

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES**



**MONDAY 6th JANUARY 2025**

**START TIME : 1900 Hours**

Apologies were received from Mal Brown [in hospital]; Annette Dickinson-Flint; Cyril Nolan [unwell]; Gary Nolan [RB]; Don Wallington [RB] and Alex Whitehouse.

Present: Annette Dickinson-Flint; Graham Jackson; Howard Jones; Max Lloyd; Laura Mather; Pete Morgans; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers; Don Wallington.

1. **Chairman’s Report** a. GSJ gave a brief update on the medical matters of Mal Brown and Cyril Nolan. Best wishes were extended to both for a swift and improved recovery. b. GSJ to attend the funeral service for Ron Brown on behalf of the Club and Mal Brown. c. The request to relocate the Table Tennis Table to the Activity Space has been **AGREED.** Miles Montelius is to be asked to amend booking arrangements for the Activity Space to allow all members to make bookings for Table Tennis. Bookings MUST be in the members name with "TT" added for recording purposes. d. The format for the 1st February Social is coming together. Thanks to Laura for producing Flyers and Tickets. A 'Hard sell' is required and Team Captains will be requested to sell tickets at £5 to cover Buffet Costs. Pete would like a few more volunteer helpers.

e. A replacement Junior Championships cup has been obtained, awarded to William Slater and engraved accordingly. f. Ben Schur has completed the ES Stage 2 application to run the Chris Flint ES Tournament on 15th March 2025.

2. **Honorary Treasurer** a. Laura Mather reported the income & expenditure account which included the final payment of the original broadband contract and a large payment to provide the requested Karakal Racketballs. b. Both Current and Savings accounts were reported as being steady.

3. **Membership Secretary**

a. Lorna reported that the Membership Figure was 175, up from the previous month's figure of 173 and that she was processing several membership enquiries recently received.

4. **Club Captain & County Rep** a. The next ""Squash Feeder" evening will be on Friday 24th January at the Castle Country Club. b. The Blaney/Tweddle Charity event at the Schools raised £1025 for the Shropshire Hospice. c. The County Ladies Match against Cheshire and Merseyside is to be held on the morning and afternoon of 1st February. Players will be invited to stay on and join our Social Event. d. The date for the County Men's match away at Worcester is to be agreed. e. . Ben Schur and Lee Picken have agreed to use their previous experience to organise the day. **f. BUT A working party and group of volunteers is essential to share the work and to ensure the success of the event.**  g, It was **AGREED** that entrants will be provided with a competition Tee Shirt and that age group winners would receive a Certificate and an Amazon Voucher. h. Lee advised the Committee that the Club is desperately short of qualified coaches and that it was imperative to recruit more coaches. ["Note" - As ever, the Club would meet to cost of fees for people willing to train as coaches.].

**5. Competitions Organiser** a. Peter will be giving some thought to holding a Squash Event/Competition to "re-energise" members interest in playing Team Squash.

6. **1st Team Captain** a. Alex was disappointed to report that the "A" Team has suffered from Injuries and players not being available and had been obliged to postpone two matches. Hopefully things will now improve.

7. **Junior Section** a. See earlier notes about the Chris Flint ES Registered Tournament above.

8. **Internal Leagues** a. Don reported that number of squash and racketball matches had reduced in December to 33 and 7 respectively suggesting that it reflected the Christmas break. b. Two players have re-joined the Squash Leagues and One the Racketball leagues.

9. **Website** a. Kacper Pagorek is still to be invited to join an appropriate "What's App" group in order to access information about events etc for inclusion in the website.

10. **Future Events still to be arranged.** a. Defibrillator training session outlining the link to a U Tube presentation is still to be issued.

11. **“Housekeeping”** a. Paperwrite have, at last, updated the Honours Boards.

13. **Maintenance** a. Kynaston Contract Services have been "invited" to investigate the apparent roof leak above the Gallery. b. It is recommended that refurbishment and repairs to the Courts be carried out In July/August 2025. Members are requested to give their views on what matters require attention, or, in the absence of Courtcare, which Companies the Club should approach to quote for the work. c. After the meeting Laura provided a recommendation from a Preston Club who used "Courtcraft" d. GSJ to follow it up with an invitation to inspect etc.

14. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** :: NONE

**Date of next meeting.** Club is Afiliated to **MONDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2025**

England Squash

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