

MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHPORT AND DISTRICT TENNIS LEAGUE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on Thursday 25th February 2020 at 7:30pm

Via Zoom

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting this year via zoom under these difficult times due to the Covid 19 pandemic restrictions. He went on to explain the voting procedures for the evening with each club representative holding all their clubs votes and that committee members would not get a vote unless they were attending as their club rep on the night. During the course of the evening, he conveyed his thanks to all the individuals responsible (especially those retiring from office) for attending meetings throughout the year often at short notice and to Christian and Jeanette in particular for getting some competitive tennis arranged at all last year.

1. **CLUBS REPRESENTED AND RECORDED:** representatives attended from
Argyle, Aughton, Birkdale, Blundellsands, Campion, Carlton, Croston, David Lloyd, Formby, Formby Village, Hightown, Hillside, Mawdesley , North Meols , Ormskirk, Rainford , Southbank, Waterloo.
2. **APOLOGIES** received from
Sphynx, Town Green. (Apologies received after the meeting and both accepted)
3. As the **MINUTES** of the 2020 AGM are available on the website and no questions were raised or inaccuracies reported, the chairman will sign and date them (at a later date) as a factually accurate record.
Proposed: Liz Newton Seconded: Val Ormerod All in favour – passed unanimously (no abstentions)
4. **MATTERS ARISING** – to be covered under separate heading later
5. **THE CHAIRMANS REPORT** - is also available on the website – no questions raised
6. **TREASURER'S REPORT** –report available on the website, Dave said it was a very unusual year for his first season in the role as treasurer. A zoom licence and league planner costs were the only two main expenses this year His report mentioned all monies paid for the 2020 season will be forwarded as a credit for each club on to the 2021 season. The league is again waiving junior league fees for the coming season to help encourage more junior teams joining.

Proposed by Mick Walsh Seconded: by Andy Williams. – passed unanimously (no abstentions)
7. **MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT** – available on the website – no questions raised
8. **APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP/RESIGNATION.**
Pauline reported there had been no team applications or resignations. Rob reminded all that the final date for submitting team & club forms (online) is 1st April. Also there would be no handbooks printed for the 2021 season – but feedback after the summer season was welcome on whether members would prefer a handbook in future seasons.
9. **AUTUMN/WINTER LEAGUE** – notes circulated to all clubs prior to the meeting. There was an appeal for a volunteer to take on the role of Match Secretary if the league is to run again in 2021 for this league and Dave Mulligan of Carlton agreed to discuss the position further with Chairman Rob Hemmings. The prizes for the 2020 Autumn league will be handed out at the 2021 presentation evening to be held on October.

10. RULE CHANGES: All clubs had been issued with a copy of the proposed Rule Changes for 2021 supported by the Executive Committee
The Chairman explained the proposals and a vote was taken
The Amended New Rules were then carried with no votes against and no abstentions.

11. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President: Mr John Spurr
Chairman: Mr R Hemmings
Treasurer: Mr David Eyes
Match Secretary: Mrs Jeanette Heague
Individual Tournament Secretary: Mr Derek Bardwa
Team Tournament Secretary: Mr Mick Walsh
Junior League Co-ordinator: Mrs Angela Bardon
Spartan's Trophy Secretary: Mr Mick Walsh
General Secretary: Ms Pauline Pope
Hon Auditor: Mr Jason McLeod
League Planner Manager: Mr Christian Bryan

General Committee: prepared to continue in office: Mr Andy Williams,,Ms Liz Newton Mr Denis Swainson

Resignations:

Officers: Heather Chambers, Tracey Smith, Val Ormerod, Pru Makin.

Nominations received: - none

Rob mentioned more Representatives are needed ideally from Clubs not represented at present:

Argyle, Aughton, Birkdale, Blundellsands, Campion, David Lloyd, Hightown, Rainford, Sphynx, Town Green or Waterloo.

12. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO LANCASHIRE LTA COUNCIL

John Spurr and Rob Hemmings were again elected as The Southport and District League's Representatives to Lancashire LTA Council.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Executive Committee had decided to go ahead and plan the coming season to start week commencing 03 May and finishing week commencing 02 August. However, it may be necessary to push back the start depending on the latest government Covid and LTA guidelines if information changes as we all come out of lockdown.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:10pm.

Signed..... Date.....