

Squash AGM

29/08/2024

Oliver Field - Squash Chair

Opening Remarks

- Thanks for coming
- Last AGM - 27th April 2023

- Been Chair since April – 5 months – not long
- Focusing on:
 - Getting up to speed – systems, setup, finances, who does what
 - Court maintenance – getting a multi year plan & supplier
 - Engage with stakeholder (Sport Club, Staff, Volunteers, Pavilion & Tennis)
 - Picking up in-flight and outstanding tasks

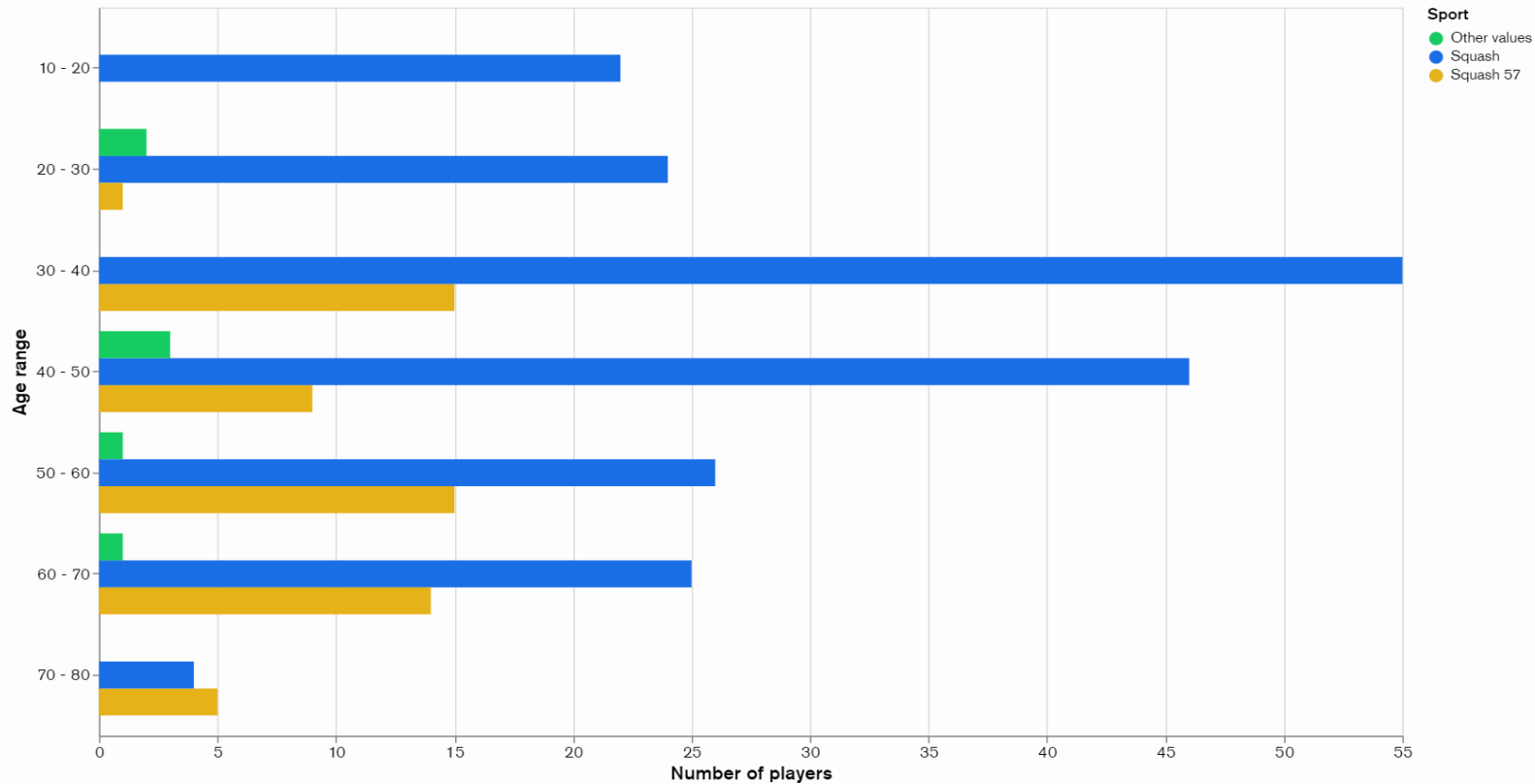
Health of Club

- 293 members in total
- 310 (I think was the peak in the 1970/88s)
- 40-50 junior members
- Excellent Ladies Squash sections



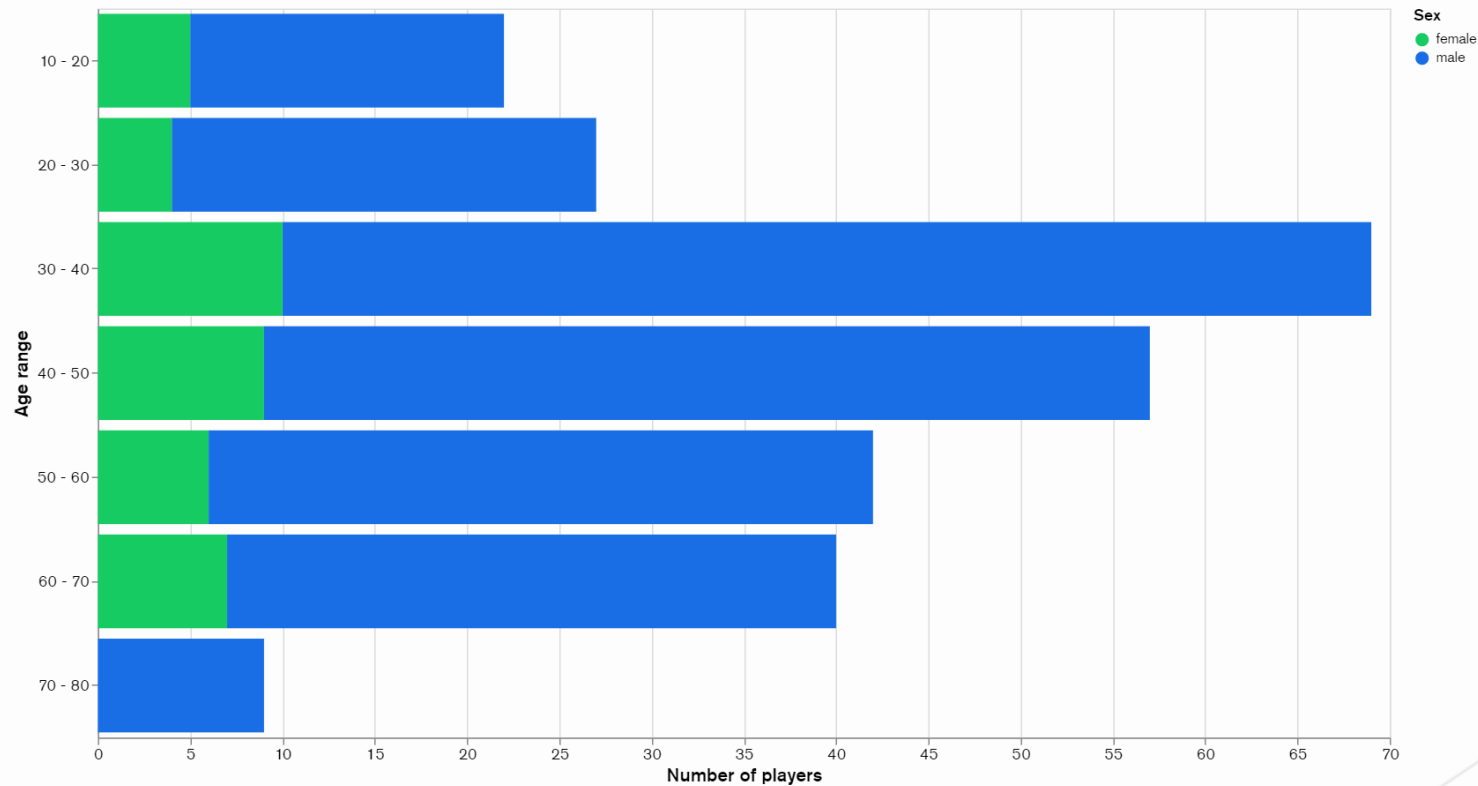
Sport activity by age

- Virtually no RacketBall under 30s
- Up to 50 - predominantly Squash
- 50-70 – more even, but Squash prevails



Sport activity by Sex

- Very even distribution of ladies squash by age
- 30-40 the most common age for of members
- 20-30 year old looking healthy numbers



EGM Split update

- Each section has a separate bank account,
- A lot of work has been put into understanding shared costs, governance and how to operate more independently
- March
 - Difference of opinion that led to me becoming chair. Concern around:-
 - 5k per section VAT
 - Bar/Pavillion running costs - risk
 - Clubhouse upkeep/maintenance – no robust plan on how to fund
 - I needed to understand more and form a better opinion as only just chair
 - I had alternative priorities - to focus on achieving some progress while I was Chair
- The position of all three sections currently is:-

“The desire for independence of financial decision making by each section is now being achieved, whilst at the same time operating and reporting as one club, Aylesbury Tennis and Squash Rackets Club. This offers continuity including the ability to share resources and common policies as appropriate, and benefits from the economies of scale. At the same time, we believe this offers a more agile, responsive and leaner organisation, with the operation and management of sections devolved to their respective committees.”

Court Usage (& Scope for additional court)

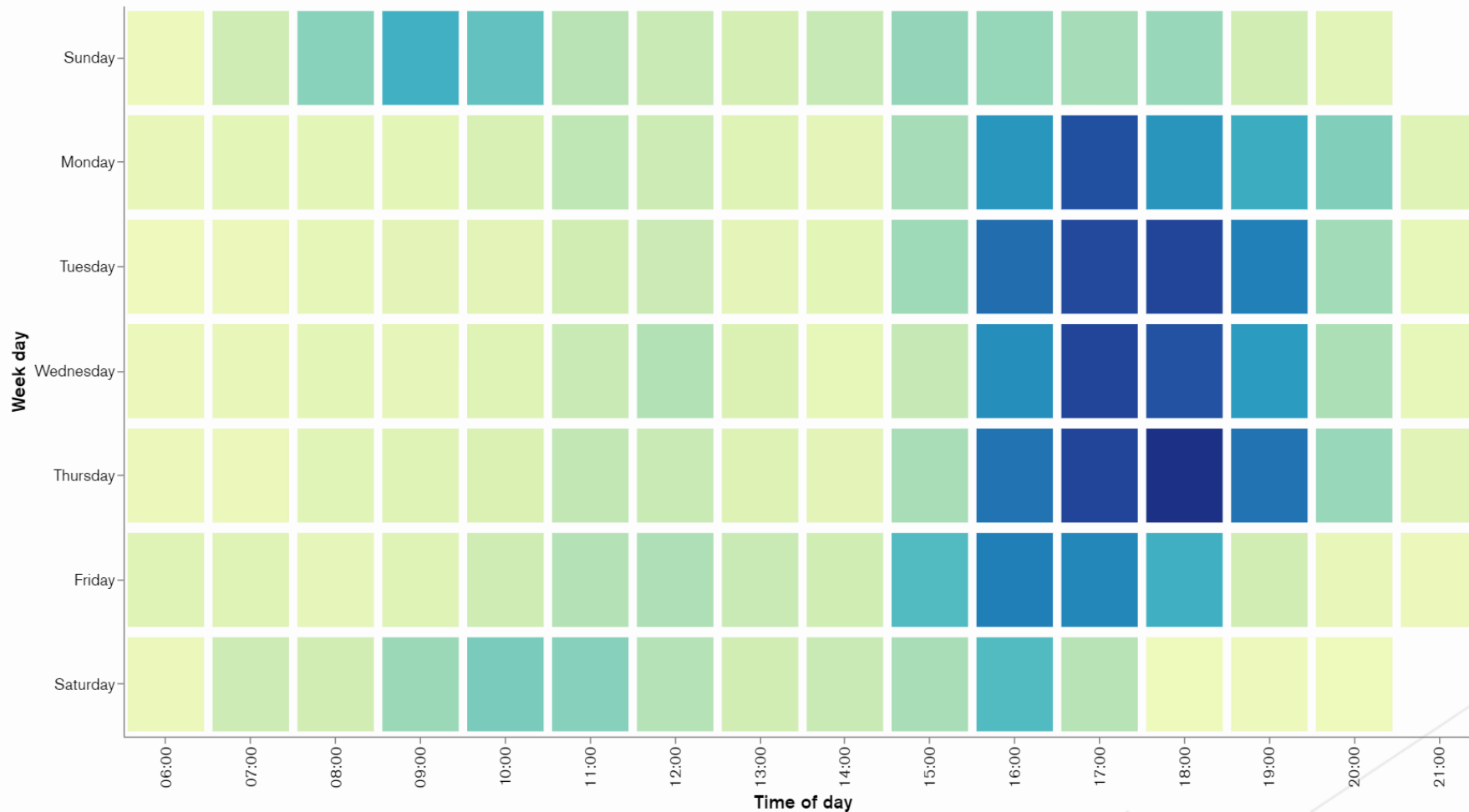
- Court usage a challenge:-
- At certain times a year – Sept-June
 - Not in holiday season, team squash, coaching, squash season)
- Certain times a month –
 - end of month due to leagues

And at certain timessee next slide



Bookings by time (court usage)

- Peak times 5-7.30pm Tuesday-Thursday
- Some activity Saturday/Sunday morning/evening



Scope for Additional Court



- Sports Club will work with squash around planning issues
- Court could be built next to Court 3 & 4
- Costs unknown, now have contacts to start pulling costs together
- Costings be brought back to members, there are other future investments that need to be considered
- It would be at least 3 years before Squash had enough capital
- Limited/no feedback from members, mixed opinions

Court Maintenance

- Booked for November –
 - Aligned with just after half term (4th -13th)
 - Earlier in the month
 - Less dust issues e.g. Close off court 3 & 4 - will buy a robot vac!
 - Court 4 - Re-plastering of frontwall and floor sanding
 - Court 3 - Re-plastering of court (currently painted) and floor sanding
 - Courtmasters –England squash approved – used by local clubs and local, maintained courts at Aylesbury historically
 - Courts 1&2 will be scheduled for early 2025

England Squash (& Membership Fees)

- England Squash is changing the way members are registered. Previously we registered you on your behalf, in the future you will need to purchase membership from England Squash directly.

A typical squash/rackeball player will typically opt for:-
"JUST PLAY - £15 per year".

Benefits include: -

- Up to £10 million of public liability and personal accident cover - a must for all players at the club
- Eligibility to play for County Leagues and Events
- Eligibility for England Squash competitions and Events
- Discount at PDH Sports - one of the best places to get rackets/balls and other equipment
- Access to Squash Player Magazine
- Plus, much more...

**England Squash
membership is
changing**

Play more.
Watch more.
Get more.

Find out more at englandsquash.com



Membership Fees (& England Squash)

To account for the England Squash change in membership, we will be rolling back/reducing membership from September 2024.

Please see monthly cost for each membership:-

	Per Month
Adult	£15
Senior	£15
Family	£33
Midweek	£9
Student	£9
Junior	£5
Parent of Junior	£7
Blue Light	£11
Country	£7
Combined	£12
Married / Cohab	£26

Treasurer Update

Darren unavailable – questions/queries to Darren by email (please read full update first)

Full update available via <https://aylesburysquash.com/>

Summary:-

- Improved financial reporting by section, better control over spending
- Dedicated current bank account – subs, court income, bills are paid + deposit account
- Agreement was reached on apportioning the shared costs e.g. utility costs, cleaning, and assessments
- Improved relations between the sections.
- Squash specific Profit and Loss Account
- 18k profit – Squash – income increased – additional members
- Successful exhibition – covered costs – Thanks Tom and team
- England Squash changes – members paying, subscription reduction
- Tax liability – work nearing completion
- Risk around insurance, utility and wages increases absorbed

Team Update - Dan Robinson



Ladies Squash – Julia Foster



Junior Squash

- 42 Juniors and members of the club
- 28 Juniors attend Saturday
- 6 Coaches – 2 Junior leaders – Thanks to the team
- 1 Competitive Bucks Junior Team (in the top of table)



- Advanced group on Fridays – Thanks Simon D
- Club Ladder
- School squash – at Aylesbury (4-6 schools) and in School
- Juniors in the league 10-15
- Aim to break even, usually increase costs by around 2-5% per year

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Rolling calendar

Chairmans Cup	Oct - March
Quiz nights	Oct, Jan, May
Club championship (Squash)	April
Club championship (Racketball)	Sept
Pink dot	Dec
Exhibition Match	One evening, dependant on availability

- Championship and it will be running 7-8th of September 2024!
- Chairmans Cup Friday Evenings September 24 – April 25

Running events is a lot of fun so why not join the events team!

Sponsorship – Dave Evans



Any Questions?

Move a resolution request

- Withdraw subsidisation of ASC team squash {Jamie Morgado}

Vote for Chair

Candidate - Key Priorities

- Oliver Field - Update and Information
- Jamie Morgardo - Update and Information

Member Q & A

Member Vote



Vote for Secretary, Treasurer

The End