Representative

There was no one present at the meeting with a junior playing member.

d. Club Mark

It was agreed that for the time being we would ask Shuna Wickam if she would be happy to continue in this role. Marion to confirm whether Shuna is the recognised Club Mark First Aider.

Action: Marion

e. Mens Tennis Captain

It was agreed for the time being that G would be the Men's Tennis Captain.

f. Ladies Tennis Captain

The Committee thought that Jenny Davis would make a good Ladies Tennis Captain.

Action: Marion to ask Jenny

g. Veterans Tennis Captain

It was agreed that as there are now so many veteran players that it would be a good idea to have a Veterans Tennis Captain to cover both the mens and ladies teams. Clive was asked if he would like to run the mens over 65's team.

Clive is worried about his inexperience at running a team and will be happy to "shadow" G for the time being with a view to taking over responsibility at a later date.

4. Teams

There was total agreement on the proposed structure for teams and team captains outlined in Marion's note circulated with the Agenda. This note will be sent to all team captains to take effect immediately.

Action: Marion to send to Jeanette for circulation to winter league captains.

G said that as the playing population at the club is aging he is entering more veterans teams this year, both male and female.

Action: G

The mens team captains have experienced considerably difficulty collecting match fees from players and also contributions to food and bar bills which has resulted in the team captain being out of pocket. This is completely unacceptable. It was decided that we would ask if Jeanette would be able to direct debit male team players to overcome this problem. There is no problem that we know of with the Ladies Teams.

Action – Marion

5. AOB

a. It was proposed that we hold an American Tournament on a Saturday in December followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

b. Ladies First Team

The note on the “ex junior players of Championship Division standard” was presented to the General Committee on 14 September 2011.

The meeting closed at 09:45.

Date and Time of next meeting:

Wednesday 9 November 2011, 20:00 at the Club House