

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Monkstown Lawn Tennis Club
8pm November 16th 2016**

1. Attendance

The names of members who attended have been recorded.

Tom Crotty (President) opened the meeting by welcoming all attendees to the 2016 AGM.

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the 2015 AGM. Brian Kelly and Brian O'Neill approved the 2015 AGM minutes for adoption.

2. Hon. Secretary's Report

The report prepared by Jacqui Byrne (Hon. Secretary) was taken as read having been uploaded onto club website 10 days before the AGM. Hard copies of the report were also made available to members at the AGM. This was proposed for adoption by Ian Dillon and Breege Clancy .

3. Hon Treasurer's report

Liam Manahan (Treasurer) apologised to the members, as, due to technical problems, the club accounts were not ready in time for the AGM. Liam explained that the club are introducing a new computer system, which should avoid this happening in future.

Liam summarised the financial situation within the club as being solid and not dissimilar to last year. In 2015 and 2016 the club has been able to put aside €20,000 each year into a development fund which now totals €40,000.

Liam also made note of the fact that we may be slightly over reliant on 2016 member entry fees and that notice has been taken of the increasing costs associated with club competitions, which the executive committee will look at next year.

Liam proposed to circulate the accounts on completion, which should be before Christmas.

Bryan O'Neill proposed that based on the information supplied by Liam and approved audited accounts that the club accounts should be considered approved in order to avoid another AGM. This proposal was seconded by Terry O'Rourke

4. Election of Officers

Tom Crotty indicated he was prepared to continue as President and was elected.

Geraldine Colgan indicated she was prepared to continue as Vice-President and was elected.

Liam Manahan was proposed as Honorary Treasurer by Tom Crotty, seconded by Judy O'Shea.

Jacqui Byrne was proposed as Honorary Club Secretary by Lynda O'Carroll, seconded by Deirdre Hornshaw.

Greg Ryan was proposed as Men's Captain by Andrew O'Kelly, seconded by Liam Manahan.

Deirdre Hornshaw was proposed as Ladies Captain was proposed by Breege Clancy, seconded by Denise Cooney.

Niall O'Carroll was proposed as Men's Vice Captain by Greg Ryan, seconded by Brian O'Neill.

Denise Cooney was proposed as Lady Vice Captain by Deirdre Hornshaw, seconded by Siobhan Coburn.

5. Election of Executive Committee

Mark Smyth was proposed as Buildings and Grounds Officer by Tom Crotty, seconded by Niall O'Carroll.

Claire Aherne was proposed as Junior Coordinator by Breege Clancy

Margaret Hegney and **Breege Egan** were proposed as Events Coordinators by Stephen O'Shea, seconded by Siobhan Coburn.

6. Election of Auditors

Ian Dillon was proposed as auditor Brian O'Neil

7. AOB

Nicky Dillon raised the issue of court bookings. She proposed that the executive committee consider the implementation of an on-line booking system, which is used in many tennis clubs and would be, she suggested, a more convenient and fairer system, possibly attracting younger members and different groups of members to play together.

Tom Crotty responded by committing to discuss the issue with the executive committee and advised that there had been a number of IT projects, which had taken priority this year primarily the finance package that is almost completed.

Brian O'Neil offered some background on the issue when Kevin Polley was club president.

The priorities at the time were firstly a member's database, a club website and lastly a membership system. Both the database and the website have been successfully introduced and at the time, it was decided to put the membership system on hold. Brian advised that it had been looked at, similar to the golf BRS system, which at the time would have cost approx. €1000.

Tom announced that following the Ladies first team reaching the semi-final of the floodlit league, this would mean that MLTC would have a Ladies' Class 1 team in Winter, Summer and Floodlight leagues, a very impressive achievement and one which MLTC is very proud of.

Stephen commented on the success of all the junior members and paid particular credit to Conor Gannon who represented Ireland in Cardiff recently.

Tom also wished to thank all members of the executive committee for their contribution on behalf of the club.

8. Presentations

Tom Crotty made a presentation to the outgoing Captains Breege Clancy and Andrew O'Kelly and to Emily Kelly and Clodagh Murray for their excellent work as events coordinators.

Tom thanked the outgoing officers and welcomed the new officers to the committee.

There being no further business the meeting concluded.

Jacqui Byrne

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