

Woking Squash Racquets Club

Committee Meeting

30th Jan 2018

Attending:

Jackie Thorogood (JT)

Kerryn Bartlett (KB)

Mark Watts (MW)

James Dyer (JD)

Jez Foulsham (JF)

David Dommett (DD)

Apologies:

Stewart Perry (SP)

Woking Squash Rackets Club Mission Statement

To support the **growth** of squash by offering members an **inclusive** and **friendly** club providing **excellent facilities**. To promote **participation** and provide support to players of all ages and abilities so they can **enjoy** competitive and recreational squash at an **affordable** level.

Actions / Decisions agreed:

GROWTH / PARTICIPATION

Tournaments

The Tournaments are now in progress with entrance available and a date for the finals set of 21st April with social event, more competitions and inclusion of Juniors on Finals day etc.

New lady members

Sukhy and Jackie ran a further 4-week Racketball coaching programme for new ladies in Jan on Friday mornings. To promote off peak membership to them at the end of the course

15 ladies have turned up for the Jan programme. They have been offered a trial 1-month membership for Feb at an off-peak rate of £15

Juniors

KB and Sukhy attended meeting of SSRA at West Byfleet to discuss the development of squash in Surrey. Subsequent meeting with Rob Beaumont. DD being sent a pack of resources by Mark Williams– suggestions around holiday clubs. Also, ideas around being a multi-sport club i.e. table tennis. Could then get funding. To investigate although unlikely to become a multi-sport club as would need infrastructure to change the club

Club Night

MW to investigate suggested changes. DD to ask Mark Williams

Should we have 7.30pm – 9pm for new members?

Can we get a coach for thurs nights and Fri morning? DD to ask Mark now he's back

JF speak to Paul for any ideas

Racketball

DG considering organising weekend a racquetball 1 day comp handicap comp & straight ball comp & beginners in May or June.

Agreed to do an informal canvass of players to see if they think the format of leagues should change. DG to e-mail players, DD/Committee to discuss

Will be discussed next meeting once DD confirmed with DG

Welfare Officer

Mark – DBS checked. NSPCC course completed 16th Jan.

England SRA 'Safe Squash' poster filled in with Marks details and affixed in the notice board, along with DBS cert and NSPCC cert.

Socials

there were a number of recent suggestions for Social activities, such as a Summer Walking Tour, Summer (and Spring!) BBQ, Go-Karting... Golf Day? JF will plan some things so we have a calendar of activities for this year

Emails / Data Protection

email problem to membership – not all emails getting through as being rejected as spam. Find third party server to improve this – SP to suggest how to solve. DD to chat to his work contact re this. Could move to cloud CRM – DD to investigate

SP/DD investigated mail chimp which seems like a good option

data protection regulations – GDPR- to be investigated and adhered to. DD to do an audit as has a template for this. Need opt in permission from all members

Other club Activities

JT circulated findings of the email sent asking:

It would be great to get an idea if anyone would be interested in the following:

1. Being part of a social running club to help increase your squash fitness. This could be organised at any time so if you're interested please specify whether daytime, evenings or weekends would be preferable
2. Attending a Pilates / Yoga course. This is likely to be run during the day on one of the courts at a time when the usage is minimal. The aim would be to improve flexibility and strength and help with injury prevention

We'd be interested in hearing any other ideas you have.

In summary – 6 interested in running, 6 interested in yoga/pilates (although we haven't gone out to the new lady members yet)

Some members sent in suggestions for other activities which JT will investigate

FACILITIES/OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE

New front door– been in touch with 2 door companies. Now looking into commercial door companies – anthracite grey / glass panel. JD to chase. Ongoing

Ceilings also need to be cleaned / patched / painting – James to sort himself. Cleaned/repairing to be done

Outside fire escape door to be painted. Ongoing

Water fountain for front entrance hall for plumbed in solution. Bottle filler only - £178 for plumbing. Need to research on the actual fountain. Put by under stairs small cupboard. To investigate – email quote this week. Poss. second-hand fountain – JD to source

umbing has been fitted, still sourcing fountain

Courtmasters and other banner to be removed from Dec. and put new sponsors banners up. JD remove current banners on courts. To do today

change rusty electric box / fan– SP/JD completed

Get new small board for upstairs (like the ones downstairs) – to be ordered

Renew paper towel dispenser in men's changing room. Completed

New hairdryer for ladies changing room

Heating – thermostat replaced tonight. Need to replace TRVs. £800. James to get 2nd quote, also boilers need the annual gas check and service. Completed

Come up with an annual maintenance list. Ongoing. Believe this to take a year to do. Start but to be developed

Downpipe outside to be sorted out – replace. Ongoing

Door handle gent's toilets to be replaced. Completed

CCTV sign to be put up outside club. Completed

- Discuss cameras/ scoreboard on courts – raised by JD last time. JD to make suggestion next meeting. Ongoing
 - Make bench up in changing rooms and touch up paint
 - PAT testing all equipment
 - Get cage for thermostat to stop people changing temp or get a remote sensor to leave behind the bar
 - Get rid of rug leading to men's changing rooms
 - clean car park to stop mud coming into the club

Bar area

Subgroup re bar area project –to discuss and bring to committee

Cleaners

New cleansers taken on and given instruction what to do

Affordable / Finances

Sponsorship

GGR to run the sponsorship - £2250 to be paid per year, over 3 years

Payment options for members

need to invest in modernising the bar voucher system and how members are able to pay for things like their bar bills, social activities – JF to investigate

Next Meeting: **Tues 20th March 7.30pm**