

ISC Squash AGM 2017

Date: 15 May 2017
Location: Ipswich Sports Club
Present: Kristian Day (KD), Ali Livingstone (AliL), Alec Livingstone (AL), Andy Yorke (AY), Nigel Griffiths, Pam McCartney (PM), Emily Ison (EI) Josh Turmel (JT), Kevin Balham (KB), Clive Johnstone (CJ), Maggie Lipscombe (ML), Mick Muncaster, Liam Hicks, Pascale Cadier
Apologies: Ashley Burton, Vanessa Penn, Dick Partridge, Frank & Karen Turmel, Tom Goody, Jan Harms, Jason McPhie.
Time: 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Minutes

1. KD introduced everyone to the meeting and reviewed last year's minutes and actions:
Unanimously agreed the minutes were a true reflection of last year's meeting.
2. Chairman's Report (KD)
 - a. Membership – steady at 250 (squash) and 38 (racketball).
 - b. Club Play and Super Squash - Both are being very well attended and appear to be hitting the mark consistently. Regularly at capacity. (KD) big thanks to AL and AliL for their continued support with running these. CJ suggested that we introduce meals after Super Squash evening to keep people on. CJ suggested that any profits from Super Squash go into Futures Fund.
 - c. Racketball - 5 regular leagues and is going well - run by (AL).
 - d. Futures Fund & Sponsorship - The fund has been well supported with around 20 members contributing on a regular basis. Lucy Turmel has been given some support for her international travelling and tournaments. The fund looks at Performance and Participation, the latter needs more focus for next season. Sponsorship has struggled over the course of the year and needs more focus. KD & AY to work together and maximise what is available.
 - e. Team Squash - ISC1 were runners up. ISC2/3/4 all finished last in their respective divisions. (KD) suggested that we needed to reduce the number of teams in Division 1 and spread the strength and depth across all three teams.
Team nights most likely will be Monday/Wednesday and Thursday.
 - f. Court Maintenance - Court 4 had a new floor. Front external roof drainage pipes have been sorted and drainage now flows out and into the car park. AY commented on the new ventilation that have been installed which has made a fantastic impact on the damp issues.
 - g. Events - Very pleased with the events from Squash including Suffolk County Closed, Ipswich Silver, PSA Ladies Event, Club Championships, Mega Series Event, East Regional County Championships, and the Harrow Cup. (KD) Advised that the Silver was a big event for the Club and was the largest entry in the English calendar. ES have also asked for AL & AliL to consult on a new tournament T&C's.

KD commented that the Club Champs went well thanks to the great organisation and support of the members. The May Ball was replaced with an end of year BBQ which was very

well received and tied in perfectly with the Final's week. Very well supported and something we'll aim to repeat going forward.

3. Coaching Team / Coaching and Junior report Update

EI presented her report of the programme (full report available upon request).

4. Nominations and Election of Officers and Committee for 2017

KD advised usually the election is managed on mass. Jason McPhie, Tom Goody & Ashley Burton all stepped down.

Clive Johnstone, Nigel Griffiths, Josh Turmel joined the Committee as ordinary members. (Proposed EI and Seconded AL).

Liam Hicks moved from the junior rep to an ordinary member.

Sam Stinton to be proposed for Junior Rep (Proposed EI and Seconded AL)

- a. VC - AliL will act as Deputy when required.
- b. Ordinary Members: EI, JH, DP, AL, CL, JT, NG.

AOB

Ian Head commented about lack of court availability and how can we change this going forward.

CJ suggested that the club put together a 'media pack' to encourage new sponsors.

KD to provide a sponsors update.

AliL to provide a Future Fund update.

EI asked whether the club would consider making Courts 3 & 6 with glass backs. EI and AY to investigate possible funding support from ES.

KD to organise a meeting to discuss court booking and availability.

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Club AGM Head Coach Report

Club Programme

Removal of Adult Club Night. Will be adding adult team training nights through out the summer period and a New Elite Squad on a Wednesday and Thursday night to bridge the gap between the top juniors and our adult members. Super Squash and club nights have continued to go from strength to strength and are very well supported by the members

Racketball

Josh has been instrumental in the growth of our Racketball Coaching timetable which now includes lunchtime sessions, beginners session (course run) ladies morning and drills sessions which are all well supported

Coach Recruitment

With our growing junior programme we are looking to grow our coaching team. The welcome addition of Lee Drew as our Elite Consultant makes ISC the only club in the country with 4 level 3 coaches and 2 national coaches working on site. With our new level 2 coaches Kris Day and Liam Hicks we hope to continue to grow the junior section from strength to strength.

Juniors

Increase in numbers within squads and who are participating in more than 1 group week. Our biggest area of growth is highlighted in our Saturday morning session which back in 2014 had 4-6 regular juniors and now runs regularly on 16-18 juniors per session.

Our junior programme will once again grow next year and we are looking to add additional squads fitness squads and provide academy kit for all players. Player of the month has proved to be a popular award with

With the help of Suffolk Junior squash ISC has been lucky enough to recruit 4 new squash players through the Bursary Scheme who will work with our coaches and become full ISC members.

Silver Event ISC once again held our Ipswich Silver Event which was a huge success and is now established as one of the best tournaments in the country. This would not have been possible with out the support of the committee especially Alec and Ali. Alongside this ISC also hosted the Regional Closed, county training and further Regional Squads.

Schools

ISC from September will work 7 Primary Schools and 3 High Schools

Ipswich School Prep and Senior

Orwell Park Prep and Senior

St Jos Prep and Senior

Rushmere Primary

Springfield Primary
St Helens Primary
Hanford Hall Primary

We are currently providing 12 schools sessions a week in our current set up and hope to extend this to 20 by the end of this coming season.

We are waiting on a further 3 schools to also confirm for this coming September. With out the help of the Futures Fund these new schools links would not be possible. The futures fund has allowed us to train coaches and buy valuable schools equipment.

Our schools programme has flourished over the past season and worked with more year groups in each of our school links. For those of you unaware of how our schools programme works here is a brief outline:

Term 1- Years 3 & 4
Term 2- Years 5 & 6
Term 3- Year 1 & 2
Summer Break

Each school will complete a full term (12 weeks) with the highlighted year group. We then look to move the sessions on site for the last 3 weeks. 1 week¹ of on court training followed 2 weeks of inter county competition the Saxon Cup. In which all academy primary schools compete against each other in a team competition held at ISC. This years Saxon Cup was our very first inter primary schools competition at ISC in which over 80 new children competed and where introduced to full size squash courts.

Following the Saxon Cup ISC have participated in numerous friendlies through out the year with surrounding academies and schools. Including Felstead, Hollywood House and OTW.

Potential New Revenue and Links

EI has made contact with the local council run sport centres, developing hub clubs and a link between these centres and ISC to provide a set up for those players looking to progress their squash.

EI is also in talks with Ipro and 305 squash to have exclusive printing rights for all things ISC. Designs are being drawn up as we speak.

External bookings. EI has just begun exploring the possibility of corporate hire through out the date. More details to be confirmed in September.

Achievements

Lucy Team European Champion, British and English Champ U19 Quarter Finalist @ BJO
England Team member for U19 World Team Champs PSA Ranking 96
Nero First Welsh Cap in U15 5 Nations Side
Tate Wycliffe No 1 in the Welsh Team
U11 National Festival Team members from ISC include Harry Griffith. Nancy Akoyl, Sophie Singer, Emma Logan finishing 11th and 4th overall

