



## Note of Squash Committee Meeting - 5 November 2007

Present - Mark Davies, Jim Tunley and Louise Jones.

Apologies - Margaret Meadowcroft, Ian Davies, Gareth Williams and Andy Bunning.

### 1. Matters arising from AGM (16 July 2007)

- The note from our first AGM has been circulated to Committee members and posted in the Club.
- A Club newsletter will be considered in the lead up to Christmas.

### 2. Financial update

- A system of invoicing teams was agreed through an e-mail from Louise to each Team Captain.
- It was agreed to move any balances in our current account above £800 into an easy access "cash saver" type account, to gain some interest. This to be kept under review.
- Membership continues to grow and subscription fees would be reviewed at the next AGM, following our annual review with the Brymbo Directors.
- It was pleasing to note the success of our Community Chest application and an award of £1,000 towards coach's education. When received, it was agreed to put this into our new "cash saver" account.

### 3. Coaching update

- Mark had completed part of his UKCC Level 3 course over two days with another two in the New Year. We expressed concern that the new and intense generic courses could have the effect of discouraging new volunteer coaches to come forward.
- Local programmes are working well and eight juniors have been picked up from the recent school taster sessions. It is hoped to maintain this progress and continue the schools programme with three different schools in the New Year.
- Contact needs to be made with Wrexham Council's Sports Development Team, to apprise them of our programmes and to achieve some co-operation in the potential use of Queensway for the Wrexham town schools.
- Recent COLD sessions have been disjointed due to the non-availability of some players.

### 4. Teams update

- These are working well particularly through the integration of juniors in the Tuesday league. Though they are often losing their matches, the developing confidence is noticeable.

- We considered representation from Ian Davies, as follows:-  
"My only concern at the moment is from a team perspective I've noticed that the Senior Tuesday team has played with 4 players when the other team in the same division didn't have a game. Shouldn't we be supporting each other?"

In Andy's absence, Mark expressed concern and disappointment at this but explained the situation as he understood it - a single unfortunate incident due to a very late in the day apology. The principle at our Club remains that we will always attempt to ensure teams travel at full strength, indeed some re-arranging had been necessary to ensure this is the case for matches scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> November.

#### 5. Christmas activity

- We agreed to establish a handicap tournament to involve all members of the Club during December, in the run up to Christmas. Mark will consider potential handicaps.
- To encourage everyone to play, this will replace the December internal league.
- For the youngest members, Mark will also arrange a separate tournament, that could take place couple of hours.

#### 6. Club's Formal Opening

- We still need to consider this further with the views of all committee members.
- A suggestion was for this to take place at the end of the season, to mark our first anniversary and achievements.

#### 7. AOB

- Need mirror in gents over wash basins
- Need a lock between changing area and courts
- Pointing on building completed (the prevailing aspect, facing the Social Club)
- Will need to touch up decoration on courts and some other areas of the Club
- Ambirad requires attention
- Would like to have photos taken of all teams playing at the Club this first year.