



**SWANSEA LAWN TENNIS AND SQUASH RACKETS CLUB**  
**TENNIS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11/10/10 AT 7PM**

Present: Robin Chen, Tony Cuff, Louie Davies, Jeff Gleave, Tony Ridout, Jodie Jenkins, Cliff Sarfas

Apologies for Absence: Dai Williams, John Gregory, Geoff Muxworthy

**1. Previous minutes were approved**

**2. Courts/Grounds/Facilities**

- a. Courts 4~6 now fully open for play and should be bedded down in 6~8 weeks.
- b. The contract for the refurbishment of Courts 1~3 has been awarded to Platts. They will subcontract to Technical Surfaces Ltd who currently maintains Swansea University's playing surfaces.
- c. All 6 courts will be machine brushed regularly by the contractors. The cost per court is £10 with at an annual cost of £540. The brushing schedule is to be confirmed.
- d. Double gates will need to be fitted to Courts 1~3 for access.
- e. The double gates on Courts 4~6 need to be modified to prevent them opening inwards and tearing the new carpet, alternatively they should be padlocked shut.
- f. Additional equipment such as drag brushes, rubber mats and wind breaks will be purchased for the courts

**3. Coaching**

- a. Junior coaching programme has already attracted 30 new members.
- b. Schools coaching programme has attracted 88 pupils. The target is 120 by next summer (April). £1000 of income has been generated against a target of £2000
- c. More needs to be done in schools to attract 8/9 year olds.
- d. The club's Halloween Tournament conflicts with one already organised by Swansea 365 (Morfa). We will try and liaise in the future to avoid clashes.
- e. Adult coaching has started and has been well supported



- f. Craig Ingram and Mark Thomas have been made an offer for the use of the clay courts for the summer performance academy. We are waiting for their response.
- g. Overall the committee is very pleased with the work of the new club coaches.

#### **4. Teams /Tennis Activities**

- a. The club is struggling to raise a team for Men's Cymru Kitchens league.
- b. A junior (Grade 4) tournament is being planned for next year. The period Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June has been put to the LTA. Sue Isaacs has said she is prepared to referee this for free. Other members have offered to help. Swansea Building Society will provide £500 of sponsorship. The Sports Council for Wales may be persuaded to match this sum.
- c. Platts will be asked if they wish to sponsor a couple of trophies. We also need to investigate sponsorship for t-shirts for Aegon junior teams next summer.

#### **5. LTA Visit**

This is planned for the 1-3 November 2010. Three LTA members will be in the party. Included in their visit will be viewing our coaching activities, attendance at the Tennis Committee meeting (1/11/10) and discussions on our Business Plan/Finances.

#### **6. Swansea 365 – Morfa Indoor Tennis Centre**

- a. The new venture seems to have been given approval. It was agreed that we should approach the new management team to see how we could work together and improve our communications.
- b. To kick things off we should send them a formal letter of congratulations.

#### **7. Treasurers Report**

A cash flow sheet was distributed showing a bottom line of £170.44

#### **8. AOB**

- a. An up to date committee list will be posted on club notice boards
- b. Court etiquette signs have been posted for all members to follow.

Next Meeting: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 6.30pm

**Tony Cuff**