

Dear Squash Players,

Welcome to the May edition of the Club e-newsletter. While activity in the Club has declined due to the end of the season the monthly leagues and club nights continue. Next month we celebrate our 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary so come along and join us, as detailed below.

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**Club Polo Shirts** – over 40 members have now bought our new Club Polo shirt. We also offer **Children's sizes** (in black only) at £13.00 each. Details of men's, ladies and children's sizes are now on the notice-board and on our website. Adult shirts cost £15.00 each and in stock I have men's Large in black or white.

**35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – The anniversary dance is on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June from 8pm to 1am** and will feature a live band, The Mellow Bandidos, focusing on punk/blues/rock music from the 70's and 80's. Members are encouraged to wear fancy-dress dating from the 1970's and prizes will be awarded for the best-dressed male and female. Tickets are £5 each and will be available from the Bar shortly.

There will also be a raffle during the evening and if any members wish to donate raffle prizes please hand them in to either the bar staff or to any squash committee member.

During the afternoon of Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June we are also holding an **"old" rackets tournament** thanks to the loan of these relics by Neil McBryde. Depending upon the number of entries, this handicap tournament will commence at 2pm. Entry form will be posted on the squash notice-board before the end of the month.

**35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appeal Fund Update** – 78 people pledged their support, thus raising £780, to enable us to complete the re-flooring of Court 1 simultaneously with Court 4 last month. The fund is now closed and I will be chasing up the few remaining donors for their contributions. My sincerest thanks go to everyone who contributed to this cause and your recognition will be forthcoming.

During the past 4 years the Club has fully refurbished all four courts (at considerable cost) and I would appreciate it if all members could help keep them in optimal condition by:

- **Wearing only non-marking soles**
- **Ensuring their soles are clean before entering court**
- **Stopping play immediately for any **blood injuries**, stemming the blood flow and wiping the floor clean before re-commencing play**

#### **Club Nights**

- every Monday night from 6.15 - 9.15pm
- every Saturday afternoon from 2 - 5pm
- **Junior Club Night** – has been suspended and will re-commence after the school summer holidays

#### **Scottish Squash & Racketball Ltd (SSRL) Update**

Five members of the club were recently selected to represent Scotland in the recent Masters Home Internationals series. Congratulations to:

- Faith Sinclair
- Sue Strachan
- Abbie Robertson
- Davy Rogan
- Jimmy Wells

**Squash Coaching** sessions have been suspended for the summer months and will re-commence in September.

**Facebook** – the Club now has a Facebook page and accessible via the Club's website. Why not sign up?

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