

**Minutes of the Lode Tennis Club Committee held on Thursday 22 September 2011
at Lode and District Social Club at 8.20pm**

Present: Jeff Kempster Arthur Tomlinson Ann Tomlinson
 Sally Jaggard Will Jaggard Denise Bardan
 John Lince Lesley Pulvertaft

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1. Apologies received from Maureen Brown and Carole Faulkner.
2. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 22 May 2011 were accepted as a true record without amendment.
3. John Lince would apply another dose of weedkiller to the large weeds around the court. JL
4. The Open Day in the summer had been very successful with fine weather again making the day very enjoyable.
5. The Club Nights had not really taken off, although several people had indicated that they thought it was a good idea. The impact of poor weather and holiday season had not really helped. It was decided to try it again in the spring to see if there was more enthusiasm then.
6. As reported at the AGM a grant of £450 was now anticipated from ECDC towards the costs of tennis coaching. Jeff will tell Sally what evidence of expenditure is required as soon as he is told by ECDC. JK
7. The situation with David Nation the tennis coach arranging further coaching sessions and requesting use of the court to do so, was discussed. Jeff summarised all of the coaching that had been conducted through the summer so far and pointed out that all of the people in the latest request for coaching (for 1pm to 3pm on Saturdays from 17/09/11 for 6 weeks to 22/10/11) were in fact members of the club, who could therefore book the court anyway, and then arrange for coaching from David Nation. Jeff also pointed out that David Nation had said that he could apply for time on Bottisham courts, but that all the people that wanted coaching were from Lode. He had also offered to pay for the use of the court if necessary. It was agreed that the club benefited indirectly from any tennis coaching anyway, and as long as the level of use allocated for 'prebooking' in respect of coaching was monitored by the committee to ensure that members' ability to freely book the court was not seriously impacted, then there was no reason to deny this request this time. It was suggested and approved that, as David had offered to pay, that if any more private coaching was required next season, that a fee equivalent to an annual guest membership (ie £10 for the season) be requested from him. Sally will mark the booking sheets for the next few weeks accordingly. JK
SJ
8. Jeff was requested to instigate arrangements for repeating the coaching for juniors next spring, and to investigate the forms required for applying for another grant from ECDC. JK
9. After some discussion it was agreed that a social event would be organised for Saturday 3 December 2011, to be held at Denise Bardan's house starting at 7.30pm. The event would be a Bring and Share supper (or a pot luck supper) where people attending brought a main course/vegetable or a dessert (pre-arranged), and they brought their own wine/refreshment. Jeff would arrange for it to be put in the next Lode Star, and on the web site. DB
JK
10. The next meeting date was scheduled for Thursday 8 December 2011, and will be held at Sally and Will's house in Abbey Lane at 7.30pm
11. There being no other business the meeting closed at approximately 9.10pm with thanks to the members for their attendance.