

# AGM 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Wiltshire Squash Rackets Association  
Minutes of the AGM - Thursday 9th June 2014  
Venue: The Wellington Arms, Marlborough, 7:30pm

## 1. **Introduction/Apologies** - Mike Stannard(Chairman)

### **Present**

Mike Stannard(Chairman)

Mike Hyland(Secretary)

Clive Morgan(Treasurer)

Neil Marshman(Summer League Sec)

John Peirce(O45s Captain)

Shaun Lafferty(Oasis)

### **Apologies**

Brian Brock(Website)

Peter Goldson(Referee's Rep)

Nigel Rowe(O35s Captain)

Dean Watkins(Ret'd Junior Organiser)

Derek Bray(Ret'd League Sec)

Chris Hardy(Devizes)

## 2. **Previous AGM Minutes**

Missing at the time. Now found and complete. Dated 30th April 2013 - Secretary will arrange to post on Website.

## 3. **Presentation/Adoption of accounts**

Clive Morgan(Treasurer) presented the 2013/14 Accounts for adoption and gave a brief run through of the details. In addition Clive provided a handout for reference. The summary of accounts can be found on the website.

A larger profit than expect was made - largely due to cancellation of two county team matches (not through our fault - so no penalties). This means a drop in claims for travel and hotels.

The closing balance is £6,216.70 and there followed a discussion how best this money can be spent. Largely this money is built from team registration fees and England Squash rebate. A suggestion of a free Winter Membership for 'legal' teams - those that have paid both their Registration fees and correctly all England Squash Membership for their individual players - this was agreed upon. Also agreed were T-Shirts/Polos for County Representation across all the Inter-County teams.

Other suggestions are welcome - for example a Free County Tournament was suggested. Please submit suggestions to the Secretary for discussion at our next County Meeting.

## 4. **Election of the Management Committee**

Elected as follows:-

1. Chairman - Mike Stannard
2. Secretary - Mike Hyland

3. Treasurer - Clive Morgan
4. Winter League Secretary - Neil Marshman
5. Summer League Secretary - Neil Marshman
6. Membership Secretary - ?
7. Junior Coordinator - ?
8. Referee Representative - Peter Goldson

**Action:** Mike Hyland to approach a possible Membership Secretary

**Action:** Mike Stannard to approach a possible Junior Coordinator

## 5. Annual Reports

### i. Junior Branch

There were some emails by way of a newsletter from Dax Mellor for the Junior branch.

**Action:** Mike Hyland to ask for them to be available on the website.

### ii. Summary of League Activity

#### a. Winter League

16 teams in the first half and 17 in the second. No disciplinary issues reported. In the winter play-off Marlborough beat Wessex 1 3-2.

**Action:** Mike Stannard to pass Division Cup to Pat Carty

#### b. Summer League

Summer 2013 saw 6 teams - Marlborough winning from DA in the final.

Summer 2014 had 9 teams with DA winning a straight league.

**Action:** Mike Hyland to recover Summer League Cup from Marlborough

### iii. Summary of Tournaments

#### a. Men's Senior Closed (Nightingale)

- Winner Adam Giles from James Ryan, Super Plate -Justin Cox, Plate -Pat Carty
- 29 Entries

#### b. Men s O35 Closed (Wessex)

- Winner Adam Giles from Nigel Rowe , Plate Anthony Dennington
- 17 Entries

#### c. Men s O45 Closed (Devizes)

- Winner Nigel Rowe from John Peirce, Plate Pat Carty
- 12 Entries

**Action:** John Peirce to send report and photos to Brian Brock to put on the website.

#### d. Doubles Closed (Wessex)

- Winners John Peirce/Rob Brady from Nev Buckle and Dave Ridgway
- 8 Teams entered

iv. **Summary of Inter-County Activity**

- a. **Men's Senior - Adam Giles**
  - Stage 1 Division 1D - Wilts Host (1) Glous 48 (Lost 4-1), (2) Devon 46 (lost 4-1), (3) Hamps 28 (Lost 4-1), (4) Wilts 16
  - Stage 2 Div 1 Rel B - Hamp Host - (1) Hamps 39, (2) Berks 26, (3) Wiltshire 5
- b. **Men's O35 - Nigel Rowe**
  - Stage 1 Division 2B - Devon Host(1) Devon 59 (Lost 5-0), (2) Dorest 7 (Lost 4-1), (3) Glous 32 (Lost 5-0 w/o), (4) Wiltshire 9
  - Stage 2 Div 2B - Northamps Host - Match not played - Dorset withdrawn
- c. **Men's O45 - John Peirce**
  - Stage 1 Division 1C - Hamps Host - (1) Hamps 58 (Lost 5-0), (2) Berks 42 (Lost 5-0), (3) Dev 27 (Lost 4-1), (4) Wiltshire 6
  - Stage 2 div 1 Rel B - Devon Host - Match not played - Sussex W/d
- d. **Men's O50 - Clive Morgan**
  - Stage 1 - Premier B - Dorset Host (1) Avon 59 (Lost 5-0), (2) Dorset 39 (Lost 4-1), (3) Surrey 25 (Lost 3-2), (4) Wiltshire 15
  - Stage 2 Prem Relg - Surrey Host (1) Surrey 54 (Lost 4-1), (2) Kent 42 (Lost 4-1), (3) Durham & Cleveland 24 (Lost 3-2), (4) Wilts 16

6. **Proposals for next season**

i. **Tournaments**

- a. **Seniors Closed**
  - 23/24/25 Jan 2015
  - Organiser: Brian Brock
  - Venue: South Marston Preferred
- b. **O35 Closed**
  - 7/8 March 2015
  - Organiser: Mike Hyland
  - Venue: Marlborough
- c. **O45 Closed**
  - 18/19 Apr or 9/10 Apr. 2015
  - Organiser: John Peirce
  - Venue: ?
  - **Action:**John Peirce to finalise Date and Venue
- d. **Doubles Closed**
  - 13/14 Sept 2014
  - Organiser Howard Wilson
  - Venue: Wessex
  - **Action:**MS to discuss with Howard and Dean Watkins

- i. **Inter-County Teams**
  - a. **Men's Senior**
    - Captain: Adam Giles/Dean Watkins
    - Stage 1 - 8/9 Nov 2014 and Stage 2 - Mar 14/15 2015
  - b. **O35**
    - Captain: Pat Carty/Adam Giles
    - Stage 1 - 18/19 Oct 2014 and Stage 2 - 17/18 Jan 2015
  - c. **O45**
    - Captain: John Peirce
    - Stage 1 - 15/16 Nov 2014 and Stage 2 - 21/22 Mar 2015
  - d. **O50**
    - Captain: Mike Hyland
    - Stage 1 - 1/2 Nov 2014 and Stage 2 - 10/11 Jan 2015
  - e. **O55**
    - Captain: Clive Morgan
    - Stage 1 - 18/19 Oct 2014 and Stage 2 - 14/15 March 2015
  - f. **Action:** Mike Hyland to re-issue County Expenses Policy to team captains.
  - g. **Action:** Clive Morgan to propose new Expenses Policy for review at next Committee Meeting.

## 7. A.O.B.

- a. Rebate and Club Reg. Fee - ESR have a funding problem. They are looking at membership again. Once ESR have revised then Wiltshire need to support. We have a surplus of rebate and it was proposed that Winter Fees for 2014/15 should be free for paid-up ESR clubs - **Motion Carried.**
- b. Half-Term - Some players don't like to play in half-term and some do. The proposal here was to schedule matches for half-term for the first time to see how it goes down. **Motion carried.**
- c. Publicity/Membership secretary - **Action:** JP agreed to discuss and share data with Nev Buckle(DA) who had previously expressed an interested in helping.
- d. Start Times - Team should be reminded to try and stick to the agreed start times; it is causing a problem for some teams that have courts closing promptly or other bookings. **Action:** MS to reinforce match etiquette (Food, Results, start times).
- e. MN raised a suggestion of a County Closed Racquetball tournament. It was agreed to raise this again at a future committee meeting.
- f. BB suggested that Winter League Costs run in a similar manor to the summer League (ie. Split) - **Motion not carried.**
- g. MS Access to South Marston. **Action:** MS agreed to discuss afresh with BB.
- h. MS raised the request from Chippenham II to play on a Tuesday in Div 1. **Motion not carried** - Div 1 days will be Thursday.
- i. ESR Committee meetings - there are more now. Wiltshire need to have 4 committee meeting pa in addition to the AGM - **Action:** MH to arrange.