

DEVON COUNTY LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Devon LTA, AGM
held on Wednesday 27th January 2016
at Buckerell Lodge, Exeter at 7.00 pm

David Vinall (Chairman) welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Chris Bawden (Tennis Coordinator) for organising the evening.

PRESENT

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1. APOLOGIES

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2. MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM on Wednesday 28 January 2015

There were no amendments and the minutes were accepted, proposed by Ashley Scott, seconded by Frankie Peroni and it was unanimously agreed. David Vinall signed the minutes as true and accurate.

3. MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2015

The Chairman's Report is accessible via the Devon LTA website [here](#) and taken as read. There were no questions. Ken Jones proposed, Steve Hitch seconded and it was unanimously agreed.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

The Treasurer's Report is accessible via the Devon LTA website [here](#) and taken as read. Paper copies of the report were available at the meeting. Clubs should contact Andy Malcolm if they wish to apply for a grant or loan as there is money available. There were no questions.

Andy Malcolm, Treasurer, proposed the following, seconded by David Kirkness, and it was unanimously agreed to:

- Accept the annual accounts.
- Patrons' fee to remain at £60.
- County Leagues' affiliation fee to remain at £25 per league.
- Re-elect the auditors, Francis Clarke.

David Vinall, on behalf of Devon LTA, thanked Andy Malcolm, for all the work he has done this year.

6. CAPTAINS' REPORTS

Captains' reports are accessible via the Devon LTA website [here](#). The Chairman thanked the captains for their reports. There were no questions. Frankie Peroni proposed, Andy Malcolm seconded and they were unanimously agreed.

7. RULE CHANGES OF DEVON LTA

There were no proposals for any rule changes.

8. ELECTIONS

John Allen, Vice Chairman, was re-elected by the Council.

The following are standing down from their present roles:

- David Vinall – Chairman
- Nicki Keele – Hon Secretary
- David Kirkness – LTA Representative

David Vinall, on behalf of Devon LTA, awarded David Kirkness the role of Honorary Vice President in recognition of all the good work he has done for Devon tennis over many years and thanked him. Nominated by David Vinall, seconded by Jackie Clarke and unanimously agreed.

David Vinall, on behalf of Devon LTA, thanked Nicki Keele for her good work as Honorary Secretary during her three years in the role. Nicky Ormshaw (Plympton TC) has agreed to take over this role.

The following are willing to continue in their roles:

- President - Sir Simon Day
- Hon Vice-Presidents – Peter Bayliss, Penny Pullen and Bud O’Connell

Justin Kraushar was elected as Chairman by the Council.

The following Council members are willing to stand. Ashley Scott proposed, seconded by John Allen and it was unanimously agreed.

Committee

- Chairman – Justin Kraushar
- Treasurer - Andy Malcolm
- LTA Representative – David Vinall
- Hon Secretary – Nicky Ormshaw
- Ladies Match Secretary/Ladies Captain – Kate Brown
- Men’s Match Secretary/Men’s Captain – Justin Kraushar
- Ladies’ Veterans Secretary – Catriona Batty
- Men’s Veterans Secretary – Ken Jones
- Tournament and Competitions Co-ordinator – Peter Wilson
- Tennis Foundation and School’s Co-ordinator – Gary Tovey
- Club Strategies Adviser – Gary Tovey
- Co-opted member – Ashley Scott

9 AOB

- **Road to Wimbledon:** A reminder that entries close on 31 January 2016.
- **LTA Coach Forum** is taking place at Exeter on 4 February at 9.00 am – 1.30 pm. Coaches should be encouraged to attend. Booking is on line via LTA Regional Office.
- **Spring LTA Forum:** The regional team are coming to the LTA Club Forum at Buckereil Lodge on **Tuesday 1 March at 6.30 pm**. The two main topics are “How to recruit Volunteers” and ‘How to attract and retain members’. Another topic to be discussed will be setting up cluster meetings with clubs to discuss common issues etc.
- **Wimbledon tickets:** Opt In closes to current BTMs on **19 February 2016**. Clubs should encourage as many members as possible to Opt In, as more Wimbledon tickets will be allocated to their clubs.
- **LTA Insurance:** Several clubs have not put in their risk assessments and this will make their insurance null and void. It is important that clubs check this.
- **Davis Cup Legacy** – The Regional Office is working on this initiative launched by LTA. Coaches and club secretaries are aware. Coaches were asked to put themselves forward. Devon’s

target is 25 coaches. If any coaches have any questions they should contact Georgina Loosemore.
The deadline to apply is 5 February 2016.

- **Vernon Weaver Trophy** – This is taking place at Tarka Tennis Centre on **10 April 2016 at 10.00 am**. Winning teams from leagues should email Chris Bawden with contact details as soon as possible.
- **Aegon GB Pro-Series** - This is taking place at Tarka Tennis Centre **6- 13 November 2016**.

10. PRESENTATION OF DEVON LTA COUNTY AWARDS 2015 in conjunction with Aegon British Tennis Awards

The awards below were presented by David Vinall. There are extra awards this year to fall in line with the new LTA awards. The winners of the new awards will go forward to the national awards.

10U Player of the Year – Victoria Syms Nominees: Jessica Johnson, Zac Brown, Victoria Syms

Junior Player of the Year – Patrick Daykin Nominees: Abbi Skelley, Patrick Daykin

Senior Player of the Year – Kate Brown Nominees: Kate Brown, Emma Hurst

Young Coach of the Year – James Temple (Exeter Golf & Country Club)

Coach of the Year – Liam Storey Nominees: Sue Wiltshire (Sidmouth TC), Madeline Ramsey (Ipplepen TC), Liam Storey (Exmouth Tennis & Fitness Centre), Paul Butcher (South Devon Tennis Centre), Ryan Bougourd (Bovey Tracey LTC).

Community Venue Award – Okehampton TC

Education Award – Nick Gillard Nominees: Lance Chatfield (Plymouth), Nick Gillard (Torbay).

Young Volunteer of the Year – Tom Slack Nominees: Tom Slack (Exeter Golf & Country Club), Roxanne Marshall (Hill Lane TC).

Volunteer of the Year – Gary Tovey Nominees: Max Halford (Hill Lane TC), Ben Miller (Hill Lane TC), Gary Tovey (Ilfracombe TC).

The Award for Outstanding Achievement – David Williams Nominees: David Williams (Plymouth and District League and St Budeaux TC), Ricky Palmer (St Budeaux TC)

Club of the Year – Plympton TC Nominees: Budleigh Salterton TC, Plympton TC, Exeter Golf & Country Club.

In addition David Vinall presented a certificate to the **Devon Ladies 70s team**, who were winners of Senior Inter County Tournament, Division 2b last summer.

David Vinall congratulated all the nominees and winners. He gave a huge vote of thanks to Chris Bawden for all she has done for Devon LTA.

David Vinall also thanked everyone, especially Chris, for all their support during his five years as Chairman of Devon LTA and wishes Justin Kraushar, the new chairman, every success in his new role. He thanked everyone for attending the evening and hopes all enjoy their tennis this year.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm.

ANNEX 1

APOLOGIES

Maureen Sowerby	Torquay TC
Gary Tovey	Devon LTA Councillor/Ilfracombe TC
Lawrence Webster	Devon LTA Councillor
Zac Brown	Nominee
Ottery St Mary TC	
Chulmleigh TC	
Park Lane TC	
Teign Tennis Trust	
Mannamead TC	
Cary Park TC	
Sue Wiltshire	Sidmouth TC/Nominee
Emma Hurst	Seaton TC/Nominee
Dave Williams	St Budeaux TC/Nominee
Max Halford	Hill Lane/Nominee

PRESENT

Maurice Salzmann	EG&CC
Justin Kraushar	Devon LTA Chairman/Men's Capt/Victoria Park TC
Kate Brown	Devon LTA Councillor/ladies captain
Jackie Jarvis	Okehampton TC
Peter Wilson	Devon LTA Councillor/Plympton TC
Jane Wilson	Plympton TC
Suzanne Besant	Hemyock TC
Mark Syms	Teignmouth TC
Nicki Keele	Seaton TC/Sidmouth TC
Ken Jones	Virgin Active/ Devon LTA Councillor
Janet Milford	EG&CC
Penny Pullen	Devon LTA Hon Vice President
Nicky Ormshaw	Devon LTA Secretary/ Plympton TC
Paul Love	Okehampton
TC	
David Vinall	LTA Representative/Westward Ho! TC
Chris Bawden	Devon LTA Tennis Coordinator
Sarah Blair	Plympton TC
Kate Mason	Plympton TC
Sue Stott	Victoria Park TC
Nicola Trelease	
Liam Storey	Exmouth Tennis and Fitness Centre
Nick Gillard	Paignton Academy
Dianne Kellett	South Devon Tennis Centre
Paul Butcher	South Devon Tennis Centre
Barbara Butcher	South Devon Tennis Centre
Andy Malcolm	Devon LTA Treasurer/Willand TC
Steve Hitch	Devon LTA Councillor /South Devon Tennis Centre
David Kirkness	Tipton St John TC
Edward Holland	Plympton TC
Philippa White	Exmouth TC
Georgie Loosemoore	LTA Regional Tennis Participation Manager
John Allen	Devon LTA Vice Chair/Woodbury TC
Catriona Batty	Devon LTA Councillor/Devon Seniors/EG&CC

Frankie Peroni	Devon LTACouncillor/Crediton TC
Ricky Palmer	St Budeaux TC
Marcus Palmer	St Budeaux TC
Ashley Scott	Devon LTA Councillor/David Lloyd
Graeme Slack	EG&CC
Tom Slack	EG&CC
James Temple	EG&CC
Jackie Clarke	Devon LTA Councillor/Woodbury TC
Helen Ryland	Woodbury TC
Roxane Marshall	Hill Lane TC
Adrian Marshall	Hill Lane TC
Ben Miller	Hill Lane TC
Karen Morris	Westward Ho! TC
Martin Morris	Atlantic Racquets Centre
Mary Jordan	Budleigh Salterton TC
Rachel Pike	Budleigh Salterton TC
Anna Clarke	Plymouth SSP