

County Of Warwick Archery Association
Executive Committee Meeting
12th October 2006
at the Old Leamingtonians RFC, Bericote Road, Leamington Spa

Present: Denis Folkard, James Folkard, Kathy Folkard, Pete Hunnisett, Adrian Kinzett, Madeleine Lane, Alasdair Mackay, Dave Redding, John Taylor and Brian Tustin.

1. Apologies

1.1 Apologies were received from Daryn Radcliffe and Roger Wyton.

2. Minutes of last meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meetings held on 20th July 2006 were agreed.

3. Matters arising

- 3.1 Item 4.2 – With regard to the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire Sports Awards, Kathy Folkard reported that all three nominations had been short listed for awards. Naomi Folkard and Iris Bingham went on to win the Sportswoman of the Year and the Disabled Sportswoman of the Year respectively. Steve Partridge lost out to Warwickshire and England cricketer Ian Bell. Kathy said that this was excellent publicity for archery.
- 3.2 Item 4.3 – It was confirmed that there has been no further contact with the University of Aston regarding the University club joining the GNAS.
- 3.3 Item 11.2 – Dave Redding pointed out that Tom Williamson is a ‘senior’ coach, not a ‘national’ coach.
- 3.4 Item 15.1 – Dave Redding said that those on the Level 1 Coaching Course had not been pressurised to complete the course by October. However, the four committee members on the course disagreed.

4. Correspondence

- 4.1 Kathy Folkard said that she had received an e-mail dated 7th September from GNAS informing us that it has engaged two companies who are specialists in the sports industry: ‘Goodform’, specialists in sales and marketing; and ‘Sport Structures’ a sports management consultancy. They will be working to assess the current development of archery nationally, establish a national development network of staff and coaches, provide support to clubs, and provide an equality standards process. They want information from all levels of the Society, but Kathy understands that they have been directed to the Long Mynd and Meriden clubs.
- 4.2 Kathy drew attention to a number of items in the Minutes of the Operations Committee (8th July 2006) which she had received from the GNAS:
1. The operations committee is reviewing its structure and form;
 2. Comments are being requested on the Dress Regulations with regard to the colour of trousers and skirts;
 3. There was discussion regarding the appointment of a salaried coaching manager to replace David Clark, as the job is now so big;
 4. The last registration for the old style ‘coach’ course is December 2006, with examinations by May 2008 (this may be extended);
 5. There was dissatisfaction with, and no agreement to, the latest draft of the GNAS Strategic Development Plan;
 6. The GNAS is unhappy with the new FITA byelaws regarding the scoring of FITA rounds (archers correct own scores and decide line cutters without reference to a judge), and it intends to try to get them revoked, while informing judges that they are still to correct score-sheets;
 7. The new indoor team event is going ahead on 21st January 2007 (£50 per team, ½ FITA + head to head).
- 4.3 With regard to the Dress Regulations it was agreed that clubs should be able to pick their own colour for trousers/skirts, and that this view should be passed to the GNAS. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**
- 4.4 Kathy Folkard read out a letter from the RLSAS committee regarding the Level 1 Coach Course. The letter, intended for information purposes, referred to the dissatisfaction of those on the course with both the course content and the presentation, but also said that it considered that its members had been misled and mis-sold the course. (They had been led to believe that it was no longer possible to do the ‘coach’ course, and that the only way on to the coaching ladder was by way of the ‘level 1 course’, and this clearly was not true.) The RLSAS committee therefore intend to ask for a reimbursement of fees.

5. CCO’s Report

5.1 Dave Redding responded to the letter from RLSAS. He said that he had registered a ‘coach’ course with the GNAS, but that it was too expensive to run, because he felt it was essential to have indoor accommodation

for all the sessions. John Taylor asked if it would be possible for those on the course to transfer to a 'coach' course. Dave said that it would require high commitment (every third weekend for 6 months), and involve high costs, and all those on the course may not wish to do that. Alasdair Mackay asked to see the accounts for the course.

- 5.2 There was considerable discussion regarding the deficiencies of the current course, and the options. Dave Redding indicated that it might be possible for those on the course to change to a 'coach' course, and agreed to arrange a meeting at the Old Leamingtonians RFC, with those on the course to discuss options.

(Action: Dave Redding)

- 5.3 Dave reported that he and Alan Pritchard had been the only attendees at a meeting at Lilleshall with Tom Williamson, the new Regional Coaching Officer, and that another level 1 course is under way at Warwick University.

6. Treasurer's Report

- 6.1 A written report from Roger Wyton indicated that we are running at a small deficit on the year to date (£418.72).
- 6.2 It was confirmed that Roger is progressing the opening of an account with Alliance and Leicester, which he estimates will bring an income of approximately £100 net, at least double the interest received last year on the existing account.
- 6.3 It was agreed that the signatories for the new account would be, as for the existing account, Roger Wyton, Kathy Folkard and Pete Hunnisett.

7. CWAA Tournaments

7.1 Adrian Kinzett confirmed that arrangements are in hand for both the CWAA Indoor and Field Championships, and asked Denis Folkard to arrange the necessary medals.

- 7.2 With regard to the 2007 CWAA (outdoor) Championships, Adrian said that Meriden are not going to run them. It was agreed that Kathy Folkard should write to all Warwickshire clubs, including Meriden, to request that they should consider running them. John Taylor suggested that as a last resort the trophies should be presented on the results of one day of the Leamington and Midland Counties Meeting.

(Action: Kathy Folkard)

8. Record Officers' Report

- 8.1 James Folkard reported 13 claims, which were ratified:

Chris White	FITA 70	GCU	711
Naomi Folkard	Double FITA 70	LR	1305
Naomi Folkard	FITA 70	LR	662
Naomi Folkard	70m	LR	335
Henry Scott	Short Junior Western	JGR	693
Henry Scott	Double Bristol 4	JGR	2078
Henry Scott	Junior Windsor	JGR	760
Henry Scott	Short Junior National	JGR	506
Lewis Wadsley	Double Bristol 3	JGR	1966
Lewis Wadsley	Junior National	JGR	441
Naomi Folkard	24 target FITA Field Marked	LR	333
Naomi Folkard	24 target FITA Field Comb	LR	650

9. Team Manager's Report

- 9.1 Denis Folkard reported on the Regional Inter Counties Tournament on 8th October, in which Warwickshire took second place in both the recurve and compound matches. There was no Warwickshire longbow team.

10. Public Relations, Web Site and Communications

- 10.1 Pete Hunnisett reported that he has been keeping the website up-to-date with news stories, tournament results / entry forms etc.

11. WMAS Delegates Report

11.1 Denis Folkard reported on the meeting of the West Midlands Council held at Church Stretton on 3rd October.

11.2 The main items of note were as follows:

- a) A compound Team Trophy for the Regional Inter Counties Match was now to be obtained in time for the event by Phil Ravenscroft.
- b) Tom Williamson held a poorly attended meeting for coaches at Lilleshall. Tom feels that coaching in the region is at a low point and wants to organise a weekend of seminars at Lilleshall, where top archers can explain to coaches what archers need. WMAS agreed to provide funding of £1500 towards this.
- c) Dave Harris reported success in the recent Junior Euronations. The Commonwealth Archery Championships in India is going ahead in November, and the England team will include four West Midlands archers: Naomi Folkard and Roy Nash from Warwickshire, together with Alison Williamson (Shropshire) and Andy Rikunenko (Worcestershire).
- d) WMAS funds at the end of September stood at just under £16,000.
- e) Steve Taylor from Staffordshire has undertaken to produce regional records on condition that they are broken down into age groups for juniors.
- f) Staffordshire proposed a junior regional inter counties match based on a FITA 70 and head to heads. There was some disquiet about this, but they are now preparing a definite proposal.
- g) With regard to judging, Tony Goad and Dave Cochrane, former candidate judges, have now passed their assessments, and Terry Shough is a new candidate judge.

12. CWAA Summer League

12.1 John Taylor presented the results to date and confirmed that only two clubs had so far sent in scores for all rounds, Meriden and Leamington.

12.2 It was agreed that the results to be put on the CWAA website would be the 3 top club scores and the top individual scores, only.

12.3 It was agreed to publicise the league again for 2007.

(Action: Kathy Folkard)

13. Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults

13.1 In the absence of Daryn Radcliffe there was no report. However, Kathy Folkard said that she understood that Daryn was looking at the material provided by the GNAS and was working on a policy.

(Action: Daryn Radcliffe)

14. Date of Next Meeting

14.1 The next committee meeting will be on 18th January 2007 at the Old Leamingtonians R.F.C.

15. Any Other Business

15.1 None.

Chairman

Date