

Truro Squash and Leisure club committee meeting 12/09/2024
Held at City Inn Truro 7pm

Present, Neil Counter, Tim Smith, Cheggars, Nick James and Jon Wills.

Apologies for absence were received from Gary Walton, Julian Roberts and Tim May.

Approval of minutes from the 2024 AGM – not possible as none on site

Treasurers report - none received

Secretary's report - none received

Playing and coaching

Cheggars stated Saturday mornings were up to 40 or so juniors strong over three sessions.

The issue of inadequate coaching has been raised by several parents – one coach on site is not enough. This was a health and safety issue.

This resulted in discussion for two qualified coaches to be present all the time and a register to be taken every session. Proposed by Neil and seconded by cheggars.

There has also been minimal effort to convert the juniors into club members and as per the special committee meeting of 19/12/2023 the max anyone is allowed to attend is three “taster” sessions before they must join the club properly. This was voted unanimously at the special meeting and needs to be applied properly going forward.

Discussion followed around splitting the coaching retainer between Jamie and Tom equally. Action – Neil to speak to Jamie.

Courts

Considerable discussion was held on the number of courts used for coaching. The special meeting of 19/12/23 allowed Jamie to coach on Mondays and Fridays only. 1 court pre peak and max 4 courts in peak. Tim S proposed no restriction on pre peak courts and retain max 4 during peak on those days. Seconded by cheggars and approved.

Any courts outside those days used for the purposes of coaching should be booked by the clients through Sporty.

This would result in easy accounting and appease member complaints Proposed by Nick and seconded by Jon. Approved unanimously.

Bar

A description of the bar manager's duties is to be finished asap to remove any doubts as to the needs of the role. Task sheets will be made up and a simple check list as well. Cheggars to compile. Proposed by Cheggars and seconded by Nick. Approved unanimously.

Bar refurbishment did not take place over summer as hoped.

Cheggars has consulted with CAD architects to draw up a plan (foc) and will report back asap in order to get things moving.

Premises

The car park re-lining scheme is in hand following quotes gained.

The windows and fascias cleaning etc in hand following quotes gained

Skirting boards to be renewed (in house)

Adjustable tin is ready, Tim will collect shortly from manufacturers in Manchester

The sound system has been delivered

The camera on ct1 is in place and working fine.

Health and Safety report

More signage is being put up for members

Yearly fire safety checks are being made

The club is to be de-cluttered

Vinyl behind ct1 is to be removed (suggested by neil)

Table tennis table (hardly ever used) is to be removed and sold – proposed by cheggars, seconded by Jon and voted in by majority 4/1

Netball hoop (not Truro club property) to be removed

Scott Llewellyn to be asked to build cupboards in vacated table tennis area to house all the equipment left behind ct1, Maria's cleaning gear and chemicals.

The club was seen as rather messy and risking various health and safety issues.

Recent complaint.

Tim May had spoken directly with the complainant and sought to find a suitable conclusion. Committee to consult with Tim M to confirm whether any further action is required.

In the meantime, a formal complaints procedure is to be completed and implemented for all members – proposed by Cheggars and seconded by Tim.

Passed unanimously.

Signs will be put up to remind all members of mindful language and behaviour around the club especially when juniors and ladies are present.

Proposed by cheggars and seconded by Jon. Passed unanimously

Outreach grant

We need to act very soon as there is a possibility of being audited.

St Marys school and Arch Bishop Benson already contacted, awaiting response.

Ladies evenings

2nd court for Ladies at 7.15pm on Tuesdays requested. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Neil. Passed unanimously

Plans need to be developed to better advertise this outside the club in order to attract new female members.

Minutes update

Minutes from AGM 2023 AGM 2024 and committee meetings of 7/5/24 and 16/6/24 have not been published. Action needed.

Tim S to take over all minutes going forward. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Neil. Passed unanimously

Lewis Vinten support

£50 credits for training courts to continue

The need to get Lewis into EDP squads noted. Lewis needs to attend all national silver/gold events and herein improve his low ranking.

Tim to speak to Mark regarding other support levels appropriate.

Club Merchandise

Tremorvah (previous supplier) closing down?

Cheggars contacting VX3 who already supply Falmouth, and they can do small runs of whatever we want. Artwork needed.

Jo Beaumont (ladies rep)

Tim proposed Jo invited to future meetings (not voting) to represent ladies sub-committee. Seconded by Neil and passed unanimously.

Date of next meeting set as 24th October 2024

Date of next AGM set as 11th July 2025

Meeting closed 9.30pm