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# Wingrave Tennis Club Minutes of Annual General Meeting Held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Held at Wingrave Park

## 1. Present

Robert Boddington (RB), Sandy Roost (SR), Neil Pitman (NP), Paul Vaughan (PV), Henrietta Bridgman (HB), Toby Phipps (TP), Mike Curry(MC), Emma Boddington (EB), Mark Croft, Judy Kennedy

Apologies : Steve Packer (SP), Mike & Lisa Fountaine.

## 2. Chariman's Report (RB)

RB thanked the committee members, team captains and members assisting with junior coaching for their hard work over the last year. RB also noted the contribution of NP and SP who were standing down from the committee after serving for several years.

## 3. Treasurer's Report (SR)

Wingrave Tennis Club (WTC) reports a profit for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 of £135. This is £100 up on the previous year. The increase in profitability is due to a mix of adverse and favourable factors eg subs and match fees are marginally lower however spend on insurance, balls, floodlights and junior coaching are less, this is partially offset by annual court cleaning costs.

WTC holds a cash balance at the end of the year of £3.9k. This is an increase of £100 on the previous year.

The fund raising reserve remained static at £1.7k for the year due to the deferral of the Wine & Wisdom event.

## 4. Club Secretary Report (NP)

The LTA has introduced a new "opt-in" requirement for Wimbledon ticket eligibility which also impacts on the number of tickets allocated to the club. The club currently has a total of 26 opted in BTMs and as a result was allocated 5 pairs of tickets from the central LTA system and 3 pairs from the Bucks LTA.

## 5. Membership Secretary's Report (PV)

Membership for 15/16 is currently a total of 43 (with 7 juniors) from 20 households. By contrast membership for 14/15 was 42 (7 juniors) from 24 households.

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## **6. Committee Membership and Election of Officers**

The following committee members were elected:

Robert Boddington – Chairman - also taking over from SP as Club WWRSA Representative

Sandy Roost – Treasurer

Toby Phipps Club Secretary (replacing NP)

Paul Vaughan – Membership Secretary

Henrietta Bridgman – Promotions Officer, Welfare Officer (Taking over from PV)

In addition Mike Curry will continue to server as Fixtures Secretary but is not a committee member.

## **7. Junior Tennis Initiative**

RB reported that club hoodies would be given to juniors after they had attended coaching for 1/2 a term. HB is investigating further the possibility of Blue Peter badge awards for juniors who refer a friend who takes up the sport.

## **7. Court Resurface and Maintenance**

Investment submissions for maintenance plans were submitted to the PC in 2014. RB will be working to progress fulfillment of these plans as the courts are expected to require full resurfacing within 2 years.

Court cleaning was carried out in the autumn with 50% of the cost covered by the PC. This cleaning will be scheduled annually to take place each October.

Now that SP is standing down, the notice board key should be returned to a current committee member to enable fixture list updates.

## **8. Club Membership Fees 2015-6 (RB)**

There were no changes in membership fees for 15/16 as the fees still appear to be in line with those from other similar clubs locally. The committee will review the rates again next year.

Membership fees for 2015/16 are :

Individual - £ 70 Family - £ 120 Senior - £ 35 Junior - £20

## **9. Fund Raising (SR)**

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The Wine & Wisdom event is planned for Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. Contribution of Auction prizes will be appreciated.

Whilst campaigning in the village John Bercow had indicated that he would be interested in playing at the club – perhaps this may be a fund raising opportunity?

#### **10. Village Fete & Club Tournament (RB)**

Wingrave Fete will be on Sunday 5 July. The club will run its annual tournament on the same day so that the courts are active and in addition, the club will run some sort of game or attraction.

#### **11. Club Nights**

Club nights are poorly attended at present. RB will email the membership to remind them of the club night times and investigate the possibility of having a coach available for part of the evenings.

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