

BT&CC 2024 AGM Summary Notes

Held at The Wickham Institute, Binsted, 26th November 2024 at 7pm

Officers presenting.

Susan Clarke, Chair,

Andrew Croom-Johnson – Finance,

Graham Jones – Secretary.

There were 16 people attending, it was noted that nearly all of them were from the Croquet side of the club.

Sue opened the meeting welcoming all and thanking them for attending. Also read out the apologies for absence.

The AGM notes from last year were then distributed and approved by the floor. (ND and DS Proposed and Seconded))

Sue then thanked all who had helped the club run last year, with a special mention of Dennis Smith and Ron Neil for their work on keeping the croquet lawns in good shape..Also to Piers for the lawnmower and parts.

Sue then gave the membership update, 93 in all, with some 27 of these being Croquet. Also noted that 8 new tennis members came from the closure of Kingsley. Unlikely to be repeated next year.

Andrew then gave the current finance update and distributed the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ending 30th September 2024.

The summary was that although we had an net outflow of cash of some £ 2,000 during the year, mainly due to having the court cleaned and remarked, we closed the year with some £6,800 in the bank.

The main reason to accumulate cash , apart from day to day costs, is to cover the inevitable court resurfacing costs which we approximated at over £14,000 at todays costings. Luckily it was estimated that the current surface has 3-5 years left.

It was also noted that we accepted a kind donation from the Binsted Fete team of £250 during the year.

(Full summary of the finances are at the end of this document.)

Andrew then gave a croquet update, season was from 10th May through 28th September. Well attended, some evenings 3 lawns in play. Social side was also very well attended, with drinks at the Inn both in and out of the season being equally well attended!

Graham then gave a Tennis update. Also noted that 8 new tennis members came from the closure of Kingsley. Unlikely to be repeated next year as most now moving to Alton. The court booking system will be expanded into a full membership system next year.

Court is still underutilised, and it was agreed to do a survey as to the addition of a Pickleball overlay for next year. Graham will undertake this survey in early 2025 so as to give the findings to the committee by the next planning session in March 25.

A Pickleball tab has been added to the website to try to gain some interest.

General.

It was agreed that both the Tennis and Croquet users would start to utilise WhatsApp and the website for communications about matches etc rather than just email..

It was also agreed to review the constitution for the next planning meeting as to bring it up to date.

The current officers offered themselves for re-election, and this was approved unanimously from the floor.

We are still looking for 1-2 Tennis and 1-2 Croquet members to attend meetings (2 per year) and help with inputs as to the running of the club.

Also discussed how we could help with the Binsted Fete next year.

The meeting was then opened to the floor and AOB. Nothing of note was recorded so Sue thanked all and closed the meeting

Next meeting will be our season planning meeting in March.

Income and Expenditure Account
Year Ended 30 September 2024

Subscriptions
Bank Interest - TSB
Grants
Bank Compensation

Total Income

- Club Events
- Court booking system fee
- Court Padlocks
- Court Renovation
- EHDC Council Tax/Rates
- Gifts
- Lawnmower parts etc
- Office Expenses
- Public Liability Insurance
- Recreation Ground Facility

Total Expenses

Excess income over expenses

TSB Current Account
TSB Savings Account
National Savings

Opening Balances Totals

TSB Current Account
TSB Savings
National Savings

Closing Balances Totals

Accounts Movement in Year

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