

**Minutes of the Twelfth Annual General Meeting of Lode Tennis Club held on 23 September 2008
at 8 pm at Lode & District Social Club**

Present:	Jeff Kempster	Nick Whitehead	Arthur Tomlinson
	Ann Tomlinson	Sally Jaggard	Will Jaggard
	John Lince	Jackie Lince	Fran Platten
	Denise Barden		

- | | | |
|-----|--|-----------|
| | | Action by |
| 1. | Apologies were received from Charlie Platten and from Carole Faulkner. | |
| 2. | The minutes of the 11 th AGM held on 27 September 2007 were accepted as a true record without amendment. There were no matters arising. | |
| 3. | The chairman's report was discussed, in particular with regard to the abuse of the court and some of the facilities. Although there were difficulties associated with identifying the culprits, it was suggested that some form of sanction should be put in place so that action could be taken if ever an offender was caught. Arthur pointed out that this subject had been raised in the past at Parish Council. It had been recommended that a disciplinary code should be drawn up, and if there were any dispute between a member and the Committee, the Parish Council would be prepared to arbitrate. | |
| 4. | Arthur volunteered to draft a disciplinary code for consideration at the next Committee Meeting. The new code could then be communicated to the members when the subscription reminders were sent out next spring. | AT |
| 5. | The Treasurers Report showing a net income of £1,089.71 and a bank balance of £6,056.24 was received and discussed. It was suggested that some of the bank balance could be placed in a high interest deposit account. Sally Jaggard said she would look into that possibility. | SJ |
| 6. | In view of the healthy finances it was decided to leave the subscription rates unchanged this year. | |
| 7. | The entire Committee stood down in accordance with the constitution, and all except Fran Platten offered themselves for re-election. Ann Tomlinson offered herself for election onto the Committee. There being no objections it was declared that the Committee for the forthcoming year would comprise Jeff Kempster, Nick Whitehead, Arthur Tomlinson, Ann Tomlinson, Sally Jaggard, Will Jaggard, John Lince and Denise Barden. Arthur proposed and it was duly carried that Jeff Kempster should be Chairman for the next year. Fran was thanked for all her efforts during the last year. | |
| 8. | It was suggested that coaching, especially for junior members might serve to reduce the incidence of abuse of the court. Jeff said he would look into the possibilities of arranging coaching for next season. | JK |
| 9. | Nick was asked to update the membership details on the website in line with the latest up to date information from Sally. He will do so as soon as possible. | NW |
| 10. | It was noted that Lode had come second in the match against Bottisham Tennis Club. Jeff would challenge them to a rematch next spring. | JK |
| 11. | As the cost of a new pair of net posts was in the region of £185 to £230 it was decided to monitor the state of the existing posts following Will Jaggard's repair. Replacements will only be purchased if the posts deteriorated. Will was thanked for his hard work in repairing the damaged net post. | |
| 12. | The encroachment of moss on the court was mentioned. Arthur would contact the specialists to see what they recommend | |
| 13. | The next committee meeting was scheduled for 7.30pm on Thursday 27 November at Sally & Will's house. | |
| 14. | The meeting closed at 9pm with thanks to the members for their attendance. | |