OSRA Committee Meeting

July 7th 2025 at the Slow and Steady - 7pm start

MINUTES

Present:

Martin Packman, Jason Varrie, Jim Reay, Brian Bell, David Quinn

Apologies:

Michael Beck, Steve Kuester

Matters Arising:

BB said he was unsure if OSRA would receive any money annually from ES going forward. If we were to, he did not know how much this would be. JR said if funds were forthcoming, they would be unlikely to exceed £500 for the year.

Accounts:

BB produced a draft of the Annual Report including the year end accounts. Concern was raised over the proposed budget deficit for 2025/26 of 4K. It was decided to convene a Finance Meeting for July 21st where the figures could be better scrutinised with time to consider our priorities for funding.

The resultant budget together with the Annual Report will then be sent to the membership in advance of the AGM as well as being made available on the OSRA website.

AGM:

It was decided that JR would chair the 2025 AGM and prepare the agenda. He would use some of the ideas he previously sent round to engender discussion on the night.

League Rule Changes:

It was agreed that DQ, MP and JR would look at the League Rules and propose any changes for the forthcoming AGM. The membership would also be asked for their own proposals.

County Coach Report:

The County Closed/Open was well received and despite the late finish worked well on the day. From feedback and experience, JV will consider some changes for next year but overall it was not thought wholesale improvements needed to be made.

The Junior Coaching season restarts in September. At the top end of the County Squad age groups, numbers will be thin due to players going on to Uni. However, there are good numbers in the lower age categories.

Any Other Business:

DQ announced that there is a commitment from Oxford City Council and More Leisure to maintain the courts at Ferry. They are the only public ones left in the city! We await news on a possible re-jig of the pricing structure and for one or two other initiatives.

Planning consent has been sought by the owners of Racquets in Thame which if granted, will likely result in the closure of the courts.

The Meeting closed at 9.30pm.