



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 6th MARCH 2023

Apologies :: Ian Dinwiddy; Damian Jay; Howard Jones; Laura Mather; Gary Nolan; Guy Scott; Don Wallington; Alex Whitehouse.

Present :: Mal Brown; Annette Dickinson-Flint; G S Jackson; Max Lloyd; Alex Nolan; Cyril Nolan; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers.

Chairman's Report::

a. Further to Linda Pritchard's selection as part of the England Ladies O50's team to play Wales it was **AGREED** to help with the costs.

Honorary Treasurer ::

- a. Laura reported the months income and expenditure by email; Receipts had increased by £577 over last month's receipts but noted that energy costs had **increased** to £1768 for two oil deliveries and electricity of £270.
 - b. Team Captains still need to respond to request to sort out Team Match Fees.
 - c. It was **AGREED** that the Chris Flint Fund would be retained within the main Club Savings Account but be monitored by Bank Reconciliation statements.
- It was further **AGREED** that any Coach, section or bonafide member of the Club would be entitled to forward ideas and **COSTED** proposals to the Steering Group for it's consideration; the Group would sort and forward selected proposals to the Executive Committee for approval and release of funds.
- The Steering Group members are Annette Dickinson-Flint; Laura Mather; Mal Brown and Lee Picken.

Membership Secretary ::

- a. Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 173 - up by 2 on last months figure..
- b. Lorna and Lee to "chase up" forgetful Players paying by monthly Standing Order.

Club Captain ::

- a. Lee and Lorna's nomination of Gary Nolan for Life Membership was approved unanimously.
[nomination information attached].
- b. The Club Entrance "infoscreen" monitor would [hopefully] be installed next month.

County Rep ::No Report.

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 which was very successful.

Internal Leagues ::

- a. Cyril reported that new members were joining the leagues but more players would be welcome. He was particularly pleased that 5 Juniors have been included in the Leagues.
- He would continue efforts to "recruit" more players who do not currently play in the Internal Leagues.

Website ::

It would appear that the Club cannot resolve the issue that simply googling "Shrewsbury Squash Club" takes the 'enquiree' to the wrong website.

The Chairman responded to criticism of the website by reminding members that this criticism represented a sea change in the setting up philosophy of the website which had initially recognised the difficulty in finding anyone to monitor things like a picture gallery, news and team results etc. However, Alex Nolan reported that Kacper Pagorek would be willing to help with this. Lorna would set up a meeting [zoom or otherwise] with Ben and Kacper

Future Events ::

- a. Ladies Pizza & Prosecco evenings will recommence in April.

Future Events still to be arranged ::

- a. April :: Club Squash Championships
- b. May :: Club Racketball Championships
- c. September :: Chris Flint Open Junior Championships. [Subject to England Squash Approval]
- d. Gary Nolan, as Safeguarding Officer, will arrange a Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches and Captains.
- e. Defibrillator training session to be arranged with Ryan Heath.
- f. A co-ordinator and small working group is still 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. Court 3 - patch on front play wall needs repairing, play walls to be cleaned. [to be rearranged].
- c. Court 3 - replacement lights - RMW Electrical Services have been invited to quote for the work.
- d. AID Fuels to supply a replacement oil tank gauge.

AOB ::

- a. Vending Machine - It was **AGREED** that the vending machine would be labled "out of Use" and removed. [Suggestions for disposal are invited]
- b. The start time and frequency of Executive Committee meetings was discussed.

It was **AGREED** that meetings would continue to start at 1900 hours and that monthly meetings would also continue BUT that a 'between playing seasons' general or "Players Meeting" could be held in addition to the traditional June Annual General Meeting.

Date of next meeting

MONDAY 3rd APRIL 2023 at 1900 hours