

# LYMPSTONE TENNIS CLUB

(affiliated to the Lawn Tennis Association)

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 12th March 2025

LTC Club Room @ 19.00

Meeting Chair: Simon Findel-Hawkins

## Minutes

Those present: Simon Findel-Hawkins, Liz Griffiths, Julie Rockey, Jason Hendy, Corinne Gimber, Wendy Smith, Lisa Haar, Jill Dixon, Mary Turner, Sarah Forde, Steve Forde, Sue Norman, Marleen Johnson and Mike Rothera

Apologies: Wendy Hoare, Chris Bones, Margaret Turgoose, Malcolm Lyon, Martyn Esau, Judy Fisher, John Fisher and Ollie Sharpe

## Chairman's Welcome

Simon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### Matters Arising

- The conversion to LED lights is now complete and under the projected budget
- The projected timeline for the court resurface is for 2030
- The Garden Club request for use of the clubhouse for the annual garden show was granted

The minutes of the 2024 AGM were agreed and duly signed as a true record of the 2024 AGM.

**Proposer: Jill Dixon and seconded by Sarah Forde**

## Chairman & Secretary's Report

Attached as appendix.

## Treasurer's Report & Accounts

Attached as appendix.

## Proposed Subscriptions for 2024/25

**Proposer: the Committee and carried unanimously**

These are increased and agreed to represent excellent value and highly competitive for our area. A hardship fund remains in place at the discretion of the Chair:

Adult £68

Student £36

Junior £25

7 and under - Free

Ball Machine £25

## Election of Officers

Jason Hendy was elected as Chair

Malcolm Lyon was re-elected as Treasurer

Liz Griffiths was re-elected as Secretary/Membership Secretary

### Proposer: Steve Forde and seconded by Mary Turner

Election of Committee

Sarah Forde and Julie Rockey have not stood for re-election. They were thanked for their contribution to LTC.

The remaining existing committee was re-elected on block: Corinne Gimber, Simon Findel-Hawkins, Lisa Haar, Ollie Sharpe, Margaret Turgoose and Martyn Esau

### Proposer: Wendy Smith and seconded by Jill Dixon

## Any Other Business

- Intro sessions for the ball machine will be scheduled April/May
- An honesty box to be provided for clubhouse tea/coffee

## APPENDICES (reports from the Chairman and Treasurer)

### Chair Report

I am pleased to report that LTC is thriving and over the past year, as guided by our values, provided "fun and competitive tennis that promoted connection and well being for the Lympstone community".

In the absence of our Malcolm, Treasurer, I confirm that on-going financial prudence has enabled us to maintain our facilities, fund the necessary conversion of the lights to LED and plan for the inevitable resurface for the courts (advised for 2030). The great news is that the new lights are now in place and we will switch them on after the meeting.

Thank you to Margaret Turgoose who took on the role of Membership Secretary. Adult membership was up year on year totalling 122 (including 6 Honorary members) but down by 15 for Mini & Juniors. I trust members will appreciate the great value of annual subscription fee which remains the lowest in the area, but we are aware that we can't be complacent! The popularity of Padel, the choice of activities for children and the cost of living crisis can all impact on membership renewal/sign up so please help promote our club to your friends, neighbours and family.

For a village club we punch well above our weight for competitive tennis. In the summer we entered 2 Men's, 2 Ladies and 3 Mixed teams in local leagues and 2 Ladies and 2 Mixed in the Winter leagues. Congratulations to our Men's

A team who won Division 4. Thank you to all the Captains who enable so many members to play competitively.

I am also pleased to confirm that we have continued to meet with all compliance for safeguarding and that there are no issues to report.

Club sessions ran twice weekly and thank you to Jill Dixon for organising the rota. match play. New Committee Member, Martyn Esau headed up a few extra social events, including a cream team and at the ever popular Topsy triples. We now offer a ball machine, donated by Mike Rothera, as an add on subscription. Thank you to Chris Bones, who in addition to helping us with court maintenance is now LTC's Ball Machine Supervisor!

With regard to coaching we have continued to offer sessions to Adult and Junior members throughout the year. Our summer junior programme was sponsored by Bradleys for whom we are most grateful. We now have four coaches in place, including new coach Alfie Woodger. We welcome ideas for the Monday evening adult sessions to enable members to improve their game. Finally the committee, as always, has been working very hard over the past year, to keep the club running smoothly. Sarah Forde and Julie Rockey are standing down from the Committee and I'd like to thank them for their time on the Committee. I have decided to stand down as Chair but will stand again for the Committee as are Malcolm, Liz, Corinne, Margaret, Lisa, Martyn and Ollie. It's always good to have new members for the committee and we look forward to appointing a new Chair. We will vote on their appointments later in the meeting. If anyone feels they would like to join the committee, we always welcome new ideas.

Finally thank you to everyone for supporting LTC and in particular to all the Committee members who invest time to enable our club to thrive. I would like to give a special mention and thank you to Liz our club secretary. She is the backbone of the club and the glue that keeps it all together. Without her tireless support dedication and commitment to our club we simply cannot function.

Many thanks Liz you have been an absolute inspiration and pleasure to work alongside

*Simon Findel-Hawkins*

Liz Griffiths responded to thank Simon for his time as Chair and for extending his tenure. She is looking forward to welcoming Jason to the Committee.

### Treasurer's Report

## Accounts 2024 Final

### Overview

2024 has been a good year financially with an operating surplus of £4,034 increasing the Tennis Club's reserves to £38,241. There were no major investments made in 2024 unlike 2023 with the establishment of the new Clubroom. However, a major investment in new LED lighting is likely to go forward in 2025 which will require a drawdown on reserves.

Malcolm Lyon  
Treasurer  
6 January 2024

### Snapshot of Accounts 2024 (End Year)

Source	2023	
Santander	6011.73	
National Savings	28125.62	
Petty Cash	169.76	
Total	34,307.11	

### Income

#### Variance

£10,800

£4,034

### Expenditure

£6,766

THE MEETING FINISHED AT 7.50pm