

## Woking Squash Racquets Club

### Committee Meeting

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Oct

#### Attending:

Jackie Thorogood (JT)

Mark Watts (MW)

Jez Foulsham (JF)

Stewart Perry (SP)

James Dyer (JD)

Adam Beedie (AB)

Anne Struyven (AS)

Shaun Mizen (SM)

John Bryant (JB)

Jen Cosgrave (JC)

#### Apologies:

Kerryn Bartlett (KB)

### 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 agreed:

Action
<b>GROWTH / PARTICIPATION</b>
<b>Ladies Section</b>
Over 30 ladies attended the nationally recognised Women's Squash Week which took place from 22 <sup>nd</sup> September to 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018
England Squash picked up our photo of the Monday night session and have shared this to the wider

squash community. They have also asked if we want to be a case study to gain further media attention – I've said yes!

The committee agreed to let the ladies racketball players have the courts once a month, one evening during the week (as we have no ladies team at present). We're also booking in some Saturday sessions for coaching, in the quieter periods.

JT to liaise with Pete Richardson re courts to fit in with team matches

### **Club Night**

Decided not to do a club survey as all comments to date re the revamped club night have been positive. Therefore, no action required

### **Juniors**

Adam and Mark met with Dom and Nicky to discuss the juniors.

At the beginning of this year, the Committee increased the Clubs' commitment to the Junior section by increasing the number of coaches and engaged the services of Chris Bartlett to oversee the changes.

During this period Dom indicated that within the next year or so he would in all probability be reducing the amount of time he would be able to spend at the Club owing to other commitments.

With this in mind, Adam Beedie took over from Chris with a remit to oversee the succession programme.

It was envisaged that this may take some time, but Rob Beaumont was available and able to take over the running of the Juniors from October. Rob is a Level 3 coach, and as a representative of Surrey SRA has contacts which will help with the development of the Junior section. He also has experience of marketing and administration.

From the Clubs' perspective this was an opportunity not to be missed, and so we agreed that Rob will take over from in October 2018.

Nicky and Dom were thanked for all they have done for the Club and have been sent a letter explaining our decision.

Possible funding opportunities – AB meeting Neil Franklin to discuss. Rob is keen to put on an after-school session for 1.5 hours – 4.30 – 6pm once a week – need to change the bylaws. AB to look at data and make a proposal

Currently 30-40 juniors on a Sunday

### **Socials**

JF will plan some things so we have a calendar of activities for this year

Finals / end of season party and awards evening was suggested. To be investigated

**Socials** – Planning on doing the quiz (Adam's son Luke) on Sat 13<sup>th</sup> October 7pm (which is World Squash Day). Exhibition match at 2 pm. AB to send out email to promote - 7pm quiz – 7 rounds, squash slant. Food included in price. To add to Facebook

Mark spoke to Surrey advertiser – MW to put some info together. Idea of world squash day is to get non-players on court. Offer this 3-5pm – run like a club night. Games against Joe Green.

JC agreed to take money over bar for a whole team to enter– cash or card

### **Other IT projects:**

to generalize the online leagues system to allow for more competitions, e.g. racketball leagues, ladies leagues etc

SP did the work to allow this but it has yet to be put in place - ongoing.

have disabled 40 ex-members' cards - still have over 100 to do. Ongoing. JB / JC have offered help

### **Late Cancellations**

Emails re cancellations not working on new website – SP to correct this week

## **FACILITIES/OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE**

### **Maintenance**

- Get new small board for upstairs (like the ones downstairs) – to be ordered - ongoing
- Come up with an annual maintenance list. Ongoing. Believe this to take a year to do. Start but to be developed **Ongoing**
- Quote for flooring in men's changing room- Discussed – something for next year
- Restrictors on all the windows to be fitted
- Light for bike rack gone - replace

- Change code on bar
- Fridge in bar leaking – Pete can get a refubed one. Get a quote for new one
- Clean carpet downstairs

### **Men's Changing Room Cosmetic Refurb**

- Mirrors to go back up in changing rooms
- Brighter light to go in shower
- More hooks
- Needs cleaning – MW to email cleaners. JS to chat to them

### **Affordable / Finances**

#### **Card Payment**

SumUp implemented and all going well

No longer accepting credit behind the bar– need to email all members. All debts to be paid. If an honesty bar then member must pay next time they are in

JT to inform all members

#### **Finances:**

SP to chase auditors for Accounts before the AGM

May need to redo courts - £5k per court. Consider doing 1 per year. Add to capital projects spreadsheet

#### **Lease**

Consider joining with the cricket club to have a joint bar / car park etc. Long term project

#### **Sponsorship and teams:**

Dave Dommett confirmed GGR sponsorship again this season, Need to chase – SP

## Capital projects

Project	Approx Budget	Comments
Men's Changing Room floors	£5,000	Flooring next year
New Car Park shared with WHCC	£10,000	Cost to be shared with cricket club? Ongoing project
Dehumidifier / Air Conditioning	£10,000	Plan is to collect humidity data first
Court renewal		Courts £5 k per court
Bar/kitchen project	£10-£15k	

## Committee

KB officially resigned

MW officially resigning at AGM.

SP to add new role descriptions to website

Roles and responsibilities of individual committee members to be reviewed and updated by each committee member for their own role. Also, photo required for each member

Current descriptions: [https://wokingsquashclub.org/club\\_management](https://wokingsquashclub.org/club_management)

Need to update:

Vice chair – JF - responsibilities include: project manager, club development, sponsorship, Supporting local community. Assistant to chair. JF to come up with full description

AB – overseeing and supervising long term projects

New Safeguarding officer – SP

To vote in officially at AGM – the below members need to write their proposed roles and get voted in by 2 non-committee members. Please let JT have written confirmation before the AGM

Jen CosGrove (JC) - Bar officer - SP nominated JC as need a replacement for KB immediately– proposed JT. Seconded JD

John Bryant (JB) – proposed Social Media officer/ IT Support

Shaun Mizen (SM)-proposed Treasurer

Anne Struyven (AS) – proposed Membership secretary and Secretarial Support

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- **AGM** – 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. Consider increasing fees. (affiliation to all England increasing by £2.50. £400 increase to club) Increase full membership to £305. Up by £5. Bar to be open. Give updates to Mark by end of this week. JT to send reminder. Free drink.
- Next meeting date / venue:

**20<sup>th</sup> Nov 7.30pm - Adams**