THAMES DITTON LAWN TENNIS CLUB



Minutes of the Club Committee Meeting of Directors at the Clubhouse on $5^{\rm th}$ March 2009

Present Andrew Meatyard Chairman

Jane Baller Club Secretary
Graeme Boddy Match Secretary
Steve Banham Bar Secretary
Irene McClean Social Secretary
Chris Lewis Membership Secretary
John Hutton-Attenborough
Julia Francis Grounds Secretary

Nigel Abbey (items 1-2 only)

Apologies for absence: Gavin Wilson, Bev Banham

The meeting started at 8 pm.

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	moved into the corner. SB will get the company to reissue the quote and will arrange the cheque. Marc will take a couple of days to complete his coaching paperwork which is needed for the Clubmark. This should be submitted next week. It has taken slightly longer than hoped.	SB	
4.	Race Night The equipment has been tested and works. There are only about 32 people expected which is fewer than hoped for.		
5.	 Any other business CL talked about the Sunday coaching which isn't a very convenient day. The numbers are low at the moment but there will be a better take up after Easter. CL felt it was important that this should revert back to Saturdays as soon as possible. Marc is aware of this. It was suggested that they could offer coaching on a Friday afternoon after school and AM would suggest this. SB said that the distribution lists weren't complete and members weren't always receiving emails. CL is sorting this because he will get all email addresses when new members join up and they will be added to an Outlook address list. JF has had an email from Veronica asking for more net measuring poles and more net winders. Sometimes courts aren't mown or marked. JF will reply to Veronica and AM will organise. JF had a quote for the tree surgery work. Landscaping in the front is £275 and to remove the large tree is another £275. That includes grinding the stumps and taking away. JF got a quote for tidying the conifers at the back. That would be £250. An agreement has already been made with a family to get reduced membership in return for trimming the conifers. The committee agreed they were happy for the work to go ahead in the front to enable the car park to be enlarged. SB asked about the horse chestnut tree near the clubhouse because the leaves fall on court 1. It has a TPO on it which only allows you to take 10% off so it's not really worth cutting it back. JF will talk to her tree surgeon about it. GB spoke to Judy Raeside who has decided she doesn't want to join the committee. GB has organised team matches with teams from NPL, Esher, Claygate, Ember and Coombe Wood. GB has been trying to find out about getting sight screens for the back of the courts but with no luck so far. He will continue to look into this but if necessary we may have to buy them. IMCC has the contact number for the manager at Prince which she will pass to CL. CL will contact him	AM CL JF/AM IMcC CL JHA JHA GB	

	 should be delivered tomorrow. The garage has been broken into again. AM has received two quotes which have been sent off to the insurance company. Estimates are needed for everything taken. AM will move the security light so that it shines on the garage to help future security. A weatherproof socket has been put in on the patio so that things can be plugged in outside. 	АМ
6.	Date of next meeting This was agreed for Thursday 2 nd April at 8.00 pm.	

Secretary	Chairman
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