DSC AGM 17 Nov 2024 Minutes

Squash Committee Meeting & AGM 17/11/2024

Apologies: Tim Garner, Duncan Marlow

Present: Greg Wallyn, Jim Monteith, Nikhil Roy, Graham Ashton, Rupert March, Miriam

Emanuel

Club Members Present: Callum Dryden, Chris Randall, Terry Gardner, Pat Forristal

Treasurer's Report: Accounts approved

Council Update: N/A

Coaching: N/A

Teams

- Ladies team ending first half of the season mid-table
- Mens teams continue to challenge the top of their leagues

Sub Collections, Renewals & Membership

- a. 23-24 squash membership year closed with subscription revenues of £83,364 (£82,746 for previous year)
- b. 33% growth in annual payers & 41% decline in monthly payers
- c. All members that have not renewed have been deactivated from the MyCourts system
- d. New Under-25 membership category has its first member and we have two members taking advantage of the lower priced Student membership
- e. Introduction of Stripe for annual payment has coincided with sharp drop in members paying monthly. No clear reason why this has happened.
- f. For 24-25 we will continue to look at how we can simplify the subscription collection process, as well as potentially introduce new payment plan options.
- g. We will survey the members before making any further changes.
- h. Membership payments no longer taken at the Bar

Squash activities and events

Tournaments

- Mixed Graded Tournament Dec 7th Full
- Ladies Graded Tournament April 26th
- Second Graded Tournament Date TBC

Greg and Miriam to confirm dates for the Winter Handicap club tournament - proposed end on Jan.

Approved Committee Roles

President: Nikhil Roy

Vice President: Greg Wallyn
Membership: Rupert March
Leagues: Graham Ashton
Secretary: Miriam Emanuel
Coaching: James Brownsdon
Men's Team Cpt: Harry Prescott
Ladies Team Cpt: Miriam Emanuel
Safeguarding Rep: Miriam Emanuel
Marketing & Comms: Steve Pavett

Treasurer: Jim Monteith Council Rep: Tim Garner Members: Duncan Marlow Racketball: John Hughes

Proposal for a Social Sec to be explored, all members to consider potential members.

- Social Events on internal finals days
- Interclub tournaments

Thanks shared to Graham for his tenure as President of the Squash Section and welcome to Nikhil going forward.

AOB

- Query as to the progress of the 5th court

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