



**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Chippenham Tennis Club held in the
Chippenham Sports Club at 7.30pm on Wednesday 22 October 2008**

Present: David Corcoran (Chairman), Pete Hopwood (Treasurer), Tony Clark (Secretary), Debbie Shipp, John Shipp, Mark Terrell, Rachael Corcoran, Andy Pollard, Tamsyn Attiwell, Ian Saunders, Richard Farr, June Rowson, Peter Moss, Susan Mansfield, Duncan Fisher, Rob Giles, Georgina Evans, Alan Brown, Sarah Thompson, Paul Newman, Ann Tyndall, Stuart Thompson, John Sutton, Sue Walker, Darren Crook, Tim Sheward, Sally Purkiss, Becky Holborough, Julia Drake, Katie Read, Susan Pulleyblank, Ted Daszkiewicz, Martin Hatherly, Mike Powell, Carol McCarthy, Kim Ralton.

Apologies for absence were received from Alex Ralton, Sharon Sanders, Ann Fisher and Wendy Lloyd.

1. David opened the meeting by apologising for the late change in venue - building work at the Lawn Bowls Pavilion had over run and those premises were not available as had been hoped. The Sports Club lounge was not ideal, but we had to make the best of it.

Minutes of the AGM held on 31 October 2007

2. Tim proposed, and Paul seconded, that the minutes of the AGM held on 31 October 2007 be confirmed. Carried unanimously.

Matters Arising

3. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Reports

4. Tony noted that the various reports were available for members immediately before the meeting. He apologised for the fact that the Report of the Coaching Treasurer had, inadvertently, not been tabled. A copy would issue with the minutes, together with all those reports which had been tabled.

Chairman's Report

5. David noted that his report had been tabled. He highlighted the fact that court use was now exceptional; all courts were regularly taken during Club Sessions with people waiting to play. He added that the Committee was aware of the limitations of the lighting system and was seeking solutions. He hoped that we would shortly be in position to install new lights on courts 1 and 2 and, after assessment, extend new lighting in phases to the other courts.

Treasurer's Report

6. Pete noted that his report and the accompanying financial details had been tabled. He said that the Club was in good shape financially. Its resources had survived the credit crunch and we were on course to have sufficient funds in the sinking fund to finance the regular repainting and resurfacing required to keep our facilities up to standard. Improving the lighting would, of course, impact on next year's reserves so we would need to phase expenditure accordingly.

Reports from Team Captains

7. The Team Captains, Ted, Susan Mansfield and Sally, noted that their reports had been tabled.

League Representative's Report

8. Rachael noted that her report had been tabled.

Head Coach's Report

9. Richard noted that his report had been tabled. Referring to the financial statement, tabled separately by Susan, David pointed out that although the book loss on the season was some £4,000, the accounts included a payment of £940 in respect of the previous season, and excluded income of £900 related to this season but received after the close of our accounts. The effective shortfall was, therefore, around £2,000. The Coaching Committee would be meeting shortly to see how this could best be addressed for 2008/9.

Election of Officers, Team Captains and other Committee Members

10. Tony noted that there had been one nominee for each of the posts of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Men's Captain, Ladies Captain, Mixed Captain and League Representative. Each would, therefore be elected unopposed. As regards the five posts of 'other members' there had been 7 nominations. It would therefore be a ballot to fill these posts.

11. Following two rounds of secret balloting, the following were elected to the Committee - Darren Crook, Peter Moss, Mike Powell, Sue Pulleyblank and Mark Terrell. Members paid tribute to the outgoing members, Paul Newman and Tim Sheward. The full Committee membership is, therefore -

<u>Officers</u>		
Chairman	David Corcoran	
Secretary	Tony Clark	
Treasurer	Peter Hopwood	
<u>Team Captains</u>		
Men's	Ted Daszkiewicz	
Ladies	Susan Mansfield	
Mixed	Sally Purkiss	
<u>Other positions</u>		
Coaching Treasurer	Susan Mansfield	(ex-officio)
Head Coach	Richard Farr	(ex-officio)
League rep	Rachael Corcoran	
Member	Darran Crook	
Member	Peter Moss	
Member	Mike Powell	
Member	Sue Pulleyblank	
Member	Mark Terrell	
Membership Secretary	Sue Walker	(by co-option)

Any Other Business

Carol noted that a number of members considered that Mike Powell should be appointed a Life Member of the Club, given his service to the club both as a player and an administrator for many years. Members supported this idea. David noted that Mike had indeed played an important role at the club for a very considerable time. He advised, however, that the AGM was not the appropriate forum for discussion of this item and that he would refer it to the new Committee.

Tony Clark
23 October 2008