

**Minutes of the Lode Tennis Club Committee held on Tuesday 29 May 2012
at The Nook, Mill Road at 7.30pm**

Present: Jeff Kempster Arthur Tomlinson Ann Tomlinson
 Sally Jaggard Will Jaggard John Lince
 Maureen Brown

1. Apologies received from Denise Bardan, Carole Faulkner and Lesley Pulvertaft.
2. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 6 March 2012 were accepted as a true record after the year in item 5 was corrected to 2012.
3. Arthur had applied roundup to 2/3rd of the court surround. John Lince said he would cut down the weeds after the round up treatment was complete. Will suggested 3 weeks should be allowed for the round up to fully enter the roots. AT / JL
4. The grant from ECDC for last years coaching had now been received and banked. Jeff reported that he applied for another grant for this years coaching but it had been rejected through lack of funding. ECDC had indicated that there may be some alternative sources for a grant and they would be contacting Jeff in due course about these.
5. There had been various issues with the coaching this year but they were now largely ironed out. There were two sessions of juniors and two sessions for adults. The estimated cost to the club if there were no grants available is likely to be around £200. There was a vote of thanks for Jeff for his work in organising the coaching.
6. It was suggested that it might be a good idea to stop the coaching sessions next year, or possibly to arrange less sessions and just for juniors. Jeff suggested that a decision should not be taken until the winter, and pointed out that some issues could be resolved by asking the coach to assist by drumming up support from juniors, and to insist that reserving a place on the course had to be accompanied by payment in full.
7. Membership renewals appears to have gone well, Sally reported that over £700 had been collected so far. Jeff reported that he had received an application for membership from a family who had recently moved into Quy. At the moment all the available 10 places allocated to members from outside the parish as set in the constitution are taken. After some discussion it was proposed and passed that the arbitrary number of 10 outside members be changed to 12. Jeff was instructed to contact the potential members at Quy and ask them to complete a membership application form. JK
8. The possible change to court bookings to allow some periods of 1.5 hours was discussed. As very few of the voting forms had been completed correctly, and more than a few were not filled in at all, the results were inconclusive. It was decided therefore, that the canvassing of members should be redone later in the year on forms which were not on the reverse of something else, with clearer instructions on how they should be completed, with questions that could not be mis-interpreted, and completely independently of membership renewals or anything else. JK
9. Sally had been contacted by Cambridge Library to ask if Lode Tennis Club wanted to be included in something for the promotion of tennis clubs and sports facilities in the area. It was decided that we should decline. SJ
10. Club Nights had been restarted on Thursday evenings from 6pm to 8pm.
11. The Open Day was scheduled for 4 August [as amended after the meeting] this year, same format as previous years, and would be held at Sally & Will's house. Jeff will publicise it. SJ/WJ/JK
12. The next meeting will be the AGM which was set for Tuesday 18 September 2012 at Mo's house - 27 Station Road at 7.30pm.
13. There being no other business the meeting closed at approximately 10pm with thanks to the members for their attendance.