

**Minutes of the Lode Tennis Club Committee held on 4 August 2010  
at 5 Mill Road at 7.30pm**

Present:            Jeff Kempster            Arthur Tomlinson            Ann Tomlinson            Sally Jaggard  
                         Will Jaggard                Nick Whitehead            Denise Bardan

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1. Apologies were received from John Lince.
2. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 12 May 2010 were accepted as a true record without amendment.
3. Jeff reported that the date and time for the Quiz Night had been set as Friday 17 September 2010 at 7.30pm and the location had been booked, at Lode Social Club. The ticket price had been set as £7.50, the same as the last time, and Jeff would organise a fish and chip or a Pate/Cheese supper. Carole Faulkner will be the quizmaster. It now needed to be publicised and for the committee members to contact anyone that might be persuaded to bring along a team (of up to 8 people) JK
4. The coaching had been very successful, the final cost had worked out as £124.50. Jeff was asked to see if an alternative coach might be available for next year. JK
5. Sally reported that the club's bank balance now stood at £7,290.43 before the grant of £250 towards the coaching costs had been received.
6. The Open Day had been a success, with several new members attending, and the weather being favourable.
7. The court had been washed but the painting and binding coat application had been delayed, because the contractors were very busy and the weather had not been favourable. For future reference it should be noted that the next time this work is required, it should be booked up for a time of year when the weather was likely to be good and when the children were back at school. It was now anticipated that the next stage would be done on Monday 09/08/10 so the court would be out of action for that Monday to Friday. Jeff will update the website and arrange an email to all members. Sally reported that some children had been seen climbing over the fence. It was agreed that a new sign should be put on the door explaining why the court was closed. JK  
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8. Arthur had been told by the contractors that the court was in very good condition overall. Not much moss had come out of the court during the cleaning which was testament to the work done by John Lince. The contractor advised that weed killing treatments around the perimeter should be kept off the court surface as far as possible. He also advised that the application of weedkillers should be more frequent so that the instance of larger weeds could be reduced.
9. The contractors had noticed that the post repair, whilst effective was now starting to lean, and that the posts should be replaced before this started to damage the court surface. It was decided to look into what would be involved with replacing the posts, as the cure might produce a worse result than the damage caused by the leaning post. JK
10. The idea of Corporate Membership at Lode Social Club had been dropped.
11. Jeff had looked into the possibility that the club might have to be registered for Corporation Tax (and then apply for dormant status as being too small to pay Corporation Tax). He had concluded that this would not be necessary as the club was not carrying on a trade because none of its activities were being carried on 'with a view to a profit', (which is a fundamental part of the definition of a trade).
12. Lode had triumphed in the match against Bottisham by a margin of 8 points, - 40 to 32.
13. The next meeting would be the Annual General Meeting which was set for Wednesday 22 September 2010 at the Social Club. Jeff would issue the notice of AGM. JK
14. The meeting closed at 8 40pm with thanks to the members for their attendance.