**Warwick Boat Club**

**Squash and Racketball Section**

**Annual General Meeting 13.11.18**

**Present:** Graeme Mascall, Kathy Leahy, Graham Pickup, Rob Mahon, Pete Walker, Dave Wall Jnr, Bill Simcox, Bart McGovern, James Alty, Ray McGuire, Mike Rigby, Jack Parkin,

**Apologies:** Steve Rawden, Andy Campbell, Jonathan Partridge & Michael Iles

1. **Minutes of the previous meetings**

These were proposed by Mike Rigby and seconded by James Alty, these were accepted by those present.

1. **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising other than those that were covered later in the agenda.

1. **Captain’s Report**

The Captain’s report had been circulated prior to the meeting. GM highlighted two amendments to the draft revised Section constitution document which were made after this document was circulated to the Section. Firstly, to confirm that all members ‘entitled to play’ over the age of 18 are entitled to vote if a proposal is put to the Section. Secondly, the word “safeguard” has been reinstated in the context of protecting the interests of all Section members.

Thanks were expressed to Graham Pickup and Jack Parkin for taking on roles of Treasurer and Competitions Organizer; thanks were also expressed to all members of the committee and all volunteers. The performance of the teams was appraised and coaching arrangements have now settled again. The competitions have worked well and one new initiative is being explored, namely the reintroduction of the ‘All in One Day’ handicap event to coincide with the Spring Finals evening. The 24hr World Squash Day Squashathon raised almost £1900 for the Friendship Project who have expressed their thanks to all who were involved.

1. **Election of Squash Committee**

Captain Graeme Mascall

Secretary Kathy Leahy

Treasurer Graham Pickup

Men’s Team Captain Jonathan Peak

Ladies’ Team Captain Lucy Emsden

Social Secretary David Martin Wall

Squash League Organizer Andy Campbell

Racketball League Organizer Steve Rawden

Competitions’ Organizer Jack Parkin

In light that there were no contested positions there was a block approval of the committee, proposed by Bill Simcox and seconded by Ray McGuire.

1. **Squash Section Constitution**

The revised Section constitution was proposed by Bart McGovern, seconded by Mike Rigby and agreed by all those attending.

**Action: GM to formally date the approved document, lodge a copy with the club office and put a copy of the Section noticeboard for future reference.**

**6 Any other business**

6.1 Regatta

It was confirmed that GM will liaise with the Rowing Section to get early notification of the date of the Regatta. This will enable a team to be assembled in good time for the event with training beforehand to avoid a repeat of our 2018 ‘no-show’ !

**Action: GM to speak with Rowing Section.**

6.2 New member contract

This was introduced earlier in the year and a copy available on the main club noticeboard. This details what members can expect of WBC and what is expected of members.

6.3 Mailchimp subscriptions

It was confirmed if a member ‘unsubscribes’ to mailchimp, then all emails will be unsubscribed from all emails, not just from the Squash Section. Members can re-subscribe by contacting Laura McKay in the club office.

6.4 Maintenance

Thanks were expressed to Dave Wall and David Wall Snr for their efforts in respect of plastering repairs, the heating system and general cleaning of the courts/squash block.

6.5 Club Development Proposals

The developments proposals were discussed and, if approved at the main club AGM (28/11/2018), what the next steps are in working towards a planning application being submitted in 2019.

6.6 Marketing

There was discussion relating to how our squash offering could be marketed more effectively.

**Action: GM to explore with Marketing Committee.**

6.6 Thanks

Thanks were expressed by James Alty to all members of the committee for their work.

**The meeting closed at 19.40**