

# Blue Gum Squash Club (Inc)



## Monthly Committee Meeting

Monthly Committee Meeting

When 22-05-2024 at 19:30

Location: Squashworld Brentwood, 33 Moolyean Rd, Brentwood WA 6153, Australia

Chairperson Steven JONES

Minute taker Steven JONES

Present Steven JONES (President), Audrey LAZAROO (Ladies Club Captain), Frank LUPIS , Belinda Martella , Louis MEYER , Jonathan RAFOLS

Apologies Rob BLACKETT , Anthony CAMPBELL (Mens Club Captain), Brett Hainsworth , Mike HIPKINS

## Minutes

### 1. Club / Centre priorities

Goals for the next 3 months (Feb to Apr 2024):

#### 1. Courts

- Front walls to be renovated – COMPLETED
- Other walls to be painted
  - Mar 24 - Courts 3 & 8 to be painted 20th - 22nd May, then we will play on these for of time to see how they go before completing other courts. Need to speak with Mik the timing for the remaining courts to be painted,
  - Apr 24 - Tennis club have offered to pay \$6000 + GST towards the painting, this me our final balance for the painting will be \$13,170, which we have funded.
- Doors – Look at reinstalling closers on all the court doors - COMPLETED

#### 2. Centre

- Spring clean – club to offer financial support to get someone in to clean the building, carp easier to maintain - Feb 24, Mike is open to the club getting quotes, particularly around cl the carpets.
  - Mar 24 - Quote \$2400 for deep clean. Discussed that we need to wait until the glas:

installed, and maybe just get a quote for carpets only at this stage. Mar 24 - Electro \$1500, Jan-Pro \$800 - Will take 4 hours to clean, then needs time to dry. Need to speak to Mike about arranging this.

- Men's toilet – fix the taps (talk to Mike C)
- Mens toilet / change room – investigate what needs to happen to improve ventilation and smells hanging around (Mike H to follow up) - Mar 24 - Phil Scott advised that he is providing report to the Tennis Club on this issue.

### 3. Club (Louis)

- Create brand, identity guidelines for future use
- Update website to ensure it is club based and link centred based info to centre website. The website has been updated to ensure current information is accurate.
- Actively use our social media pages – Facebook / Instagram – possible advertising
- Explore promotional material with new sponsor – brochures, banners - Video filmed and complete

### 4. Feedback from members for Centre

- Changerooms – can we please have shampoo and soap supplied (isn't consistent) - Feb 24 advised that he updated the shampoo supply but it was stolen the same day. Will look at supplies being available.
  - May 24 - still no regular shampoo available

4th Feb - Discussion of the above with Mike

Centre

- Mike to clean the mens bathroom / toilet areas, paint changeroom, and update vanities
- Mike to complete painting of the walls, aim to complete by end of April. Offered help with Mike will let us know if this is needed. (IN PROGRESS)
- Open to committee supporting cleaning of the centre, particularly carpets - Committee for quotes (QUOTE OBTAINED)
- Mike advised of the need for shampoo in the showers (COMPLETED)
- Mike advised that there are still ongoing issues with some members not locking up, leaving on, and treating the centre as if they own it. Mike happy to support the club, but we need responsibility for out of hours use, and see it as a privilege, not a right. Agreed to ensure reminders are made via the club. (ONGOING)

Outdoor area

- Mike planning to spray all outdoor area for bugs, and give a thorough clean

## 2. Club / Centre - responsibilities

Discussion around what the club does vs the centre (& others). There is a need for the club to move towards being more member centric focus and redirect people to the centre for some of the queries. The club will advocate on behalf of members, so we want to know what is going on, but we aren't responsible for resolving many of the issues raised.

Plan

- develop a process for members to advise the club of their concerns, while also directing them to Mike and the other staff as appropriate. Club will advocate with Mike on a regular basis, and work with the centre to address issues.
- club to email members to advise of responsibilities between club and centre and who to contact in each instance

This still requires actioning by the committee.

## 3. Membership

**Membership** - priorities for 2024 - We finished with 203 members for 2023 (209 for 2022)

1. Aim to keep our current members (185 have renewed / joined for 2024 so far)
2. Work with Mike to increase membership numbers.

## 4. Calendar of Events

- Aug - Club Champs (doubles) - Saturday 31st - 12.00 start
- Sep - Club Champs (singles) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 9th to 14th, evening and Sunday afternoon
- Sep - AGM - Saturday 14th - 4.30pm
- Oct - Cocktail Event / Annual Awards Night - Saturday 19th - 6.00pm start\*\* (Booked and advertised)
- Nov - Annual Golf Day - TBC

## 5. Pennants

Winter season has commenced, similar number of teams for this season.

If you need a reserve, please contact Anthony Campbell or Steven Jones, as we may have some reserves available.

Contact the committee if you are interested in being in a team for future pennant seasons, or as a reserve.

### **Refereeing - What to know more about the rule and how to referee matches?**

The World Squash Officiating website has courses for referees and players to help them better understand and apply the rules during competition. It's free to access so check it out! [WSO Website](#)

### **Fees for WA Squash 2024-25 - LOCAL membership is need for pennants and tournaments.**

New Squash WA members are able to join for 2024/25 via our portal

- <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/bgsci/rego/start> - and membership will expire 30 June 2025. Current Squash WA members will need to renew their membership on the 1st July 2024.

### Squash WA Registration Fees to 30 June 2024

	All amounts below Incl GST							
	Metro				Country			
	SQA Fee	SWA Fee	Club	Total Rego Fee	SQA Fee	SWA Fee	Club	Total F
<b>Compete Adult</b>	\$49.50	\$71.50		<b>\$121.00</b>	\$49.50	\$49.50		\$99.00
<b>Compete Jnr</b>	\$38.50	\$27.50		<b>\$66.00</b>	\$38.50	\$27.50		\$66.00
<b>Local Adult</b>	\$27.50	\$82.50		<b>\$110.00</b>	\$27.50	\$60.50		\$88.00
<b>Local Jnr</b>	\$16.50	\$38.50		<b>\$55.00</b>	\$16.50	\$38.50		\$55.00
<b>Lifestyle Adult</b>	\$11.00	\$33.00		<b>\$44.00</b>	\$11.00	\$44.00		\$55.00
<b>Lifestyle Jnr</b>	\$11.00	\$11.00		<b>\$22.00</b>	\$11.00	\$22.00		\$33.00
<b>Social Adult</b>	\$11.00	\$11.00		<b>\$22.00</b>	\$11.00	\$11.00		\$22.00
<b>Social Jnr</b>	\$11.00	\$5.50		<b>\$16.50</b>	\$11.00	\$5.50		\$16.50
<b>Support</b>	\$11.00	\$11.00		<b>\$22.00</b>	\$11.00	\$11.00		\$22.00
<b>Digital</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00		<b>\$0.00</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00

**Compete** - this is for any players competing at a National Level - Squash Australia events

**Local** - This is for any players competing at a State Level - pennants, tournament etc - most of us in this group - Squash WA events

**Lifestyle** - This is for club members who would like insurance coverage, can reserve for pennant before needing to upgrade

**Social** - *This category is being deleted, as not applicable at this time*

**Support** - For those who are in a support role and what to keep connected to Squash WA and Squash Australia

**Digital** - Free option for all players at any level to keep in touch with what is happening

Most of players will fit into the **LOCAL or LIFESTYLE** category, fees are increased from \$70 / \$40 / \$44. There will be benefits attached to some memberships (Squash TV for Compete and Local) discounts, which are still to be determined.

## 6. Squash WA - Masters

Masters squash is the biggest demographic of players. BGSC has 119 register players with Squash WA. 97 (80%) of those are aged 35+, which qualifies for Masters, so it is vital that these players have a particular focus on their needs and participation.

The 2025 Australian Masters Championships will be in Perth.

Further information about Masters competitions for 2024 will be advised soon. Masters categories to be included in all major Squash WA events, are already included in many country tournaments, there will continue to be Masters only tournaments held locally.

Entries are open for the 2024 State Masters Titles in Belmont on the 19th & 20th July - [Enter Here](#)

## 7. Grants

**October 2022** - Fuel to Play and Go - \$2000 grants available to promote healthy food and drink application made. Waiting for meeting with Healthway to final grant. Grant of \$1600 offered to us, waiting for payment. (SUCCESSFUL). Funds have been received and will be spent over the next 12 months to support the Fuel to Play and Go message. Trying to allocate this funding towards the purchase of the new fridge, Steven to submit request to Healthway

**August 2023** - Volunteer grant - new round coming up - new fridge, tables, benches, bag storage application made for \$5000 (Aug 23). Advised by Sam Lim we have been 'approved' for \$3000. Funds have been received, need to be spent by June 2025.

**April 2024 - Play Our Way Program** - this is a federal grant through the Dept of Health and Ageing aimed to promote equitable access, build more suitable facilities, and support grassroots initiatives to engage women and girls in sport and physical activity throughout their lives. There are two focus areas: (1) Facilities - safe, accessible, inclusive and welcoming, and increased usage, \$50,000 to \$1.5 million; (2) Participation and Equipment - Organisational delivery, quality of programs and support, access, increased involvement across all areas of club development, \$50,000 to \$1 million. Projects must be completed by 30 June 2027. Applications close 2.00pm (Canberra time) on 29th April 2024.

We have asked for \$250,000 for the change rooms, and \$75,000 for programs. Thanks to Louis for putting this together.

## 8. Merchandise

Belinda has put together some new merchandise options for the club, these are available to order. Aim to offer the following:

- New playing shirt - 2 styles
- Hoodies
- T-shirt, casual

Delivery has occurred and it's great to see all the shirts on display at the club and around the other centres.

Some stock is still available.