

# Wakehurst Social Tennis Club

## President's Report For 2022

It should be said first that I only ended up as President, taking over from Roy Shackley in June of 2022 after his resignation, due to some unfortunate incidents with one particular ex-member of the Club. That is now all behind us thankfully. I want to thank Roy for his service. He was doing great things as President and it is sad that he felt he had no choice but to resign.

COVID continued to cause some disruptions in that it put a damper on social functions organised by the Club. Luckily those effects are now easing and we had a lovely Xmas celebration at the home of Lindsay and Stephanie Phillips in lieu of a licensed venue. Many thanks to both Lindsay and Stephanie who opened up their beautiful house to us.

A record rainy year in 2022 caused us to miss a great deal of tennis. So far things have been much better at the start of 2023 and let's hope it continues throughout the year.

As a caretaker President, I wish to sincerely thank all members of the committee for your help in what has been a somewhat turbulent time for the club. I needed all the help I could get!

Particular thanks go to:

1. Ning – for managing the finances (and so much more). She has kept the books on track despite everything and helped us maintain a healthy bank balance.
2. Roy – for his many initiatives as President up to June of 2022.
3. Wendy – for her unfailing support and guidance. I don't know if I could have got through it all without her constant encouragement.
4. Anthony – for running our end-of-month Round Robins smoothly and efficiently.
5. All the coordinators who had the sometimes thankless task of working out sets for each court during social play.
6. The members of the social committee (Heather, Wendy and Julia) who tried valiantly to organise some events for us only to be thwarted by COVID concerns.

On a personal note, I had a temporary driver's license suspension for about six months due to a recurrence of an epileptic condition for which I am now on medication. A very grateful thank you to those people who gave me a lift home during those months, especially Mark McAlpine and Chris and Cathy Buck (as well as others). It was, and is, very much appreciated.

I wish everyone a great year of tennis for 2023.

Danny Mavromatis

President, February 2023