FERRIBY HALL SQUASH CLUB

Committee Meeting Minutes - Wednesday 18th November 2015

Present: Richard Brown (chairman)

Steve Birss (Secretary)
Steve Verity (Treasurer)
Mike Archibald (Supervisor)

Clive Tomlinson Nigel Downes Mel Hatfield

Apologies: Ian White

Bob Carroll Matt Lambert

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 26th August were approved as an accurate summary of the proceedings.

Secretary's Report

Reported that membership renewals had gone well and with good liaison with Treasurer.

Current membership numbers are :- Adults 110

Off peak 7
Juniors 26
Students 3

Considered a healthy membership considering year on year.

Treasurers Report

Audited and signed year accounts tabled for agreement - duly unanimously given. Accounts will be issued to members with agenda for next AGM.

Increases in court bookings and light fees, as approved at last AGM, to be implemented as of January 1st 2016, subject to paper showing increased revenue incomings being circulated and agreed by committee members.

Comparisons have been made with other local Squash Clubs and membership costs will remain lower on average.

Website and Online

Recent problems with pre-block booking courts is ongoing and is being addressed by ND and SB. Possible that one cause of problem is windows 10 upgrade. Agreed that Payne should be providing IT training for site controllers which was offered some time ago - ND to action.

Agreed that if ongoing problems are as a result of windows 10 upgrade, an additional lap top may have to be purchased to accommodate.

Wi-fi appears to be performing more reliantly.

Playing matters:

Handicap Lessons

Commenced on 9th November.

Other than some problems with lights not automatically coming on, as minuted above, all seems well initially.

Mini-Leagues

Continues to be well supported.

Racket ball mini-leagues

Continues to be supported well by playing members.

Juniors

Reported by Andy Cockerill that Monday evenings continue to be well supported and Saturday's variable.

Request made that any court cancellations for coaching to be given with as much notice as possible.

Hull and District

Three teams registered and matches now commenced.

Tournaments

Club Knockout - semi finals to be played by 29th December.

Handicap Tournament to be posted for entrants. Matt Lambert / Mel Hatfield.

Club Coach

No matters to report

Maintenance

Supervisors Report

Ball and racket head marks on walls and black sole marks on court floors identified as ongoing maintenance problem.

Maintenance and measures agreed as :-

<u>Wall marks</u> - regular (weekly / alternative daily) clean of walls to be undertaken by MA. Best cleaning method currently being established.

<u>Floor marks</u> - door mats and notices regarding non-marking soles to be provided at entrance to each court.

Where identified, individual players will be approached and made aware on non-compliance.

Recent problems with loss of pressure with boiler being investigated.

Capital Investment and Maintenance Programme

Final stage of phase I includes, re-skimming of Court 1 walls to be carried out during week commencing Monday 21st December – court will be closed for one week to facilitate work.

Working party to be established to commence preparing phase II phase of work, programmed to commence during late 2016.

Barn

Discussions have been held with Ferriby Hall regarding possible sale of Barn.

Paper to be prepared by Chairman for circulation to committee members and subsequent inclusion on agenda for discussion at next AGM.

AGM

Date set for Thursday 28th December.

Chairman and Secretary to prepare agenda and arrange for display and issue of relevant documents to members.

Any other business

Mel Hatfield tabled England Squash matters including:-

British Open - to be held during 2016 Easter weekend and suggested we offer use of our courts for preliminary rounds in exchange for tickets.

Unanimously agreed and MH to action.

Through their business sponsorship Mel Hatfield and Ian White have offered to arrange professional players demonstration matches at North Ferriby. Unanimously agreed and MH to action.

The majority of court refurbishment work now complete, identified that opportunity to offer additional corporate advertising on court lines which could accommodate a further two signs per court.

Chairman and Secretary to prepare an invitation to members.

Ferriby Hall Squash Club Limited - change in Director, Secretary and shareholder roles of Club Trust Company.

As required and in order to register change in these roles, confirmed that Ron Freitag, (Director and shareholder) and Paul Watson (Secretary and shareholder) are to resign and roles to be undertaken by, Steve Birss (Director) -: subject to confirmation, Steve Verity (Secretary, Director and shareholder and Richard Brown (shareholder). N:B -: Richard Brown already Director.

Next committee meeting

To be arranged following AGM which is to be held on Thursday 28^{th} January 2016