

Broughton Tennis Club

Minutes of AGM on 16 May 2010

In attendance:

Gavin Willins	Linda Kinniburgh
Andre Webb	Doug Roper
Bill Sheridan	Fiona Pagett
Louise Willins	Julie Morrice

Apologies:

Bill Sheridan

1. Presidents Report

- It was a relatively short season with wet summer and cold winter
- Lessons ran again in Spring and Autumn with support from Heather and many thanks to Linda for organising - often a thankless task. Once again they were well attended, although chasing of members often required.
- We held an open day and a BBQ and had a stand for PR at the summer Fayre. All of which were successes.
- The Development sub group committee was formed which made some inroads with meetings on site with Sports Scotland and at Tennis Scotlands offices in Edinburgh. both Edges in the right direction.
- Costs were obtained from DOE Sport for court resurfacing and replacing following a site inspection with them. The court suffers from frost heave as a result of the sand base it is on. This means that simply resurfacing will only solve the problem for a short term and can not be guaranteed not to get back to where we are now withing 4/5 years. The costs quoted were....
- Relaying £16,000
- Building up a new court from existing base £22,000 (this would however reduce the court slightly and have a guttering issue
- Digging up existing and relaying new court £27,000
- Clearly further quotes can be obtained but this shows the possible costs involved.
- Meetings have been held with the bowlers who have obtained funding from Awards for All for a feasibility study into the existing clubhouse. This is ongoing and will be completed by the end of the year.
- Geoff Whitten has tabled a sporting vision for the village that that intigrates the Tennis, bowls and fottball clubs and this could be considered as a masterplan when considering individual club developments.

- Essentially the club is in reasonable shape with a solid membership, however, i do get the the feeling this is fragile in parts and the committee need to work hard in 2010 to instill a club feel through: developing the web site; possible adult / teenager nights; delivering the proposed fundraiser; creating a kids voice; arrangeing one or two friendly matches
- The Development plans have to be progressed and the 1st focus of this should be replacing the existing court at the end of this season and 2nd focus the clubhouse discussions with the bowlers and court expansionWorth noting that a number of our members both junior and senior are playing at West Linton although hopefully still see Broughton as their home club. There have been notable successes with a number playing for the U16 team and some of our U10's were asked to play in the Tweeddale tournament last year which was held in West Linton. Rowan is also the current captain of their laddies team. Hopefully is years to come we can have the facilities in Broughton to support this.

2. Treasurer's Report

Another successful season for BTS. Subscriptions have risen by 35% to £1,233. Costs of summer and autumn lessons covered by fees giving a surplus of £146. Other income generated including contributions from Grassroots £200 and RBS Community Grant £250. Clubhouse expenses totalled £632 including insurance, share of running costs and open day. Admin costs included set up of new website and logo design £168. Net surplus for the season of £1,086.41. Funds now total £13,110.92 including £11,294.83 held at Scottish Widows Treasury Account earning greater interest than the club RBS bank account. It is anticipated that the funds will be predominantly spent on court resurfacing this year so a concerted effort of funding raising is required. It was agreed to look at increasing membership fees for next season once the court has been relayed.

Given the substantial increase in clubhouse costs a discussion took place around what would be an appropriate contribution from the tennis club given the inequitable usage of the facilities. It was agreed that we would continue to pay 50% of the building fees such a insurance and fire extinguishers etc. but offer to the bowling club a reduced contribution on running costs. A 25% contribution was agreed to be proposed to be put forward to them. In addition we will request that any future costs of a substantial nature where there is an expectation that the tennis club are to contribute should be notified to us prior to expenditure being incurred.

3. Website

The website has been updated for the start of the year. More photographs are required. Fiona will put some video footage onto the website once we have some fun. It was agreed that the BBQ would be a good opportunity to get some footage. It was also agreed that it would be good to have a children's area on the website. Fiona will organise this with Lisa. We will also look at adding RBS sponsorship to the website.

4. Diary dates

12 June - school summer fayre

13 June - BBQ

2 October - fundraiser for court resurfacing

5. Office bearers for 2010/2011

President - Gavin Willins

Treasurer - Andre Webb

Secretary - Linda Kinniburgh

Committee members - Fiona pagett, Doug Roper, Bill Sheridan, Louise Willins and Julie Morrice

Coaching

Linda Kinniburgh intimated her resignation from this function. Julie Morrice will take over from the October 2010 coaching block. It was agreed that priority will be given to encouraging new adults to join coaching. If sessions are oversubscribed then old hands could do coaching without Heather at no cost. We will also look at the possibility of doing masterclass sessions with other coaches and a summer coaching school for the teenagers.

7. Other matters

Fiona and Gavin to be added as signatories to the bank account.

8. Next meeting

30 May at 10 o'clock at club house.