



MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held at RNIB Wavertree House
Friday 26th April 2019

PRESENT

Christine Laurence (chair), Barry Chapman, Chris Baily, Daniel Brookbank (ESAB), Jenny Anderson (minutes), Keith Turner, Kelvin Morgan, Maria O'Shodi, Paul Gillett (treasurer), Ray Woolven, Steve Evans, Sue Fever (ESAB) Sue Henning.

		Action
1.	INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME Chris welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.	
2.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Chris Wooller, Gill Andersson, Jane Thomas, Liz Bartlett, Nicky Salmon, Tim Brickell.	
3.	MINUTES FOR LAST AGM 22.6.18 The minutes were agreed, proposed by Kelvin, seconded by Keith	

4	<p>CHAIRS COMMENTS</p> <p>Christine said that the club is now 5 years old and doing well, Thanked loyal volunteers, Jane our coach and Paul</p> <p>8 regular players, VI Tennis standard has very much improved, Increased opportunities to play</p>	
5.	<p>FINANCE REPORT</p> <p>Paul reported that we had carried forward £4,101 at the end of the financial year, £615 more than the previous year. We continued to be successful with fundraising and £3,000 of this is carried forward to 2019-20. In 2018-19 we raised £2000 from Tesco's and £1,000 from Chapman Charitable Trust. Paul thanked Christine and Sue for their efforts in helping to raise this money.</p> <p>Paul advised that the current position was healthy for the next 18 months and that the committee would be looking afresh in the autumn at maintaining a steady flow of funds</p>	<p>Ongoing, Paul/ Committee</p>
6.	<p>COMMITTEE ELECTIONS</p>	

	<p>Daniel took over the chair</p> <p>The current committee members, Christine Laurence, Paul Gillett, Chris Baily and Sue Henning were re-elected. Keith Turner having stood down, Kelvin Morgan as co-opted member Proposed by Ray and seconded by Keith, approved unanimously</p> <p>Christine resumed the chair</p>	
7.	<p>COACHES REPORT</p> <p>Jane's report was read by Kelvin Jane said that the year had been busy with two coached sessions per month at Virgin Active (VA)</p> <p>Thanked our amazing volunteers for their outstanding contribution</p> <p>Jane reported on continuing improvement amongst players and commended the way that fitness regimes away from the court including parkrun had an impact on court.</p> <p>Jane thanked Paul and Christine for their efforts in organising the sessions and said she was sorry that Keith and Eva were no longer coming to the sessions but understood Keith's reasons.</p>	

	<p>Jane discussed future plans for coaching, she thanked Tim for his support in helping with the coaching when she was not available and said that she would work with the committee to ensure continuity.</p>	
8.	<p>VOLUNTEERS REPORT</p> <p>Kelvin gave a report on behalf of the Volunteers</p> <p>Kelvin reported that two volunteers, Mary and Sandra were no longer available to volunteer with us on a regular basis and thanked them for their support</p> <p>He thanked all the volunteers whose different tennis and other skills contributed so much to the group</p> <p>The hard work put in by volunteers at last year's tournament was acknowledged with gratitude</p> <p>Following the report there was a discussion about recruiting further volunteers to work with us at Pav & Av and Virgin Active, it was suggested that the tournament could be a catalyst for this.</p>	
9.	TOURNAMENT	

	<p>Paul gave an overview of plans for the Tournament.</p> <p>We hope to have 5 courts this year so B1 court set up would be easy,</p> <p>Volunteer recruitment was in hand and player sign up was due to start shortly after the date of this meeting.</p> <p>Gill Andersson had sent a message to the meeting saying how much she was looking forward to refereeing the tournament</p>	
10.	<p>SOUND TENNIS DEVELOPMENTS</p> <p>Visually Impaired Advisory Group (VIAG) Paul informed the meeting that he had been appointed to this committee as an area rep. The committee purpose is to work with the LTA as a facilitator of the development of VI Tennis, he welcomed any feedback from players and volunteers</p> <p>The merger of the Tennis Foundation (TF) with the LTA was noted. Paul advised that whilst staff we have dealt with from the TF would have changed roles it was hoped this would be done</p>	

	without too much disruption	
13.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS Pav & Av have invited us to participate in their open day in May There was a general discussion about potential ways to recruit new players	
14.	DATE OF NEXT AGM To be advised	