

OLTC AGM 2019 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Committee has endeavoured to keep members up to date with Club news over the last twelve months through the twice-yearly newsletters and regular circulars about specific Club matters/forthcoming events. This information together with the reports from individual Committee Officers are indicative of another successful year for the Club both on and off the court. My sincere thanks to committee members for another year of very hard work in helping to continue to drive the Club forward. As many of you will know, we are saying farewell to Mike Dunford, Club Treasurer, who is moving area for family reasons. Mike has given tremendous all-round service to the Club, notably as Men's Veterans Captain for many years and, more recently, as Treasurer.

On the playing front, the year has seen the Club fielding more adult teams in leagues than ever before, with five teams gaining promotion for the coming season. This success has been mirrored at junior level with our highest ever number of teams entered for 2019 summer leagues. Individual adult and junior members have also continued to represent county teams with distinction. The coaching set-up is booming, and Dan Potter and his team must be congratulated for the sterling work they do to raise playing standards and to promote the Club. Continuous improvement in the quality of the Club infrastructure of courts/ clubhouse/grounds has again been a striking feature of the year.

Financially, our position remains solid. Loan repayments obtained when the floodlights were installed have been completed this year, which will boost the Club's finances going forward. In the main, 2018-2019 Development Plan Targets have been met, although the Committee recognise we still need to raise the Club's profile in the local community and to make more effective use of our website and social media. Club events have proved a great success this year and our aim is to sustain these in the coming year.

The Committee hope you enjoyed your membership of the Club this year and extend a warm welcome to new members joining for the new season. Fingers crossed for a repeat of the sparkling tennis weather of 2018! Have a great season!

Peter Farrar

Chairman