

From a committee member perspective, the following members are now in place:

Matt King - Chairman
Max Ball - Club Captain
Michael Kirby - Treasurer
Tracy Waldron-Pegg – Ladies Squash Representative
Vanessa Dee – Social events
Wendy Lloyd – Ladies Pizza and Prosecco Lead
Ben Schur – Head Coach
Rebecca Wright -Deputy Club Captain & Ladies Squash Leader
Ian Tanner – Safeguarding Officer & Bar
Harrison Crombie – Bar and Website support
Cameron Parry – Shropshire Squash Junior Coach

The meeting started with welcomes and introductions for Vanessa (social events) and Wendy (pizza and prosecco evening) who join the committee with Tracy leaving to return back to Australia in February. Becky will be picking up Tracy's ladies squash commitments. Apologies were received from Becky, Cameron and Harrison.

December's minutes were agreed and reviewed, outstanding actions included a full review of SSC's digital strategy including our website and social media and charity cheque presentation to the Cavalier Centre to be organised by Tracy before leaving.

New agenda items were addressed:

- The committee are forwarding a proposal to the school to extend the time given to our Squash Stars cohorts to allow more time to immerse themselves into the game with the club's support
- Unfortunately, parking will continue to be a challenge between March - June due to some onsite work that the school are conducting. We kindly ask, where possible, that member utilise parking at the side of the tennis courts, on Ashton Road and for visiting teams, can captains suggest car-pooling. The committee thanks you for you understand during this period and asks that when parking, only marked parking bays are used to avoid any access issues for the school.
- There was an incident at the club on NYE where a group of teenage boys, suspected to be members, were found in the club during hours that the club was closed. This is being investigated however the committee will send out the junior policy in due course, with one of the key points being that no junior(s) should be left unsupervised in the building at any times. We ask that if you have junior members in your family, you raise with them accordingly.
- The committee are exploring the option to install CCTV behind the bar, this is an ongoing conversation with the school
- The entrance door code will now change termly. We ask that you avoid sharing the code with anyone outside of the club, including guests and members, and visiting teams are let in by a member. If you are have difficulties with access and are asked by a member of the committee to prove you are a member of the club, please do not take this personally. We are working to ensure that the club is safe and secure.
- Court heating remains a "hot" topic. We have received suggestions from members and committee ideas and have ongoing narrative with the school. The "all-day" heating option has been removed by the school due to rising energy costs and the current heating schedule is 08:00 - 10:00 and 17:30 - 22:00. This cannot be changed. We are hoping to establish what the financial impact is the school and whether to club could contribute. We doubt this would be the case due to the size of the building however are keen to explore all options.
- We are putting together a proposal to the school to change the look and feel of the club including decoration, player presentations, trophy cabinet etc. This is ongoing and we will share more information in due course.
- It has been agreed the notice board needs organising, this will be done during February.
- Internal league sizes have been questioned and we are requesting they return to 5 players per league
- The door lock code to the bar is likely to change, this will be communicated to those needing it when actioned
- Vanessa will be putting a schedule of social events together for this year to be agreed with the school and communicated to members
- The club championships will take place again this year with a new, fresh format, Max and Ben will communicate to the club soon
- Tracy in leaving the club and committee, officially at Club Night on 5th February and it would be great to have as many people as possible there on the evening to see her off