**Newton Abbot Squash Racketball and Tennis Club**

**Minutes Monday January 13th 2020**

**Present**

Andy Lloyd, Nell Clotworthy, Malcolm Watts, Jane Gick, Mark Ayliffe, Kate Hooper, Dave Walker, Nick Whalley, Matt Whalley.

**Apologies**

Lisa Madge, Sally Mutton, Denise O’ Donnell, Dan Gough.

**Matters arising**

Ashford’s have corresponded with our solicitor regarding the contract required for RB.

RB has agreed to leave end of April, he will let us know his plans regarding the portacabin by end of February. He has accreditation with the LTA, therefore the club can now register with the LTA. Andy will liaise with Michelle Murray, our local LTA representative to make sure we can pay our subscription and continue with tennis coach plans.

Membership payment has been received from the rackets member in arrears. There remain tennis members that are still behind on their subscriptions.

Roofer quotes have been sort.

LTA insurance has been sort.

Chairs report

Having received the contract today, for RB, Jane will post to committee to read before returning to the solicitor to formalise.

The future of tennis was discussed with plans for the licence agreement, the job spec and how the tennis section should be managed. Many suggestions have been bought to the table, much of this will be discussed with the LTA, taking their advice in the hope that future coaching is managed in a very different way, to hopefully avoid the situation the club has faced recently with the current coach.

A request from Curtis Corby was received, asking if he could start coaching again. This has been agreed once he provides the relevant safeguarding paperwork. Vicki Evans has been informed, as she currently coaches at the club.

Vicki is considering different approaches to her coaching, she talked about the potential of running a juniors after school session and a Friday evening new members and beginners/coaching class.

As coaching was talked about across all disciplines, it was discussed how Squash rackets can be managed. It has been agreed that if Vicki wants to take forward her coaching ideas, she can pay for either court or lights, any monies made from coaching is hers.

Any new member initiatives are allowed to play for a six week consecutive session at a price of her choice. After 6 weeks the non member has to join or leave the club.

This is likely to be a similar format for the future of new Tennis members.

Roofing quotes

3 quotes received, one being very much higher than the other two. In order to approach Viridor for a potential grant toward the repair, three quotes need to be presented, therefore a further quote in line with the first two will be sort.

Of the quotes preferred, we require an itemised Bill, to be certain that the quote includes all additional costs, i.e removal of rubbish, scaffolding etc etc. Jane will liaise with the two companies to ensure this is as total as is possible.

**Club insurance**

LTA insurance document received. Matt Whaley will chase squash England to review their club cover. Once committee have decided the best option, an insurance cover will be purchased that covers all rackets sports particularly litigation.

This is likely to affect current club insurance so we will require a new quote that covers building insurance only. To be discussed at the next meeting.

Squash/Racketball

Junior squash have again shown their amazing talents and remain our clubs Ambassadors. Billy and Ioan played in their first international competition and made excellent top ratings. Newton Abbot represented Devon juniors at the Weekend and came away with some great results.

Men’s and Women’s league comps have restarted after Christmas.

Club competition is in full flow.

Tennis

winter leagues are mid season, currently being held up by the weather.

AOB

Dan Gough and Curtis Corby has sent a survey to ask members view on an evening event that includes all the disciplines (Tennis, Squash and Racketball). Committee have been asked to complete the survey. They have all been asked to support this event if possible, to encourage its success.

Heating

Although we know the roof must be a priority above heating, it appears the heater on court four has completely stopped working.

With the aim of heating to be the next job following the roof, Matt will liaise with heating specialists, to ask them to access the current system, review a potential fix for court four and a costing for future heaters.

It was discussed previously, the potential to swap committee meeting days to fit with both disciplines. It has been agreed, committee days will be held on the second Monday of the Month from October to March. April to September committee will be held on Thursdays. To avoid confusion, Thursdays will also be the second Thursday, therefore the meetings for 2020 are as follows. Please add to your diary.

Monday February 10th

Monday March 9th

Thursday April 9th

Thursday May 14th

Thursday June 11th

Thursday July 9th

Thursday August 13th

Thursday September 10th

Monday October 12th

Monday November 9th

Monday December 14th