

Cirencester Tennis Club AGM 2023 – Tuesday 14th November Cirencester Cricket Club

Committee Attendees: Website – **Mark Moore**, Finance – **Jonathan Vickers**, Secretary – **Kerry Briggs**, Tournaments – **Kirstin Bulger**, Facilities – **George Brooks**, Juniors – **Liz Lloyd**, Membership - **Jeremy Smith**, Seniors – **Nicky Whittet**, Mens Captain (stepping down) - **Shane Horsell**.

Total of 8 Committee members.

Club Member Attendees: James Carmichael (new Committee member), Paola Trezzi-Smith, Lesley Ashforth, Maria Walker, Graham Wellfair, Midge Wellfair, Ann-Maree Dunn, Mary Merricks, Katie Ballard, Rupert Marchington, Ian Lunn, Jon Lee, Ray Huxtable, Britta Stephan, Cleave Melville, Martin Leay, Monika Lowe, Heather Jeffries, Jackie Tarlton, Mark Connolly, Ian Sagan (new Committee member), Andree Slade, Nicola Wade & Nick Wade.

Total of 22 members in attendance plus 2 due to join Committee.

Apologies received from: Zena Marchington, Julie Taylor, Jono Mellows, Jan Edmonds, Anna Gell, Amanda Parkhurst, Roger Davies, Monty Young, Paul Jenkins, Ro Lyons, Ben Knapp, Dee Greatorex

Meeting Notes:

Chair (Jonathan standing in for Zena)

1. Welcome – attendees and apologies

Jonathan welcomed everyone to the 2023 AGM and relayed Zena's apologies. He noted that in the event that the Chair is not present, the constitution requires that those present agree to another person presiding over the meeting. All agreed.

Jonathan went on to say that after the usual AGM business had been addressed, the main discussion would be about the Clubhouse refurb. Jonathan thanked the Cricket Club for the use of the Clubhouse.

Kerry read out the list of apologies and noted additional apologies from Diane Horsell, Lillian O' Carroll and Paul Harris.

2. Approval of AGM Minutes from 2022

Jonathan asked the room for approval of last year's minutes (available on the website). All approved.

3. Appointment of Auditor

Jonathan confirmed that Jon Hughes had agreed to audit the Club's accounts. Jackie Talton proposed and Anne Maree Dunn seconded.

4. Election and Re-election of Committee Members

Jonathan thanked Zena in her absence for her contribution as Chair - lots of applause for her contribution. Jonathan asked for proposer and seconder for those Committee members staying in role. Ray Huxtable proposed and Katie Ballard seconded.

Jonathan asked for approval for the 3 new committee members: Nicky Whittet, who joined earlier this year as Seniors' Captain, James Carmichael as Men's Captain and Ian Sagan as Fixtures Secretary. Britta Stephan proposed and Midge Wellfair seconded the new Committee members.

Jonathan then handed over to George to acknowledge those Committee members leaving – Shane and Ray. George noted that there was going to be a third member leaving but Jeremy now going to stay....thank you Jeremy!

George followed with an amusing statistical analysis of Ray and Shane's contribution over the years.

George closed by highlighting their hard work and thanking them very much on behalf of all the members.

5. Update from Committee Members

Jonathan confirmed that each Committee members would very briefly summarise their 2023 reports but would not go through each report in detail as they are all available on the website. Jonathan also noted that there had been a good response to the Social Secretary email.

Treasurer's report – Jonathan

Jonathan summarised that costs were over budget due to the rent increase, electric costs, Gigaclear installation of £500. He confirmed that he had included a 5% membership fee increase in the budget for next year and that match fees would be increased slightly too. No questions from the room.

Membership report – Jeremy

Jeremy confirmed that membership was at an all-time high at 450 people. Highest it's been for 20 years. Slightly down on Junior members. More men than women.

ACTION –Committee to put in place new joiner induction

Seniors Report – Nicky

Nothing to report – all ticking along nicely. Nicky confirmed that no age restriction to join Roll Ups.

Facilities Report – George

George thanked everyone for their efforts in making sure the courts are swept well but noted that the Clubhouse sometimes looked a little unloved due to being left messy, dishes in sink, etc. George asked for everyone to spread the word that we need to keep it a bit tidier. Applause for George (Maria noted that visitors always really impressed by the toilets 😊)

Tournaments – Kirstin

Kirstin extended her congratulations to all the Tournament winners for this year. 2024 Tournament dates will go up in Jan. Will post the information in the Clubhouse for those who are not on Social-Media.

Coaching – Liz (relaying for Jono)

142 kids on the program, not including Pay & Play. 45 adults on the adult program not including drills. Jono is looking for another coach to replace Ash. Tricky to get someone to join in this part of the world!

Liz – Juniors

Liz said that there were a lot of talented Junior players and that the LTA Tournaments had received great feedback from those participating and Club Members in general. She noted that the Club had been much admired by those visiting from other Clubs. She said that she would continue to monitor things to make sure that the Tournaments are not affecting court availability.

Mark – website

Mark confirmed all fine and if anyone has any suggestions to send them over.

Shane – Men's Captain and on behalf of Julie

Shane opened by saying that Julie had provided him with a list to read through. He summarised the results for the Ladies and Men's Teams and he & Liz handed out thank you cards & gifts.

Shane closed by saying that it had been a great few years and huge thanks to Julie for all her hard work and thoroughness. He also thanked the Team Captains for their work. He noted that in his years as Captain he had only a handful of concessions and have never come across anyone who has disagreed with bandings. Lots of applause!

Clubhouse Refurb

George presented a number of options for upgrading the clubhouse, including: refurbishing the existing clubhouse; adding a temporary awning; or a complete replacement, with more internal and more covered outdoor space. There was a lively discussion, covering: the space required; ways of raising money; the desirability of a temporary solution; and the size of any new facility. The meeting noted that any solution was subject to funding, project management, and approvals from both the estate and the council. Assuming that these could all be resolved, a show of hands suggested that a majority would be in favour of complete replacement.

Jonathan thanked the Sub-Committee and all those present for attending. He noted no other business and drew the meeting to a close at 8.51pm.