

# **FRENSHAM LAWN TENNIS CLUB**

Date: Thursday 2nd May 2018  
Venue: Frensham British Legion  
Event: 2019 AGM  
Committee: Lisa Dancy, Donald Miller, Mathew Marlow, Andrew Price, Royston Annible, Sally Young, Fiona MacDonald, Janet Martin, Ian Page.

## 1. **Apologies**

Jo Tyson, Royston Annible 15 minutes late.

## 2. **Recent Events & Club Calendar**

The 2018 Christmas Chinese at Bon East attracted a record turn out filling all the extra table space allocated to us. It was particularly interesting to note the increased amount of younger members in attendance.

The Club Calendar is published in the events section on the revamped website <https://frenshamltc.co.uk> and we are pleased to advise we have added two new events this year;

7th September – American Tennis Tournament  
7th November – Quiz Night

### 3. **Wimbledon Ballot**

Following some comments following the ballot result the procedure and options for the draw were explained.

Firstly, in order to be eligible you have to be a British Tennis Member affiliated to Frensham Lawn Tennis Club with membership fees fully paid. You also require to be “Opted in” for the draw.

The LTA offer clubs two options;

A Club run manual ballot (this has previously proven controversial), or, the LTA administered automated Ballot.

The latter option has been the Clubs preferred choice for several years with no-one at FLTC having any influence as to who is successful.

The attendees agreed that the LTA Ballot was their preferred option.

### 4. **Committee Reports**

#### **Secretary & Chair**

The Website has been totally rebuilt during the last year allowing updating with current information to be much simpler, it also contains Photos from last years Club Championships, a list of historic winners, Club history, Data Protection Policy statement, latest news, Coaching and Drills information plus, two members interactive features which are online Court Booking and Membership joining and renewals.

Initially there were a few issues with online booking, these mainly the result of not logging in using the LTA log In route, these problems now seem to have been resolved.

A special thanks to Rob Schimiield was given for his invaluable help in building the new site.

In order to protect the Health and Safety of both members and visitors this year we have installed a balustrade and non slip nosing to the steps leading down from the Bowls club.

A special thanks to John Fawcett who has provided his time free of charge to undertake various Health & Safety tasks deemed necessary by the Parish Council.

The current Court floodlights provide an effective but nevertheless “yellow” light, they take a few minutes to fully turn on and once turned off they require a cooling off period of approximately 15 minutes before it is recommended they are rebooted. Royston has therefore requested quotations to upgrade our current setup to the brighter and more responsive LED options available and currently in use at Rowledge.

Annual Maintenance of the Courts has been quoted by Coloured Courts at £300 per court, we will await the advice from the Head Coach regarding the timing to place our order.

The Parish Council requested a hike in cost for cutting the Hedge between Waghorns and the Court this was vigorously rejected, following this it remains at £100 p.a.

Like many other clubs FLTC contains members that are also members of other clubs, It was stated that all fully paid up members have equal rights without discrimination.

### **Treasurer**

Owing to the financial year end change Donald handed out **two** financial statements, December 2016 to March 2018 audited Accounts, and, April 2018 to March 2019 unaudited accounts.

The Accounts show the club to be in a healthy financial position.

A snapshot of the results are:

Current cash at the Bank £32748

Accrued current liabilities £ 1221

A surplus of £7662 to the end of March 2018.

A surplus of £3379 to the end of March 2019.

2019 Membership income approximately £8000

Following on from our previous auditor resigning Donald paid thanks to member Lloyd Jones for volunteering his services. (<https://www.jonesco.co.uk/accountancy>)

## **Membership Secretary**

Sally announced that Adult Membership fees have been increased this year by £5.00, however there is a small reduction on other membership categories. It was also reported that Membership numbers have shown a small increase.

The new online Membership system offers various ways of paying including the new Go Cardless option which is very convenient but has a cost implication, therefore for existing member renewals the clubs preferred method of payment is BACS, a note referencing this will be added in due course on the website Membership section.

## **Head Coach**

With the exception of David Lloyd we have the most Adult Coaching sessions in the area. This year we have introduced “Shot of the Week” a Drills session concentrating on one individual skill each week, and “Servers and Returners” designed for players new to tennis or those who want help following a period of inactivity.

These sessions have proved quite successful averaging 5 people each week.

Junior Club session numbers did drop off however following various promotions this is now very healthy once again resulting in having two teams playing competitively.

## 5. Team Updates

The Ladies & Mens Mixed "A" had a good year and got promoted.

The Ladies & Mens Mixed "B" results were not so good, however, the team has new pairings who need more time together with the general consensus that this is a period of building.

The Ladies "A" team had a satisfactory year staying in their current Division.

The Ladies "B" team had a good year winning 4 of their 7 matches.

The Men did not field a team this year, however there appears to be sufficient interest for a team in the next Winter League and options are being investigated.

It was agreed to keep the £2.00 players contribution to be paid for both home and away matches.

During Winter when there are no matches it was decided to top up the supply of balls for general usage from the Match Ball stock, Janet has offered to be in charge of this task.

## 6. Committee

In accordance with the Club Constitution all Committee members are required to resign their positions and should they so wish offer themselves for re-election.

Jo Tyson as Social Secretary has decided to call it a day, and Janet Young has stepped in as her replacement.

The remaining committee members offered themselves for re-election, this was seconded by Chris Fox, and unanimously accepted by all members present.

7. **AOB**

It was agreed that the cost of £2000 to fence the practice wall was not cost effective.

In an initiative to stimulate interest and more use of the Practice wall, a quotation will be sought for painting the wall with specific targets similar to the following image.



The first Aid Box needs replenishing, Matt agreed to undertake this.

In the event of needing ice to treat muscle injury and our current refrigerator not having an ice box a cost for replacement should be investigated.

Meeting closed 19.55