

MINUTES OF THE WILTSHIRE LTA AGM
Tuesday 4th December 2018 7pm for 7.30pm
CONFERENCE ROOM
MARLBOROUGH GOLF CLUB

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Victoria Park TC – Ian Jerrard, Sue Hollingberry, Mike Powell, Philip Evans, Andy Dickinson, Penny Clancy

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last AGM which had previously been circulated, were approved. There were no matters arising.

The adoption of last year's minutes were proposed by Roger Witt and seconded by John Heffer.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from last year's AGM.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The report of the Chairman, Philip Evans was circulated. In his report, Philip Evans highlighted the following:

National Matters

From 1st January 2018 Scott Lloyd became the new Chief Executive of the LTA.
Lord Mervyn Davies has been appointed the new Chairman of the LTA.

Scott Lloyd has stated that he wants to grow tennis by making it relevant, accessible, welcoming and, above all, enjoyable. Therefore, he has made several changes by restructuring of the LTA's Senior Executive Team and Regional LTA Teams. He has, also, brought the Tennis Foundation into the LTA.

Federation Cup

The Europe/Africa Zone Group 1 Federation Cup Event next year is being co-hosted between Poland and Great Britain between the dates of 6th and 9th of February. There are 15 teams split between two venues and Bath University has been selected as the British venue.

County Matters

Junior Performance Strategy

Wiltshire LTA have signed up to the new junior training programme for the next 5 years. The LTA will pay a sum of £5000 a year towards our costs for the county training programme.

Website

During the course of the year we have decided to invest in and develop our own County Website. Andy Dickinson volunteered to take on the task of creating the WLTA website and we are grateful to him for doing so. There is still a little more to do but I hope that you will find the website easier to navigate and the content much more relevant to our clubs and county.

Protecting The game – Safeguarding

One of the key objectives of the LTA is to ensure that we all operate in a safe but fun environment.

As a result the LTA have introduced new measures to deal with this. Every Registered Club having new minimum safeguarding standards implemented as a condition of LTA registration. Club audits taking place by SW Regional Safeguarding Officer. New on-line reporting system for concerns. Increase in the LTA's Safeguarding Team.

In the report for County Matters it stated topics for TBTT, Club Registrations, She Rallies and also Inclusive Tennis.

PE thanked Kathryn Brooks who works so hard on behalf of the Wiltshire LTA and to the colleagues who serve on the various county committees.

Also, to the South West Regional Team for their involvement and assistance throughout the year.

PE thanked all of those volunteers who assist at our County Tournaments and accompany our county teams when they are playing around the country.

The adoption of the report was proposed by Roger Henry and seconded by Ann Carrol.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts for 2017 – 2018 were circulated. JH stated that Wiltshire LTA would be in deficit this year of £1290. JH stated that if we didn't have sponsorship money from Wimbledon tickets the counties finances would not be healthy.

Roger Henry thanked JH on hard work and time on doing the accounts on behalf of the county. JH thanked KB for helping with the accounts throughout the year and also thanked PE for his hard work on getting sponsorship money to help with expenditure during 2018 for Wiltshire LTA.

The adoption of the accounts proposed by Liz Lewis and seconded by Ethel Hutchings was agreed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2018 – 2019

A block proposal to elect the officers was proposed by Amelia Tester and seconded by Ethel Hutchings.

- a. The President – Sir Geoffrey Owen
- b. The Chairman – Philip Evans
- c. Hon. Secretary – Elizabeth Bissett
- d. Hon. Treasurer – John Heffer
- e. Chairman of The Tennis Committee – Roger Henry
- f. 2 Members to Represent other Members of the Association – Colin Gratton & Andy Dickinson

A separate election took place for the Rep. on the LTA Council and Elizabeth Bissett was elected. Proposed by Roger Henry and seconded by Colin Gratton.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Tennis Chairman then closed the formal part of the meeting at 19.45pm and moved onto the Wiltshire Tennis Awards for 2018.

A Junior Tennis Presentation was then given by Neil Watts.

Awards For 2018

Club of The Year - Pewsey Tennis Club

Coach of the Year Award - Rebecca Prince

Lifetime Achievement Award - Barbara Jones

Community Venue Award - Trowbridge Town Park

Disability Programme Award - Delta Tennis Centre

Education Award - St Mary's School Calne

Volunteer Award - Keith Hampson

Young Person of the Year – David Morris

Competition of the Year – Minety TC Open Mixed Tournament

Wiltshire Player of the Year Award – Lewis Fletcher

Wiltshire Team of The Year - Wilts U12 Girls Team