

# COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



## Warwickshire Squash

Website: [www.warwickshiresquash.org](http://www.warwickshiresquash.org)

Date of Committee Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Date of Next Meeting ???

### ATTENDEES

NAME	ROLE	Present (Y/N)
Mo Sarwar (MS)	Committee Chair	Y
Roger More (RM)	League Secretary	Y
Chris Hall (CH)	Liaison Officer	Y
Bhawna Singh (BS)	Junior Chair	Y
Leonie Holt (LH)	Ladies Captain	N
Sam Miller (SM)	Men's Captain	N
Steve Page (SP)	Treasurer	Y
Andy Murray (AM)	Masters Captain	Y

1	Outstanding Actions from Previous Meeting
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2	Juniors Report (CH /BS)
<p>CH and BS reported back on meetings between prominent local coaches as to the introduction of a Warwickshire junior pathway, with particular focus on a Challenger event circuit and reintroducing the Grand Prix series.</p> <p>CH and BS put forward a financial proposal for a junior county coach now that Roxy has left the role. The working group (BS, CH, Jason Pike, Mike Edwards and Chris Ryder) had been in favour of one lead county coach rather than different coaches for different age groups.</p> <p>It was agreed to revisit this once more detailed costings for the junior setup had been put together. CH and BS to put together for the next meeting.</p>	

Trying to build a junior committee has led to one parent asking if the process was democratic. As a result, BS had approached all junior parents asking if anyone would like to be involved, there was no response.

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### Inter County

RM has now entered teams for the senior and masters inter county.

#### Masters

Round 1: 4/5 March

Finals: 15/15 April

#### Seniors

Finals: 13/14 May

#### Juniors

Finals: 25/26 March

Racketball: 17/18 June

All captains are aware of the dates and are starting to finalise teams

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### Financial Report (SP)

SP informed us that the handover from Chris Barker (CB) was nearly complete and that CB would continue to be helpful with any loose ends.

There is currently £34,000 left in our accounts with the first payment of our ES affiliation rebate imminent, this is expected to be around £6000 of the total £8000-£8500.

Our current expenditure is around £4000 more than our income so we need to look at ways to control expenditure and increase our income. A broad discussion followed and it was agreed to raise future county closed events to £20 entry fee in line with other competitions.

A discussion followed about sponsorship. Andy Murray is going to use his knowledge of England Squash Masters to put together some thoughts. CH suggested Rachel Finch (Kenilworth Squash Club member) might be a useful contact as she works in marketing and has helped attract sponsors for the club. CH to speak to Rachel and put in touch with AM if she is willing to help.

<b>5</b>	<b>League Report (RM)</b>
<p>RM informed that Warwick University had a problem with their term finishing the week before the end of the season. Two matches had been shuffled earlier but still one to sort or it would have to be conceded.</p> <p>RM to liaise with this year's captain to try and prevent a problem next winter but not that easy but the two universities do bolster the league with at least 6 teams. The maximum number of teams per division was reduced a few years ago to help with this.</p>	

<b>6</b>	<b>Events</b>
<p>Masters County Closed entry numbers are low. CH and MS to continue to advertise and speak to regular players.</p>	

<b>7</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>
<p>The constitution is currently in written form. CH is in the process of making it digital and will upload to the website</p> <p>A request for funding from Empower was discussed. It was agreed that we would not be able to support them at this time</p> <p>Roger informed the committee that a letter was en route to Buckingham Palace about us running a junior event in honour of the late Prince Philip. The annual event would have finals close to his birth date and asked if the court at Buckingham Palace could host the final.</p>	

<b>LIST OF ONGOING ACTIONS</b>			
<b>No</b>	<b>Action Description</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Status/Target</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Put together a detailed financial plan for the junior section, including junior coach costings</b>	<b>CH/BS</b>	<b>Ongoing – present at next meeting</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>AM to put together sponsorship ideas</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>Ongoing – present at next meeting</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>CH and MS to encourage master's county closed entries</b>	<b>CH/MS</b>	<b>Ongoing – closing date is 21<sup>st</sup> January.</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Consider ways to reduce expenditure and increase income</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>Ongoing – Discuss at next meeting</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Inform Empower (Deon Saffery?) of our funding decision</b>	<b>MS</b>	-
<b>6</b>	<b>Type up the constitution and put it on the website</b>	<b>CH</b>	<b>By 01/02/23</b>

<b>7</b>	<b>Upload meeting minutes to the website</b>	<b>CH</b>	<b>By 01/02/23</b>