

EXETER BADMINTON CLUB AGM 2011 MINUTES

1. Attendance/Apologies

Graham Ewings, David Spencer, Tony Parker, Emily Macaulay, Steve Spencer, David Fairburn, Steve XX, Jack Southcott, Ian Halliday, Mark XX, Chris Bowker.

2. Confirmation of minutes of 2010 AGM

These were agreed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting. No matters were arising.

3. Chair's Report

First I want to thank Tony Parker who is tireless in his dedication to Exeter Badminton Club and enables it to continue running week by week. Thanks also to the rest of the Committee.

This season has mainly been about keeping the club going. We lost some of our top end players this season and were unable to field as many teams as before. We had some good performances - Mens B did well with new players and some to forget – the KO Cup Final against St Leonards. The club was well represented, and visible in our new club tshirts, in the end of season tournaments and saw wins in a number of categories.

I will be standing as Chair again this season and hope to see further progress in the leagues and an increase in Member numbers. The difficult decisions we made last year about increasing subscription fees means we will propose later in the meeting to hold them for another year. The club can only flourish if people continue to get involved. If you'd like to help out, even with a small one off task please speak to Emily.

4. Treasurer's Report

The year's accounts will be displayed on the club notice board for inspection and any members is welcome to raise questions with Steve Spencer. The summer club has made around £600 profit which will enable the club to move back to two club nights with the predicted number of members in the 2011-12 season. It was noted a move to Broadclyst (proposed for discussion at later point in the meeting) would require a £100 annual affiliation cost.

5. Club nights

It was confirmed the club could afford to move to a second club night and a decision was required whether to take Saturday nights at Maynards (cheapest option) or Friday nights at Broadclyst (more expensive but cheaper than other Exeter alternatives. Members voted for a move to Friday (six votes) with five abstentions. The club would start a Friday club night at Broadclyst Sports Centre from 8pm from Friday 16 September.

6. Election of officers

6.1 Chair

David Spencer was nominated to continue as Chair, and seconded.

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David Spencer was voted in as new Chair of Exeter Badminton Club with 10 votes. No abstentions.

6.2 Secretary

Emily Macaulay was nominated and seconded.

Emily Macaulay was voted in as Secretary of Exeter Badminton Club with 10 votes. No abstentions.

6.3 Match Secretary

There were no nominations for Match Secretary. It was proposed and seconded that Emily Macaulay also take on the Match Secretary duties.

Emily Macaulay was voted in as Match Secretary of Exeter Badminton Club with 10 votes. No abstentions.

6.4 Treasurer

Steve Spencer was nominated and seconded.

Steve Spencer was voted in as Treasurer of Exeter Badminton Club with 10 votes. No abstentions.

6.5 Other Committee Members

Tony Parker, Graham Ewings (Welfare Officer) and Jack Southcott were nominated and seconded en masse. There were no further nominations for supporting Committee members.

Tony Parker, Graham Ewings (Welfare Officer) and Jack Southcott were voted in as Committee Members of Exeter Badminton Club with 11 votes. No abstentions.

8. Fees for 2011-12 season

The difficult decisions taken last season had secured the club's short term financial future and with the anticipated increase in members the second club night was viable. The Treasurer proposed no increase in subscription fees meaning adult fees of £120 for the season, under 16 or in full time education at £60 with guest fees of £4 adults, £2 concessions for up to six sessions. The proposal was carried unanimously.

9. Team entries

The numbers of players indicating they wish to be considered for a team in the 2011-12 season means three mens teams, two ladies and two mixed teams can be entered. This was agreed by the members.

A question was raised about new players joining mid season who are of a standard higher than an existing team member. Much discussion was had in relation to this and it was agreed that new players would not be allowed to replace existing players. However the team captain would be able to identify the new player as the first choice reserve to cover illness and absence. It was agreed wording to this effect would be included in a revised club etiquette document.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2100.