

SCOTTISH SQUASH LIMITED (SSL)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
19:30 HRS 18TH SEPTEMBER 2024

ONLINE VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

MINUTES**Present:**

	Member Club	Club Rep.	Additional Club Reps.
By video link	1. Strathgryffe Tennis & Squash Club	Alan Marshall	
	2. Waverley Squash Club	Dave Ferguson	Rod Robinson
	3. Stornoway Squash Club	Michael Stone	
By proxy	4. Laurieknowe Squash & Racketball Club	Keith Gristwood	
	5. Forthill Squash Club	Irene Morrison	
	6. Dunblane Sports Club	Bernie Beattie	
	7. Wick Squash Club	David Craigie	
	8. Allander Squash Club	Gregory Dudziak	
	9. Hatton Sports Club	David Myers	
	10. Gordonstoun Squash Club	John Georgeson	
	11. Stewartry Community Sports Club	Doug Walker	
	12. Montrose Squash Club	Peter Buchan	
	13. Townend Squash Club	Allan Law	
	14. Kirkwall Squash & Racketball Club	Matthew Wylie	

SSL Board of Directors (in attendance):

By video link: Paul Macari (President & Chair), **Maggie Still** (Chief Executive), **Tommy van Huuksloot** (Director [Grampian nominee]), **Marc Hope** (Finance Director incl. Commercial & Stakeholder Engagement), **Jennifer McArtney** (Director [Tayside & Fife nominee]) & **Alison Bell** (Director [Performance Pathway]).

SSL Staff (in attendance):

By video link: Garry McKay (Chief Operating Officer)

1. Mr Paul Macari, the President and Chair of the Management Board, welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

2. **Apologies**

A list of those who submitted apologies can be found in Appendix 1.

3. **Minutes of 2023 AGM**

The minutes of the 2023 AGM were approved as a true and accurate reflection of the 2023 AGM. Proposed: Alan Marshall / Seconded: Tommy van Huuksloot

There were no matters arising.

4. **2023/24 Annual Report**

The Chair introduced the 2023-24 Annual Report, reflecting on and thanking the squash in Scotland community for their dedication to the continued resurgence of the sport following a difficult few years following the pandemic. The Chair noted the success of the senior men's and women's team in both World and European competition, the dedication of a parent fundraising group that supported the World junior team and expressed a particular thanks to the Board, executive and all the governing bodies' partners and sponsors.

The Chief Executive outlined that the strategy continues to be rolled out with a desire to listen to the sport, its members and stakeholders and features three strategic pillars and three leadership themes. Its vision is for a sport where everyone is working together to allow squash in Scotland to develop and thrive. Its mission is to embed a culture of togetherness at national, regional and club level, helping as many people as possible to enjoy the sport, supporting them to be the best they wish to be, and providing them with lifelong participation in the game.

- Strategic pillars:
 - Clubs
 - Performance pathway
 - Leaders
- Leadership themes:
 - Equality, diversity and inclusion
 - Collaborative culture
 - Raising the profile

The Chief Executive expressed thanks to the executive team and the Board and recognised the voluntary contribution of the Directors.

The Chief Executive and Marc Hope also paid tribute to all the sponsors and partners who had remained committed to supporting squash and thanked them for their ongoing investment, with a particular mention for our lead investor, **sportscotland**, and our title sponsor, Sandy & Anne Adam of The Springfield Group. Both the Chief Executive and Marc Hope expressed their optimism for the future of the sport as it embarks on its Olympic journey to LA28.

The Chair invited comments and asked for the 2023/24 Annual Report to be approved.

The Annual Report was approved by the members. Proposed: Alan Marshall /
Seconded: Dave Ferguson.

5. Adoption of 2023/24 Accounts

The Chair presented the examined financial statements for 2023/24.

The Chair invited comments and asked for the 2023/24 financial statements to be approved.

The Annual Accounts were approved by the members. Proposed: Marc Hope /
Seconded: Tommy van Huuksloot

6. Appointment of Accountants/Auditors

The Chair reminded the meeting that whilst there is no formal audit required, the income and expenditure account is independently examined on an annual basis.

The Chair asked for approval for the Management Board to appoint, and to fix remuneration for, the accountants for 2024/25 – outlining that it was the company's intention to retain Condies. Proposed: Marc Hope / Seconded: Dave Ferguson.

7. Confirmation of Directors

The Chair confirmed the Board of Directors, noting that a vacancy remains as Director (Central nominee), as follows:

President – Paul Macari

Chief Executive – Maggie Still

Finance Director (incl. commercial & stakeholder engagement) – Marc Hope

Regional Director (Central nominee) – vacant

Regional Director (East nominee) – Ian Ross

Regional Director (Grampian nominee) – Tommy van Huuksloot

Regional Director (Highlands & Islands nominee) – Frank MacCulloch

Regional Director (Tayside & Fife nominee) – Jennifer McCartney

Regional Director (West nominee) – Alan Pearson

Director (legal) – Stuart Tennant

Director (performance pathway) – Alison Bell

Director (player representative) – Lisa Aitken

8. AOCB & Close

There was a special presentation for the outgoing Chief Executive, Maggie Still, following a nine year spell with Scottish Squash, and Maggie was wished all the best in her future role.

With there being no further business, the Chair, Paul Macari, closed the official 2024 AGM at 20:10 hours.

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Appendix 1

Apologies

1. Lisa Aitken (SSL Director [Player nominee])
2. Frank McCulloch (SSL Director [Highlands & Islands nominee])
3. Ian Ross (SSL Director [East nominee])
4. Stuart Tennant (Director [Legal])
5. Alan Pearson (SSL Director [West nominee])
6. Susan Menzies (Partnership Manager, **sportscotland**)
7. Richard McIntosh, Watsonians Squash Club
8. Peter Macari, Aberdeen University Squash Club