

Minutes Sussex Squash and Racketball AGM held via Zoom on day 26th July 2021 at 7.00pm

Attendees

Committee: Simon Tunley (Interim Chair, Secretary & University of Sussex), Chris Markham (Mens Fixture Secretary /Treasurer & Dolphin SC), Karl Manning (Website Coordinator & Acorns Copthorne), Bill Jeffries (Lewes) and Kelly Eastament (Development Officer)

Club Representatives: Allan Curtis, Dave Davis, Tony Fiveash, James Norman (Horsham), Steve Ballard (Crowborough), Fraser Williams (Brighton) Mike Farrell (David Lloyd), Paul Reeves (Dunnings), Rob Greengrass (Dunnings) Andy Norris & Keith Wilson (East Grinstead), Stephen Holliday (Lewes), Sarah Naish and Trevor Morgan (Weald)

	Action
<p>1. <u>Apologies</u> Andy Watts (Crawley), Brandon Hanley (Middleton)</p>	
<p>2. <u>Matters Arising from previous minutes of last meeting 18th July 2019</u> Minutes accepted and signed off</p>	
<p>3. <u>Planned Format for League Squash in 2021/22</u> CM sent around draft of leagues for 21/22 there has been a big drop off sadly however CM has applied relegation and promotion based on previous league standings. Concern is the number of matches per team based on the low take up however CM has suggested teams play each other home and away in both halves of the season. KM implied the leagues looked the best they could based on the circumstances. Feedback was some clubs might have additional teams that can enter late plus have scope to enter what would be beginner teams. Less teams does support the fact the season could finish even if there were further lock downs or restrictions. Format was agreed and CM said fixtures request will be sent around for clubs to complete so fixtures can be generated. Clubs will then need to liaise with each other about any changes required and let CM know. PR asked about providing food and it was agreed that clubs could make the call and discuss with their opponents if they would offer before any match. Discussion on showers as this may vary at clubs and this needs to be communicated with team captains before the match. PAR 11 in Premier and Div 1 and in lower division PAR 15 best of five. RG raised question around rankings and ghosting. The issue is around pros coming in for one off matches and affecting the rankings. RG view is that happy to bring in pros however they should be ghosted and it should not impact on the club rankings. The concern is regular club players are forced to play second team squash which potentially is a weaker standard or players do not want to play against clubs knowing they will be very strong based on having pros in their ranks. KE is keen to ensure players are not demoralised and we should be encouraging participation. CM stated ghosting the pros means clubs would have to find 5 good club players to be prepared to play premier league standard squash. JN stated he felt it is unlikely to be a big issue this season based on the uptake. CM believes maybe too late to put new rules in place, so suggest it should be a watching brief for this season.</p>	

4. Update on County Development

KM has been doing monthly coaching meetings to keep in touch with clubs and ensuring they are getting the support they need. KE stated to clubs to get in touch if they want to attend these meetings. KE stated they are running various squash stars programmes across primary schools in Sussex which link with local clubs. Post school sessions they move to the clubs for six sessions which gives a bigger chance of them continuing to play. KE also running a satellite programme looking at supporting kids on free school dinners using funding from Active Sussex. KE mentioned clubs hosting a club open day during womens squash week to try and get players back playing or attracting new players. Looking at the 25th September as the date and keen for clubs to send any details of plans which she can post on social media. Junior county squads have returned although numbers have been lower than hoped.

5. Treasurers Report

CM confirmed final accounts for 20/21 and budget for 21/22 are listed in the annual report (appendix 1). Very quiet year we did not charge a levy. We carried across a surplus from 19/20 as expenditure was less. Ended up this year a loss of £4k due to no team entries or rebate from England Squash. CM will need to adapt accounts for this season due to the low uptake of teams entering. Discussion around club members paying their ES fee which is essential to play in the leagues. The reality is to receive the quadruple rebate we need to ensure all players are members before they can play league squash..

6. Election of Committee for 2021/22

Those nominated were re-elected. However we still need a League Organiser for the ladies and juniors and various Area Representatives. CM/ST put out a plea for some new blood as we are now down to a skeletal committee.

7. AOB

Meeting closed at 20:10

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

For Year ending 31st May 2021

		2020/21	2019/20
Current Assets:			
Current Account:	Main	£855.34	£1,398.94
Deposit Account:	Main	£9,586.86	£12,609.57
	RIA	-£2,375.96	
	Creditors	£934.08	-£900.00
		£9,000.32	£13,108.51
Financed By:			
Revenue reserves brought forward		£13,108.51	£6,556.63
Surplus / Deficit for Main Account		-£2,718.19	£6,070.34
Surplus / Deficit for Juniors		£990.00	-£877.71
Surplus / Deficit for Development		-£2,380.00	£1,359.25
		£9,000.32	£13,108.51

I certify that this is an accurate record of the Sussex Squash and Racketball Association Accounts for the year ending 31st May 2021

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Chris Markham - Treasurer

03/07/2021

Approved by:

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Simon Tunley - Interim Chairman

03/07/2021

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Main A/C - Income / Expenditure to Budget - 2020/2021

<u>Income</u>	<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
ES&R Affiliation Fee Rebate	£393.00	£5,157.12
League Fees		
Men		£3,350.00
Women		£150.00
Junior		£420.00
Racketball		£330.00
EasyFunding Income		£16.63
Interest	£16.31	£44.00
	<u>£409.31</u>	<u>£9,467.75</u>

<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2020/21</u>	
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Men		
Senior		
Over 35		
Over 45		
Over 55		
Over 65		
Racketball		
Women		
Senior		£250.00
Over 40		
Inter County Entry Fees		£1,000.00
Junior Subsidy	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Development Subsidy	£2,000.00	£1,000.00
Regional Team Costs		
League Expenses		
Print / Stationery		£343.70
Trophies / Engraving	-£300.00	
County Closed		£710.00
League Management System (LMS)	£427.50	
Insurance		£93.71
Sundries		
	<u>£3,127.50</u>	<u>£3,397.41</u>
Surplus / Deficit	-£2,718.19	£6,070.34

Opening Balance	£9,587.49
Income	£409.31
Expenditure	£3,127.50
Closing Balance	£6,869.30

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Junior A/C - Income / Expenditure to Budget - 2020/2021

<u>Income</u>		<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
County Squad Income		£300.00	£5,005.00
Registration Fees			
County Closed			£510.00
Sponsorship			£1,000.00
Subsidy from Main Account		£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Parental Contribution to I/C Events			
£1,300.00	£7,515.00		
<u>Expenditure</u>		<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
County Squads	Coaching	£240.00	£4,690.00
	Courts	£70.00	£773.00
County Closed	Referee / Organiser		£200.00
	Courts		£100.00
	Prizes, Balls etc		£238.92
Inter County	Entry Fees		£500.00
	Stage Coaching		£489.00
	Finals Costs		£1,401.79
		£310.00	£8,392.71
Surplus / Deficit		£990.00	-£877.71

Opening Balance	-£43.53
Income	£1,300.00
Expenditure	£310.00
Closing Balance	£946.47

Final
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Development A/C - Income / Expenditure to Budget - 2020/2021

<u>Income</u>	<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
Subsidy from Main Account	£2,000.00	£1,000.00
Sussex Levy	£0.00	£2,265.00
Contribution from Regional Fund for Development role	£1,400.00	£605.25

£3,400.00 £3,870.25

Expenditure

Bursaries

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Development Roles

Development Officer Salaries	November - May	£2,421.00
	June - May	£5,460.00

Development Activities

Noah Meredith Brighton Schools Festival Coaching	£90.00
Torrie Malik - L1 Coaching Bursary	£120.00
Downs View Squash Academy - Squash 57 Equipment	£200.00

£5,780.00 £2,511.00

Surplus / Deficit

-£2,380.00
£1,359.25

Opening Balance	£3,564.55
Income	£3,400.00

Expenditure	£5,780.00
Closing Balance	£1,184.55

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