D&C Monday 17th February Minutes 2025

Meeting opened at 7:00pm

Present: D Andrews, J Rowsby, D Geldart, J Buckton, B Duke, G Smith.

Apologies for absence: N Collins, G Watson.

Accept minutes of 21-01-25 as true: J Rowsby and B Duke.

Matters Arising:

Review current league rules / regulations constraining squash in the county bearing in mind the reducing number of players for the 2025 AGM. **To be carried over to the March meeting.**

The committee was asked for suggest ideas / projects on what to spend county funds on for the 2025-26 season. These included junior challenge and county coaching from the grant fund and coaching course subsidies.

Safeguarding:

Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report:

An update of accounts has been sent to the committee.

A Level1 coaching course payment still needs to be made.

N Collins still need to be added as a trustee on the Charities Commission website.

Boss are to sponsor the League Cup.

The Easter/Summer coaching camps to be potentially subsidised by 50%.

League Report:

A walkover has been awarded to Barnard Castle in their game against Bedale.

We are awaiting a revised date for the Bedale v Sunderland game.

Tournaments/Competitions:

Craig Watson and Kevin Whitfield have been sent thank you letters for sponsoring the County Closed and County Leagues.

More information is to be placed on competition posters.

Documents of what is required by clubs to host a competition to be generated and stored by the county. **NC/DG**

Funding update:

We have submitted a funding application for £2300 with England Squash.

Juniors:

The third junior county coaching session was held at Norton on 19th January, and the fourth at Yarm on 16th February. The next will be at Nunthorpe on 23rd March.

There have been four Dunlop challenge events to date with an average of 21 attendees.

The county is looking into the possibility of Easter/ summer holiday coaching camps.

County Website:

Previous county minutes to be updated.

Council Report:

There has not been a meeting.

OB:

1. With the county having its own Facebook page, we are looking into creating a county members page where members of DCSRA will be allowed to post articles etc on it. **Ongoing**
2. A Level 2 coaching course will be held at Yarm SC on Sunday 17th August. Clubs to be notified.
3. The scoring tablets used for county league matches are to be replaced for the 2025/26 season on the return of each club's old units.
4. It has been decided that for all senior county competitions, trophies will be awarded to winners only and medals for everyone else.
5. England Squash has been contacted to see if those coaches named for the county, many of whom are no longer involved and who have not had relevant certification for years can be removed. It is being investigated.
6. Check to see if A Regan is eligible to play in the leagues.
7. Norton and Nunthorpe each have a dedicated first aid station. In formation on where to purchase one has been sent to clubs.
8. Some clubs have not replied to the email regarding the county squash development officer and how he can assist clubs has been re-sent to clubs.

Meeting closed at 8:10pm

All meetings starting at 7:00pm:

24th March, 24th April.