

#### **Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis League**

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#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018** 

#### **HUNTINGDON TENNIS CLUB**

#### **COMMENCING AT 8 PM**

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Chairperson's Welcome and apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of last Annual General Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017
- 3. Matters arising
- 4. Acting League Secretary's Report
- 5. Acting Assistant League Secretary's Report
- 6. Treasurer's Report
- 7. Report on Don Brace Cup
- 8. Changes to League Rules/Fees 2019 Season
- 9. Presentation of Trophies
- 10. Election of Officers:

Chairperson
League Secretary
Assistant League Secretary
Treasurer
General Committee Members ( 3 Persons )

- 11. Any Other Business
- 12. Close of Meeting

### **Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis Association**

#### Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Huntingdon Tennis Club, Huntingdon on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Kath Marshall, Chairperson of Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis Association, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for turning out on such a cold night. She hoped everyone had been able to have a hot drink and something to eat to help them through the meeting. It had been a quiet and successful year as far as she could judge, in spite of the weather not always being kind to tennis players. Steve will be giving full details of the league in his report and her involvement was only in the event of any problems. There had been hardly any this year so she hoped everyone had been enjoying getting out and playing. She gave her thanks to all of the Committee Members for their support throughout the year, and especially to Steve for all the work he had done on the league fixtures and his readiness to ensure that all of the clubs had been kept informed about the reasons for certain decisions having to be made. Tonight is your opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions which you think will help further the success of our Tennis Association.

#### 1. Present

Kath Marshall - Chairperson ( Hemingfords )

Steve Spilka - Secretary/League Secretary

Geoff Smith - Asst. Secretary (City of Peterborough)

Brian Brown - Treasurer (St. Neots)

Dennis Vincent - Committee Member (St. Neots)

Brian Marshall - Hemingfords

Vernon Reuter - Hemingfords

Chris Young - Hemingfords

Amy Miller-Fox - City of Peterborough

Jenny Rice - City of Peterborough

Jeremy Pepper - Buckden

Antoine Zimmerman - Huntingdon

Simon Grainger - Chatteris

Shona Kent - Chatteris

Jean-Pierre Lamy - Longthorpe

Duncan Malcolmson - Deeping

Kurt Cambridge - Houghton

Jim Wheeler - Ketton

Mark Balaam - Needingworth

Tim Perry - Needingworth

Pat Carlaw - Ramsey

Neil Chedd - Stamford

#### 2. Apologies

Jason Tuxworth and Esmond Edwards - Ramsey, John Rudd - Thorpe Wood, Clive Wood - RAF Wyton, Jane Page and Wendy Cropp - Wisbech,

#### 3. Minutes of Last AGM - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016

These were accepted as a true record.

Proposed: Chris Young

Seconded: Jim Wheeler

#### 4. Matters Arising

None.

#### 5. <u>Secretary's Report</u>

A copy of the Secretary's written report had been circulated and is attached to these minutes.

Steve also gave the following verbal report.

He apologised for errors in the AGM paperwork sent out to clubs, showing Stamford rather than Huntingdon as winners of the Don Brace Cup. Also managed to send the first draft of his Secretary's report rather than print the corrected one.

There was not much to report this season, there were no real issues, the league ran without any problems. Due to the number of teams entered it was again necessary to place nine teams in Mixed 5 and Ladies 4. This did create a problem for clubs trying to fit the fixtures before the scheduled date for the Mens and Ladies leagues. He therefore started fixtures in Mixed 5 the last week in April and started Ladies 4 the last week in June.

Due to team withdrawas in the higher divisions in the Mens league it was necessary t move some teams up when they weren't due promotion to keep the higher divisions at eight teams. This resulted in Mens 4 only having seven teams in it and Mens 5 only six, too few matches really. Unfortunately Huntingdon withdrew their "C" team from Mens 4 quite late in the season, which resulted in only six teams competing in the division, there was little he could do about this. Fortunately Hemingfords asked if it would be possible to enter a "D" team shortly before the Mens league started and he was able to accommodate them in Mens 5, increasing the teams in this division to seven.

Steve thanked all the team captains and club fixture secretaries for organizing their teams for matches. This season in each of the three divisions there were only four conceded matches, twelve in total for the three leagues. He thought this was the fewest number of matches that have ever been conceded or claimed. Three of the four conceded matches were by one team in division one of the Ladies league. It does continue to be the teams in the higher divisions that fail to play matches, the lower divisions just get on with it and generally manage to play all of their fixtures.

He congratulated Stamford for a clean sweep of all first divisions in three leagues and also winning the Top Club Award once again. They were denied winning all of the top trophies when they were beaten in the Don Brace Cup Final by Huntingdon in an extremely close encounter - Kath to report fully on this competition later.

Steve congratulated all teams who won or finished runners-up in their divisions and commiserated with those teams who were relegated.

The website continues to be our main source of getting information to the clubs. The electronic score entry worked well although we did experience being locked out of the site a couple of times late in the month due to exceeding the bandwith, indicating a large increase in site visitors. He had no idea we had a set bandwith ( or even what this meant to be honest!) however our hosting company agred to increase it to unlimited once he had spoken to them and so hopefully this won't happen again.

Steve completed his report by thanking Kath our Chairperson for keeping him on his toes during the season! He also thanked Geoff who continued his assistance to him over the year, taking responsibility once again for organizing the trophies and frames for the certificates. During the season he was constantly in contact with Steve and was ever helpful when asked.

Kath also again took on the responsibility of organizing the Don Brace Cup, the final being held at the City of Peterborough Tennis Club courts whom he thanked for hosting the event and for their excellent buffet.

He continued by thanking Brian as our Treasurer for his work on keeping track of our finances. Brian will explain that our bankers, Norwich & Peterborough, are closing all accounts at the end of December and we have therefore had to organise a new bank account. Kath, Brian and himself attended a meeting with Barclays Bank two weeks ago and it is intended that an account will be opened with them. The new banking details will be shown on the entry form when this is sent out next season, so please make sure your club treasurer uses these new bank details if they are paying by BACS.

Steve also wished to place on record his thanks to the Committee members Dennis Vincent, Esmond Edwards and Jason Tuxworth ( who joined the Committee last season ), for their input and wisdom at our Committee meetings.

Finally I would like to thank all our club and fixture secretaries ans team captains for their hard work during the season, this is very much appreciated and makes sure the league runs without too many problems. Thanks to Huntingdon TC for the use of their clubhouse and Kath for organizing the refreshments.

Kath thanked Steve for his comprehensive report and for all his work throughout the season.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report

Brian presented the 'examined accounts' - which are appended to these minutes. He referred to Steve's comments regarding the banking situation and new arrangements, and drew attention to the Examiner's fee of £30 still to be deducted. Once again there had been no junior or senior tournaments held this year.

At the last Committee meeting a recommendation was made by Brian that there is no requirement to increase the league entry fees in 2018 or change existing subsistence rates. This was accepted

Kath thanked Brian for his work and financial report, and asked for a proposal that this be accepted:

Proposed: Simon Grainger Seconded: Chris Young

These were duly approved by those present as being a true and fair view of our current financial situation. Brian thanked Esmond Edwards for once again inspecting the accounts at the end of the year.

#### 7. Assistant Secretary's Report

Geoff presented his written report and copies were circulated at the meeting - copy appended to these minutes.

He reiterated the comments he had regularly made over recent years about his prime role as the Assistant League Secretary is to provide help and support to Steve wherever and whenever it was needed. This he had tried to do and would continue to do so if re-elected.

He was pleased to make the arrangements once again regarding obtaining the engraved trophies and the purchase and preparation of the certificate frames for presentation that night to the winning clubs. He had also taken photographs of last year's presentations and also at the Don Brace Cup Final, these being featured in his written report.

Finally, Geoff thanked Kath, Steve and all of the other Committee members for their hard work during another busy and successful season.

#### 8. Don Brace Cup

Kath stated that once again it had been a very successful competition. We had thirteen Clubs enter Teams this year and from some of the close results in the earlier rounds it is clear that many of them had a chance of reaching the Final - full details of the results are appended. This was held at Peterborough once again and involved Stamford and Huntingdon in a very close and keenly fought match with Huntingdon finally running out winners.

Unfortunately with only thirteen participating clubs there is little chance of reintroducing the Plate competition at this time but we will always be ready to reintroduce it should there be sufficient interest.

Kath thanked Peterborough for providing the venue and their Bowls Club ladies for the excellent after-match tea.

Some photographs have been featured on our website showing those who played

#### 9. Presentation of Trophies

Kath presented the following trophies to this season's divisional and Don Brace Cup winners.

Mixed 1 - Stamford "A"

Mixed 2 - Hemingfords "A"

Mixed 3 - Deepings "B"

Mixed 4 - Wisbech "A"

Mixed 5 - City of Peterborough "B"

Mens 1 - Stamford "A"

Mens 2 - City of Peterborough "A"

Mens 3 - Ketton

Mens 4 - Needingworth "C"

Mens 5 - Thorpe Wood "C"

Ladies 1 - Stamford "A" Ladies 2 - Ramsey "A" Ladies 3 - Ketton "B"

Ladies 4 - City of Peterborough "B"

Don Brace Cup - Huntingdon

Top Club Award - Stamford

#### 10. Changes to League Rules/Fees 2018 Season

None Proposed.

Don Brace Cup - Entry Fee £10.00

Secretary's Honorarium - unchanged at £400

#### 11. Election of Officers

**Chairperson:** 

Kath Marshall

Proposed: Geoff Smith

Seconded: Brian Brown

Secretary/League Secretary:

Steve Spilka

Proposed: Kath Marshall

Seconded: Geoff Smith

Treasurer:

Brian Brown

Proposed: Jason Tuxworth

Seconded: Dennis Vincent

**Assistant League Secretary:** 

Geoff Smith

Proposed: Steve Spilka

Seconded: Brian Brown

**Members:** 

**Dennis Vincent** 

Proposed: Kath Marshall

Seconded: Esmond Edwards

**Esmond Edwards** 

Proposed: Geoff Smith

Seconded: Brian Brown

Jason Tuxworth

Proposed: Steve Spilka

Seconded: Geoff Smith

As no other nominations were received, the above officers were elected en-bloc.

Proposed: Shona Kent Seconded: Neil Chedd

Carried unanimously

#### 12. Any other Business

There were some general points of discussion but nothing specifically minuted under this item.

#### 13. Close of Meeting

There being no further business to discuss the Chairperson closed the meeting at 9.25 p.m.

#### **Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis League**



#### LEAGUE SECRETARY'S REPORT for the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2017

This season continued the trend of recent years, with really no major issues presenting themselves. Clubs should be congratulated for organising their league and Don Brace Cup fixtures and any rescheduled matches due to weather cancellations without fuss during the season. It is really pleasing to say that only 4 matches were conceded in each of our 3 leagues, the least number ever as far as I can establish. In the Ladies league, 3 of the conceded matches were by the same team. Regretfully, this club was in the 1<sup>st</sup> division, our lower divisions continue to endeavour to play all their matches without captains claiming the matches or conceding. Generally, the lower division teams always try to play all their fixtures, with team captains being very co-operative when their opponents when they have difficulty fielding a team on the set date. Unfortunately, in previous seasons, this does not always have seemed to be the case in the higher divisions, with a few team captains willing to concede if they didn't get their strongest team out on the day. Fortunately, this season things do seem to have improved.

Once again, I did not receive any complaints during the season from teams about the imbalance in the number of home and away games they had been allocated. Hopefully this indicates I continued to arrange the fixtures fairly carefully!

As last season, due to the number of teams entered, it did mean both Mixed 5 and Ladies 4 divisions had 9 teams in them. This number of teams extends the season by a couple of weeks and leaves little time for rearrangements. I therefore decided to start both divisions one week earlier than the other divisions to ensure these divisions could be completed in good time. Due to team withdrawals in higher divisions, it was necessary to promote a number of teams who did not finish in the top two positions the previous season. This ensured the higher divisions had 8 teams in them, the optimum number. Unfortunately, this resulted in Men's 4 only having 7 teams and Men's 5 only 6 teams. Prior to the start of the season, Huntingdon "C" withdrew from Men's 4 and it was too late to reschedule any matches, leaving only 6 teams in the division. In Men's 5, which also had only 6 teams, Hemingfords asked if they could enter a "D" Men's team and I was able to accommodate them by rescheduling all the matches in that division increasing the number of teams in the division to 7.

Congratulations to Stamford Tennis Club who improved on last season's achievement by winning all 3 leagues 1<sup>st</sup> Divisions and also the Top Club Trophy. They were denied a clean sweep of all available competitions when they were beaten 5 - 3 in the final of the Don Brace Cup by Huntingdon. This win by Huntingdon broke the 3-year domination of the competition by Stamford, who themselves had broken Huntingdon's 7 year domination of the competition previously. Congratulations to all teams who won their respective divisions and all runners up for gaining promotion next season. Commiserations to those teams who have been relegated.

My thanks one again to Kath Marshall, who once again organised the Don Brace Cup and who will give a report on the competition during the AGM. Due to the success of last season's competition we decided to again accept City of Peterborough's invitation to host this season's competition. My thanks also to Geoff Smith who made all the arrangements at the club to ensure the final preparations were all in place to host the event. The players of Stamford and Huntingdon fully enjoyed playing the final at City and also the refreshments provided at the end of the matches.

My thanks again to Geoff Smith who continues to be ever supportive and willing to help whenever needed. As in previous season's, Geoff takes on the responsibility of organising the trophies for the AGM and once again will be the official photographer during the meeting. I cannot thank Geoff enough for all his hard work during the season. My thanks also to Kath, who ensures I am kept on my toes meeting deadlines and arranging Committee meetings. Thanks also to Brian Brown our Treasurer and to the other Committee members, Dennis Vincent and Esmond Edwards for their help and support during the year. This season we were also joined on the committee by Jason Tuxworth, who has proved to be an important addition to the Committee.

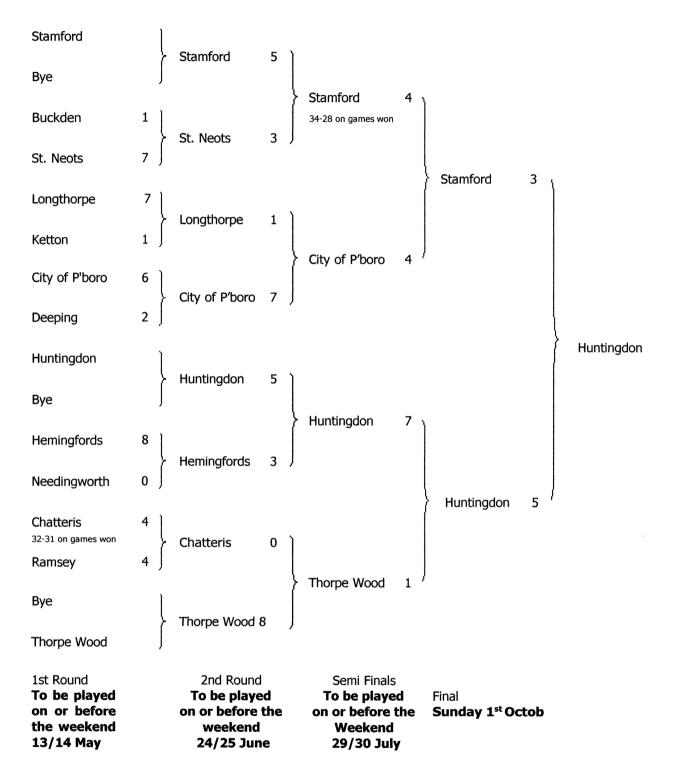
Thanks once again to Huntingdon Tennis Club who have once again allowed us the use of their clubhouse to stage our AGM.

Finally, my thanks also to the clubs, their committees, team captains and players for their efforts in making the league season during 2017 both successful and pleasantly uneventful, albeit very gratifying.

Steve Spilka League Secretary



# Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis League DON BRACE CUP RESULTS - SEASON 2017



Check out the results on the Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis website **www.hptennis.org.uk** 

#### **HUNTINGDON & PETERBOROUGH TENNIS LEAGUE**

#### **TOP CLUB TROPHY - BONNETT CUP**

#### **2017 SEASON**

For clubs who have teams in all three leagues - Mixed, Mens & Ladies

	<u>Mixed</u>	<u>Mens</u>	<u>Ladies</u>	TOTAL
Buckden	8	8	8	24
Chatteris	8	5	3	16
City of Peterborough	12	13	10	35
Deeping	4	9	6	19
Hemingfords	13	6	0	19
Huntingdon	7	10	6	23
Ketton	2	10	8	20
Longthorpe	7	8	7	22
Needingworth	2	2	7	11
Ramsey	8	8	9	25
St. Neots	11	9	7	27
Stamford	14	12	14	40
Virgin Active Thorpe Wood	8	4	5	17
Wisbech	13	4	12	29

#### **WINNERS**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Stamford	40 Pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	City of Peterborough	35 Pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wisbech	29 Pts

This competition is only open to clubs with teams in each of the Mixed, Mens and Ladies leagues. The points scored in each league by the club's top team (i.e. their "A" team) are added together to arrive at a total points score. The club with the most points wins the competition.

### HUNTINGDON & PETERBOROUGH TENNIS COMMITTEE INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR TO 31ST OCTOBER, 2017

	2017	_	2016	_
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
League & Cup Fees		1,440		1,430
EXPENDITURE				
Don Brace Expenses - Courts,				
Refreshments & Balls	160		150	
Trophies & Engraving	50		196	
League Secretary - Expenses	202		201	
- Honorarium	400		400	
Travelling	202		208	
A.G.M. Expenses	69		-	
Accounts Examiner - 2 years	-		60	
Printing, Postages & Telephone	20		-	
Presentation - M Skinner	-		22	
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SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		337	***************************************	193
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### ACCUMULATED FUND YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER, 2017

	2017	2016
	£	£
Balance at 1.11.16	3,886	3,693
Add Surplus for the year	337	193
	4,223	3,886
Represented by:-		
Cash at Building Society	4,121	3,680
Cash in Hand	102	206
	4,223	3,886

## HUNTINGDON & PETERBOROUGH TENNIS COMMITTEE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER, 2017

I CERTIFY that the attached Income & Expenditure Account has been prepared from the books, records, information and explanations supplied, and it is in agreement therewith.

24.11.2017

E. J. Edwards - Examiner

#### **HUNTINGDON & PETERBOROUGH TENNIS LEAGUE**

#### **FINAL LEAGUE TABLES 2017**

Mixed League Table 2017 Mens Leagu					e 20°	17		Mens Lea	e Table 2017 Ladies League Table 201	Ladies League Table 2017		
Mixed Division 1	Р	w	D	L	SF	SA	Pts	Men's Division 1	W D L SF SA Pts Ladies Division 1 P W D L SF	SA Pts		
Stamford "A"	7	7	0	0	51	5	14	Stamford "A"	5 2 0 45 11 12 Stamford "A" 7 7 0 0 48	8 14		
St. Neots "A"	7	5	1	1	43	13	11	Huntingdon "A"	5 0 2 40 16 10 City of P'boro "A" 7 4 2 1 37	19 10		
Thorpe Wood "A"	7	4	0	3	36	20	8	St. Neots "A"	3 3 1 33 23 9 Stamford "B" 7 3 2 2 29	27 8		
Longthorpe "A"	7	3	1	3	20	36	7	Deeping	3 3 1 32 24 9 St. Neots "A" 7 3 1 3 31	25 7		
Stamford "B"	7	3	0	4	28	28	6	Longthorpe "A"	4 0 3 32 24 8 Huntingdon "A" 7 2 2 3 28	28 6		
Deeping "A"	7	1	2	4	22	34	4	Thorpe Wood "A"	2 0 5 19 37 4 Deeping 7 2 2 3 27	29 6		
Stamford "C"	7	2	0	5	16	40	4	Needingworth "A"	0 2 5 13 42 2 Thorpe Wood "A" 7 2 1 4 25	31 5		
Needingworth "A"	7	1	0	6	12	44	2	Longthorpe "B"	1 0 6 9 46 2 Hemingfords "A" 7 0 0 7 3	53 0		
Mixed Division 2	P	w	D	L	SF	SA	Pts	Men's Division 2	W D L SF SA Pts <u>Ladies Division 2</u> P W D L SF	SA Pts		
Hemingfords "A"	7	6	1	0	39	17	13	City of P'boro "A"	6 1 0 46 10 13 Ramsey "A" 7 4 1 2 31	23 9		
City of P'boro "A"	7	6	0	1	44	11	12	Buckden "A"	3 2 2 34 22 8 St. Neots "B" 7 4 0 3 34	22 8		
Buckden	7	4	0	3	30	26	8	Stamford "B"	4 0 3 32 24 8 Ketton "A" 7 3 2 2 31	25 8		
Ramsey "A"	7	4	0	3	29	27	8	Ramsey "A"	4 0 3 27 29 8 Buckden "A" 7 4 0 3 30	26 8		
Huntingdon "A"	7	3	1	3	29	27	7	Hemingfords "A"	2 2 3 28 28 6 Thorpe Wood "B" 7 4 0 3 29	25 8		
Thorpe Wood "B"	7	2	0	5	22	33	4	St. Neots "B"	3 0 4 23 33 6 Longthorpe "A" 7 3 1 3 26	30 7		
Longthorpe "B"	7	1	0	6	16	40	2	Chatteris "A"	2 1 4 21 35 5 Needingworth 7 2 3 2 24	30 7		
Ketton "A"	7	1	0	6	14	42	2	RAF Wyton	1 0 6 13 43 2 Longthorpe "B" 7 0 1 6 15	39 1		
Mixed Division 3	P	w	D	L	SF	SA	Pts	Men's Division 3	W D L SF SA Pts <u>Ladies Division 3</u> P W D L SF	SA Pts		
Deeping "B"	7	5	2	0	41	15	12	Ketton	4 2 1 38 18 10 Ketton "B" 7 5 1 1 35	21 11		
Chatteris	7	3	2	2	34	22	8	Thorpe Wood "B"	3 2 2 33 23 8 Stamford "C" 7 4 2 1 35	21 10		
Stamford "D"	7	3	2	2	34	22	8	Huntingdon "B"	4 0 3 30 26 8 Huntingdon "B" 7 4 1 2 34	22 9		
Huntingdon "B"	7	2	3	2	28	28	7	Buckden "B"	2 3 2 28 28 7 Longthorpe "C" 7 3 1 3 30	26 7		
Stamford "E"	7	2	3	2	26	30	7	Needingworth "B"	3 1 3 26 28 7 Thorpe Wood "C" 7 3 0 4 23	32 6		
Thorpe Wood "C"	7	2	3	2	24	32	7	Longthorpe "C"	2 3 2 25 27 7 Buckden "B" 7 2 1 4 24	32 5		
Needingworth "B"	7	1	2	4	17	39	4	City of P'boro "B"	2 2 3 23 31 6 Ramsey "B" 7 2 1 4 22	34 5		
Longthorpe "C"	7	1	1	5	20	36	3	Hemingfords "B"	0 3 4 17 39 3 Chatteris 7 1 1 5 17	39 3		
Mixed Division 4	P	W	D	L	SF	SA	Pts	Men's Division 4	W D L SF SA Pts <u>Ladies Division 4</u> P W D L SF	SA Pts		
Wisbech "A"	7	6	1	0	46	10	13	Needingworth "C"	3 1 1 26 14 7 City of P'boro "B" 8 8 0 0 55	9 16		
Hemingfords "B"	7	6	1	0	46	10	13	Hemingfords "C"	3 1 1 25 15 7 Spalding Town 8 6 1 1 46	18 13		
Spalding Town	7	5	0	2	39	17	10	St. Neots "C"	2 1 2 20 20 5 Wisbech "A" 8 6 0 2 44	20 12		
Hemingfords "C"	7	4	0	3	30	26	8	Needingworth "D"	1 3 1 19 20 5 Oundle 8 5 0 3 32	32 10		
Thorpe Wood "D"	7	2	0	5	21	35	4	Wisbech	1 0 4 22 17 4 Longthorpe "D" 8 4 0 4 31	3 8		
Ramsey "B"	7	2	0	5	21	35	4	Longthorpe "D"	0 2 3 10 23 2 Hemingfords "B" 8 3 0 5 28	36 6		
Longthorpe "D"	7	1	0	6	12	44	2	Huntingdon "C"	Withdrawn from league Stamford "D" 8 2 1 5 28	36 5		
Huntingdon "C"	7	1	0	6	11	45	2	Men's Division 5	St. Neots "C" 8 1 0 7 14  W D L SF SA Pts Wisbech "B" 8 0 0 8 10			
Mixed Division 5	P	w	D	L	SF	SA	Pts	Thorpe Wood "C"	5 0 1 34 14 10	J4 0		
City of P'boro "B"	8	6	1	1	49	15	13	Castor & Ailsworth	4 1 1 31 17 9			
Ketton "B"	8	6	1	1	47	17	13	City of P'boro "C"	4 1 1 24 24 9			
Ramsey "C"	8	5	2	1	44	20	12	Ramsey "B"	3 0 3 30 18 6			
St. Neots "B"	8	6	0	2	39	25	12	Chatteris "B"	3 0 3 26 21 6			
Needingworth "C"	8	4	1	3	31	33	9	Hemingfords "D"	0 1 5 11 36 1			
Castor &	8	3	0	5	31	34	6	Ramsey "C"	0 1 5 11 37 1			
Ailsworth Ramsey "D"	8	1	2	5	18	46	4					
Ketton "C"	8	1	0	7	20	44	2					
Wisbech "B"	8	0	1	6	10	54	1					
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Mixed Division 4
Wisbech "A" games ratio 315/145 – Hemingfords "B" 307/ 175



### **Huntingdon & Peterborough Tennis Association**

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017 ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S REPORT

#### A VERY WARM WELCOME TO YOU ALL ....

TO THIS OUR 2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

ONCE AGAIN A NUMBER OF YOU WILL BE PICKING UP TROPHIES AND AWARDS ON BEHALF OF YOUR CLUBS SO I WILL BEGIN BY CONGRATULATING NOT ONLY ALL OF THE CLUBS AND THEIR SUCCESSFUL TEAMS BUT ALSO THOSE OFTEN UNSUNG AND UNSEEN OFFICIALS WHO DO SO MUCH IN THE BACKGROUND TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE PLAY AND ASSOCIATED OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEIR MEMBERS.

ON DISPLAY ARE THE VARIOUS SHIELDS AND CERTIFICATES THAT ARE TO BE PRESENTED TO ALL OF THE DIVISIONAL WINNERS - A LOT OF WORK HAS BEEN DONE BY YOUR COMMITTEE TO MAKE THESE PRESENTATIONS POSSIBLE.

IN THIS REPORT YOU WILL SEE THAT I HAVE FEATURED SOME OF A NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPHS THAT I TOOK AT LAST YEAR'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ALSO AT THE DON BRACE CUP FINAL. AS IN THE PAST I WILL BE HAPPY TO FORWARD ORIGINALS BY EMAIL SHOULD ANYONE LIKE COPIES.

ONCE AGAIN I MUST PLACE ON RECORD MY APPRECIATION OF THE EXCELLENT WORK DONE BY STEVE - THE FACT THAT OUR LEAGUE FUNCTIONS SO WELL IS LARGELY DOWN TO HIS EFFICIENCY AND COMMITMENT. IT'S A PLEASURE TO HELP AND SUPPORT HIM WHEREVER I CAN. WE ALL OWE HIM A GREAT DEBT PARTICULARLY GIVEN HIS HEALTH PROBLEMS OVER RECENT TIMES .

OUR CHAIR, KATH MARSHALL, HAS ALSO CONTRIBUTED CONSIDERABLY TO THE SMOOTH RUNNING OF THE LEAGUE AND ALSO 'HER BABY' THE DON BRACE CUP ( ABLY SUPPORTED BY HUBBY BRIAN ). BRIAN BROWN, OUR TREASURER, AND FELLOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMPLETE WHAT IS AND HAS BEEN A VERY GOOD TEAM. I WAS LOOKING THROUGH SOME OLD RECORDS THE OTHER DAY AND REALISED THAT I HAVE BEEN ON THE COMMITTEE SINCE THE LATE 1980'S AND THERE ARE OTHERS - AND NO GUESSES WHO THEY ARE - WHO HAVE A LONGER TENANCY THAN THAT, SO IS RETIREMENT YET AN OPTION?

FINALLY I WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL, AND THOSE CLOSE TO YOU, A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY & HEALTHY 2018.













KATH WITH THE WNNING HUNTINGDON TC TEAM





Geoff Smith















STEVE TAKING THE ACTION SHOTS!

