



**Meeting of the Squash Section Committee
held in The Clubhouse on Monday 16th March 2015**

PRESENT Andrew Roberts (Men's Captain and in the chair), Gael Salzmann (Ladies Captain), James Chamings (Treasurer), Jon Sharpe, Mandie Rose, Liz Turner (President) and James Temple (Head of Rackets)			
APOLOGIES Vic Viney, Brian Copp, Mark Starling and Chris Jones (General Manager)			
ITEM	ACTIONS ARISING	WHO	WHEN
Minutes of the Last Meeting	The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record.		
Matters Arising	Rackets E-mails Any important information (change of times for club sessions) to have separate e-mail with clear subject lines.	JT	
	Exeter College Mandie Rose to provide a contact within Exeter College sports department for JT to liaise with.	JT	
	Doubles Tournament To take place on Friday 24 th April. JT to arrange poster/sign up sheet.	JT	
	JT to speak to JS to arrange order of goggles/squash rackets.	JT/JS	
	Rackets to be left behind reception with a deposit scheme set up.	JT	
Squash Professional			

	<p>AR and GS met with CJ and were told that the issue of the vacant squash professional post is to be discussed by the Board.</p> <p>AR, GS and JT to meet to discuss the qualities that the section would be looking for in a professional.</p> <p>JS to chase ESR about coming to EGCC at the event at Canary Wharf.</p> <p>Racketball Evening</p> <p>Over 40 people attended. Thanks to JS, Conall Platts, Gary Turl, Rob Turl and Chris Goodwill for their help running the session.</p> <p>Dates for the next session are difficult to arrange due to the Easter holiday. To be looked at again in April.</p> <p>AR suggested organising snack at the Sports Bar after the next event to tempt people to stay afterwards and make it a more social event.</p> <p>Sponsorship</p> <p>Some individuals have agreed to donate to the section after being asked by committee members. All committee members to continue looking for potential sponsorship.</p> <p>JS is to approach Dave Hazzard with regard to potential sponsorship.</p> <p>AR and GS to speak to some larger companies to gauge the possibility of bringing in larger sponsors. A draft letter will then be formulated following the next meeting to send out to companies for the sponsorship of the whole section.</p> <p>Post-Match Food</p> <p>Following a meeting between the squash captains and club management, the standard of food has improved drastically and the section has heard nothing but positive comments. Thanks to the management and staff for making these changes.</p>	<p>AR GS JT</p> <p>JS</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>JS</p> <p>AR GS</p>	
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Correspondence	<p>E-mail for Helen Mortimer to Mandie Rose:</p> <p>Helen Mortimer has contacted MR to raise the issue of courts being booked but not used. With online bookings there is a worry that people are booking in advance in the hope that they can find an opponent. When the court is not cancelled other members are unable to play despite there being free courts.</p> <p>JT to monitor court bookings and send out warning letters to anybody found not cancelling courts. JT to look into the possibility of a second instance resulting in the loss of the privilege of bookings courts a week in advance. When finalised, this system will be communicated via e-mail.</p> <p>E-mail from Pam Bealey regarding court 5:</p> <p>JT received an e-mail from Pam Bealey complaining about the state of court 5 and the fact that St Peter’s School were using courts 1-4. JT explained that the court will be fully cleaned when the annual maintenance of all courts is carried out over the summer. Housekeeping have since deep cleaned the floor of the court and will continue with their daily cleaning.</p> <p>The committee are happy with the arrangement whereby St Peter’s School use the courts during the morning as this is a way of ensuring that the courts are utilised during a traditionally quiet time of the day.</p>	JT	
Treasurer’s Report	<p>Current account: £821.93</p> <p>Savings account: £1890.49</p> <p>Unfortunately the treasurer James Chamings will not be renewing his membership in April. The committee would like to thank James for his work as treasurer and his contribution to the committee.</p>		

<p>Main Agenda Items</p>	<p>Teenage Squash</p> <p>There is currently a gap with teenage coaching. The possibility of running a mid-week coaching session is to be discussed at the next meeting.</p> <p>Exhibition Match</p> <p>GS and JS to look at contacting players for a potential exhibition match.</p> <p>Captain's Meal</p> <p>The date has been set for Saturday 9th May. GS to negotiate the final cost before further posters and e-mails go out.</p> <p>Junior Open</p> <p>No response so far from ESR about potential dates. GS to chase.</p> <p>JT to look into the possibility of bringing more junior county training/competition to the club.</p>	<p>GS JS</p> <p>GS</p> <p>GS</p> <p>JT</p>	
<p>Devon League Report</p>	<p>Division 1: EGCC 2 are 7th</p> <p>Division 2: EGCC 3 are 7th</p> <p>Division 3: EGCC 5 are 3rd</p> <p>Division 4: EGCC 4 are 6th</p> <p>Division 1 Racketball: EGCC RB 1 are 4th</p> <p>Division 2 Racketball: EGCC RB 2 are 7th</p> <p>Ladies Division 1: EGCC 1 are 4th</p> <p>Ladies Division 1 Racketball: EGCC RB 1 are 2nd</p> <p>The Devon Cup team play Exeter University in the final of the Devon Plate on Friday 20th March at the D&E.</p>		

Events Report	<p>Squash Club Championships</p> <p>To be held from Monday 13th April, finishing before the Captain's Dinner on Saturday 9th May. JT to organise poster and sign-up sheet and then determine the draw when he returns from holiday. Committee to encourage members to sign up.</p>	JT	
	<p>Racketball Club Championships</p> <p>To be held as a one day event on Sunday 3rd May. JT to arrange poster/sign up sheet and send out e-mails. Committee to encourage members to sign up.</p>	JT	
	<p>Doubles Tournament</p> <p>To be held on Friday 24th April. JT to arrange poster/sign up sheet and send out e-mails. Committee to help encourage members to sign up.</p>	JT	
	<p>Squash v Tennis</p> <p>To be held on Friday 27th March. It is hoped to reach eight a side and follow with a meal in the Sports Bar afterwards. JT to arrange and run.</p>	JT	
	<p>Summer Teams</p> <p>JT to speak to Mark Starling before Easter holidays to discuss this year's Summer Teams.</p>	JT MS	
	<p>Matters from Club Committee</p> <p>To be attached.</p>		
<p>Health and Safety Matters</p> <p>Tin on court 1</p> <p>JT to chase maintenance team about fixing the tin on squash court 1.</p>	JT		
<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Changing Room</p>			

	AR asked for an extra bench to be included in the sports changing room. AR to also raise at next Club Committee meeting.	AR	
	There being no further business the Captain closed the meeting at 8.45pm Next meeting: Monday 20th April 2015 at 6.30pm		