

YORKSHIRE SQUASH

THE YORKSHIRE SQUASH & RACKETBALL ASSOCIATION

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President – Dr. Assem Allam

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 6.00 PM ON TUESDAY 16 JULY 2019 AT PONTEFRACT SQUASH CLUB

PRESENT: Matt Stephenson (Chairman), Peter Keen, Mike Clemson, Steve Ridge, Billy Hawes, Nicky Horn and Richard Antcliff

APOLOGIES: received from Gill Choyce, Mike Robinson and Mark Shipley

CONGRATULATIONS were recorded to Andrea Santamaria and Mike Clemson, winners of their respective categories in the British Open Masters Championships, and to Phil Wakefield on reaching the final of the Mens Over 60s. Also to Richard Antcliff on being elected to the Board of England Squash, with commiserations to unsuccessful candidates Mick Todd and Stephen Blacksell

MINUTES of the meeting held on 7 May 2019 were approved as a correct record

MATTERS ARISING

- (a) Billy reported that the County Championships had taken place successfully, with a reasonable entry taking into account the need for a change of date and venue. Thanks were recorded to Billy for taking on the organisation
- (b) Mike reported on the mixed results of Yorkshire teams in the Inter-County Championships. It was agreed that we await notification of the arrangements for the ICC next season before deciding whether to enter teams
- (c) Initial problems about the change of website provider and the Yorkshire Squash domain to Gridhost Ltd. seemed to have been resolved, thanks to Mike Robinson

DRAFT ACCOUNTS FOR 2019-19

These had been circulated and were approved, with thanks to Peter Keen. They were currently being audited by Jackie Anderson, with the aim of presenting audited accounts to the AGM

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ACTION PLAN EOR 2019-20

- (a) It was agreed that the following competitive activity would be organised in 2019-20 –
- Yorkshire League (Billy Hawes)
 - Senior/Masters Championships at Pontefract on 25/26 January, with a reserve date of 23/24 November (Billy Hawes)
 - Junior Championships at Pontefract on 28/29 September (Steve Ridge)
 - County Racketball Championships at Chapel Allerton in 2020 (Peter Edwards)
 - Entry of teams in the Inter-County Championships 2019-20 (Steve Ridge, Nicky Horn, Mike Clemson and Peter Edwards)
- (b) It was agreed that the Chairman would arrange to meet Derek Norris to discuss his role in relation to the Northern Cup and the Ridings tournament, and his remit as County Junior Development Officer
- (c) It was agreed that the Chairman would contact Andy Murray (Iprosports) about the quality and price of the proposed new county T shirts, following which the Committee would need to decide on the level of subsidy
- (d) The proposals for supporting and promoting Coaching and Refereeing were agreed
- (e) After considerable discussion, it was agreed to advertise for a (fee) paid Development Officer to work with individual venues in the county to promote the use of their squash courts, and to undertake such other activities as were consistent with our Strategy and Action Plan, and to establish a panel to consider the responses and subsequent action
- (f) The Further Activity listed in the Action Plan was approved
- (g) Steve Ridge would discuss with Jayne Robinson any action arising from a proposal to run a county event for teams from primary schools
- (h) Venues and coaches would be encouraged via the newsletter to consider appropriate action in respect of World Squash Day (12 October) and Womens Squash Week (23-29 September)
- (i) Proposals to run On Court Pressure and Resilience Workshops for Juniors; and Club Matters Workshops for Affiliated Clubs, were noted
- (j) Participation figures, county by county, relating to the England Squash Participation Programmes, had been circulated to Committee members and were noted

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting would be held at 7.30 pm on Monday 16

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September at Pontefract Squash Club, preceded by a Committee meeting at 6.00 pm. There was some discussion on how best to ensure there was a quorum (a minimum of 13 representatives of venues affiliated to England Squash) and it was proposed that the agenda should include a proposal to increase the entry fee for teams playing in the Yorkshire League

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

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