



## TEAMS MEETING AT BRYMBO S&SC

6 June 2011

- **Members in attendance:**

Mark Davies, Jim Tunley, Geraint Jones, Hannah Davies, Mike Povey, Chris Lucas, Dave Thomas, Craig Stevens, Aled Goddard, Mannon Goddard, Darren Lee, Aleks Stojanovic, Robbie Evans, Marshall Clayton, Neil Rawlings and Ian Humphreys.

- **Apologies received from:**

Simon Koscinski and Gareth Hinton.

- **North Wales Leagues:**

Possibility of a fourth team being submitted to accommodate some of the Juniors who currently do not get a game. If this were to happen, it could mean that our current Juniors Team (Third Team) may retain their place in the Second Division ! There is an imperative for this all to be sorted and agreed by the second week in July (when the NW League Committee is due to meet).

Our Second Team has issues with being in the First Division – most players acknowledge their capabilities and do not see themselves as being 1, 2 or possibly even 3<sup>rd</sup> string players in the First Division. A suggestion, therefore, that we consider the possibility of “parallel teams” from the Club. These would be based on merit with no cross-over during the season – this could have the effect of weakening both teams. The key would be to have a strong 1 and 2 in each team and a squad of seven players per team.

A further issue would be around commitment to play – some have already indicated that they would not wish to be considered for teams on both a Tuesday and Thursday.

**It was agreed:** we need to begin exploring the ideas with representatives from the North Wales League.

- **Team Captains:**

This will depend on how squads of players work out. Rob will remain Captain of the team in the NWCSL and will attend their AGM on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. For the North Wales teams a co-ordination role may be required initially.

- **Refreshments:**

Mike (Steward at Club) will not be available to continue with post-match food this year. It was suggested we make contact with a local chippy and / or Chinese to see what could be available. **Marshall agreed to make some initial enquiries and report back.**

- **Ladies Team:**

As there were no other Ladies Team members available other than Hannah, it was difficult to discuss this in any detail. The Ladies had survived their first year in the NWCSL First Division, however, for the 2011-12 season, Hannah has decided that her Squash Wales and University schedule will not allow a tough game and late night in the Monday Ladies Leagues.

This will have a knock-on effect that should be considered by all those involved with the Ladies Team. **Mark agreed to speak with Sian.**

There was brief discussion about the possibility of the Club fielding a second Ladies Team but this would only be if it were sustainable with a reasonable squad of players.

- **Match Fees:**

Much will depend on the deal that Marshall is able to negotiate !

The matter of fees payable by our juniors was raised and whether or not the Club could contribute in some way to a subsidy, particularly those involved in both the Tuesday and Thursday teams. **Marshall also agreed to ask the question of the caterer if they would be prepared to sponsor our teams.**

- **Other business:**

1. A suggestion was made that rather than have a possible four teams in the North Wales Leagues, we bid to have a second team in the North West Counties Squash League. It was agreed to canvas some opinion before any further consideration.
2. Another suggestion was to consider a "Ladies Team" in the North Wales League Division 3. Again, it was agreed to canvas opinion on this idea.

- **Next meeting:**

In view of the number of issue left unresolved, it was agreed to meet again in two weeks, on **Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> June in the Sports & Social Club at 7.30 pm.**