

Outcomes of Brisbane City Squash Committee Meeting

Monday 24th May 2010

Present: Darryl Hearn, Ross Brazier, Craig Simmich, Peter Smith, Susan Hird, Kim Schramm.

Meeting commenced: 9.30am

Competitions:

Discussions were held with regards to several clubs having difficulties in fielding the correct teams & thus losing points. Teams have been playing out of order & have insufficient players.

Susan will ring centres to ensure they are aware of all the rules & to check if she can assist in any way.

Monday night: Competition to introduce new players (? Under 25 or 30) to squash.

Initially in-house, the competition would then spread to include 2 or 3 close centres. It would involve a person from the centre to assist with new players understanding rules/tactics etc. Kim is working on a brochure to explain fully.

Pro Squash Competition: Craig introduced the idea of a competition for the very top players in Brisbane to be held on a Fri. night. It is a team format with timed games. The idea is not to detract from present competition, but to promote squash in the community by using the best of the best. Qsquash will provide shirts that must be used and \$500 sponsorship to match other sponsorship for winning team and minor prizes for place getters. A code would be set down so that players and operators know what is expected and what opportunities can arise for all.

Darryl will look into holding a rules night. Encourage the use of referee and marker as a self regulating backstop for players who experience difficulty.

Web Site:

Craig continues to update the web site. He will also write a regular newsletter.

Promotions / Juniors:

Peter is continuing to gather information on possible ways of increasing junior & school participation. He has spoken to many people including Bob Cartwright. He is also looking into "Totball". Anthony Grace will also be included to assist.

Kim has started on a brochure. The brochure needs to relate to the student, school & parent. Looking at the likes of Sam Davies to feature in the brochure- reference to pathway. Also reference to health benefits of the sport.

The juniors will continue to be called the Brisbane City Squash for the QJC. After which a new name will be chosen. There is an opportunity on the web site for players to nominate a suitable name. Along with a new name will come new shirts/branding etc.

Extract from junior subcommittee meeting:

- Proposal to include SANDGATE OPEN (4th-5th DEC 2010) as a selection tournament.
- Following selection tournament to be Southside and then Northside...vice-versa etc. (3 per year)
- Brisbane Junior Open – Work on tender to send out to squash centres for a possible host.
- BJO to be held possibly in late AUG early SEP.

Meeting closed at 1.15pm

Next meeting – 9.30am - Mon 21 June 10