

MINUTES OF LYDNEY TENNIS CLUB AGM HELD ON MONDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2023

AT 7.30 AT THE CLUBHOUSE

PRESENT -Martin Godwin, Karen Geelhoed, Barbara Firman, Cath Hutchinson, Paul Hutchinson, Nikki Salter, Caroline Roberts, Lisa Armstrong, Rachel Wintle, Simon Miller, Dave James, Ellie James, Neil Denison, Adam Collier, Alan Keenan

1. APOLOGIES – Lisa Bolster, Sue Russell, Rachel James, Jess Geelhoed, Rebecca Edwards, Jason Wong.

2. MINUTES 2022 – The minutes were agreed and signed by Karen.

3. MATTERS ARISING – None.

4. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE-

New members appointed:

Neil Denison – proposed by Karen and seconded by Simon.

Ellie James – proposed by Barb and seconded by Paul.

Karen welcomed the new members and thanked those standing down, Pete, Gemma and Simon.

5. REPORTS BY CHAIR, TREASURER, WELFARE OFFICER AND COACH

Karen reported that the club had marked its 70th Anniversary year by launching a new logo and continuing to develop the club and its facilities in a sustainable way, notably by replacing the floodlights with LED lights and installing solar panels. Her detailed report is available on the Club's website.

Lisa presented the financial accounts for the year ended 30 September 2023, with copies previously circulate to the Chair and Secretary, also available for those present. The Club's main account balance, although healthy, was reduced from the previous year, £32211.37 from £40,899.94. This was mainly due to spending from the fundraising account on the decking extension and repayment of the LTA loan. Total income increased to £41,241.06 from £30,035.63 mainly due to a grant from ENOVERT for the installation of the floodlights and solar panels. There were also increases in match fees and a slight increase in visitors and pay and play fees. Total expenditure was at a similar level to last year £49,929.63 compared to £50,095,36. The majority of this was again from the ENOVERT grant, loan repayments and the decking extension. Most funds have now been transferred to deposit accounts to take advantage of high interest rates.

Caroline presented the Safeguarding report. At the beginning of the year, all committee members had completed 'Safeguarding for Committees' training. A review undertaken by Karen with assistance from Caroline and Rachel was signed off by the County Safeguarding Officer, following a visit on 22 February. Caroline has continued to update all relevant policies throughout the year and details can be found on the Club's website. Her full report is available on the Club's website.

The coaching team has continued to grow with Rachel James and Jess Geelhoed completing their Level 1 training and working towards Level 2. The addition of Mark has allowed the introduction of a Men's doubles coaching group. The Coach's full report is available on the website.

6. SUBSCRIPTIONS 2023

There had been a small drop in subscription income but those present were mindful of the current financial pressures. It was agreed to increase subscriptions for Family Members to £240pa and Seniors to £90, an increase of £5 for each category. This would continue to readdress the balance between these categories and the single adult fee of £140. All other categories remain at 2022 levels. No open days were held in 2023, mainly because coaching sessions were fully subscribed. An open day will be held in 2024.

7. FUNDING AND FACILITIES

Most major projects from the 2020 Action Plan have now been completed. Following a survey of members in the new year, the committee will create a revised one. Major future projects will include an upgrade of the footbridge and enhanced lighting of the access. In the longer term, the Club will investigate the possibility of installing or acquiring additional courts.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.35.