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Dear Member,

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Please read the following letter from the Club in respect of some changes initially proposed by England Squash concerning Club and Members affiliation.

Every member is encouraged to log on to the ES Website and review and comment upon the ES proposals. [www.englandsquash.com]

The Club will also be making comments.

ENGLAND SQUASH :: STATEMENT OF INTENT

[The following are bullet points gathered from the England Squash Webinar held on 3rd May 2023.]

- The Final outcome in respect of both Club and Member affiliation changes are yet to be confirmed.
- The target implementation date is 1st September 2023.
- Our Club Affiliation year starts 1st November 2023 [and may remain unchanged]
- ES State that the current [Affiliation] model has been unchanged for 20 years.
- ES have looked at other sports and Squash organisations in other Countries.
- Es will [or have] undertaken a large survey of existing members.

The ES Intent ::

- To reduce the Administrative and Financial burden on Clubs
- To build direct relationships with the Squash Community.
- To realize Growth Opportunities.

The expectation on Clubs::

Is that they will encourage all players to join, help and be involved in marketing and communication plans.

The expectation on Counties ::

Is that they will work with ES to ensure that all players join and take up insurances.

The Current state of SS&RC's Affiliation.

- The Club pays ES an annual fee of £55 per court.
- The Club 'collects' adult fees of £12.50 and £10 for Juniors each year.

Currently there are Benefits available to Members ::

- Access to Public Liability and Accident Insurance.
- 5% discount on Squash Equipment with PDH Sports.
- 5% discount on Dunlop England Squash store.
- 10% discount on squash equipment at Sweatband.com
- Early access and discounts to National Championships.
- Access to Squash perks such as Learning and Development Master classes.

THE PROPOSAL FROM 1st SEPTEMBER 2023 [To Be Confirmed]

ENGLAND SQUASH wishes to introduce a DIRECT MEMBERSHIP SCHEME.

- Essentially, this means that SS&RC will no longer 'collect' affiliation fees from Club Members.
- Members will need to deal directly with England Squash to pay affiliation fees.
- ES have suggested the following affiliation fees for the following categories ::

• ADULT.	Compete	£25-£30	for Competitive Players especially in Tournaments.
	Play	£15	for those who play regularly or casually.
	Support	£10	for ex-players; parents; fans; volunteers.
	Digital	free	for casual or new people
• JUNIOR	Youth	£15	for ALL Junior players under 19.
• COACH		£65	for all ACTIVE coaches.
• CLUB COURT FEES		£75	for each court.
- **BENEFITS**
- Access to Public Liability and Personal Injury Insurance.
- Discounts [Presumably as now?]
- Early Access to Tickets for Major Events
- Other benefits ?

END of DRAFT ES STATEMENT

The Club will do it's best to keep members informed as and when England Squash release further information.

In the meantime, every member is encouraged to contact England Squash to express their concerns or raise any issues.

As an aside, It is my view that members playing in the County Leagues will be required to pay the £25 - £30 affiliation fee.

[Unless the County does not become affiliated; apparently not all Counties are affiliated to ES. As a Club we may also wish to seriously consider "Affiliation"]

Yours sincerely,

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