

## **GRANGE DYVOURS TENNIS - AGM – 14<sup>th</sup> October 2010, 7.15pm -The Long Room**

### **In attendance:-**

#### **Committee members:-**

Avril Kunzel, President  
Alison Fraser, Secretary  
Anne Rees, Treasurer  
Heather Anderson, Social  
Neil Ross, Grounds

#### **Apologies:-**

Richard Horsfall  
Stephen Mellor  
Pat Snowdon  
Chris Close  
Lindsay McDonald  
Fiona McLaren  
Sandra Sutherland  
Emily Salvesen  
Stephen Davey  
Grant Nicolle  
Alan Couper

#### **Members:-**

Ali Ross  
Gordon Tolland  
Paul Dale  
David McMaster  
Charles Milne  
Neil Wilkinson  
Louise Locke  
Maggie Kirkland  
Tony Kirkland  
Janet Nicolson  
Kay Strang  
Amanda Kremer

### **Approval of minutes of 2009 AGM**

- The minutes of the 2009 AGM were approved. Gordon Tolland pointed out that the minutes referred to the EGM on the real tennis proposal which took place in January 2010 and therefore after the 2009 AGM. It was explained that this was due to the fact that the minutes were typed up after the EGM.

### **President's report**

- Please see attached.

### **Secretary's report**

- A healthy year was reported for membership. The club has welcomed 37 new adult members this year bringing the total adult membership to 257 and 49 new junior members bringing the total junior membership to 49.
- KS asked about the possibility of raising the Junior member cut-off age to sixteen. AK responded that the Cricket section had also requested a rise in the cut-off age and that the request was currently with the General Committee.

### **Treasurer's report**

- Please see attached.
- In relation to the money that has come into the tennis section account from junior members Kay Strang said that she would anticipate less money being spent on coaching in future.

## Team Captains' reports

- Please see attached.

## Nominations for and election of 2010/11 Committee

- Avril was proposed as President by Heather and seconded by Anne.
- Anne was proposed as Treasurer by Gordon Tolland and seconded by Neil Wilkinson.
- Neil R was proposed for Grounds by Ali Ross and seconded by Kay Strang.
- Heather was proposed as a Committee Member by Neil R and seconded by Janet Nicolson.
- Amanda was proposed as Social Secretary by Ali Ross and seconded by Louise Locke.
- **[The post of Secretary remains vacant – Elspeth Bridges subsequently proposed and nominated]**

## Any other business

- The issue of the floodlights on courts 6 and 7 was raised by David. Avril explained that the committee are aware that the lights are not very bright and need replaced and that this issue will be brought up with the General Committee. Neil said that the estimated price of upgrading the lights is £6,500. He explained that the existing pylons would remain and the light fittings and bulbs would be replaced. There was general discussion about planning and specification of the lighting upgrade and Neil assured the meeting that the proposal that will be put to the General Committee will be clear. He explained that when installing the lights on court 8 he had taken advice from an expert from the LTA and that he would go through a similar process again.
- Neil explained that over the next 5 to 6 months the grounds men will be repairing the fencing around the all weather tennis courts.
- Avril proposed that 2 new shields be bought. One for the singles shield will have the names of previous winners engraved on it. Another shield will be bought for a new part of the tournament – the new mixed doubles shield. The shields will cost approximately £200 plus engraving. This was agreed by the meeting.
- Avril explained that next year the August championships will be extended by one week to the first weekend in September. This was agreed by the meeting.
- Kay questioned whether it would be appropriate to have the tennis coaches as members of the club with their membership being given to them for free. This would enable them to attend meetings such as the AGM. Ali explained that in the Squash section the coach pays for his membership but in return takes 100% of his coaching fees. GT stated that the Cricket section only have a coach for the summer period, he is paid and is not a member. The Hockey section also pays for their coach but the coach then pays their own membership subscriptions. No decision was taken on this.
- Avril explained that she and Heather have prepared a draft 5 year plan for the club and details of this would follow with the minutes. Please see attached.
- The tennis committee have created a draft five-year plan for the tennis section for the period 2010 to 2015. The plan considers eight different areas, considers the status of the club now for each area and the year-on-year steps required to develop the club facilities and capabilities.
- The areas being considered are:

- Membership
- Playing
- Coaching
- Facilities
- Events
- Communication (including Club profile)
- Finance
- External Links

Version one of the plan will be published to the tennis members as soon as it is available, however, members' suggestions and comments for inclusion in the plan are invited before (and after) the first version is published. We hope that the members will support the plan to ensure that Grange Dyvours Tennis continues to grow and develop as a leading club in the Edinburgh area.

All members were thanked again for their support and special thanks to those who attended the AGM

Meeting closed at 20.10