## **Squash and Racketball**

## **Chair's Report 2024**

Members,

Thanks again for supporting the section again for another year. We started the year with the opening of the UK racket ball event.. another great success for the club and we look forward to hosting again in the new year.

We restarted the box leagues after a short break with good success

After a testing year with the section we are moving ahead with a new plan to invigorate and revive the recent mini slump in the game.

Since COVID19 and after the introduction of another racket sport to the club in padel, we lost several members from playing opposed to losing their actual memberships.

Playing and court times have suffered all year with many members choosing padel or simply reducing the time on court indoors.

This has led us to shake the section up and make us part company with Nick Mulvey, our coach. Nick was building the junior section slowly as well as offering sessions to groups that had recently petered out.

Nick also had a job at Bishops Stortford squash club where his loyalties ultimately lied.

Therefore, we have employed the services of a new coach in Gareth Naidoo from Woodford Wells, who is now working on a plan of action starting this very week.

More details of his appointment to follow once the members have been informed.

We ran a summer team in squash and have a team in this winter...

From individual achievements this stems from Amber Marshall who once again cleaned up at the Nationals, she is now Ladies Champion of both UK racketball nationals and ladies Uk Racketball British Open... Congratulations to her on her achievements..

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