



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT BRYMBO S&SC

20 May 2008

• **Members in attendance:**

Mark Davies, Jim Tunley, Louise Jones, Sian Hughes, Helen Massey, Andy Bunning, Simon Kosciński, Hannah Davies, Margaret Meadowcroft, Gareth Williams, Kevin Jones, John Hampstead, Garry Fisher and Mannon Goddard.

• **Apologies received from:**

Darren Booth, Paul Murphy, Craig Stephens, Mike Thomas, Geraint Jones and Sheila Shoemark.

1. Note of the AGM held on 16 July 2007

These were confirmed as a correct record.

2. Chairman's Report

Mark Davies presented his report on the major activity within the Club over the past ten months, including Teams. In North Wales Leagues there was an occasional struggle to get players, but the Juniors 1 won the North Wales Plate with John Evans and Hannah Davies playing exceptionally well against Holywell.

Some of our junior players emerged from some tough matches with good experience for the future.

In the North West Counties Leagues, the Club finished their Division in fifth place and again this included some of our juniors.

Regular coaching for our Juniors continues with between 20 and 25 young people and 7 of these are involved with the Wrexham Performance Centre, which is subsidised by Squash Wales. Coaching is best supported through play and the juniors are encouraged to play both in the Club's internal leagues and as part of the Club's teams.

The Schools Squash Programme will continue with support from Squash Wales and thanks were expressed to Margaret Meadowcroft who has taken on the role of Schools Liaison for the Club.

Progression through coaching programmes may lead to selection for the North Wales Excellence squads. Thanks were expressed to Garry Fisher and Margaret Meadowcroft for their coaching support – without them, none of this would be possible.

Highlights of the year include Hannah Davies playing for the Welsh Under 17 team at the European Championships and finishing in third place. Emily Jones also played for the Welsh Under 13 team in the Home Internationals and finished in first place. Both girls could go on to greater things !

Our 2007 Junior Christmas Tournament, sponsored by Darren Booth for Procurasell International, was a great success with a great turnout of juniors from age 7 to 17. Thanks were expressed also to the support achieved from parents.

The Club's **Internal Leagues** had commenced in October 2007 and have been a great success with matches keenly contested each month.

As a boost to our communications, we were pleased that the **Club's website** was now up and running at www.wrexhambrymbosquash.co.uk and thanks to Jim Tunley for his work as webmaster.

The internal leagues will be included each month and all members are encouraged to feed in to Jim any articles / photographs they feel are appropriate.

A constant issue for the Committee is the on-going **maintenance of the Club** and a number of issues that are currently pending were highlighted. Some of the issues were for the Club, while some were the responsibility of the Sports & Social Club. For some of the Club's responsibilities, we would also be speaking with the Cricket Section where there is a shared interest.

3. Finance Report

The report was presented by Louise Jones who advised the meeting that at 30 April 2008 the Club's balance stood at £3,962.77. This included funds that were ring-fenced to either specific junior or coaching expenditure.

Members were reassured that insurance on the Club's buildings did cover any public liability. It was also understood that with current squash court usage the light fees were covering our monthly rental agreement.

With a suggestion to make a small increase in membership fees, some members felt that this should be considered but if were accompanied by a commitment for the Committee to assess the possibility of introducing an on-line court booking arrangement.

It was agreed to make further enquiries and, subject to cost and sustainability, for the matter to come back to the Committee for discussion.

A proposal to increase membership fees was agreed, with effect from 1 June 2008, as follows:

- Senior - £60;
- Junior (in full time education) - £30 or £50 for 2 children from same family;
- Family (2 adults and children) - £90.

4. Election of Officers of the Club for 2008-2009

The following were elected:

- Chairman - Mark Davies
- Secretary - Jim Tunley
- Treasurer - Louise Jones
- Team Reps - Garry Fisher, Andy Bunning, Sian Hughes
- Schools - Margaret Meadowcroft
- Maintenance - Gareth Williams
- Ordinary Members - Craig Stevens, Kevin Jones.

5. Other Business

- (1) Internal Leagues – to be organised by Andy Bunning.
- (2) On-line booking – we could no longer impose on Gareth Lloyd and it was agreed that Andy Bunning should make further enquiries with Tunbridge

Wells about their system and report back to a small group, to include Jim Tunley, Mark Davies and Simon Koscinski.

- (3) Handicap Tournament – it was agreed to consider a tournament one month instead of the internal leagues. Margaret Meadowcroft with Mark Davies would look into this for either the summer months or prior to Christmas.
- (4) Team Shirts – this was suggested as a good thing for players who represent the Club, though sponsorship would need to be identified.

Jim Tunley