

Aylesbury Squash Committee AGM

Minutes of the AGM held on 13th June 2011

Committee:

Brian Layton	Present
Craig Bartlett	Apologies
Ben Eales	Apologies
Andrea Clarke	Present
Liane Sheppard	Present
Ian Durrant	Present
Richard Togneri	Present
John Phipps	Present
Simon Townsend (Chair)	Present
Paul Wilson (Secretary)	Present

Members Present: No members were present.

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 14th June 2010 were agreed.

2. Chairman's Report

See Chairman's Report at the end of these minutes.

3. Election of Officers

Chairman	Simon Townsend
Secretary	Paul Wilson
Membership Secretary	John Phipps
Tournament Secretary	Ian Durrant
Junior Organiser	Vacant
Court Maintenance Manager	Ben Eales
Members	Brian Layton Andrea Clarke Liane Sheppard Richard Togneri Craig Bartlett

The officers were proposed by Liane Sheppard and seconded by Brian Layton and the proposal was carried unanimously.

4. Any Other Business – None

5. Date of Next AGM: 11th June 2012

Chairman's Report **(AGM 13th June 2011)**

From a playing point of view, the 2010 / 2011 season was a good season with the Men's 1st team gaining promotion back to the Bucks 1st Division, the 2nd team finishing in 3rd position in Division 3 and the resurrected 3rd team enjoying their foray into Bucks squash finishing 9th overall in Division 3.

The Ladies first team finished in 5th position in Division 1 and the Ladies second team were 5th in Division 2, with both teams struggling with available members.

Racketball clubnight also proved to be a popular night throughout the summer (and to a degree through the winter) and we also held our first local racketball festival which was successful and we expect an increase in entrant numbers this year.

Thanks to Craig Bartlett and John Phipps, a county racketball league has been set up (by Craig) and is currently running. Hopefully this will gain in team numbers over the next couple of years as racketball becomes more popular.

In terms of club facilities, we have carried out some remedial work on the courts and are continuing to do whatever is necessary to maintain the courts to the best standard we can. Further work is scheduled for the 11th - 14th July.

Earlier this year we tendered to host both the County Junior and Senior Championships for 2011 - 2013 and were successful in our application. This will give Aylesbury Squash Club an opportunity to show off our club to the county and raise our profile.

As usual, we ran a full programme of tournaments although the entry numbers were somewhat lacking - more work needs to be done to encourage members to take part in these events as they only succeed with more people playing in them rather than just the usual suspects.

We again ran our junior sessions on Saturday mornings and although they went well, again attendee numbers are not what they once were. The coaches have again given their time to carry out this important activity throughout the year, so hopefully with a bit of timely advertising we can increase numbers for next year. Thanks go to the coaches for their time this year (Tom Ambrose, Chris Gaskell, Badar Ali, Dick Huxley, Harold Pearce and Simon Townsend) and also to Jon Shellard, for his organisational abilities, although he is stepping down from this role this year.

The club puts a large amount of effort in to organising a number of events for members throughout the year and these functions (some of which are free to attend) help us fund future projects, so your support for such events would be appreciated.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new members who have joined the club in the last year and to thank all existing members for their continued support.

And finally I would like to thank the members of the committee for all their assistance over the last year.

Simon

Simon Townsend
Squash Chairman