



Queens Park CHESS CLUB

Summary of Committee Meeting

6th August 2024 | 117 Stanmore Road, G42 9AL

Present: Andy Chisholm, Paul Cumming (remote), Rhys McCrosson, Jordan McNaught, Iain Shields (meeting chair)

Action Points

Advertising Strategy

1. **Rhys** will draft a social media post to advertise our remaining spaces (currently 13). This will be sent to committee for proofreading and posted on Friday 9th August.

Return to the Bungo

2. **Paul** will speak to Bungo manager about the best date to move the equipment back into the venue.
3. **Iain** will pick up materials from Jordan's place and liaise with Craig about the remaining materials once a date has been established.
4. **Paul** will mention to Bungo about occasional use of their 'den' space for casual chess when there are competitive matches ongoing downstairs.

First Club Night of Season

5. Decision - the first club night will be **Tuesday 3rd September**
6. **Full committee** will be turning up early for setup
7. Decision - it will be a casual chess night, with a small section devoted to chess variants ("variant corner")
8. Decision - a new **club photograph** will be taken on opening night, as it is usually the busiest night of the season. Current photo is 2 years old.

Committee Photograph

9. Decision - will be taken on **3rd September** outside the Bungo.

First Month Schedule

10. **Rhys** and **Iain** will run a 'freshers' session for new members on **10th September**
11. Decision - *Pending league fixtures* Club Championship R1 will be 24th September

Blitz Tournaments

12. Decision - *Pending league fixtures* Autumn blitz will be **1st October**
13. Iain would like to open one tournament to non-members for a fee. We will assess later in the season, spring blitz was the quietest tournament last season so that may be the best option.

Captains

14. Decision - we will continue with 4 teams this season (3 in Glasgow league and 1 in Dumbarton league)
15. Harry McGrory and Scott McCartney have both agreed to be captains.
16. **Rhys** and **Paul** will work through our list of candidates to fill the other two spots. If we don't find anyone willing then Rhys, Paul and Iain have all offered to stand in. Need to be in place before league application deadlines on **1st and 4th September**.

Additional Purchases

17. Club is in good financial health, however lack of equipment insurance means we don't want to be in a position where we aren't able to replace all of our equipment if necessary.
18. Rhys would like to gradually replace our older equipment.

GDPR (Data Protection)

19. Decision - if we are using mailing list to announce the start of the season and other events that may interest non-members then we have a legitimate use for the data.
20. **Andy** to draft a mailshot announcing the start of the season to be sent out 1-2 weeks prior. To include an option to reply to the email to be taken off the mailing list.

New MP Visit

21. **Andy** will reach out to Gordon McKee to check his availability for a potential club visit in early to mid-October

Hostinger Renewal

- 22. Decision - we will be keeping the domain/email hosting with the Hostinger service
- 23. **Paul** will deal with the Hostinger renewal
- 24. **Andy** to change passwords to all club logins in preparation for new season

Andrew Greet Simul

- 25. Decision - IM Greet's fee will be upped from £100 to £150 to include travel costs and also to acknowledge his status as Scottish Champion

Whatsapp Community

- 26. Decision - League groups will be deleted and refreshed once teams are selected
- 27. Decision - non-members will be removed from whatsapp community on 20th August (2 weeks before season starts)

Committee Roles on Club Nights

- 28. Decision - we will continue to organise ad hoc on whatsapp depending on week to week availability. In general: Rhys and Jordan will be available earlier for setup, Paul, Andy and Iain will be able to stay later for pack up.
- 29. Decision - we will continue to rotate committee announcements and the beginning of each club night. Making notes in Google Docs for any important things to mention, and being sure to mention helping with packing up for the first few club nights of the season.

Next Meeting

- 30. To be set in September after the start of the season.