**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**



**MONDAY 9th JANUARY 2023**

Apologies :: Mal Brown; Ian Dinwiddy[RB]; Howard Jones; Laura Mather; Gary Nolan; Guy Scott [RB]; Alex Whitehouse.

Present :: Annette Dickinson-Flint; G S Jackson; Damian Jay; Max Lloyd; Cyril Nolan; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers; Don Wallington.

**Chairman’s Report**:: a. I wish a Happy, Healthy New Year to all Members and particularly the Committee with very grateful thanks for all their collective hard work whilst I was unable to get to the Club. b. Annette addressed the Committee expressing her wish to pay tribute to Chris Flint’s memory by making a substantial donation to the Club to assist in the further development of Junior Squash at the Club.

The Committee were stunned by the scale of the proposal and, after gratefully accepting the offer, went on to discuss and agree how the fund should be administered; full proposals will be presented to the February meeting. However, in the first instance, it was **AGREED** that the Saturday Morning Junior Squash would be renamed and rebranded as “Chris Flint Junior Squash”. It was also **AGREED** that as it was understood that as Chris’s wish was to help improve the standard of Junior Squash at the Club and also raise the profile of Junior Squash in the County, that the Club would host an Annual “Chris Flint Junior Open Championship”.

**Honorary Treasurer** :: a**.** Laura reported the months income and expenditure by email; Receipts had fallen short of expenditure by £400, partly due to increased energy costs.

b. Laura requested that in future budgets would be required before committing expenditure on larger items. c. It was **AGREED** that hosting the County would be invoiced monthly at £9 per session for hosting the County Girls Academy.

**Membership Secretary** :: Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 162,the same as last year at this time.

**Club Captain** :: a. After some discussion and accepting assurances that iPhones, TV’s etc all has microphones capable of ‘picking up’ speech, it was **AGREED** that the mute option on the Live Streaming facility would **NOT** be activated. It was further **AGREED** that **EVERY MEMBER** should accept responsibility to help “educate” fellow members in respect of inappropriate language in a family Club and that ‘suspension’ and ‘removal from membership’ would be a last resort only in extreme cases. b. It was **AGREED** that Damian would arrange to install a moving “infoscreen” in the Club Entrance area, but not in Changing Rooms. c. On behalf of Laura, Lee would discuss arrangements for paying Court Match fees with Team Captains in order to establish an acceptable procedure across all teams. [Court Match fees are £15 for RB and £25 for Squash home matches]

**County Rep ::**

Don had no specific issues to raise at this time.

**1st Team Captain** :: Alex reported by email that the team were playing well and currently heading the Div 1 table.

**Junior Section ::** a. Lee to seek confirmation that the Club will be taking part in the Squash Stars programme in February 2023.

**Internal Leagues** :: a. Cyril reported that new members were joining the leagues but more players would be welcome.

**Website ::**

Lorna reported that there is an issue with the Website when people “Google” Shrewsbury Squash Club and click on “Membership” they are directed to the Shropshire Schools site. GSJ to discuss with Ben Jones and to follow up on access to a Gallery/News feature.

 **Future Events** :: a. Ladies Pizza & Prosecco evening will recommence in April.

**Future Events still to be arranged ::** a. Gary Nolan, as Safeguarding Officer, will arrange a Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches and Team Captains. b. Defibrillator training session to be arranged with Ryan Heath. c. A co-ordinator and small working group is needed to prepare for the 10th Anniversary of the Court 3 extension possibly with an Open Handicapped Tournament event.

**Housekeeping ::** No report

**Maintenance** ::

1. Insulation and chipboard deck in Attic to be extended; gaps at roof edges to be filled with insulation. b. Leak from ceiling in Male Changing Room to be further investigated. c. Court 3 – patch on front play wall needs repairing, play walls to be cleaned. [to be rearranged]. d. AID Fuels to supply a replacement oil tank gauge. e. GSJ to arrange repairs to external security lighting, shower lights and gallery socket outlet.

**AOB** :: a. None recorded

**Date of next meeting**

**MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2023** **at 1900 hours**