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Dullatur Lawn Tennis Club 1888 TM registration No 2325071

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Minutes of AGM held on Thursday 25 May 2006, Dullatur Village Hall, 8pm.

Present M Smillie, G Rooney, Ken Dalling, Terry Willaims.
Apologies P Chard.
Minutes Previously circulated, taken as read and approved by M Smillie and Terry Williams.

Presidents Report The club is continuing to attract new family members and a good number of single juniors. The committee agreed to increase the fees by a small amount in a few categories. Family fees were increased by £10.00 and Student and Junior fees by £5.00. It was agreed by the committee to allow a key to the Hall for toilet facilities to one adult who will be responsible for the security of key and the Hall.

The club has again retained the services of Stephen Struthers, junior coach of Esporta Hamilton. He will coach the juniors for two sessions, and perhaps the beginners for 30 minutes on a Thursday evening from 6.30pm; the fees will remain at £2.00 per hour. Coaching fees will be paid for in 5 week block. This was the preferred evening in a survey of the parents, hopefully this will encourage more members to attend. Margaret Smillie and Gillian Rooney will hold a summer school during the holiday break on Monday and Thursdays for two hours, lunch will be provided for £2.00, and this will be self funding.

The court nets were replaced last September unfortunately not in time for Finals Day. Finals Day was marred by the conduct of a number of the senior members and for the first time the Mixed Doubles Finals for suspended due to the unsportsmanlike conduct of the players. The committee will take a more robust on any junior member whose behaviour falls short of an accepted level. Last year several complaints about foul language were received by the committee. Abusive language on or off courts will not be tolerated. It was agreed that anyone re-offending will forfeit their membership.

It was agreed to purchase balls only for Finals Day. Members will have to provide their own balls.

A newsletter has been circulated to the members and will include the following; it is planned to hold a Family Night on the third Friday of the month, bring your own barbeque and bottle, there will be a £2.00 corkage charge towards funds. We will continue our popular Fish and Fizz Supper Night from Oasis of South Carbrain; this will be held during the summer months. Later on in the season we plan to hold a Bingo night and Games night, these nights will include a finger buffet supper.

Finals Day will be held on Saturday 26 August. The committee, under the guidance of the coach will grade the players in their playing ability groups. It is anticipated that there will be three playing groups in the Junior Club, Mini, Intermediate and Senior. The senior group will play for the Ladies, Gents and Mixed Trophies. A time limit will be put on eliminating matches. If the agreed date is not complied to by the players the match will be forfeited.

M Smillie has approached like sized clubs to participate in inter club matches; this is in response to junior members enquiries.

Treasurer's Report. The funds are in good order and were found correct; thanks are again due to Mr G Inglis for auditing the accounts. Bill & Margaret Smillie have been reimbursed the sum of £623.00 they paid for registering the DLTC name with Kennedy's Patent Lawyers at the time of the dispute. The year ended with a profit of £396.06 and a balance of £5,552.15. It was agreed that Pat Chard can withdraw enough cash to cover the seasons coaching.

Progress Report

M Smillie contacted Replay (formerly Charles Laurence) who laid out the courts nine years ago, who surveyed them in March 2006. The estimate was £1500.00 + VAT for cleaning the courts and £3999.00 + Vat for repainting the courts with two colours; light green courts and dark green on the surrounding apron. Bumps created by frost will be levelled. It was agreed that the power washing could be sourced at a more reasonable price. The courts will be power washed for approx. £250.00 + VAT by Francis Connor, a Kilsyth company and weed killing applied. Dullatur Community Council agreed to assist DLTC by paying 50% of repainting of the courts. The courts will be painted as soon as the night temperature rises; night frost creates a problem with the curing of the paint.

M Smillie will source the price for a small notice board similar the DCC's. It will be hung near the central court gate. M S will contact Wilson & Garden of Kilsyth and two other suppliers for quotes.

Court cleanliness was discussed at our last committee meeting; T Williams & G Rooney both commented that the players were not being responsible for their personal rubbish. Empty ball containers, water bottles, drink cans, ring pulls and plastic cartons had been removed by committee members. A small bin has been placed outside the courts, notices will be posted. Food and Drinks will not be allowed on the courts. The same applies to garden furniture. It was agreed that the club will not supply balls for general use. Members will be asked to supply their own balls. Racquets will not be supplied on a hire basis. If a member misplaced a key they will have to purchase a replacement.

Any Other business **None**

