

## SHINFIELD TENNIS CLUB AGM

Friday 18th March 2016, Time: 7.00 pm, Shinfield Parish Hall

### AGM MINUTES

1. **Attendees:** members of the Committee (Sheelagh Hawkins, Alan White, Liem Than, Anna Allen, Tracey Gale, Stuart Beck) and around 15 members of the club and their families. The event was a combined AGM and social event linked to Sports Relief and included a quiz
2. **Annual Report:** The Chairman presented a report that included the Chairman's report, finance and adult & junior team progress. We celebrated winners of the singles and doubles tournaments and recognised the achievements of the junior teams by awarding certificates.
3. **Items raised** by the members included:
  - a. **Windbreaks:** as our netting is not sufficiently robust to have windbreak netting attached, we are exploring whether it will be possible to plant a row of conifers near to the gate to the recreation ground.
  - b. **Ball quality:** members highlighted that they would like to ensure that the tennis balls available during club sessions were of reasonable quality, with a preference for new balls for the session. The challenge is the cost of providing new balls (at £5/tin) could be excessive and the feeling was that with new balls provided for matches and tournaments, there should be sufficient quality balls available. It is necessary to manage the balls, by clearing out poor quality balls regularly. The Seniors playing on Monday could provide a great service by reviewing the balls and ensuring that those in the tub are of sufficient quality.
  - c. **Coaching:** Ladies, playing in matches, highlighted that they would like regular coaching – a regular evening date will be identified.
  - d. **Coaching Booking:** Booking will move on to the Clubspark for 2016/17 session to improve the information available.
  - e. **New membership rates 2016/17:** the new rates were highlighted, rates have been reduced and simplified to encourage more family members to join and take up coaching. Membership fees are due from 1<sup>st</sup> April and the request for payment will come from Clubspark.

Membership category	Annual Membership 2015/16	Annual Membership 2016/17
Adult (18+)	£150	£130
Senior (60+)	£125	£95
Student (in full time education)	£55	£55
Junior (under 18)	£30	£30
Family (1 or 2 adults + all children in same family)	£150 - £275	£175
Adult - Coaching only membership ** (includes 10 lessons and 10 weeks access to tennis club facilities)	N/A	£125

#### 4. STC Management Committee

Thanks were given to the Committee members work over the past year. Particular thanks to Andy Martin, stepping down as membership secretary as he is moving away and to Nic Mascard as Secretary, who is also leaving the area.

Elections to the Management Committee included:

- a. Tracey Gale (Chairman)
- b. Sheelagh Hawkins (Membership Secretary)
- c. Jenny Vaux (Tournament Secretary)

The new management committee roles are now as follows:

Position	Current Incumbent
Chairman	Tracey Gale
Club Secretary	Vacancy
Treasurer	Alan White
Membership Secretary	Sheelagh Hawkins
Tournament Organiser	Jenny Vaux
Match Secretary	Anna Allen
Ladies Captain	Anna Allen
Men's & Mixed Captain	Liem Than
Vets Captain	Alan White
Publicity Secretary	Vacancy
Social Secretary	Stuart Beck
Welfare Officer	Sheelagh Hawkins
Coach	Tony Williams

#### 5. AOB

- a. **STC Open Day** is on April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.30pm- 4pm. Please encourage any potential new members to come along and feel free to come down in the afternoon to meet potential members.
- b. **Davis Cup in Reading**: The Davis Cup is coming to Reading on 27<sup>th</sup> May. It will be at the University of Reading from 10am-3pm. Tickets available on Davis Cup site.

The AGM ended with a Sports Relief quiz including a true & false round (won by Kelly's daughter!) at around 9pm.

With Sports Relief prizes and direct donation, STC contributed a total of £47.50 to Sports Relief

## SHINFIELD TENNIS CLUB

### Annual Report 2015 /16 - 18th March 2016

#### Chairman's Report

I would like to thank to the members of the committee for their hard work over the past year.

Reports from Alan, treasurer, Anna and Liem, captains, and Tony, coach, follow.

Special thanks to Andy Martin who is stepping down as membership secretary. It was good to see you follow up on Rob's hard work with the membership records and ClubSpark and have it successfully running. We wish you and Suzie (and Ben) well in Medstead.

And special thanks to Nic too, stepping down as secretary and as second team captain. Two pairs of shoes to fill.

I hope to see you all back for a game or two when you're around.

We can always do with a bit more help on the committee. If you can't take on a whole role but are willing to be approached every now and again, let us know.

If you have any questions raised by the reports below, please ask me and I'll get an answer for you.

#### Treasurers Report

##### Tennis Club Finances for 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

Yr End 30th Sept	Actual 2014-15	Actual 2013-14	2012 Plan 2013-14	Variance to Act 2013-14	Variance to 2012 Plan
Total Income	£44,390	£42,356	£45,905	£2,034	-£1,515
Total Expenditure	£42,412	£43,374	£31,900	£962	-£10,512
<b>NET Income/(Expenditure)</b>	<b>£1,978</b>	<b>-£1,018</b>	<b>£14,005</b>	<b>£2,996</b>	<b>-£12,027</b>
<b>Closing Bank Balance</b>	<b>£25,522</b>	<b>£23,543</b>	<b>£46,140</b>	<b>£1,978</b>	<b>-£20,618</b>

Total Income, including membership and coaching fees totals £44.4k and expenditure totals £42.4k, resulting in a **net expenditure of £2k**. This compares to a planned net income of £14k, according to the 2012 strategic plan and a net loss in 2013-14 of £1k.

The closing bank balance is £25.5k. The original strategic plan assumed that we would be able to increase funds by around £7-£9k per annum in order to build up funds to repair or replace courts when required in the future.

The financial management of the club funds has been consistent in this financial year and, along with the introduction of the Clubspark membership booking system, has provided better transparency of membership and subscriptions. In 2014-15 we have a total of 117 members (53 juniors and 64 adults). Subscription income is £9.6k.

Coaching continues to be popular and Tony Williams has implemented better management of the coaching programme and collection of fees, ensuring that we are collecting fees for those that attend. Coaching contributes a net income (after fees to the coaches) of £3.3k.

Expenditure includes repayment of a loan to Shinfield Parish Council of £4,000 per year and £4,000 for maintenance and electricity costs.

Following a review of the 2014/15 finances, the Committee recognised the need to increase income in order to build up funds in line with the strategic plan. The Committee reviewed membership fees in comparison to local Tennis Clubs and felt that reducing fees would encourage more members to join and increase overall membership and coaching income. In addition, we would like to continue to encourage whole families to join the club and utilise the facilities, we have simplified and reduced the family fee structure to one family fee.

Membership fees payable from April 2016 will be: now been simplified and agreed:

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Detailed accounts are included in the Appendix

Completed by: Alan White, Treasurer and Tracey Gale, Accountant.

## Captains' Report

Shinfield Tennis Club has Men's, Ladies and Mixed Teams in the Adult Berkshire League and a Men's Team in the Aegon Championship and at Junior level the club participates in the Under 9s Berkshire League and the Under 18 Aegon Championship.

If you are interested in playing, please contact the Team Captains, Liam & Anna for Adults and Tony for Juniors.

## STC Men's and Mixed 2015 Report – Liam Than

**Aegon championship:** the Men's team held their own in a tough Group C after their promotion from Group D last year. As a result they have consolidated their place in Group C for 2016.

**Berkshire Summer League 2015:** the Men's 2nd and the Mixed 1st won their respective divisions. All other teams performed well in their tables.

- Men's 1st: Finished 4th out of 6 in Div 4a
- Men's 2nd: Finished 1st out of 5 in Div 8
- Men's 3rd: Finished 3rd out of 5 in Div 8
- Mixed 1st: Finished 1st out of 6 in Div 5a
- Mixed 2nd: Finished 3rd out of 6 in Div 5b
- Mixed 3rd: Finished 3rd out of 7 in Div 7

Thank you to all those who have played for contributing to the club's success



**Berkshire Winter League 2015/16:** Unfortunately, various injuries affected the Men's teams for the Winter League. Consequently, the teams had to be reshuffled and the overall results perhaps reflected this.

- Men's 1st: Currently 5th out of 8 in Div 5 West – 1 more match to play
- Men's 2nd: Currently 7th out of 7 in Div 6 East – 1 more match to play
- Men's 3rd: Currently 7th out of 7 in Div 7 West – 2 more match to play
- Mixed 1st: Currently 3rd out of 5 in Div 8 – 1 more match to play
- Mixed 2nd: Currently 3rd out of 5 in Div 9 – 1 more match to play
- Mixed 3rd: Finished 5 out of 6 in Div 11

## STC Ladies 2015 Report – Anna Allen

**Berkshire Summer League 2015:** the Ladies 2nd team won their respective divisions guaranteeing promotion. Thank you to; Nic, Kelly, Sai, Liz, Jan and Cathie who played in all the matches and gave us the wins and our Club winner's certificate is on the wall in the clubhouse.

We ended the league in the following positions:

- Ladies 1<sup>st</sup>: division 5a 4/6
- Ladies 2<sup>nd</sup>: division 7a 1/6 (we won!)
- Ladies 3<sup>rd</sup>: division 7b 5/6

There will be no 3<sup>rd</sup> team in the summer this year as we do not have enough ladies members available to play.

**Berkshire Winter League 2015/16:** Our Winter league is just drawing to a close and our positions are looking very promising indeed.

- Ladies 1<sup>st</sup>: division 6 1/7
- Ladies 2<sup>nd</sup>: division 9 1/6

The 2<sup>nd</sup> team have won all their matches and will be promoted next year.

The 1<sup>st</sup> team play their last match on 12<sup>th</sup> March, when it will be clear which of top 3 teams takes the top slot!

Many thanks to the following players; Sheel, Tracey, Liz, Cathie, Lorna, Sai, Mindy, Nilu, Sheila P and Nic who made this happen. Another certificate (or two) for the wall in the club house coming our way!

Anna is looking for help running the teams and if anyone can raise their hand and offer some help, Anna would be extremely grateful.

## STC Junior Report – Tony Williams

In total we have had 105 junior players attend the various Junior coaching sessions held on Thursday evenings, Saturday and Sunday Mornings and we are now beginning to see a wider development of tennis ability across the age ranges. A number of players have now started to play matches internally, for the club and a few have started to play in local LTA competitions held within Berkshire. One of the objectives of the year was to maintain and encourage new Girl players between the ages of 12-



16 having only 1 regular player in this category at the start of the season, we now have a session on a Thursday evening of 7 female players in this age range, which is great to see (although some evenings ear plugs are required!)

Apart from developing basic and advanced technical skills as well as having fun, the juniors are encouraged to play matches and we have a number of players who have entered competitions for the first time, with some success.

**Berkshire Winter League 2015:** U9 Our team of Maddie Smith, Tom Culver, Shaan Sachdeva and Jack Bragg entered a round robin tournament held at Caversham and were able to maintain a consistent level of play to successfully come out on top and win the Division.

Other teams that entered in the local competitions were our U8 Mini Red where Cameron Nevers played well and helped the team to third place overall. Other teams included a mixed 10U team, a U12 Boys Team and for the first time U12 Girls Team who battled well against some strong opposition, some players playing their first ever competition. Plus our U18 Boys Team who won the Division 2 league. So well done to Joe Stallion, Connor Carr and Harry Lauchlan.

### Committee Members 2015/16

Thank you to the STC Committee members for their contributions to running the club and we are interested to hear from others willing to get involved in organising events or helping publicise the club to encourage new members.

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## Shinfield Tennis Club: Finances Oct 1st 2014 - Sept 30th 2015

	Actual 2014-15	Actual 2013-14	2012 Plan 2013-14	Variance to Act 2013-14	Variance to 2012 Plan
<b>INCOME</b>					
Subscriptions	£9,605	£9,671	£19,280	-£66	-£9,675
Coaching	£31,354	£30,343	£21,000	£1,012	£10,354
Other Income	£2,694	£2,336	£5,625	£358	-£2,931
New Facilities - Grants & Loans	£710	£0	£0	£710	£710
Bank interest	£27	£7	£0	£20	£27
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£44,390</b>	<b>£42,356</b>	<b>£45,905</b>	<b>£2,034</b>	<b>-£1,515</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Court maintenance & utilities	£4,324	£3,998	£1,000	-£327	-£3,324
Website & advertising	£88	£188	£1,050	£100	£963
Coaching fees	£28,041	£28,669	£19,000	£627	-£9,041
Consumables/trophies/tennis bal	£2,335	£835	£4,400	-£1,501	£2,065
Berkshire LTA fees	£980	£161	£600	-£819	-£380
Wimbledon tickets	£0	£1,200	£1,850	£1,200	£1,850
Shinfield Assoc (Rent, Ins, Elec,	£1,834	£1,978	£1,000	£145	-£834
SPC Loan Repayments	£4,000	£4,640	£3,000	£640	-£1,000
New Facilities - expenditure	£0	£1,480	£0	£1,480	£0
Misc expenses/bank error	£810	£226	£0	-£583	-£810
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£42,412</b>	<b>£43,374</b>	<b>£31,900</b>	<b>£962</b>	<b>-£10,512</b>
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<b>Represented by: Bank/Cash Balance</b>					
<b>Opening Balance b/fwd at:</b>	<b>01-Oct-14</b>	<b>01-Oct-13</b>	<b>01-Oct-13</b>		
Current Account	£12,933	£20,955	£32,135	-£8,022	-£19,202
High Interest Account (for capital	£10,610	£3,607	£0	£7,003	£10,610
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>£23,543</b>	<b>£24,562</b>	<b>£32,135</b>	<b>-£1,018</b>	<b>-£8,592</b>
<b>Closing Balance c/fwd at:</b>	<b>30-Sep-15</b>	<b>30-Sep-14</b>	<b>30-Sep-14</b>		
Current Account	£4,885	£12,933	£46,140	-£8,049	-£41,255
High Interest Account (for capital	£20,637	£10,610	£0	£10,027	£20,637
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>£25,522</b>	<b>£23,543</b>	<b>£46,140</b>	<b>£1,978</b>	<b>-£20,618</b>
<b>Movement on Bank/Cash</b>	<b>£1,978</b>	<b>-£1,018</b>	<b>£14,005</b>	<b>£2,997</b>	<b>-£12,027</b>