

## **Gloucestershire Squash Association - AGM**

### **Chairmans Report for 2023**

2023 has been a successful year for the operations of the Gloucestershire Squash Association (GSA). We have continued to operate under the charitable status setup to integrate all the squash activities in Gloucestershire under a single common structure. During this time we have focused on a number of strategic priorities:

1. During 2023, the GSA has operated under the established governance and committee structure. Time and effort has been spent engaging people to act as club representatives on the consultative Council with the elected officers working through the management committee to meet the legal duties under the charities act. The primary challenge remains the ability to engage volunteers with sufficient time and interest to work on behalf of the GSA to promote squash in the county.
2. Following completion of the financial integration of the senior and junior sections, the GSA has operated as a single entity for the period. The annual report for the 12 months to May 31<sup>st</sup> 2023 is attached to this report and confirms reserves of £19k at financial year end, sufficient to support 2 years of operations at current expenditure rates. This is an improvement on 2022 and provides the flexibility to make strategic investments to develop squash in the county.
3. Activities which focus on encouraging maximum participation by as large a number of people as possible will now be promoted.
4. The county league has continued to operate with success under the new rules and structure this season. Efforts are now focussed on placement of team into divisions, with appropriate promotion and relegation, to ensure a good standard of competition without mismatches which devalue the league for any team. We are also working to encourage more teams to play in the league with as wide a playing base as possible across all standards.
5. We continue to work hard to ensure that the juniors are encouraged to take up and enjoy squash as a core sport and it is pleasing to see so many junior taking part in the county development programmes across all the age ranges. Successful coaching programmes continue at East Glos, Old Pats, Wycliffe/ Stroud and the Cheltenham Colleges; although the challenge of finding additional coaches to expand the number of locations for these programmes remains.
6. A successful county closed tournament was held in April 2023 featuring both singles and doubles competitions. There was a high-quality squash entry with Will Salter ultimately retaining the title of senior County Champion he won in 2022.
7. As we look forward to 2023-24 season and beyond, we will continue our efforts to grow the player base with activities to encourage new players to take the sport.
8. Finally, I want to thank the Trustees, the officers of the GSA and the members of the management committee for their hard work over the last several year. Without them giving their time freely for no remuneration there would not be a GSA and you as our members

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would not be able to enjoy the benefits of the activities that are put on for both adults and juniors. Particular thanks go to Mark Toseland for his efforts in running the county development programmes and to Jade Rothman for taking on running of the county league. I must also again emphasise that we need more of our members to engage and volunteer to support the association across the range of activities in order to share the burden. I would therefore ask that all clubs ensure that they take an active part in the management of the association as we go forward.

Thank you all for your support over the last year.

**Ewen Denning**

GSA Chairman

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE SQUASH ASSOCIATION  
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023  
Charity No. 1180594**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOME</b>		
<u>Senior</u>		
England Squash Rebates	765	-
Tournament Entry Fees	681	-
League Registration Fees	1,320	1,200
Saving Account Interest	7	-
Sponsorship	-	3,833
Karakal Packs	-	1,501
<i>Senior Subtotal</i>	<u>2,773</u>	<u>6,534</u>
<u>Junior</u>		
England Squash Participation Grant	3,800	1,500
Junior Fund Transfer	-	8,232
Junior County Squad Subscription	4,450	2,593
Junior Tournaments	765	680
<i>Junior Subtotal</i>	<u>9,015</u>	<u>13,005</u>
<b>Income Total</b>	<u><u>11,788</u></u>	<u><u>19,539</u></u>
 <b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<u>Senior</u>		
County Squads	746	947
Tournament Costs	988	-
Website expenses	592	526
Karakal Packs	-	1,310
County Squad Kit	-	214
Training/Education	-	1,130
Advertising/Promotion	122	36
<i>Senior Subtotal</i>	<u>2,448</u>	<u>4,163</u>
<u>Junior</u>		
Junior County Squad	4,122	3,873
Junior Tournaments	512	753
<i>Junior Subtotal</i>	<u>4,634</u>	<u>4,626</u>
<b>Expenditure Total</b>	<u><u>7,082</u></u>	<u><u>8,789</u></u>
 <b>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<u><u>4,706</u></u>	<u><u>10,750</u></u>

**BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MAY 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Lloyds TSB Current Account		
<i>Senior Split</i>	4,280	3,962
<i>Junior Split</i>	12,760	8,379
Lloyds TSB Deposit Account	2,019	2,012
	<u>19,059</u>	<u>14,353</u>

**REPRESENTED BY:**

**CAPITAL ACCOUNT**

Balance at 1 June 2022	14,353	3,603
Excess of income over expenditure	4,706	10,750
Balance at 31 May 2023	<u>19,059</u>	<u>14,353</u>

**NOTES:**

Senior

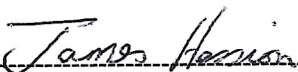
The main income streams in the financial year were League Registration Fees, an England Squash Membership Rebate and Senior County Closed tournament entry fees.

The largest areas of expenditure were on our senior county squad and inter county events, GSA website hosting expenditure and costs associated with running the Senior County Closed.

Junior

The main income streams in the financial year for juniors were an England Squash Participation grant and junior county squad subscriptions. There was also some donations by parents to help with junior kit. The largest areas of expenditure were associated to coaching fees, court hire and kit purchase for county juniors.

These accounts have been prepared by:

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Date: 19/12/2023

Accounts Adopted at GSA AGM 28/01/2024