

## CAMBER LTC

### Committee Meeting Minutes, Monday 2nd June 2025, 7PM

(Held in the Clubhouse)

Meeting started at 7:39pm.

1. **Attendance:** Callum, Chris, Adam, Mel, Rebecca
2. **Apologies:** Ollie, Randy, Colin
3. **Minutes of previous committee meeting (9.iv.25)**
  - a. Minutes of the previous meeting approved.
4. **Matters arising from previous committee meeting (9.iv.25)**
  - a. Delay to the ordering of the bench but this is now being completed. This will be £380.
  - b. Maintenance day scheduled for the 14th June.
    - i. Will check the functioning of the ball machines then.
5. **Perennials**
  - a. Site inspection has been done and all is fine.

#### 6. **Finances (CS)**

|  |         |                 |
|--|---------|-----------------|
| Balance 1 June 2025: Old current account         | £12,022 |                 |
| Balance 1 June 2025: New current account         | £18,556 |                 |
| Balance 1 June 2025: Savings account             | £94,264 |                 |
| <b>Balance total 1 June 2025</b>                 |         | <b>£124,842</b> |
| Balance at last committee meeting (8 April 2025) |         | £121,643        |
| Balance one year ago                             |         | £108,909        |

Notable transactions since last committee meeting:

Outflows – total £4,314

- Quarterly rent and annual buildings insurance: £2,492
- Bar shelf in cool room £317
- Balls purchase £892
- Brooms £73
- Keys £95
- Contents insurance £445

Inflows – total £3,015

- Insurance payout on leak repair £2,700
- Pilates hire fees £315

Commentary

Despite some hefty one-off expenses, our overall balance went up by over £3,000, which is of course partly due to the sharp increase in bar takings. Weekend income seems to have been in the range

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£1,100-£2,200 over the last month or so. We also received the expected insurance payout for the water leak repair. A claim for further refunds from Thames Water is still outstanding and of course this change will see our water bills drop dramatically.

The exact position of the accounts is a bit uncertain as stock purchases have also massively increased. I do not do a monthly stocktake (too much hassle) but, for example, we spent over £1,000 on various elements of bar stock just this weekend.

The increase in turnover has led Ellen and me to consider whether Camber may exceed the VAT threshold this year – this would require total turnover (basically income) to be over £90,000. In comparison last year's headline turnover was around £72,340, although various items should be deducted from that (e.g. French Open and Annual Dinner payments where the club basically just acted as a middleman and not as a trader). Currently we think that while it may be close, we expect to be under the threshold. We will continue to monitor the situation and report accordingly.

### **7. Membership update (OM)**

- 179 members (23 new for 2025) with court booking access have paid subs, with 1 runner and 5 social members.
- 16 junior members 2025 subs have been paid (there were 28 total in 2024). Ollie to check this with Gianluca.
- Several enquiries from those previously on the waiting list about joining, but did not respond last/this year to invites. Proposing to reinstate them for next year's round.
- Waiting list is currently at 295, will be removing those who have either joined or declined later this month so the list only includes those waiting to join.
- Invited approx 90 this year to join (with 23 confirmed), this was up from 80 last year.
- Top of waiting list completed form Nov/Dec 23 - i.e. approx 2.5 years wait.

### **8. Inside the clubhouse:**

- a. Quantity of rubbish raised by Adam.
  - i. Chris to keep it under review. If the same issues continue we can re-evaluate.
- b. Cleaning
  - i. With increased usage of the clubhouse it was questioned whether we need to increase the frequency of cleaning.
  - ii. Agreed to see if we can get the cleaner to come in on Monday instead before upping the frequency.
- c. Colin's coffee machine
  - i. Agreed that no, we don't need this, we have plenty of cafetieres.

### **9. Outside the clubhouse:**

- a. The water leak is now fixed.
  - i. Great job Chris, including cleaning up the drive. Chance we may get a refund on some of the water costs.

### **10. Social Update (AF)**

- a. 10th anniversary of the clubhouse upcoming.
  - i. Will hold a social event following the Fast 4s tournament in July to celebrate this.
  - ii. Agreed to encourage attendance we would sort out food and pay for this for members.

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- b. For the club finals day we agreed that the cricket club may not be able to use the clubhouse and they may need to find alternative accommodation. Will notify them closer to the time.

### **11. Bar report (CM)**

- a. No update this month.

### **12. Tennis (RS / RB)**

- a. Question around whether coaching sessions on Saturdays is OK given this takes up prime court time from members.
  - i. Agreed that we are OK with this still.
  - ii. Court bookings not being cancelled are the bigger problem. Mel to try following up with Gianluca on this.
- b. National league communications.
  - i. Comment from Rebecca that there had been some challenges with this but court bookings / matches progressing OK.
- c. Men's 4th Team
  - i. Request for coaching.
    - 1. Agreed that we would get them to check with Gianluca first on this.
  - ii. Unsure of who is playing for them in general and limited communications. Rebecca to keep following up.
- d. Surrey Tennis Membership
  - i. Suggested that this would be required for Camber as whole for entry into future Surrey Tennis competitions.
  - ii. Rebecca will forward the email to the group so that we can assess this.
- e. Over 55 matches being played on weekends.
  - i. Rebecca raised this as an issue with the over 55s captain. This is now resolved and they will only play their matches midweek going forward.
- f. Boys team.
  - i. The boys team had to be withdrawn because of a lack of players / someone to organize. Rebecca wants to make sure it doesn't happen again.
- g. Request for scoreboards visible from clubhouse.
  - i. Rebecca to look into it and bring a proposal back to the committee.

### **13. AOB**

- a. Student membership clarification.
  - i. There was some uncertainty for one student member whether their payment for 3 years still stood given the recent changes to make student membership per annum. This issue is now resolved.
  - ii. The website has now also been updated to reflect the fact that student membership is now per annum which should hopefully help to avoid any confusion in future.
- b. Issue of items in the cupboard being thrown away without consultation.
  - i. Mel to email Colin about this. Agreed we would work with Gianluca to agree what can be thrown out so that we can make progress on decluttering without removing anything which is actually still in use / needed.
- c. Plaque for the bar to commemorate "barrels" from 3 a-lets in a row.
  - i. Not sure what the latest on this is. We will look to get an update from Alex.
- d. Website updates (CH)
  - i. Most of the necessary updates have now been made.

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- ii. On the venue hire page are we OK to have the Info at Camber email be the contact details? Do we need to add the T&Cs here?
  - 1. Agreed Info at Camber is appropriate but that we do not need T&Cs on there.
- iii. Can we get rid of the gallery / recent posts / archive area?
  - 1. Agreed that this makes sense. Callum to make these changes.
- e. Logo (CS)
  - i. Chris has received several proposals for updates to the logo. He will evaluate these and come back to the next meeting with a recommendation for how to move forward.
- f. Sofas (CS)
  - i. Agreed to give the go ahead for Mark Thurgood to mend these with a £300 budget.
- g. Wheelchairs
  - i. Question around what to do with the wheelchairs given we no longer have wheelchair tennis. Mel to investigate who might want these.

### **14. DONM**

- a. The next meeting will be held on Monday 14th July at the clubhouse at 7pm.

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