



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2023

Apologies ::

Annette Dickinson-Flint; Howard Jones; Laura Mather; Alex Nolan; Kacper Pagorek; Guy Scott; Don Wallington.

Present ::

G S Jackson; Cyril Nolan; Gary Nolan; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers.

Chairman's Report::

- a. Updating of Honours Boards being chased up. [again !]
- b. Ryan Heath has secured a new appointment at the Pure Gym now open at the Meole Brace Retail Park. This will prompt an in depth review of Use of the Club Activity Space and provision of Metafit classes etc.

Honorary Treasurer ::

- a. Laura reported the months income and expenditure by email. 10 out of 14 Sponsors have paid for their board. Expenditure included £1,450 on Court Maintenance and replacement of Ladies Showers. Laura said that the new monthly cost for electricity had risen from £120 to £230 per month which would require close monitoring.

Membership Secretary ::

- a. Lorna reported that Membership renewals stood at 71 for this season leaving 143 outstanding. Lorna would reconcile the membership numbers with the ES assumption and she would 'revisit' coaches and associate numbers.

Club Captain ::

- a. Lee reported that the Chris Flint Bronze Event Junior Championships would be postponed until the spring whilst the Club obtains an ES qualified Tournament Organiser.
- b. The Shropshire County Cup competitions have been "re-formatted" by Max Ball. All team Captains will be briefed by Lee.
- c. Provisionally 7 Squash Teams have been selected for County Winter Leagues with 9 teams for the County Cup Competition. Racketball teams to be sorted asap.
- d. Lee and Ben will be holding a Juniors Fun day at RAF Shawbury on 10th August.

County Rep ::

- a. The County AGM would be held on 14th September.
Club fees for teams are to be paid within 7 days of the AGM in order to qualify for a 5% discount.

1st Team Captain :: No report.

Junior Section ::

- a. Junior Club will restart after the Summer break. Gary was hopeful that Andy Nelson & Patrick Snodgrass would take a level One qualification. In line with Club Policy, fee costs would be met by the Club.

Internal Leagues ::

- a. Cyril is to continue efforts to "motivate" players in the lower leagues to respond to 'requests to play' and to play their matches. The leagues are mostly being contested .
- 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 has added photographs of the fixing of the Chris Flint Memorial Plaque to the website.

Future Events to be arranged or confirmed ::

- a. Saturday September 16th: The English Vets v Welsh Vets Match was cancelled.
- b. Saturday September 23rd : Shropshire County Championships Final & BBQ. Lee to invite Dennis to operate the 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. GSJ to speak to Derek Adams about a possible Defibrillator training session.

Housekeeping ::

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

Maintenance ::

- a. The sanding of the floors in Courts 1 & 2 had produced a great quantity of fine sawdust therefore requiring much additional floor and carpet cleaning.
- b. Howard Jones will be painting the new door to Court 2.
- c. Thanks to Russell Davies for cleaning out the roof gutters: the leaks in Club Activity Space still require identifying.

The Committee would like to receive recommendations for Companies willing to inspect exterior faces of roof.

AOB ::

- a. GSJ still to issue the appeal letter to the membership in an effort to recruit more Coaches.

Date of next meeting
MONDAY 4th OCTOBER 2023
Starting at 1900 hours