Wiltshire Squash Rackets Association

Committee Meeting

26th July 2018 – The Wessex Club

Present: Mike Stannard (Chair) Apologies: Dax Mellor (Juniors)
Peter Goldson (Member) Simon Williams (Med

Dean Watkins (Sec/ES Liaison)
Neil Marshman (Summer League)

Clive Morgan (Treasurer) Nev Buckle (Winter League) Mike Hyland (Sec/Minutes) Simon Williams (Media) Brian Brock (Website)

1.0 Previous Minutes

The previous Committee Meeting minutes were on 8th Jan 2018 but the last formal meeting at which actions were taken was the AGM 21/5/18. Approved and seconded.

2.0 Actions

2.1 MS – To understand why divisional playoffs were not held.

After talking to the teams there was a lack of understand that this was necessary and that there were no dates scheduled to allow for it.

Action: League Secretary to schedule in the Divisional Playoff Dates in future

2.2 CM – Understand from ES the visibility of clubs paying and rebate due.

Only 4 active clubs in Wilts – being 5 Rivers, Wessex, Cricklade and Marlborough. It is acknowledged that there are plenty of other clubs/teams playing from leisure centres where the organisation will not pay any subs to ES. (eq. Devizes).

2.3 Compulsory ES Membership for League players

Proposal "All Wiltshire Leagues Players must be paid-up & activated members of England Squash"

Vote: For 7 – Against 0 – Proposal carried

Action: League Rules amended and players informed – NB/MS

2.4 NB - League Rules Proposal

"Wilts Div 1 Matches will be played on a Thursday for the top two teams in a club"

Vote: For 7 – Against 0 – Proposal carried

Action: League Rules amended and captains informed - NB

2.5 Send Members in DB to CM (to support rebate claim)

MH concerned over GDPR aspect. Would like that addressed before sending details – but can support with specific queries.

2.6 DaxM to send list of coaches to MH For Membership DB update

DM concerned over GDPR aspect and would only provide details once resolved.

3.0 Charitable status

MS has done some investigation and has some guidance from CAN (County Association Network). There is an offer on the table for Richard Antcliff to walk us through the process.

Next Step: -

Action: MS to liaise with Richard and understand more around the process, benefits and costs. Proposed and passed 7/0

4.0 County Selection

ES will have next year's tournaments sorted by Mid-August Proposed: "Wiltshire will establish a selection committee who will agree a strategy for team age representation and a policy for player selection" – Approved 6/0 Action: MS to talk with Nigel, James, Dean(done), Clive (done)

Action: DW to contact ESR (Josh Taylor) if nothing by 15th August

Action: MS to contact ESR (Josh Taylor) and hand-over.

5.0 Funding

Currently we have c.£6000. The proposal was "An Annual review of the Development Plan and an understanding of progress" Passed 6/0 This would help identify any areas that may require funding.

6.0 County Tournaments

Dates proposed for next year:-

- Doubles Sat 22nd September
- -Open 19/20 Jan 2019 = 20/21st Oct 2018
- O'35 9/10th March 2019
- O'45 27/28th April 2019 Racketball 22nd June 2019

There then followed a discussion on moving the Open from Jan backwards to a date in October to fall-in with the ESR calendar and to aid county selection.

As a result the tournament moved to 20/21st Oct. (Held with James Ryan winning from Simon Lucas).

7.0 AOB

- 7.1 Letters presented from Steve Wakefield and Paul Clark – saying that they don't feel that they are being treated fairly. Proposal – to get back to Paul and Steve; thank them for the letter and their representation over the years. That they are welcome to participate in any future events.
 - 7.1.1 Action: MS to write and circulate to committee for approval
 - 7.1.2 Action: MH to send letter head to MS
 - 7.1.3 Action: If committee in agreement MS to send.
- 7.2 We have been asked by CAN to do a county audit – underway with MS
- Action: Next CAN meeting Sept 8th in Coventry MH to attend. 7.3

Actions table

Owner	Status	Action
NB	Closed	Circulate league playoff dates
NB/MS	Closed	Communicate rule change – Membership to ESR
NB	Closed	Communicate rule change – Div 1 games on Thursday
MS		Charitable status – liaise with Richard Antcliff
MS		County Selection – discuss with team captains
DW		Contact Josh Taylor ESR if no dates by 15 th Aug
MS		Contact Josh Taylor and hand over ?
MS		Circulate proposed response to P. Clarke/S. Wakefield
MH	Closed	Send Letter heading to MS
MS		If ok – send to Paul/Steve
MH	Closed	Attend next CAN meeting (8/9/18)