**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

England Squash



**MONDAY 3rd APRIL 2023**

Apologies :: Annette Dickinson-Flint; Ian Dinwiddy; Laura Mather; Alex Nolan; Gary Nolan; Guy Scott; Don Wallington; Alex Whitehouse.

Present :: Mal Brown; G S Jackson; Howard Jones; Cyril Nolan; Kacper Pagorek; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers.

**Chairman’s Report**:: a. Congratulations to the “A” Team & Captain Alex Whitehouse for winning the Div 1 Title for the first time since 2014.

b. Nomination forms will be issued in May for the June 14th AGM.

**Honorary Treasurer** :: a**.** Laura reported the months income and expenditure by email; Receipts had only narrowly exceeded expenditure because the quarterly ground rent of £847 had been paid

**Membership Secretary** :: a. Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 183 – up by 10 on last month’s figure..

**Club Captain** :: a. Lee reported the final league positions :

Squash - Div 1-“A” 1st; “B” 6th; Div 2 – “C” 6th; “D”- 5th; Div 3 – “E” 2nd; “F” 8th; SGC 9th. “B” were Runners Up in the Div 1 Knockout Cup.

Racketball – Winners - Shrewsbury “B” [Steve McClelland].

b. The O45 County Squash team would be competing in the second round against Hampshire & Cornwall at Basingstoke on 15th April.

c. Barry Talbot won the O40s Racketball at Hallamshire with Mervyn Davies and Stuart Dix RunnersUp in the Doubles.

The Club congratulates these players who are playing well and raising the profile of the Club Nationally.

d. The Club Championships were now underway. More Ladies are needed to improve numbers in the event.

**County Rep ::**

a. The League Secretary will attempt to balance the number of teams within each division next season.

b.The Club is pleased that Don will Continue as County League Secretary next season.

c. The Club will be hosting the “End of Season” Meeting in the Activity Space on Thursday 20th April.

**1st Team Captain** :: Alex reported that the team had won the Div 1 League and were grateful for the support received from Club members.

**Junior Section ::** a Cyril Nolan confirmed that the Junior Club Saturday numbers were increasing and showing promise. b. Frankie Phillips was runner up in the Junior Tournament at Leominster.

c. Head Coach Courtney Downing was helping develop 3 of the promising Juniors.

**Internal Leagues** :: a. Cyril reported that some 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 ::**

1. Ben Jones, Lorna Rogers and Kacper Pagorek had held a zoom meeting to agree updating the website.
2. The Committee gratefully accepted Kacper’s offer to update categories and information on the website.
3. It was **AGREED** to **ADD** a Teams/Events and a Gallery category to the Website in order to be able to include notable results and photos.
4. Any member may forward items to be included to the Chairman who will sift and instruct Kacper accordingly.

**Current Events ::**

a. April :: Club Squash Championships

b. May :: Club Racketball Championships

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

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

a. September :: Chris Flint Open Junior Championships. [ Subject to England Squash Approval] It was **AGREED** that the event would go ahead even if we were not able to get it registered by ES. GSJ, Lee Picken & Pete Morgans to set up a discussion meeting to implement that decision.

b. Gary Nolan, as Safeguarding Officer, will arrange a Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches and Captains. c. Defibrillator training session to be arranged with Ryan Heath. after the AGM.

**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 – RMW Electrical Services will carry out the replacement lighting on Monday 17th April.

d. AID Fuels to supply a replacement oil tank gauge this week.

**AOB ::** a. Revise Metafit information.

**Date of next meeting**

**MONDAY 8th MAY 2023** **at 1900 hours**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING :: WEDNESDAY 14th JUNE 2023**