



Firesport UK Firesquash UK Section

Annual General Meeting 30th April 2022

Chairman's report

2021 was another challenging year particularly for indoor, close proximity sport and squash was off and on in various different forms as restrictions eased and hardened which meant the Committee were hopeful but never really sure what events could be held. In the end both the nationals and quadrangle were able to be played, albeit differently than normal.

Quadrangle

It was the combined armed service turn to organise the event in 2021 and they decided to have a change of venue to the Edgbaston Priory Club in Birmingham on the 10th and 11th September. Simon Jackson, team captain tried to field the strongest team available, but several players were not able to come and we were always on the back foot. However, those who did play gave 100% and again it was a successful and enjoyable event. Mention should go to Neil Cross who won all his matches.

Nationals

Waiting for a window of opportunity eventually gave us the long weekend of the 8th-10th October at the Park, Nottingham and although numbers were low squash standards were high and a new champion, Neil Cross was crowned. All age groups, racket ball and doubles were contested, and it was a very successful event thanks in no small part to Simon Jackson and Ady Proctor for their organisational skills.

Fire Sport UK

In June 2021 the Chairman of Fire Sport UK Paul Fuller sadly passed away whilst in post. Paul will be sadly missed not only by Fire Sport UK but the Fire Fighters Charity and the broader fire service community which he served for 43 years.

Paul was able to make some arrangements before his death and Chris Lowther the Chief Fire Officer of Tyne and Weir was able to step into the post until the AGM which was held virtually later in the year.

Chris has many aspirations to take Fire Sport UK to a new level with a more youthful workforce as recruitment begins across the country.

Several sections received grants at the AGM but we did not ask for one as we had enough funds from 2020 to run our events.

As usual I want to thank the committee and officials of the section for their time and commitment.

Wayne Bowcock
Chairman