

**Minutes of the Lode Tennis Club Committee held on Thursday 10 March 2022
at 22 Abbey Lane at 7.30pm**

**Action
by**

Present: Jeff Kempster Sally Jaggard Lesley Pulvertaft
 John Lince Will Jaggard Denise Bardan Vishal Gokool

1. Apologies received from Nick Whitehead.
2. The minutes of the last two committee meetings held on 9 December 2021 and on 27 January 2022 were accepted as a true record.
3. Matters arising from previous meetings:
 - a. Lesley (the newly christened Weed Queen) has still got weed killer left because when she last went to spray there were absolutely no weeds to be seen. She will spray again when they have started growing in the spring. LP
 - b. Jeff had contacted x-directory members to encourage them to not to be x-directory as part of the membership renewal communication email. The 7 days notice requirement for private coaching bookings were included in that e-mail too.
 - c. John will now sort out the purchase of the scorecard that had been proposed, The cost will be around £65. JL
 - d. Sally had replenished the hand sanitiser and disinfectant facilities at the court, but the shelf for it has now broken and it was agreed that this facility was no longer necessary.
 - e. Will had sorted out the adjustments required to the net strap.
 - f. The court has now been cleaned and brushed by En Tous Cas Ltd, all in line with their quote of £720. Jeff has sent off the invoice to the Clerk for Lode Parish Council for payment, and Sally has now transferred funds to the Parish Council as a donation to cover the cost. Everyone agreed that the court was looking pristine.
 - g. The treatment by En Tout Cas included a spraying of moss killer, and Will has made a note of the product that they use so we can get that in future. It was agreed that we should endeavour to treat the court with moss killer at least three times (if not four times) every year. John asked about replacing the cable ties for the chairs on the court because these had been removed when the court was treated. Will, John or Lesley would see if they had any spares for this. WJ / All
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 - h. The new bank account with Santander has now been set up and the account with Nationwide has been closed. The details of the new account has been included on the new subscription year information because members can now transfer money direct into the bank account.
4. Arrangements for Club Nights were discussed and it was decided that the court would be reserved for two hours each Thursday evening commencing on April 7th from 5pm to 7pm and changing on 12th May to be from 6pm to 8pm. This can be reviewed at the June committee meeting and changed if necessary. Jeff will include these details in the next Lode Star, and add a line to the court booking page of the website. JK
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5. Sally reported that the bank balance was currently £1,717.42 after making the payment of £720 for the court cleaning. Jeff pointed out that this was before around £1,000 of imminent renewal subscriptions were received.
6. Arrangements for the Club's annual Open Day were discussed and the date was set as the afternoon of 28th August with the evening barbecue at Jeff & Sue's house. It was also agreed that a mini Open Day afternoon of social tennis (without an evening barbecue) would take place on Friday 3rd June as part of the village Jubilee celebrations. JK
ALL
7. The possibility of a (not for profit) social event, perhaps a Curry Night was discussed briefly and it was decided to defer a decision on this to the next (June) meeting. ALL

8. John reported that to date he had the following entrant numbers for the competitions:

- a. Mixed Doubles - 10 men and 7 ladies
- b. Mens doubles - 5 pairs
- c. Ladies doubles - 5 pairs
- d. Singles - 10 men and 3 ladies

He hoped that there would be a few more before the deadline on 28th March. The draws will be held in the Shed on 29th March at 7.30pm. After some discussion it was agreed that (because this was the first opportunity to gather for some time) that an order for nibbles to be provided by The Shed would be placed, with a budget of £75.

JL

It was also agreed that for next year's competitions consideration would be given to ALL the doubles pairings being selected by random draw, rather than just the mixed doubles.

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9. The date of the next committee meeting was set as Thursday 16 June 2022 at 7.30pm and will be held at Denise's house.

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10. The meeting closed at approximately 9pm with thanks to everyone present for their attendance.