



**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Usk Tennis Club
11th February, 2010
Three Salmon's Hotel, Usk**

In Attendance

Alex Brown	John Barton	Ros Hawke	Kath Badran
Jennie Parsons	Nigel Webb	Pete Hawke	Chris Hayes
Simon Greenstreet	Neil Williams	John Robinson	Clive Davies
Tudor Morgan	Donald Parsons	Rhodri Phillips	

Apologies

Phil Terrett	Ruth Terrett	Alison Guest	Mandy Davies
Nic Hughes	Caroline Hughes	Gary Hawke	Angela Morgan
Hilary Barton	Alison Webb	Anna May Hayes	Frances Phillips

Minutes of the last AGM

The minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 8th February 2009 were read and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising

None to relate.

Chairman's Address/Club Development Programme

Alex Brown highlighted the club's achievements over the previous year.

Principally:

- Achievement of Club Mark status
- An expanding Junior Section
- A continued strong and committed membership
- Representation for the first time from both the Men's and Ladies sections in the South Wales weekend league

He advised the meeting that funds had been secured from both the LTA and the Barretts's housing development to allow the building of two additional courts and installation of new lighting to proceed. A discussion followed on the provision of a 'Dome' over some courts at an additional cost of £10,000 and the favoured surface for the new courts.

Work to refurbish the courthouse to make it more 'fit for purpose' could be included if the costs of the main project allowed. The estimated cost of running the new lights was estimated to be £3000 per annum. The club's intention is that this would be met from subscription income but it was possible that a token system might need to be introduced.

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The proposals received a positive response from club members.

Membership Secretary's Report

Jennie Parsons presented an update on club membership. Numbers of members had been maintained over the previous 12 months. Currently the adult membership numbered 129 with a further 154 junior/mini-junior members. A proposal for a 30% increase in membership fees (with a 10% discount for punctual payment) for the 2010-11 season to cover the increased running costs of an expanded facility was tabled and unanimously agreed.

Treasurer's Report

A report detailing the club's accounts for 2009 and an agreed budget for 2010 was tabled. A surplus over budget had been achieved in the previous year. The 2010 budget included an increased contribution to shared costs within the Athletic Club to maintain the expanded facility to be met from the increase in membership fees. Mike Kear, Athletic Club Treasurer expressed his thanks to Mandy Davies, who was standing down as tennis club treasurer, for all her hard work over the previous two years. It was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mandy as she was unable to attend the meeting.

Coach's Report

Rhys Jones gave his Coach's Report. The coaching programme (for both juniors and adults) was now almost at capacity. He emphasised his intention to promote increasing numbers of junior players competing regularly. He highlighted an attendance of more than 100 juniors at their awards evening in January. He acknowledged the role that Angela Morgan was playing as chair of the Junior Section Social Committee and the contribution of Ros Hawke as Junior Development Officer. Finally he noted Andy Burchell's efforts to involve junior players in the Adult Men's D Team through the summer league season.

Sponsorship and Fundraising

Kath Badran presented a report on sponsorship and fundraising activity over the previous year. The club's sponsors were thanked. A total sum of £5143 had been raised through various events and the sponsor's contribution. Alex Brown thanked Kath for her hard work over the year.

Plans for League and Club Tennis in 2010.

The role of the men's selection panel in co-ordinating the involvement of men's team in both mid-week and weekend competitions was noted. Thanks was expressed to Rhodri Phillips who was standing down from the panel. A revised membership of the panel was agreed and a proposal for the committee to review panel membership in October each year before the start of the Winter league season would be put to the newly-elected committee at their first meeting.



Election of Club Officers

Mandy Davies had indicated that she was unable to continue as club treasurer. The following officers were elected to positions on the club committee:

Chairman	Alex Brown (re-elected)
Secretary	John Barton (re-elected)
Membership Secretary	Jennie Parsons (re-elected)
Treasurer	Vacant
Junior Development Officer	Ros Hawke (re-elected)
Sponsorship & Fundraising Officer	Kath Badran (re-elected)
Coach	Rhys Jones
+ 3 others that include	

Pete Hawke
Tudor Morgan
Nigel Webb

Agreed that the committee would decide how best to cover the treasurer's role and who would represent the Tennis Section on the Athletic Club committee at its first meeting.

Subscriptions 2009-10.

The committee proposed an increase to subscriptions: Junior and Mini-Junior subscriptions to £45 and £11 respectively. Family membership would increase to £210 and Adult membership to £135. The meeting agreed the subscriptions proposed for the 2010/11 season.

AOB

Andy Burchell asked that a letter be sent to the membership reminding them of the rules that apply to court booking and particularly the importance of cancelling bookings that they no longer intend to keep.

Pete Hawke expressed concern at the small numbers present at the meeting. There followed a discussion on how communication within the club could be improved and it was agreed to issue a regular newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 9.15PM

Supporting Enclosures to 2010 AGM (hardcopy only)

- Membership Statement (Jennie Parsons)
- Treasurer's Report (Mandy Davies)
- Sponsorship and Fundraising Report (Kath Badran)