

## **AGM: Resolution regarding usage of Indoor tennis courts**

I along with a good number of senior members at the club have been increasingly frustrated and concerned at the lack of availability of the indoor tennis courts due to the level of booking by coaches, in particular during the late Autumn-Winter-early Spring months i.e. October to April and at peak times throughout the year.

I think you would agree that the courts are there first and foremost for the use and benefit of paying members and not as a facility for promoting any other agenda that the club or individuals may have. If the club wishes to change this perspective then it must do so by organising an EGM to discuss change of club usage. (I was particularly concerned to hear last year that the club had applied to be a "Centre for coaching excellence" which if it had been successful would have put more pressure on indoor and outdoor courts. Surely such fundamental aspects in the change of the running of the club would also warrant an EGM?)

I therefore have the following proposal- seconded by Bob Walker .

*"The indoor tennis court booking system should have the following constraints regarding the ability of coaches to book a court:*

*Court 1 is not to be booked by coaches at peak times i.e. 3:30pm to 7:00pm unless no member(s) has booked the court up to 24 hours prior to the day of play. I understand this is the current position but it is being ignored by coaching staff.*

*Court 2 is not to be booked by coaches at peak times i.e. 3:30pm to 7:00pm unless no member(s) has booked the court up to 48 hours prior to the day of play.*

*Court 3 is for the exclusive use of coaches but can be used by members if no coaching is taking place.*

*Members are not allowed to book courts 1 and 2 for coaching at these times."*

This proposal still leaves the bulk of court time available for coaches to organise individual and group coaching and I believe it would hand back to the membership a facility that has over the past few years been monopolised by the coaching staff and management.

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