



## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

### MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

Apologies for absence :: Tony Alvis; Mal Brown; Howard Jones; Max Lloyd; Laura Mather; Alex Nolan; Guy Scott

Present :: Ian Dinwiddy; G S Jackson; Damian Jay; Pete Morgans; Cyril Nolan; Gary Nolan; Lee Picken; Elaine Radcliffe; Lorna Rogers; Guy Scott; Don Wallington; Alex Whitehouse.

#### Chairman's Report::

- a. I am incredibly grateful for the kind messages of help and lifts etc during my recovery from my extended stay in hospital.
- b. I wish to formally place on record my deep gratitude to Lee Picken who, not only stepped into the role of Club Captain, but aided by Damian, Howard and Dave, has embraced all of the tasks which I previously undertook.
- c. The honours Boards have been updated at last; 12 board sponsors have paid; 1 remains to be paid.

#### Honorary Treasurer ::

- a. Laura reported the months income and expenditure by email; Receipts at approx £7k included a healthy amount of membership renewal subscriptions; expenditure at approx £6k included ES fees of £1375.
- b. Refreshment costs to be increased only partially to reflect rising commodity prices

#### Membership Secretary ::

Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 149 compared to 135 at the same time last year.

#### Club Captain ::

- a. A laminated copy of operating instructions for live streaming etc will be issued.
- b. It was **AGREED** that guidance on the use of What's App platforms would be issued, together with a drastic reduction in the number of 'Administrators' and the introduction of a "moderator" to monitor platform content. It was further **AGREED** reducing the misuse of the platform would be best achieved by **EVERY MEMBER** accepting the joint responsibility to help "educate" fellow members and that 'suspension' and 'removal from membership' would be a last resort only in extreme cases.

#### County Rep ::

Lorna would issue a new ES number for Kevin to enable Don as County Secretary to register Kevin.

1<sup>st</sup> Team Captain :: Alex reported that after a couple of "byes" the team were looking forward to playing more matches.

#### Junior Section ::

- a. Congratulations to Cordelia, Frankie and Elspeth as age group winners; Alex Nolan as RU in U19 age group.
- b. The Club will be taking part in the Squash Stars programme in February 2023.

#### Internal Leagues ::

Cyril reported that the number of Squash leagues is now 12 with more matches being played.

#### Website ::

The Website has been amended to include an email address, the England Squash logo, links to the ES and County websites plus the possible addition of a News/Gallery feature.

**Future Events ::**

- a. Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December - Ladies Pizza & Prosecco evening.
- b. Tickets are available for the Christmas Party; help required for food, bar rota etc.

**Future Events still to be arranged ::**

- a. Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches.
- b. Defibrillator training session. [GSJ to identify a "trainer"].

**Housekeeping.**

Cleaning arrangements have been brought back in house.

**Maintenance ::**

- a. The Attic is to be sorted; the list is with GSJ and Chris Heath. Help will be required.
- b. Radiator leak on gallery to be resolved; leak from ceiling in Male Changing Room to be investigating.
- c. Court 3 - patch on front play wall needs repairing, play walls to be cleaned.

**AOB ::**

- a. Elaine & Don made further contributions to the "What's App" discussion including the need for everyone to "front up" and educate us all.
- b. In instances of "offence" guilty parties are to be spoken to and advised that written warnings would be issued if further offence was given.
- c. It was **AGREED** to revise the Club What's App and drastically reduce the number of admin rights
- d. Damian was given permission to install some "infoscreens" to improve the way Club information is given to members
- e. Ian Dinwiddy agreed to invite the County Committee to issue an advice note to markers concerning the implementation of conduct warnings, penalty points etc for bad language, abuse of markers etc.
- f. GSJ agreed to provide Ian with details of the lights on Courts 1 & 2 for possible installation on the third Court.
- g. GSJ to provide "No Swearing" notices for Courts.

**Date of next meeting**

**MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2022 at 1900 hours**