

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**



**MONDAY 1st JULY 2024**

**START TIME : 1900 Hours**

Apologies for absence : Mal Brown, Annette Dickinson-Flint, Laura Mather, Cyril Nolan [unwell], Guy Scott; Alex Whitehouse.

Present : Graham Jackson; Howard Jones; Max Lloyd; Pete Morgans; Gary Nolan; Lorna Rogers; Don Wallington.

1. Chairman’s Report:: a. Thanks to Sponsors Paul Allen, Courtney Downing and Chris Wase for New Team Shirts. b. Brief discussion to thank everyone for their volunteering and help on Championships finals & Anniversary Celebrations, in particular Cyril who had canvassed attendances from everyone, including 10 previous Club Champions, which made the day most successful, other help included the Bouncy Castle arranged by Dave Ryan; It’s a Knockout organised by Gary, which saw parents and juniors joining in, Dennis & Dave on the BBQ and Max taking lots of photographs. All Finals Cups and Plates are to be delivered to the Trophy Centre for engraving with the winner’s names and then returned to the Trophy cabinet. c. Congratulations to Chris Morris and Chris Wase on their selection as two of the four man team for the England O50’s Racketball match v Scotland.
2. Honorary Treasurer :: a. Laura Mather reported by email that the Annual Accounts for 2022/23 had been audited and approved by Iain Painter for which grateful thanks. b. The income & expenditure account for June was tabled which listed normal expenditure plus an oil delivery. c. For events like last Saturday, Laura recommended that there should be a clearer strategy for entry fees and costs associated with food etc. d. Sum up costings have been adjusted marginally to cover ‘shortages’.

3. Membership Secretary ::

a. Lorna reported that the Membership Figure was 211, up by 2 from the previous month. b. Invitations to renew membership in August would need to explain that the Club would no longer collect England Squash fees and the ES would operate a direct membership scheme from November 2024.

1. Club Captain :: a. No Report; Lee was absent. b. The Chairman would ask Lee to hold a Captains meeting to agree Captains and numbers of teams in County Divisions. c. Discussion required to resolve date and location for the County Closed Junior Competition and a date for the 2025 Chris Flint Tournament and Tournament Organiser if Ben is unavailable.
2. Competitions Organiser :: a. Pete Morgans was generally pleased with the arrangements for the Club Championships but slightly disappointed with numbers in the Ladies Competition. b. The Club would Host the County Closed Championships on Saturday 21st September. Alex W would help with the organisation. c. Pete will be considering organising a further Competition before the Winter Leagues start in October.

6. County Rep :: a. Don suggested liaising with Phil Caudle in respect of Winter League Divisions and teams therein. It was understood that last Seasons “D” team would not take up the promotion won from Division 2.

7. 1st Team Captain :: Alex Whitehouse.

8. Junior Section :: Gary Nolan. a. Gary was pleased to thank Parents and Juniors who had helped staff the England Squash display stand at Salop Leisure and the Shrewsbury Food Festival. However, it was still necessary to recruit more Coaches and Volunteers. b. Gary is currently identifying promising Juniors who would benefit from additional 1-2-1 coaching supported by the Flint Fund.

1. Internal Leagues :: a. Cyril has worked very hard to “resurrect” Internal Racketball Leagues and has posted 4 Leagues on the Notice Board; he suggested that it would be helpful to have member of the Racketball fraternity on the Committee

1. Website :: Kacper Pagorek needs to be provided with more photographs and write up of the Anniversary Celebrations
2. Future Events still to be arranged or confirmed :-
3. Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches.
4. Defibrillator training session. Gary reminded the Committee that the defibrillator should be checked regularly to ensure that it is kept in working order.

12 “Housekeeping”:: a. Reminder necessary to advise team Captains not to leave food in the freezer and to clear up adequately after match catering !! b. Any concerns about cleanliness of Courts and Changing Rooms should be reported directly to the Club Captain rather than grumbling or muttering!

13. Maintenance :: a. Chris Heath has volunteered to replace the broken sliding doors on the Flint under bench storage with something a little sturdier than the existing hardboard doors.

b. Floor finish in Male Changing Room & Showers to have a deep clean with a view to inspect and possibly programme replacement.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

***Date of next meeting.***

***MONDAY 5th AUGUST 2024***

*START TIME :: 1900 Hours.*