

**Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> South Leicestershire Badminton Club  
Annual General Meeting**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

**7.15pm**

**Enderby Leisure Centre Bowls Bar**

Present; Loz Marlow, Sarah and Tom Bradbury, Sue and Tahir Mahmood, Tom Khun, Sarah Gamble, Jenny Gallacher, Ray Phipkin, Darren Smith, Andrew Frost, Carlos Tinson, Jenny Scarlett, Ian Bosworth.

Apologies; Darren Riches, Mark Jeffreys, Louise Lester.

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm, and the chairman apologised for being late!!

**Chairman's Address**

The chairman opened the meeting, and thanked Loz, Ray and ESPECIALLY Jenny G for all their hard work and persistence in gaining the Club's Premier status.

**Reading of the minutes of the last meeting.**

Sue M read the minutes and all agreed that they were a true account of the last AGM.

There were no matters arising.

**Secretary's Report.**

Loz reported that according to records, it was the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SLBC and her 20<sup>th</sup> year as SLBC Secretary!

We welcomed the following new members; Alan Nelligan, Alex Oldham, Ross Ayre, Jenath Kenagesan, Tom Bradbury, Tom Cowperthwaite, Tom Lund, Manoj Pandian, Mark Cooper, Andrew Frost, Ben Keogh and Sarah Yates.

Later in the season, we welcomed Sara Moore and Dan Phillobos.

Jenny G did brilliantly in recruiting Ray Phipkin who helped to resurrect our Junior Club. We applied and were successful in obtaining 2 large grants which paid for advertising, equipment and prizes for an Open Evening, which saw 34 participants.

Since then, the junior club has gone from strength to strength. Many thanks to Darren Riches, Laura and Tom Cowperthwaite and Tom Lund for helping out with additional coaching duties- it is very much appreciated.

As a brilliant bonus, Ray and Jenny worked together to help us secure Premier Club status, which brings us an excellent reputation and extra benefits such as free tickets to the recent Badminton England events in Birmingham ☺

**Neil Cooper** has been re-drafted in as assistant coach. Welcome back ☺

The reunion held recently at Woodhouse Eaves Golf Club was a massive success. Many 'oldies' attended, and it was lovely to see **Jo Pepper and Sid Patel** amongst many other past players.

**Chris Poli** completed the London Marathon, raising a massive amount of money for The Children's Society. We are very proud of him and his efforts. The charity fundraising night was a welcome change to the usual club night and helped to boost the funds.

**Carlos** organised an end of season curry night (which I couldn't attend ☹) but I heard it went well and was well attended.

Congratulations to the **Briggs brothers** – Stevie, who recently got married, and Pete who came runners up with Loughboro Sport in the National Badminton League. The matches were fantastic to watch, and well worth the visit to Birmingham with the free tickets a few of our members took advantage of.

Congratulations go to all of our members who have represented the County at Junior, Senior, Masters, Nationals and International duties this season ☺

\*\*\* Breaking News \*\*\* **Ian Bosworth** has been elected President of Leicestershire Badminton Association. Many congratulations from us all.

But for me personally, the best story from this season has to be when **Carl** got himself locked in the car park at Babington College, resulting in him pleading for help on Face Book! He was eventually released at 11pm !!!

### **Treasurer's Report**

Darren handed out the balance sheets

The following members owe money from last season.

Holly Mee £30 registration

Emma Tinson £30

Hayley Deas £30

Beth Powell £30

Helen Briggs £12

Tom..... £30

Foz £30

Ross Ayre £30

Manoj Pandian £30

The secretary will be in touch with these members.

There is a possible new structure at Badminton England regarding the number of members in each club. It appears that it will benefit us, but more information when it all becomes final.

Darren proposed no increase in Match Fees, as court costs have actually been less this season, although Badminton England fees will increase by £1 per person.

For some years now, the club has needed to update to online banking, which will be so much more efficient and accessible for the members.

Darren has suggested changing banks to Barclays rather than to try to alter the Lloyds account.

All agreed, and Darren promised to have this account up and running by the start of the new season.

### **Match Secretary's Report**

A reasonably successful season for the club. There were 90 matches played, with 59 wins and 31 losses. We conceded 1 match and the opposition conceded 6 matches.

Ladies 2 were justifiably promoted, and Mixed 3 were promoted back to division 2.

Only one demotion, which was Mens 3 and due slightly to a mix up in nominations...sorry...

### **Junior Club Report**

The junior club is now run in conjunction with the senior club and has been attracting at least 20 regular attendees.

The players pay half termly, which helps to guarantee income and encourages the juniors to attend. As agreed with the junior ad hoc committee the payment for coaches increases as the numbers rise. All members attending the AGM agreed that the Head coach (Ray) will be paid £22.50 for the one and a half hours, and the Assistant coach (Neil) will be paid £15.00 for the one and a half hours, which is very fair and tremendous value for money.

One or two members will need to attend a safeguarding course, which the club will fund.

The club members gave thanks to **Ray** for his hard work, commitment, and meticulous attention to detail which has and will ensure the continued success of the Junior Club.

### Team Captain's reports

Ladies 1- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jenny S. A lack of consistent pairs and lots of injuries.

Ladies 2- Champions! Sue M. A good squad effort in Sue's inaugural season ☺

Mens 1- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Carlos. It has been frustrating, having to take players from Mens 3.

Mens 2- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Darren R.

Mens 3- relegated. Darren R.

Mixed 1- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark J

Mixed 2- Started shakily, finished 2<sup>nd</sup>! Carlos

Mixed 3- Champions! Thanks to regular players and good com with Carlos. Sarah G

Mixed 4- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Very closely fought division. Stevie B.

### Election of Officers

Chairman	Carlos Tinson
Treasurer	Darren Smith
Match Secretary	Ian Bosworth
Secretary	Loz Marlow
Committee members	Sue Mahmood Jenny Scarlett Andy Frost (Social) Sarah Bradbury
Welfare Officer	Jenny Gallacher
Head Coach	Ray Phipkin

### Election of Team Captains

Mens1	Andy Frost
Mens 2	Darren Riches
Mens3	Darren Smith (first match only)
Ladies1	Jenny Scarlett
Ladies2	Sue Mahmood
Mixed 1	Tom Khun
Mixed 2	Jess Meadows
Mixed 3	Sarah Gamble
Mixed 4	Stevie?

### Any Other Business

- Presentation Evening. The club has paid for the tickets, please make sure you pay the club for your ticket.
- Proposed re-arrangement rule; that a match can be rearranged by mutual agreement if necessary. The club **DOES NOT** agree.  
Passed by a majority of members attending the AGM.
- Badminton England restructure. **Mrs Mahmood** made a good point about players not turning up for tournaments when they are FREE to enter.
- **Tahir** got told off for chatting!
- Match Fees. Captains must be responsible to taking the fees. Online banking will make life easier.

- **Jenny G** made a cautious suggestion that match fees be paid in advance, but unfortunately no one agreed!
- Facebook. **Carlos** will set up a facebook account for Sue so she can keep up with the times! :P
- Photos for website. Please can committee members and Team Captains send a photo to **Tom K** to put on our website? Any format preferred, Tom?
- Unsportsmanlike behaviour. There have been complaints from other clubs regarding a members' unsportsmanlike behaviour. This is both unacceptable and embarrassing for the members who have to apologise for them. If the member decides to join next season, the Secretary will hand out an official warning letter regarding their behaviour. Further incidents will result in a penalty to be decided by the committee.
- The newly appointed Social Secretary (**Andy**) will endeavour to arrange the club Christmas Party.
- Junior Club Courts. Two courts will be booked for August, 5.30-7.00pm. Pay as you play basis.

Meeting closed; 9.40pm

Meeting re-opened; 9.41pm.

Sponsorship for kit?

Get your thinking caps on!! **Withers?** Bob. **Central Sports?** Ed. **Bellway?** Tom B.

Meeting closed for the second time at 9.50pm ☺

Lorraine Marlow  
Secretary  
SLBC