



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 7th AUGUST 2023

Apologies ::

Howard Jones; Laura Mather; Alex Nolan; Gary Nolan; Kacper Pagorek; Guy Scott; Don Wallington; Alex Whitehouse.

Present ::

Mal Brown; Annette Dickinson-Flint; G S Jackson; Cyril Nolan; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers.

Chairman's Report::

a. Competition Cups have been engraved; Honours Boards to be updated this week.

Honorary Treasurer ::

a. Laura reported the months income and expenditure by email. Expenditure was greater than improved income because of payment of quarterly ground rent at £840 and £1,600 on Court Maintenance. Laura said that the new tablet and Sum Up machine was working well but she would appreciate feedback.

Membership Secretary ::

a. Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 216 - up by 7 on last month's figure.
b. Invitations to renew Annual Memberships would be issued after the meeting including a note to state England Squash timetable for their direct membership scheme.

Club Captain ::

a. Lee reported that 25th July "Feeder" evening to introduce new players to Team Squash had worked well and would hopefully be repeated on a monthly basis.
b. Lee was disappointed to report that the Chris Flint Bronze Event Junior Championships would be postponed until the spring whilst the Club obtains an ES qualified Tournament Organiser.
c. The Shropshire County Cup competitions are to be "re-formatted" by Max Ball.
All team Captains to be briefed by Lee.
d. Lee and Ben will be holding a Juniors Fun day at RAF Shawbury on 10th August.
e. Further discussion to be held on the wider use of the Club Activity Space.
GSJ to sort out a timetable of available days and times after discussion with Ryan.

County Rep ::

a. Don Wallington would be pleased to receive Club Contacts and Team Numbers by 15th September.

1st Team Captain ::

a. Alex is awaiting the date chosen for the Club Team Captains meeting.

Junior Section :: No Report

Internal Leagues ::

a. Cyril stated that he would continue efforts to "motivate" players in the lower leagues to respond to 'requests to play' and to play their matches. Failure to do so will mean dropping from the Internal Leagues.
b. Cyril will continue discussions on forming a system of Racketball Leagues to encourage more singles matches to be played to increase the cross fertilisation of players in order to raise the general standard of play.

Website ::

a. Kacper Pagorek reported that the new Membership Application Form was now on the website.
b. GSJ to provide photographs of the fixing of the Chris Flint Memorial Plaque for the website.

Future Events to be arranged or confirmed ::

- a. Saturday September 16th: 1340 hours : English Vets v Welsh Vets Match. [Rugby Club Match v Kidderminster][therefore 'busy' Car park & Use main park]
- b. Saturday September 23rd : Shropshire County Championships Final & BBQ [Rugby Club Match v Cleobury Mortimer][therefore 'busy' Car park & Use main park]
- c. Gary Nolan, as Safeguarding Officer, will arrange a Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches and Captains.
- d. Date to be selected after the AGM for the Defibrillator training session to be arranged with Ryan Heath.

Housekeeping ::

- a. Thanks to Mervyn Davies for the donation of an under the worktop fridge.

Maintenance ::

- a. Melior Sports will attend on 17th & 18th August to sand floors and clean walls etc on Courts 2 & 3 Lee and GSJ to 'persuade' them to Inspect remaining Court surfaces and make recommendations.
- b. Howard Jones will be painting the new door to Court 2.
- c. Attic storage to be tidied to make space in an appropriate position to store tables and chairs.
- d. Roof leaks to be investigated in Club Activity Space. The Committee would like to receive recommendations for Companies willing to inspect exterior faces of roof.

AOB ::

- a. It was confirmed that, subject to agreement of the Chris Flint Steering Committee, that support may be given to sufficiently promising Juniors to enter out of County ES Graded Junior Competitions.
- b. It was **AGREED** to appeal to the whole membership in an effort to recruit more Coaches.
- c. Annette stated that it was her intention to provide a Cup for the Graded Junior Championship engraved "Chris Flint Junior Championship".

Date of next meeting

MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2023

Starting at 1900 hours