Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the   
  
Newton Abbot Squash Racquets and Lawn Tennis Club  
  
held on 6 December 2016 at the Recreational Trust

Those present Tim Dickinson, Julia Webber, Rebecca Heale, Russell Bond, Sue Wilson, Anne Acton, Mary Danfer, Lina Pocock, Rebecca Hopkins, Paul Lennox, Andy Lloyd, Dawn Dickinson, Richard Thomas, Mike Sabel, Tony Brinsley, Lee Manning, Dan Gough, Sam Revill, Glyn Davies, Malcolm Watts & Jane Comyns.

Apologies for absence received from

Steve Reynolds, Viv Bell, Granville Thomas, Sue Hember & Lisa Wroot.

Minutes of the 2015 AGM

Minutes of the previous AGM, held on 24 November 2015 at the Recreational Trust, were considered and unanimously agreed, then duly signed as a true and accurate record.

Matters arising

Tennis courts 1 & 2 & 3 had been cleaned, a few cracks repaired, and repainted in April 2016. Court 4 is to be reviewed at a later stage as it has not been as exposed to the elements as the others.

Cycle racks have been put in place and are well-used, for which the Club extends a grateful vote of thanks to Paul Norrish.

Chairman's Report

Glyn Davies thanked everyone for attending the meeting and extended thanks to all those who work tirelessly to allow us to play our sport.

Treasurer's Report

Malcolm provided us with the ratification of subscriptions for the season 2016/17 and accounts to 30 September 2016 (copies of each with records). The need to increase our Membership is of paramount importance, he reminded us, and we should continue to look for ways to reduce costs.

The Ratification of Subscriptions were proposed by Tim Dickinson and seconded by Tony Brinsley.

After presenting the accounts and making his report, Malcolm invited and answered questions from the floor. The Accounts to 30 September 2015 were duly approved (proposed by Paul Lennox, seconded by Jane Comyns) unanimously agreed, and signed.

Glyn proposed a vote of thanks to Malcolm for his tireless work on our behalf as Treasurer. Those present were in total agreement.

Nomination of Officers and Committee  
  
**Nominations Received Proposed by Seconded by**President Mr Dick Lewis Becky Hopkins Richard Thomas   
Vice President Mike Sabel Glyn Davies Andy Lloyd  
Chairman Glyn Davies Jane Comyns Malcolm Watts  
Vice Chairman to be advised

Treasurer Malcolm Watts Jane Comyns Paul Lennox

Secretary Jane Comyns Dan Gough Mary Danfer

Membership Secretary Tim & Dawn Dickinson

Squash Section Secretary to be advised

Tennis Section Secretary Andy Lloyd Russell Bond Dan Gough

Men's fixture Secretary Dan Gough Lee Manning Tim Dickinson

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Ladies Fixture Secretary to be advised

Child Welfare Officer Richard Thomas Malcolm Watts Paul Lennox

Committee max 8 places to be filled

Nominations

Curtis Corby Dan Gough Becs Heale

Nick Whalley Lee Manning Dan Gough

Matt Whalley Dan Gough Tim Dickinson

Jane Gick Glyn Davies Mike Sabel

Lee Manning Dan Gough Jane Comyns

Becs Heale Tim Dickinson Jane Comyns

Russell Bond Dan Gough Tim Dickinson

Recreational Trust Report

Glyn proposed a vote of thanks to the Recreational Trust for all the improvements they have put into effect over the past 12 months.

Any other business

There was a full and frank discussion about the proposed introduction of a new Tennis-only Membership category which would cover the playing of tennis, membership of the bar (discount card), and use of the changing rooms, all for the cost of £120.00 per annum (£10.00 per month). The Recreational Trust have agreed to a reduction to £40.00 per annum for their part of that fee, the remainder’s being Squash and Tennis Club membership of £80.00 per annum. This would bring our tennis annual subscription in line with other similar tennis clubs in the area.

The meeting concluded that whilst it was a risk to reduce the fees from existing Members, the only way to encourage new Members would be to proceed with the proposal. A vote was taken which resulted in 19 in favour, 2 against. This recommendation would be put to our Committee on its first meeting after the AGM.

Several other matters were raised for discussion at the next Committee Meeting.

Date of next Committee Meeting

Thursday 5 January 2017 at 7pm