



# WARWICKSHIRE

## *Squash & Racketball Association*

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### Minutes of the Warwickshire County Squash Management Meeting held on Tuesday 6th December 2016.

Present: - Nigel Orrett, Chris Barker, Mo Sarwar, Roger More and Max Holt.  
Later Jackie Bulman.

Apologies: - Leonie Holt, Jon Summers.

1. County Closed: - It is to be held at Sutton. To date no sponsorship is organised but we are assured it will be.
2. Child Protection: - We have received an email from England Squash. Mo has spoken to Gayle Pink. The website needs to be updated. Mo will organise this. He will also attend a two day course plus one further day. He is not required to but it will be useful experience. Mo and Nigel are to liaise about a member at Arden who is interested in becoming involved. Mo will liaise with England Squash to make sure we cover all necessary issues.
3. Referee and Marking courses: - A course has been run at Sutton and Four Oaks have requested one. Mo to organise.
4. Coaching Workshop: - Paul Carter is running a workshop at Kenilworth. It is of concern that such a course is being held in Warwickshire without the committee being informed. It is felt that all Level 3 and Level 4 county coaches should have been invited and they have not. Mo will email Tom Duggan of England Squash (cc to Kenilworth), on behalf of Nigel, expressing our concern at the discourtesy and suggesting that we should have been informed and that all Level 3 and 4 coaches should have been invited.
5. Treasurer's Report: - We still have an affiliation issue with Cleaver. England Squash have invoiced Cleaver for 48 members plus 2/3 juniors. They have 88 members. Roger to email England Squash (cc to Chris Barker) regarding the incorrect numbers and request that they revise the invoice. Roger will also speak to Steve Elliot. Cleaver will be excluded from the League if they do not affiliate correctly.
6. Juniors: - Teams have performed really well in the Inter County Championships. 4 teams are through to the finals being held in Pontefract. Boys U19, U17 and U15 and girls U17. Jackie said she was not concerned about the finals not being held at Manchester. The juniors have had to host 5 times this year and Jackie thinks they may run out of money. Jackie will contact Keith Harvey (Junior Treasurer) to email Chris regarding the finances. Roger complained that too many junior events were being held at Kenilworth. Jackie refuted that. Roger to sort out with Steve Townsend. Clubs should not charge the County for hosting junior events. They can raise funds by providing food and drink to purchase.
7. Leagues: - Steve Hubbard Salver – a one off summer racketball knockout competition was won by Cov and N.Warwicks. As it is the half way point in the league clubs can re-nominate. Sutton



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and Four Oaks are adding a ladies' team between them for the second half of the season. 5 point deduction for not entering the written results within the 3 day limit has been implemented on a few occasions – no team twice.

8. Meeting between Jon Summers and Nigel Orrett

A Mission Statement. Nigel to compile a mission statement for the website.

B Meetings at clubs. It was thought unlikely that club members would want to attend and not all clubs have a room available for meetings and so we will continue to meet at Nigel's.

C Kit Sponsorship. We need to change the banner and graphics and include more photos displaying the kit.

D Kit. We also need to advertise the kit on the website and make it available for purchase. We need to be more proactive with the website. This is difficult at the moment. Jackie to liaise with Nicole Stevens regarding junior information going on the website and Mo will liaise with his brother regarding senior issues. Sandra Robinson will still be in overall charge. We need to encourage other parties to advertise on the website.

E Mentoring. To strengthen the relationship between juniors and seniors is the motive but we need to be careful regarding child protection issues. As a committee we need to inform clubs of their responsibilities insofar as this is concerned. In particular, the need for all adults working with children to have DBS checks. (Disclosure and Barring Service). Mo to liaise with Jackie regarding this. Mo to use the website to inform clubs of any safeguarding workshops as well as first aid courses to be held. This will help clubs to achieve Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.

F County Connections. Interest was expressed with regard to the twinning with Iceland programme. Nigel to ask Jon to investigate further.

G Captains' charter. We need all team captains to take their captaincy seriously. The website should have a photo of each captain with their squad and the captain should write a report with results for the website. Leonie and Mo to liaise to establish a charter.

9. AOB:-None.

10. Date of Next Meeting:- Tuesday March 14th