PORTLETHEN TENNIS CLUB AGM 2014 – Unapproved minutes

Held on Tuesday 28th January 2014

Presentation of 2013 Trophies

Junior Girls Singles Winner: **Abigail Doran** Runner Up: Karen Thomson Junior Boys Singles Winner: **Tyler Doran** Runner Up: Liam Parker

Ladies Doubles Winners: Sheila Jamieson & Oyin Adekola Runners Up: Marsha

Doran & Susan McGregor

Gents Singles Winner: Brian Inglis Runner Up: Jordan Tait

Alan Tait Trophy Winner: Gordon McCulloch Runner Up: Karen Stephen

McCulloch

Ladies Singles Winners: Matches not completed.

Gents Doubles Winners: Cancelled

Mixed Doubles Winners: Matches not completed.

Presidents Trophy & Boys Doubles - Insufficient Entries

PRESENT

Aenea Reid, Sandra Wallis, Martin Walsh, Gordon McCulloch, Sheila Jamieson, Ian Still, Brian Inglis, Karen Stephen, John Cole; Marsha Doran, Gary Alexander; Kevin Alexander

APOLOGIES

Randall MacLennan, Keith Allan, Doug Sinclair, Les Hamilton, Linda Begg, Susan Cooper, Arthur Murison

Minutes of 2013 AGM

Proposed - Gordon Seconded - Martin

Presidents Report – See Attached

As we now have a new Men's Single Trophy, it was suggested that we offer the previous Men's Singles Trophy to Alex Hamilton's family. Everyone agreed.

Treasurers Report - See Attached

Agreed no increase in fees. Thanks to Les Hamilton for auditing the accounts.

Martin proposed; Sheila seconded.

Team Reports

Ladies Team - Sheila reported. Division 3 came 9th in the League Men's Team - Gordon reported. Division 4 came 9th in the League

Mixture of wins, losses and the other team claiming points. New online system for entering match results. Players are also ranked. Both captains gave a big thank you to all team players.

Junior & Adult Coaching

The coaching programme has gone extremely well. In the main April-June block, there was adult coaching, junior coaching and a new Tots Tennis class was introduced for pre-school children. There was a week long summer camp for the Mini Murrays (5-9 year) in August and an autumn block of coaching for both juniors and adults. A Mini Murray class has continued throughout the winter, in the sports hall of Portlethen Academy and Marsha is hoping to run a Tots Tennis class in Newtonhill School. Marsha thanked Gordon for his help with the junior coaching.

Next season, Marsha is planning to introduce a new class called Tennis Express for adults who have never played at all. Tennis Xpress is an active and dynamic introduction for beginner adult tennis players which ensures that players quickly learn the game of tennis.

Adoption of New Constitution

Aenea along with Martin and Gordon had drawn up a New Constitution. There was some discussion as to whether the age limit for veteran membership should be reduced from 65 to 60 but it was agreed to that it should be left at 65.We agreed to a change in clause 6 to allow up to 8 Ordinary members on the Committee. With this minor amendment we agreed to adopt it as the New Club Constitution.

Proposed Gary, Seconded Marsha

Election of Committee

President - Brian appointed - proposed Martin; Seconded Aenea
Vice president - Karen appointed - proposed Aenea; Seconded Sandra
Treasurer - Aenea appointed - proposed Sheila; Seconded Karen
Secretary - Sandra appointed - proposed Karen; Seconded Gary
Match Secretary Gents - Martin appointed - proposed Aenea; Seconded Sandra.
Match Secretary Ladies - Sheila appointed - proposed Sandra; Seconded Aenea
Junior Team Co-ordinator - Marsha appointed - proposed Aenea; Seconded Sheila
Junior Committee Member - Tyler Doran appointed - proposed Marsha; Seconded
Sheila

Committee members – Appointed Gordon - Martin proposed; Seconded Sheila, Appointed Kevin - proposed Gary; Seconded John, Appointed Gary – proposed Ian; Seconded Sheila, Appointed Ian – proposed Karen, Seconded Brian

Martin agreed to be appointed as Gents Match Secretary on the understanding that he would act as the primary contact only, with the organisation of the team being undertaken by other members. At least a week before each match, he will let the opposing team know who the contact for that match is.

Open Day

Date set for Sunday 6th April 2014 at 1pm, we will use the same format as last year and have a BBQ. Gary kindly volunteered his BBQ again with an offer to BBQ on the day if he can. Sandra will check with the Bowling Club on the date. Bowling Club have a new President – Graham West.

AOCB

Aenea has been trialling online payments for coaching which has worked out well. We discussed whether we would offer the same option for membership renewal. Unsure as it might mean less attend the open day, and there is also the return of the key. No final decision was made on this; Aenea will give the matter some further thought as she will be the one that has to set it up.

Tennis Balls – members felt the Slazenger ones didn't seem to last past being used once more after a match. Aenea will look into Dunlop or Wilson. It was agreed that they would be delivered directly to Sheila.

Moss & Fencing. The council continue to treat the courts for moss once a year and last year they also replaced all the bulbs for the floodlights. Sandra & Martin had met with the Council in the summer; they had promised to fix the fencing. It has not yet been fixed. Sandra will follow up with the council on this matter. Once the fence is fixed we plan to apply anti vandal paint. It was suggested we get fake CCTV to help deter people climbing under the fence.

The suggestion was made of offering sibling discounts for coaching classes and it was agreed that such a discount would be offered to members only.

It was discussed to have a separate prize giving event at the end of the tennis season. Marsha suggested there could be coach awards as well. It was agreed it was a good idea and to have it at the end of September or October. For any matches that were not completed by then, they would receive their trophies at the AGM.

It was also requested that our addresses are removed from the membership cards.

Discussed whether we will enter junior teams for NESLTA – Marsha will check with the children and their parents.

Next Committee meeting to be arranged prior to the Open Day

Meeting closed at 9.25pm for refreshments.