



LEEDS TENNIS LEAGUE
AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2015, 8PM
AT
ALWOODLEY TENNIS CLUB

Dave Robson (**DR**) in the Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. With 20 out of a possible 25 clubs in attendance the meeting was quorate.

Those in attendance being:

1. Adel –John Micklethwaite, Tracy Watson (**TW**), Gary Williams (**GW**)
2. Alwoodley - Sally Harris, David Robson (**DR**)
3. Armley –Stuart Pedder
4. Chapel Allerton – Audrey Reed, Kasia Hiorns, Charlie Cai, James Cai
5. Dacre Banks - Mike Wyss
6. David Lloyd – Gillian Telford (**GT**), Pete Telford
7. Grove Hill, Otley –Hilary Dove
8. Horsforth – Jo Bailey (**JB**), Rob Naylor
9. Ilkley – Colin Campbell, Philip Venter
10. Kirkstall– Roger Harris, A Campbell
11. JCCS –Dwight Brown (**DB**)
12. Pool – Geoff Smith (**GS**)
13. Rawdon - Colin Davies
14. Roundhay - Chris Harper, Jo Hill, Ann Sedivy
15. Sandal - Greg Turner
16. St Chad's – Jill Ingle (**JI**)
17. Wakefield - Steve Bastow (**SB**), David Burton
18. West Yorkshire – Tony Abbott (**TA**), Peter O'Neill
19. Wetherby –Mike Green (**MG**), David Morris
20. Whitkirk –Mary Stearman (**MS**)

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from:

Almscliffe - Susan Gosling, Harwin Bosworth
Alwoodley – Elspeth Bottone, Alison Taylor, Simon Taylor
Armley – Gillian Pedder, Janet Pritchard
Chapel Allerton – Susan Smith
Collingham - Maryla Gledhill
Grove Hill - Lynne Ashworth
Ilkley – Julia Cressey
Kirkstall – Wendy Staniland
Pool – David Broome, John Clemie, Gavin Westworth, Paul Woodham
Rawdon –Jacqui Pollard
Sandal - Howard Copley, Jill Lockwood
St Chad's - Penny Rice, Karen Wignall
Wakefield - Ann Kay
Whitkirk – Jackie Cooper, Stuart Bettison, Oliver Walsh

2) MINUTES OF THE 9TH MARCH 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

JJ asked that two corrections be noted to the Minutes of the AGM

- Janet Pritchard, Armley was in attendance
- It was resolved to amend the bank mandate to reflect the new Elected Officers of the League.

DR then asked the meeting whether they were happy with the Minutes and that they correctly portrayed the discussions at the meeting and the decisions as made. This was duly agreed.

Proposed: Mike Green; Seconded: Mary Stearman

3) REPORT ON 2015 LEAGUE COMPETITIONS

3.1 Summer Leagues

3.1.1 Adults

JJ presented a brief summary.

Two teams withdrew before the start of the season which was unfortunate.

Despite a weather affected season the majority of matches were completed.

Most matches were correctly reported though not all results were confirmed by losing captains.

There was 1 fixture unplayed by the end of August so no points were awarded to either team.

There were 10 fixtures forfeited with penalty points applied. This happened mostly towards the end of the season and as holidays were taken.

JB, TW, & TA reported that there were no particular administration problems and thanked teams for inputting results in a timely manner. Teams are reminded to advise co-ordinators promptly of rescheduled match dates and to check and retain a copy of the scoresheet from each match.

Feedback was requested from teams competing in the Medley competition and whether there was any interest in reviving the Mixed competition.

Audrey Reed, Chapel Allerton, commented that they had enjoyed the Medley format and that the male players had welcomed the opportunity to play Mens doubles.

ACTION: Could other Captains please provide feedback to JJ

N.B. It is the intention of the League to offer just the Medley competition in 2016 unless feedback to the contrary is received.

3.1.2 Juniors

MS reported that it had been a good season for the Juniors though some matches remained unplayed due to weather and the difficulty of rescheduling.

Matches were played in a very sporting manner and all players are congratulated on their conduct which was a credit to their Clubs and the League. Because of this the Fair Play Shield has not be awarded to an individual team. Presentations to the winners of the Junior age groups were then made.

3.2 Winter League

GT reported that due to uncertainties at Leeds Beckett University the court booking was only confirmed in early September. However the League is now fully up and running with allocated nights of Monday and Tuesday.

The majority of teams have sent in their entry fees.

Teams are asked to enter and confirm results as soon as possible after matches.

3.3 Veterans League

MG advised that 4 teams have competed in the summer.

He will contact the teams to see if there is interest in playing through the Winter.

New entrants are encouraged. Details of how to enter and the rules of the competition are available on the League website. Please contact Mike Green.

3.4 Singles League

DB reported that the Singles League remains active. The August to December period is the quietest but there are new entrants lined up for the round robin starting in January.

4) FINANCE

GW presented a report on the League's finances and accounts.

The full report is attached to these Minutes which **GW** summarised as follows:

- Summer league entry in 2015 was free
- Singles league has generated fees of £120. New entrants pay a one off charge of £10.
- Winter league fees remain at £90 per team.
- Expenditure has been kept to £250, including the purchase of replica trophies
- The League has £8160 in the bank which includes £2016 of Winter League fees received with £1080 due
- Provisions are held for Website upgrade of £1541 and Secretarial/Admin £1250.
- After allowing for these provisions the League has general reserves of £4250.

The Committee has approved another waiver to Summer and Veteran League entry fees for 2016. **DR** then informed the meeting that **GW** would be standing down as Treasurer at the 2016 AGM after 6 years in the post. He thanked Gary for his hard work and contribution and this was recognised by a round of applause.

5) WEBSITE AND IT MATTERS

5.1 Website

SB reported that a small payment is made to 1&1 for website hosting which is covered by the reserve in the accounts.

Feedback is welcomed on the site and also suggestions for additions. Please pass this through **JJ**.

5.2 IT

All players with BTM numbers are imported to the database at the start of each year. Those players where a BTM number is not quoted are not transferred. It was noted that some players are named twice where one entry has a BTM number and the other does not. This affects player statistics. It is recommended that at the start of the season when a result is entered for the first time that squad players and BTM numbers are filled in so the details are set up correctly.

There is still an issue with results being confirmed when input, rather than by the losing captain. We are unable to do anything other than to remind users to be aware of this so when inputting results please press **“save”** rather than **“confirm”**.

At matches captains are also reminded to record names of all players and enter correctly on the database. The administrators can make changes but this cannot be done at club level.

Log In and Password codes are unique to each Club. Please try to avoid this but should a password change be requested, or become necessary, raise this through **JJ**.

6) ROTATION POLICY FOR ELECTED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The rota for Elected Officers and Committee Members of the league was reviewed. The following nominations will be confirmed at the AGM next March:

Chair	Geoff Smith
Vice Chair	Matt Martindale
Immediate Past Chair	Dave Robson
Secretary	Jill Ingle
Treasurer	Joanna Hill
IT	Steve Bastow, Steve Cordingley, Mike Green
Fixtures	Susan Smith
Singles	Dwight Brown
Veterans	Mike Green
Winter League	Gill Telford
Mens 1&2 Divisions	Oliver Walsh
Mens 3	Alan Cutts
Mens 4	Tony Abbott
Mens 5& 6	Dave Robson
Ladies 1	Jo Bailey
Ladies 2 & 3	Tracy Watson
Medley 1	Janet Prichard
Medley 2	Wendy Staniland
Juniors	Mary Stearman

DR noted that the rotation policy was working well. He thanked all helpers and volunteers for their contributions and this was marked with a round of applause by the meeting.

The number of Section Co-ordinators needed would be reviewed in light of the number of divisions required after the AGM when team entries for summer 2016 have been confirmed.

ACTION: JJ to contact all Section Co-ordinators and then any Clubs who are required to put forward nominations for posts as per the Rota (attached)

8) **PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES**

The following awards were announced for 2015

SECTION	WINNER	PRESENTED TO
Ladies Division 1	Chapel Allerton A	Kasia Hiorns
Ladies Division 2	Ilkley	Colin Campbell
Ladies Division 3	Roundhay C	Ann Sedivy
Medley Division 1	Chapel Allerton	Audrey Reed
Medley Division 2	Pool	Geoff Smith
Mens Division 1	Chapel Allerton A	Kasia Hiorns
Mens Division 2	Ilkley B	Philip Venter
Mens Division 3	St Chad's A	Jill Ingle
Mens Division 4	David Lloyd	Pete Telford
Mens Division 5	JCCS A	Dwight Brown
Mens Division 6	Sandal	Greg Turner
U16	Rawdon	Colin Davies
U14	Chapel Allerton	Charles Cai
U12	Chapel Allerton	Charles Cai
Winter League	Chapel Allerton	Audrey Reed
Veterans	Horsforth	Jo Bailey

Replica trophies were awarded to all division winners, including David Lloyd 2 who finished top of division 2 in the Winter League.

All players were congratulated on a successful season and photos were taken of the presentations.

All clubs are responsible for engraving the trophies for the year.

**ACTION: JI to send copies of the photos to the winning teams
JI to issue entry forms for the 2016 summer league in early January**

DR then thanked Alwoodley for hosting the meeting, free of charge to the League.

He expressed his thanks to all Officers and Committee members for their hard work during the year.

He thanked everyone for coming and reminded them that the bar was still open.

The next meeting of the League will be the **AGM** to be held on **Tuesday 1st March 201** at Alwoodley Tennis Club.