

## **Minutes of the Warwickshire Committee Meeting held on Tuesday February 5<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Present:-Nigel Orrett, Mo Sarwar, Chris Barker, Roger More, Leonie Holt and Maxine Holt

Apologies:-None.

### **1 Chairman's report.**

We are blessed in Warwickshire with talented coaches and vibrant clubs but this is not reflected in the figures that E.S. have.

2017 – 18 clubs, 2500 members.

2018 - 19 clubs, 1850 members.

These are the figures on which Sport England judge our sport so:

Progress.

- 1 Affiliation of all clubs is necessary.
- 2 All league players need to be affiliated so we need a system that does not allow the non- affiliated to be registered.
- 3 We need to send information to all clubs re:
  - benefits of members being affiliated and activating their membership.
  - players' insurance.
  - there has been a positive response from Arden.

Secretary/Computer expert.

We desperately need to fill this role- there was some discussion as to whether this needed to be a paid position but the debate was inconclusive.

### **2 County Teams.**

We need a clear mandate for captains on payment of players if we are to be successful.

### **3 Steve Hubbard Bursary update.**

£22500.00 to Warwickshire.

£15000.00 for Tournaments.

£7500.00 for Participation and Development. (Ideas on how to spend this needed).

£7500.00 to Regional (t.b.c.)

### **4 County Closed.**

Mo reported that the County Closed was a success. The results are on the website.

In future we need to have a system for players to enter and pay online.

Leamington have offered to host next year's event.

Action – Mo to liaise with Jason Pike.

To encourage top players to enter it was suggested prize money should be offered. The debate that followed was inconclusive.

Action – Nigel to write to Sutton thanking them for hosting the event.

### **5 Coaching.**

There is a Young Leader course being held on the 11<sup>th</sup> March and a Level 1 course on the 28<sup>th</sup> April.

In June a Level 2 course will be held with the date to be confirmed.

Action – Mo will ask Chris Hall to put these dates on the website.

### **6 Warwickshire Juniors.**

There has been no information forthcoming regarding the junior section and this needs to be rectified.

Action – Mo to liaise with Chris Hall and Jason Pike re the junior coaching programme and if it is possible to find a representative to attend the senior committee meeting to represent the juniors.

### **7 Leagues.**

Roger has sent a report for Chris to put on the website

Action – Roger to organise summer league entries – there will be no increase in entry fee – as last year there will be a reduced fee for early entry.

**8**      **Ladies.**

Report of 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of senior team playing is on the website. Ladies will be playing for promotion to the Premier League on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> April in Nottingham. Alicia will hopefully play at least on the Saturday. It was agreed that the team could purchase Hoodies/Tops.

**9**      **Treasurer's report.**

As the money we receive from England Squash is affected by the number of affiliated and activated members we need to put forward the rule at the AGM that all league players must be affiliated. 6 clubs are still not affiliated.

Action – Roger to write to these clubs and inform them that they must be affiliated if they want to enter summer leagues. Roger to enquire whether the organiser of our present league system can help set up a new system to ensure only activated affiliated players can be nominated by clubs to play in their teams.

NB Jason Pike asked some Leamington members via WhatsApp to activate their membership and there was an immediate positive response.

**10**      **Date of next meeting:** April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm.