D&C August 21st Minutes 2023

Meeting opened at 7.00pm

Present:

J Rowsby, J Buckton, N Collins, G Watson, G Smith, D Geldart.

Apologies for absence:

D Andrews, T McKay, B Duke.

Accept previous minutes as true

Proposer: N Collins. Seconder: G Watson.

Matters Arising:

CIO status update, Brian has been in contact with the Charities Commission again with the commission coming up with a possible way to close the CIO account. **On Going**

Safeguarding:

Clubs have been informed again to ensure their Safeguarding officer and policies are easily found or obvious on their websites and or notice boards.

Treasurer's Report:

The accounts have been audited. A couple of items requiring attention have been signed off.

By emails between 30th July and 7th August, the committee confirmed team fees to be set at £75.00.

League Report:

Ladies have been contacted and confirmed they would like to have three player per team. They will be contacted again to confirm the number of teams they will enter in the county leagues. Team fees will stay the same for ladies at £75.00.

Due to a re-shuffle of the number of teams per men's leagues (Division 1 and lower), League rule 2f, the maximum number of games a player can play has been reviewed. It has been decided to increase it from 20 to 25 plus premier games. Leage rules to be updated to show this change.

Tournaments:

Nunthorpe will host the County Masters. A date to be confirmed for 2024.

Nunthorpe will host the Junior County Closed over the weekend 23-24th September. Information to be sent out.

Funding update:

We will look to see if England Squash has any funding available.

Juniors:

Yarm have set a date of 21/22nd October for running a Junior Bronze Open Competition.

Comment on Tom's thoughts/ideas put on county WhatsApp (6th July).

A junior plan for the year can be found at the bottom if these minutes.

Clubs coaches will be contacted to arrange a meeting where all will be invited. This is to get an overview of what their junior sections are doing.

County Website:

The Honours Board is still not working and the policy documents tab is empty.

Council Report:

No meetings held.

AOB:

1. Information has been drafted for borrowing the county junior taster session equipment Three sets are being ordered.
2. Review what we can do to promote the county presentation evening. One suggestion was to hold an exhibition match with the presentation after it. Consideration will have to be made about seating **Carried over. All.**
3. For those people who take the Level 2 coaching course and pass, they will be gifted £170.00 towards the cost by the county on the same lines as the offer given to those who took their Level 1 course. A draft of the offer to be reviewed by the committee.

   Yarm has offered to host the course on 9th/10th December run by Paul Carter/Jonny Buckton. Those people who previously showed interest and clubs have been informed.

4. Sponsors scoring tablet covers have been ordered. Awaiting delivery.
5. There is a keen squash player in Northumbria who is using Twitter to promote all that is happening in their county. Is there someone in our county that is willing to do the same?
6. With having a healthy bank balance, everyone was asked to come to this meeting with ideas, suggestions on what we can spend some of it on.
   - 2 off Go Pro cameras are to be purchased for anyone to use. Information on their use to be supplied.
   - The county will buy a stock of glasses and offer them to clubs at reduced cost.
   - Free open nights around the clubs to bring in new members using club or county coaches. (4 sessions at price/2 plus a taster bag. County pay 50% court costs plus coach)
   - Run our own D&C County Open with A, B and C events. It will cost around £3,500 to run. A date to run it to be decided.
7. We have now been informed the African Knights will not be visiting this time around.
8. The committee was given an update on the proposed changes to the ES membership.
9. For discussion at the October meeting – Should we bring back promotion/relegation of the Premier/Div 1 leagues.

Next Meeting:

25th September @ 7:00 pm

Meeting closed at 8:30pm

Junior Plan for the Year

County Closed 23-24 September (Nunthorpe)

£5.00 entry fee of which, £2.50 given to the host club.

Under 9s mixed event -2 serves (1 left/1 right) serve with white ball.

Under 11s boys & girls – normal rules with normal balls.??

Under 13s boys & girls – normal rules with normal balls.

Under 15s boys & girls – normal rules with normal balls.

Under 17s boys & girls – normal rules with normal balls.

Under 19 boys & girls – normal rules with normal balls.

Trophies & balls to pay for £180.00 £180.00 County

Autumn Holiday Squash Camp 30th/31st October (TBC)

10:00 to 16:30hrs??

Hourly rate of £25.00 for Jonny & £20.00 for assistant

£50.00 for courts. Total cost £300.00 per day (2 days)

Price per child £10.00 working on 10 children. County subsidy £200.00 x 2 (£400.00) £400.00 Aspire

Easter Holiday Squash Camp 2nd/3rd April (TBC)

10:00 to 16:30hrs??

Hourly rate of £25.00 for Jonny & £20.00 for assistant

£50.00 for courts. Total cost £300.00 per day (2 days)

Price per child £10.00 working on 10 children. County subsidy £200.00 x 2 (£400.00) £400.00 Aspire

County Coaching Session throughout the season

17th September, 24th October, 14th January, 20th February, 5th May

Hourly rate for coaching session - £25.00, any extra help coaching £10.00. Total cost £215.00/day

10:00 – 15:00hrs

Venues to TBC

Court costs £40.00

Price per child £5.00 working on 20 children. County subsidy £115.00/day for 5 days £500.00 £575.00 Aspire

County Friendly v Cumbria

Saturday 14th October away at Penrith

Saturday 2nd March home at Norton. Court costs £50.00. Food £200.00 £250.00 Juniors