

**OAKLEY LAWN TENNIS CLUB**  
**Minutes of Annual General Meeting**  
**8th November 2021 - Held in the Clubhouse**  
**Web address: <http://www.oakleytennisclub.org.uk>**

**Present:**

Acting Chairman: Robert Rust

Minute Secretary: Virginia Budd

Committee Present: Richard Baxter, Caroline Lloyd, Julia Jones, Martin Vickers, Suzanne Steed and Clive Mills

Members Present: Cindy Gilmore and Fran Martin

**1. Apologies for absence:**

Mr Jamie Colman, Paul Rattue, Phil Hood, and Louise Brill

**2. Minutes of the 2020 AGM:**

These were accepted as correct and proposed as approved by Richard Baxter and seconded by Clive Mills.

**3. Acting Chairman's report:**

We held eight committee meetings between January and October, four on Zoom and four face to face. Virginia was thanked for organising these and writing and distributing the minutes. The courts were closed between Christmas to end of March due to Covid restrictions.

Working parties were organised to reopen the courts at the end March. Then subsequently at other working party days the clubhouse, the nets were cleaned, moss clearance carried out and slabs laid to help prevent weed growth. All the working party days were led by Clive.

In September we had a very successful charity tournament in memory of Sheila Lawrence with 75% of the money raised going to the British Heart Foundation and 25% to the tennis Club. Virginia organised the catering and there was also a raffle.

Clive is monitoring the moss on the top courts.

Martin successfully set up a new website which Hugo Fox hosts.

The link is <http://www.oakleytennisclub.org.uk>

The club was approached by two different coaches wanting to hire the courts on a commercial basis. The committee considered the request and checked the lease and Jamie Colman's opinion was sought. It was determined that only members could be coached and not the general public. The interested parties were notified.

A new heavy-duty lock was purchased/fitted for the entrance and members are requested to make sure this is locked at the end of each session.

Membership numbers remain stable at 45 the same as last year.

Club finances remain strong and Martin was thanked for his effort in this regard.

Caroline has continued sending articles to the Link Magazine. Robert thanked all the committee for their commitment and support.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report:**

Martin advised the meeting that Di Yarrell had audited and signed off the financial accounts. We are showing a small surplus of £539.29. This is the lowest profit figure recorded in the records. We continue to keep costs as low as possible whilst not sacrificing the standard of the work that has to be done.

The bank balance stands at £23826.65. We need to keep raising money towards the £30,000 that will be needed in a few years' time for the re-surfacing of the courts.

#### **5. Match Secretary's Report:**

The Club entered 3 Men's and 1 Ladies team in the 'informal' Basingstoke Winter league 20/21 season but this was cancelled when Covid lockdown No. 3 started. The League organised an 'informal' Summer league 2021 with no promotion/relegation, again with 3 men's and 1 ladies' team.

As we move into the Winter season, we have 2 men's and 1 ladies' team entered into the league and are back to regular competition.

#### **6. Membership Secretary's Report**

It has been a difficult year for members and the committee and I am very grateful for the continued support of the members, most of which paid early in the season and benefitted from the discounts available.

The members as at 8th November 2021 are as follows:

Honorary 8, Social 12, Adult 18, Student 1 and Family 6

A total of 52 members which includes all addition members in the family membership category.

I have enjoyed being membership secretary over many years and various roles on the committee. But now is the right time to hand over the role and come off the committee. I am always available to provide help and assistance if needed. I wish my successor and the committee all the very best for the future.

Robert thanked Richard for his hard work. Richard was then presented with a gift for his long service to the club.

#### **7. Election of Officers:**

There have been no nominations received. The position of chairperson is still vacant.

Our President is Mr Jamie Colman.

Vice presidents are Mary Williams, Dave Nicholson, and Jean Shanks,

The on-going committee positions are:-

**Chair:** Vacant.

**Secretary:** Vacant

**Minute Secretary:** Virginia Budd      Proposed by Suzanne Seconded by Robert

**Membership Secretary:** Fran Martin      Proposed by Virginia Seconded Richard

**Treasurer:** Martin Vickers      Proposed by Suzanne Seconded by Virginia

**Junior Organiser:** Vacant

**Maintenance:** Vacant

**Match Secretary:** Robert Rust.      Proposed by Richard Seconded by Martin

**Link Correspondent:** Caroline Lloyd

Other Committee members: - Clive Mills, Suzanne Steed, Cindy Gilmore and Julia Jones

Robert thanked everyone for stepping forward to help run the club for its members for another year.

## **8. Annual Subscriptions**

The committee had previously discussed the subscriptions for 2022 and proposed the subscriptions remain the same as 2021 in the following categories: - social, adult, junior (under 18), young person (18-25), family (2 adults and children under 18).

8.1 Social tennis: £61 with a £5 reduction, if paid by 30th April 2022

8.2 Adult tennis: £98 with a £10 reduction, if paid by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022

8.3 Junior tennis: £15.00 with a £5.00 reduction, if paid by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022

8.4 Young person: £61.00 with a £5.00 reduction if paid by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022

8.5 Family tennis: £170.00 with a £10 reduction if paid by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022

This was unanimously approved.

## **9. Any Other Business:**

9.1 Martin advised the meeting that he had been made aware that our old website was still showing on the internet. He had contacted the old hosting firm and after discussion with them there was nothing they could do. Virginia mentioned that this was a known problem that through a different organisation this had been made apparent and therefore there was nothing that could be done. Virginia suggested that the new web address be put on every communication that is sent to the membership.

9.2 The Crocombe Cup was not presented this year.

9.3 As we do not have a nominated maintenance person working parties will continue to be organised by the Committee on a regular ad hoc basis.

## **10. Date of Next AGM Meeting:**

Early November 2022

Meeting closed 20.08