

## **Craig Y Don Community Tennis Club AGM 23rd November 2021 7pm Via Zoom**

**Those Present. Sue, Richard, Rob, Maggs, Colette, Audrey, Denise, Mary, Brian, Dave Williams, Mark, Martin, Debbie, Allan, Sue Bluff, Judy, Dave, and James Quirk.**

### **Apologies Gill and Kristina**

Minutes of last AGM on 2 November 2020 approved.

### **Chair report Brian.**

Dear Members

As you know our 2021 AGM will be held via Zoom at 7pm on Tuesday 23rd November and we will send you the email link near the date as you are welcome to join the meeting.

Having served as club Chairman for 5 years, and on the committee for almost 10 years I have decided to now retire and hopefully have more time to play tennis! I am very pleased and proud of what has been achieved during my tenure and I am happy to hand over the Chair with the club in excellent order.

Some highlights:

\*The club is now in a strong financial position having produced a healthy surplus for the past 4 years and it currently has a substantial bank balance

\*Our LTA loan was finally fully paid off mid 2018 which has greatly helped the financial improvement

\*Extension of 25 year site lease agreed with Conwy CBC in September 2021

\*Long negotiations with the Sports & Community Centre helped our room rental income, also secured key expenditure reductions which will continue to benefit our club in the future

\*Five cash grants for the club totalling £10,682 to fund various repairs and also the refurbishment of the rear 'Community Courts' which has proven to be a notable success

\*The appointment of Martyn Lewis as the club Head Coach

\*No increase to membership fees for three out of past four years, and I hope our good financial position will again permit no increase for 2022

\*Membership numbers maintained and increasing despite the challenges of Covid

\*Beginners Classes started, Junior coaching resumed, and court use by Ysgol Craig Y Don begun

\*New electronic lock and booking system installed and proven a great success, it also allowed re-opening during Covid which helped the welfare of our members and the wider community

\*Contract agreed to clean and repaint the main courts (1,2&3) in March/April 2022

I am sure you value the excellent and safe condition in which our club facilities are maintained, and generally how smoothly the club operates. This is down to just a few very dedicated people who do all the work that is involved, and I record my thanks to those who have helped, especially Richard. However my main disappointment is the lack of volunteers to share the myriad of jobs, both large and small, ranging from simply keeping the courts tidy to doing key administration such as grant applications. The club really needs more volunteers to help with the workload and for the club to prosper in the future, so please register with Richard your willingness to offer your time and particular skills, whether it's for just an hour per year or more regularly....please do your bit!

New committee members are also welcome to improve the balance of membership representation, so please also let Richard know if you are interested, bearing in mind the key responsibility and legal requirement to do what is best for the club, and not what is in your own interests or what you as an individual would like ... your committee has heard this mantra from me repeatedly over the years!

I wish all the very best to my successor, and I look forward to seeing our historic club continue to progress and prosper in the future.

Best regards, *Brian*

#### **Code of conduct.**

Brian and Richard explained to those present that we must still follow our booking procedure and this will include using tokens for the floodlights and listing those people who are playing when the courts are booked.

#### **Election of committee members.**

Rob vice-chair, Mary Welfare, Mark Treasurer, Judy and Dave Memberships, Denise, Sue, Richard Secretary, Gill ladies team captain. No Chairman was elected.

#### **Financial report Mark.**

Cash at bank is in the region of £18,000. However we will need to repaint the courts next year we also have our LTA fees to pay and this will be via direct debit.

#### **Secretaries report Richard.**

It has been a challenging year but I think we have all pulled together and the committee have made good decisions so we remain stronger as a club, we haven't relied upon support funding to maintain our club. In the summer we hosted junior sessions better than we have done for a long period. We perhaps need to market not only the tennis at the club but the facilities we have this should include the rear courts where possibly we can make more revenue from the letting of these. We must make more of these in the coming year. Our teams have done well so thanks to all the players and team captains who have taken part in the matches.

#### **Membership report Judy and Dave.**

We currently have 106 members. It was proposed by Brian and Richard that we keep the same levels of club fees for the 20 2122 season. Despite the loss of room revenue which is approximately 2 ½ thousand pounds it was agreed we should try to advertise on Facebook over this coming year for the letting of our room. It was agreed unanimously that we keep the fees at the same level this year.

#### **A O B.**

Brian and Richard have a meeting with Pam Griffiths on Friday, 26 November to discuss the floodlight funding.

Next meeting date January 11<sup>th</sup>

Meeting ended 20:02