

SQUASH SECTION AGM
HELD ON 12th JAN 2022 at 7PM

Present: Chair - John Owen, Secretary - Kevin Burrows, Treasurer - Daljit Nahil, Membership Secretary - Alan Shaw, Club Pro - Mo Sarwar, Fred Sage, John Hill, Janet Critchley, David Critchley, Roy Williams, Malcolm Robinson.

1. Apologies

Nigel Fawkes

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous AGM (20/11/2018)

It was noted that due to COVID and a new committee this was the first AGM since Aug 2018. The previous minutes were accepted as approved without comment.

3. Any matters arising from the previous AGM minutes

None.

4. Chair's Report

The Chair began by welcoming everyone to the meeting. He went through his previously circulated report, highlighting the various issues that had been dealt with during the year and thanking various people for their work and attendance.

The report was passed by those present.

5. Treasurer's Report

John Hill (Club Treasurer) read briefly through the financial report from the Club accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 (before handing over the activity for 2022 to Daljit Nahil).

This was passed by those present.

6. Membership Secretary's Report

Alan Shaw read through his report. This was passed by those present.

7. Team Reports 2020/2021

Due to COVID there were no team activities in the period covered by this AGM.

However, we have entered 3 teams in the squash league for the forthcoming period.

8. Election of Officers

The current officers (Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary) were all willing to stand again for these posts and were proposed en bloc by Roy Williams; seconded by Fred Sage and duly elected by all present.

9. Election of Committee

The other current committee members were John Hill, Steve Canciani, Fred Sage and Peter Scanlon (co-opted gym member).

Steve Canciani and John Hill had decided to stand down. Steve was thanked for his work in connection with maintenance issues at the club and special thanks were given to John Hill after almost 30 years of service to this committee.

There were no other nominations and the remaining two members were re-elected en bloc.

10. Any Other Business

- a) Janet Critchely highlighted that the ladies changing rooms have been improved through the recent crowdfunding activities. However, the lights appear to be on all the time which is a waste of electricity. It was requested that a larger notice is placed in the ladies changing rooms to advise members to turn the lights off after use. It was also asked if the panic button is still working. These issues are not matters for the Squash committee but will be passed on to the Club Manager.

- b) Malcolm Robinson enquired why the kiosk for member credits for the court bookings only takes coins/cash and why this couldn't be done via a card reader or behind the bar or remotely. John Owen stated that this was a limitation of the technology but we could potentially look at bank transfer processes for remote top up.

The formal meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.

Informal meeting to discuss the new One Club One Membership system and any other matters raised by members.

A video was played to show an example of Padel courts as CNWSC is undertaking a feasibility study on this. Daljit Nahil outlined an option where a company will install the Padel courts at no charge and take a % of the pay per play monies received (which is expected to cost £20 per court for 1 hour for members and £28 per court for non members). There were questions on the location and financials for Padel. This is still a work in progress but it was favourably received by those attending (some of whom took up the offer to experience Padel at Solihull recently). One company who we are talking to has its own marketing team to target schools and university as part of its campaign. We would be the first club in the area to offer this sport (although Kenilworth is also in discussions).

There was a discussion on the One Membership proposal which aims to remove the section focussed mentality of the club. Progress was highlighted and it was reiterated that this is to be introduced on 1st April, at which point all members can use all club facilities (Tennis / Squash / Gym / Netball / Cricket).

The informal meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.