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**Annual General Meeting**  
**28 September 2008**

**1. Presentation of Awards:-**

Most Promising Junior: Alice Keddie (Next Generation)  
George Stewart Award: Ewan Colley (Kinnoull)

**Presentation of Junior League Winners:**

Super League	Kinnoull 1
Div 1	Arbroath 2
Div 2	Scone

**Presentation of Senior League Winners:**

	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Gents</u>	<u>Henderson Vase</u>
Div 1	Kinnoull 1	St Andrews 1	Kinnoull 1
Div 2	Craigmuir 1	Kinnoull 1	Kinnoull 2
Div 3	Kinross	Falkland 1	Darnhall
Div 4	St Andrews 3	Darnhall	Wormit
Div 5	Anstruther	Montrose	Anstruther
Div 6	Crigmuir 2	Newport	
Div 7		Falkland 2	

**Winter League:** Div A : Arbroath 1  
Div B: West End 2  
Div C: Montrose

**Scottish Cup** Ladies: St Andrews Men: St Andrews

**2. Present :**

Office Bearers and Board Members:

Ian Conway	President (Chairman)
M J Bull	Secretary & League Secretary for Ladies and Henderson Vase
R Paulton	Treasurer
W Duff	League Secretary for Juniors
C Allison	League Secretary for Gents & Vice President
D Gibson	Past President
J Morrison	Board Member
J Mayglothling	Board Member
D Hunter	Board Member

Club Representatives:

G Stewart – Kinnoull	M Aitken – St Andrews
A Barr & S Reid – Broughty Ferry	M Logan – Crieff Hydro
S Cowie – Kirriemuir	A Barnett & M Hambleton – Craigmuir
S Gasparini – Wormit	K Farnon – Next Generation
A Hall – Anstruther	

### Apologies:

D Ritchie – Tayport

A Pennycook – Perth

K Stewart – Maulesbank

S Cannon – Glenfarg

N Hislop – Honorary Life Member

W Cragin - Honorary Life Member

G Crabb – Arbroath

A Doig – Duffus

L Rogers – Pittenweem

N Porter - Newport

K Rennie – Honorary Life Member

### **3. Minutes of 2007 AGM and Matters Arising:**

R Paulton proposed that the Minutes, with no amendment, were accepted, W Duff seconded. There were no Matters Arising.

### **4. 2008 Annual Report:**

The Annual Report was distributed at the meeting. The President, Secretary and Treasurer gave their reports. The Treasurer proposed that there was no increase in affiliation fees for the next year, this was agreed by the meeting.

### **5. Confirmation of 2008 / 9 Office Bearers & Members and Representatives:**

Rotation has now been agreed and the first stage has been put in place as follows:-

President : C Allison (due to retire 2010)

Director of External Affairs: I Conway (due to retire 2010)

Vice President: J Morrison (due to retire 2010)

Secretary: M Bull retired and offered herself for re-election (due to retire 2010)

Member: D Gibson retired and offered himself for re-election (due to retire 2010)

Treasurer: R Paulton (due to retire 2009)

Member: R Alston (due to retire 2009)

Member: W Duff (due to retire 2009)

Member: D Hunter (due to retire 2009)

Member: J Mayglothling (due to retire 2009)

Member: G Crabb – resigned – vacant position

(The TT Articles state that there can be up to 12 Board Members so there are now 2 vacant positions, no one else was proposed from the floor.)

I Conway and D Gibson were confirmed as the two Tennis Scotland Representatives. IC proposed that TT should approach Tennis Scotland and ask for a third Representative seat, J Morrison seconded.

G Stewart (Kinnoull) formally thanked I Conway for all his work as President over the past years, this was seconded by all present.

### **6. Club Mark Values:**

Mike Aitken, newly appointed Talent & Performance Co-ordinator / Tennis Development Manager for North County, told the meeting about this LTA accreditation scheme which clubs who wish funding in the future will have to have. It takes account of club action planning, policies and procedures with the aim of improving how clubs are run, one of the main aims is to encourage clubs to have an all year round development programme. MA to liaise with and support all clubs in attaining this accreditation.

British Tennis Membership: IC made the point that this will combine with the Club Mark to ‘qualify’ clubs for funding in the future and said that it was critical for clubs wanting to have Wimbledon tickets that members signed up by the end of November 2008.

### **7. Strategy for Juniors:**

MA reported that in his new role he was trying to get juniors to compete more regularly and therefore record more results. Perth is very good for mini tennis events, he is trying to spread this and publish a

fuller timetable. He said that there is a lot of coaching going on but not many matches. TT Junior League to be adapted so that all these matches can be validly recorded.

Talent / ID: this is an ongoing process and should not just rely on sift days. MA going out to clubs as well as visiting tournaments and hopes to run camps but is restricted with the wide geographical spread of job. MA sees this side of his role as an enhancement of what is going on locally.

**8. Leagues Report:**

Ladies Match Duration: MB reported on the recent Ladies survey, the third questionnaire on this subject since 2002. 122 players replied, 18 out of 34 teams were represented. 80% wanted to keep present format, ie 3 couples, six sets. 27% liked the single deuce mechanism, but a number of teams commented that they did not like this mechanism and would not like it be compulsory if one team requested it. The difference with the returns this time was that 34% of the replies said that they would be interested in discussing shortening matches and several teams suggested having a finish time of say 9.30pm which teams could opt OUT of if they wished. 5 Ladies teams were represented at the AGM and they wished it minuted that they wanted the status quo to remain, with no time limit unless both teams agreed to it. The League Secretaries are to make a decision with regard to this question and the result will be published at the start of the new season in 2009.

Rules: As they stand at the moment the Senior Rules do cover as many of the potential circumstances that could occur in a match as are necessary but it is worrying that some clubs will still try to interpret them literally to their advantage and then say that the Rules do not spell everything out in detail. The point is that everyone should remember the spirit of the rules and that they are guidelines giving teams a framework in which to play.

H V Promotions and Relegations: with such a large entry this year and 8 teams in each division it has been agreed that 3 teams will be relegated to the lower division and 3 teams will be promoted to the next division above.

**9. Promoting Tennis Tayside:**

CA reported that the Board was actively trying to promote tennis using as many means as possible – club signage, funding initiatives, media reports, new website, etc. He said we could do more if we had more coaches, and more of them available at convenient times. He welcomed any ideas which would promote tennis as a year round sport and asked for them to be forwarded to him.

**10. Date of next AGM:**

Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2009, time and venue to be confirmed later.

**11. ACOB:**

S Reid – asked what the TT policy was re their Development Squads and who was running them. J Morrison replied saying that she was running them and the policy was spelled out in the Annual Report.

**Proposed by:**

**Seconded by:**

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