



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2023

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

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

Chairman's Report::

a. Draft suggested operating guidelines were attached to the meeting Agenda; these would be reviewed upon receipt of further advice and would be presented to the next Committee meeting for adoption.

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 resulting in a drop of £1300 in the aggregated Club Accounts.

b. Team Captains are to be reminded about Match Fees protocols and the use of the light meter override keys.

c. It was **REPORTED** that the Shropshire Academy had been invoiced at £9 per session for hosting the Girls Academy.

Membership Secretary ::

Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 171.

Club Captain ::

a. Lee was pleased to report that a dozen or more new young members had joined and were being offered "Young Guns" coaching sessions; the first of which had been well received.

b. It was anticipated that the Club request to field a fourth team in the Schools Summer Leagues would be agreed.

c. A discussion would be held about possible Club hosting and team participation in the Sunshine Leagues.

d. The microphone above the Marker's chair will be activated soon to enable each match score to be heard.

e. A twin switched socket outlet would be installed in the Club Entrance area for the "infoscreen" monitor.

County Rep ::

Don had no specific issues to raise at this time.

1st Team Captain :: Alex reported that unfortunately the team had 3 "byes" and one postponed match but were playing well and hoping to head the Division One league table.

Junior Section ::

a. Alex Nolan confirmed that the Junior Club Saturday numbers were increasing and that the Club will be taking part in the Squash Stars programme in Summer 2023.

b. Lee and Representatives of the Chris Flint Junior section would be taking part in the Shropshire Kids Fest at the Telford International Centre on 18/19th February.

Internal Leagues ::

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

Website ::

Lorna reported that there is still an issue with the Website when people "Google" Shrewsbury Squash Club and click on "Membership" they are directed to the Shropshire Schools site. Lorna offered to attempt to resolve this issue with Ben Jones.

Future Events ::

- a. Ladies Pizza & Prosecco evenings 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 combined with the Chris Flint Junior Open Championships and a Social event.

Housekeeping :: No report**Maintenance ::**

- a. 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.

AOB ::

- a. Committee Members expressed concern at the apparent increase in individuals booking double court sessions which is considered an unfair practice particularly between 1700 and 1940 hours.
- b. Cyril reminded the Committee of Alex Nolan's impressive rise from Internal League 10 to Internal League 1 in less than one year.
- c. The Committee were sad to hear that Guy Rutter, former Schools Club Captain, is unwell.
- d. GSJ was invited to prepare a nomination and 'citation' for Life Membership to be placed before the next Committee Meeting.

Date of next meeting

MONDAY 6th MARCH 2023 at 1900 hours