

TRING SQUASH CLUB

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28TH APRIL 2015

ATTENDED BY

Betty Longhurst (BL), James Walton (JW), David Gray (DG), Mark Bullard (MB), Barry Knight (BK), Carole Booth (CB), Keith Warman (KW), Charles Lefevre (CL), Emma Egan.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Matt Duncan, Joni Duncan, Steve White.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th MARCH 2015

The minutes were agreed.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Coaching – TD runs 4 training sessions at the weekend for juniors aged 7-18 years. The courses will be run through the summer to retain existing participants with the aim of building up numbers in September.

The committee agreed that the role of junior coordinator is essential. Hugh Dunford has been assisting.

A volunteer is required to take over the running of the leagues. Hugh Dunford has volunteered. KW will speak to Dave Suter about the feasibility of putting the leagues on the web-site.

JW made the point that moving the leagues online would be a good opportunity to put member' contact details on-line albeit in a non-public area requiring log-in access.

4. OFFICERS' REPORTS

A – CHAIRMAN

The volunteers evening was a success and within the £1500 budget.

The club has taken out Officer's & Director's insurance to cover the committee at a cost of £106.

The club is paying £160 per quarter to Pendley Sport Centre to cover annual service costs related to the common areas on the site.

The club hosted the Vets Counties tournament featuring the Bucks team, which was a great success.

B – TREASURER

- DG & Emma Egan presented the latest accounts to the meeting, which were discussed by the meeting.
- The cost of heat, light & power was higher this year, which is explained by the longer hours that the heating is available.
- KW made the point that he thought that the heating should be on continuously over the weekend in the winter months.
- KW made the point that the heating should be available whenever people want to play, but the committee pointed out it was not feasible to heat the courts for individuals playing outside normal hours.
- The committee thanked DG for his work to get the reports ready for the meeting.

C – MEMBERSHIP

No formal report but numbers have increased.

D – SECRETARY

- None

TEAM REPORTS:

E – MEN'S CAPTAIN

- 1st team will finish 7th and remain in Herts Division 1.
- The 2nd team finished 2nd in Herts division 2, and will remain there.
- This summer the club will field two teams this summer, one in Div 1 and one in Div. 2.
- There will be two racquetball teams competing next season, the first team captained by Paul Hobday and the second team captained by JW.
- The club held its first Racquetball tournament, which was won by Ross Proudfoot. Paul Hobday won the plate.
- JW requested that a Racquetball board is put up in the club. BL would like to see that the tournament gets established before this happens.

F – VETS CAPTAIN

- The Vets team finished 2nd. Steve Morley is forecasting that the team will go one better next year!

G – LADIES CAPTAIN

- The ladies have been successful finished 2nd in the Herts league and 1st in the Bucks league.

5. OTHER REPORTS

A – MAINTENANCE

- KW to confirmed final details for the toilets renovation and confirm the start date.

- Quote for the toilet redecoration, SW will talk to Rod Lee.
- The dishwasher has been replaced. The committee thanks Andy Booth for arranging this.
- June 12th is the date for the annual fire alarm check.
- Court maintenance will start in May.
- The committee has approved the installation of PIR technology.
- The oven has been cleaned.
- The BBQ has been maintained by Benny Truman.
- It was reported that the court numbering is in hand form MD.
- Committee accepted Rod Lee's quote to decorate the men's changing room and balcony. Rod Lee will commence work on Monday 4th May. The committee thanks Craig Frost, who has provided the paint.

B – SOCIAL

- Three teams from Tring Squash club are entered for the Pendley Bowls Tournament on May 17th.
- The next Hat club event is a Blues evening featuring Giles Hedley on 27th June.
- There will be a Squash-a-thon charity event on May 16th with proceeds going to Make-A-Wish and British heart Foundation.
- There are private functions on 13th June, 18th July & 25th July.
- July 10th 2015 is the date for the Golf Day to be held at Stocks, with dinner at the squash club.
- BL will investigate a date for the annual Hog Roast.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- The committee raised the issue of potholes at the main car park entrance. MB will raise this issue at the next Pendley Sport Centre committee meeting.
- JW will follow up a possible sponsorship opportunity with one of the members.
- BK is getting merchandise information.
- BK to contact Dave Proudfoot about Tring Squash club logo car stickers.
- CL may have to stand down from the committee in June due to business commitments.
- MB to follow up on the replacement doors for the TV /Committee room but to look at creating a single large access between the rooms with a movable glass partition, with a traffic door.
- MB will forward to the committee information about LED lighting for the courts.

- KW made the committee aware that Anthony Palmer would like to run a third winter team for members not currently involved in team squash. The committee thought that this was a good idea as it would give promising young players a chance to experience competitive club matches.

The meeting closed at 21:45.

9. NEXT MEETING

3rd June 2015