

County of Warwick Archery Association
Executive Committee Meeting
held on 21st January 2010
at the Old Leamingtonians RFC, Bericote Road, Leamington Spa

Present: Denis Folkard, Kathy Folkard, Pete Hunnisett, Dave Redding, Jon Richmond, James Scott, John Taylor (MBE) and Brian Tustin.

1. Apologies

1.1 Apologies were received from James Folkard, Derek Kelly, Bob Watson and Roger Wyton.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd October 2009 were agreed.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Item 3.1 – Kathy Folkard reported that she had received an e-mail on 11th November, in which Carol Brown (Swanshurst) confirmed that the Swanshurst and Kings Heath clubs were not currently shooting together. Kathy said that it therefore appears that any contravention of GNAS Law 12a is limited to Kings Heath, but that, in any case, this is now in the hands of GNAS.

3.2 Item 3.3 – Kathy Folkard said that she had received a copy of a constitution and a judge's certificate in relation to the proposed new club at Alum Rock, that it appeared to be in order and that she had therefore passed the submitted paperwork to Brian Tustin. Brian confirmed that he had replied to 'Andalus Archers' with the necessary forms etc, but that he had received nothing further.

3.3 Item 3.5 – James Scott confirmed that the purchase of polo shirts for juniors is in hand.

(Action: James Scott)

3.4 Item 15.2 – James Scott confirmed that where possible he had handed out the CWAA medals/certificates etc.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Kathy Folkard referred to the **GNAS consultation document on membership fees** which she had circulated to the committee in December. She said that the response from members was poor, and that opinions were divided, and that with a deadline of 7th January set by the GNAS for the receipt of comments, she had suggested that members should reply to GNAS direct as individuals.

4.2 Kathy said that she had asked the GNAS if there was any point in sending a response from the meeting, and the answer was 'no'. It was explained that there would be further consultation 'as ideas are formulated and released for comments'.

4.3 There was some discussion of the proposals. It was agreed that the basic principles of replacing en bloc fees with per capita fees, and reduced fees for the needy, were good. However, it was considered that the proportions of the normal fee to be paid by the 'needy' required further consideration. There was agreement that the disabled should pay a significant fee and not have totally free membership.

4.4 Kathy Folkard reported **a letter from Geoff Thomas** which requested support for a 25% discount on membership fees for the over 65s. It was agreed that this issue had now been overtaken by the GNAS consultation.

5. CWAA Tournaments

5.1 Jon Richmond reported that all arrangements are in hand for the **CWAA Indoor Championships** on 31st January at the Harry Mitchell Centre, and that the shoot is full.

5.2 With regard to the **CWAA Field Championships** to be held at Meriden on 28th February, Jon said that he had produced an entry form and that he would discuss the details with Meriden AC.

(Action: Jon Richmond)

5.3 With regard to the **CWAA Senior and Junior (Outdoor) Championships** on 19th September, it was understood that Quantum are having problems obtaining judges. Kathy Folkard said that she was arranging for a list of judges to be sent to Derek Kelly.

(Action: Kathy Folkard)

5.4 Jon Richmond said that he had asked Bowflights to confirm that they will be running the **CWAA Clout** shoot again this year, and is awaiting a reply.

(Action: Jon Richmond)

6. County Coaching Officer's Report

6.1 Dave Redding reported that both the current coaching courses, Level 1 and Level 2, were awaiting external assessments for completion.

6.2 With regard to the Level 1 Course requested for a single club, Dave said that this might not proceed, as he had received no response to recent communications.

6.3 Dave said that the GNAS are currently unable to meet a request for an up to date list of the county's coaches.

7. Treasurer's Report

- 7.1 Although Roger Wyton was not present he had circulated a receipts and payments account for the quarter ending 31st December 2009. This showed a small surplus for the year of £67.68, which it is understood will be increased to £903.68, when advance payments for 2010 Squad training sessions, are transferred to the balance sheet.
- 7.2 It was agreed that a proposal to increase subscriptions would be put to the AGM. (Seniors to increase from £5 to £10)

8. Records Officer's Report

- 8.1 James Folkard submitted a written report which detailed 29 record claims, all of which had been checked and found to be in order. These came from Jacob Vick (17), Lee Williams (8), Jack Brookes (3), and Stuart Tongue (1).
- 8.2 All the claims were ratified.

9. Team Manager's Report

- 9.1 With regard to squad training sessions James Scott said that two sessions at Meriden (07.11.09 and 22.11.09) and one at Warwick University (10.01.09) had all been well attended and were well worth while.
- 9.2 James confirmed that arrangements are in hand for the last two sessions at Brize Norton (13.02.10) and Eaton Manor (13/14.03.10). There was some discussion regarding the detailed arrangements for Eaton Manor as a result of which it was agreed that CWAA would support option 2 with the addition of the 18m range. The total cost of this would be £4547.50, of which the archers would contribute £3000.00. **(Action: James Scott)**
- 9.3 It was agreed that no travel expenses would be available for archers participating in squad training.
- 9.4 James confirmed that he will obtain national record status for the Notts/Derby match to be held in August at Meriden. **(Action: James Scott)**
- 9.5 James explained that Leicestershire had declined an invitation to take part in the annual inter county match, this year to be at Meriden as part of the FITA Star on 31st May. He had then offered the invitation to Worcestershire who had been pleased to accept.

10 Public Relations, Web site and Communications

- 10.1 Pete Hunnisett reported that he was continuing to update the web site and that there was now a second hand sales section as previously discussed.
- 10.2 Kathy Folkard suggested that it would be useful if, in future, dates could be put on news items, and Pete agreed to do this. **(Action: Pete Hunnisett)**
- 10.3 It was agreed that there should be obituaries on the CWAA web site for Harry Moreland and Mick Friend, both of whom sadly died last November. **(Action: Pete Hunnisett and Denis Folkard)**

11. WMAS Delegates Report

- 11.1 Denis Folkard reported that he had attended the WMAS Council Meeting in Stafford on 21st January together with Kathy Folkard (CWAA representative) and John Taylor (WMAS President).
- 11.2 The main points of interest were:
- Linda Haines has begun to update the **WMAS web site** and would appreciate any comments.
 - There was a long discussion regarding the **GNAS consultation on governance** of the Society. Jon Mynott, who volunteered to represent WMAS in one of the telephone conference calls arranged by GNAS, attended the Council meeting in order to determine the issues he should raise and the viewpoints he should adopt. Jon undertook to draft a letter to GNAS on behalf of WMAS, following the telephone event, and it is understood that it will be circulated to the counties.
 - Although the **financial position of WMAS** is healthy, with around £21,000 in the bank, Terry Shough had concerns about the likely level of spending, particularly bearing in mind the 10 per cent drop in membership this year. Particular mention was made of the cost of the Regional Inter-Counties competition, an increased grant to EAF, coaching grants etc.
 - Ruth Field, **Child Protection** Officer, was again not present and submitted no report. She did, however, tender her resignation, but it was agreed that she should be asked to reconsider this.
 - Denis presented a request for financial assistance towards the cost of the Eaton Manor squad training weekend. After discussion it was agreed that a contribution of £500 would be awarded.
 - Denis said that because of the lateness of the hour it was not possible to ask for a further reconsideration of financial awards to coaches, as had been agreed at the last county committee, but that he would raise it at the next council meeting. **(Action: Denis Folkard)**

12. CWAA Summer League

- 12.1 It was confirmed that no further scores have been submitted by Coventry AC, and that the results circulated at the last committee meeting are therefore the final results.

12.2 Kathy Folkard confirmed that she will send out the appropriate paperwork for the 2010 league with the AGM documents. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

13. Child etc. Protection

13.1 Kathy Folkard said that she had received a letter dated 17th November from the PA to David Sherratt, in which it was confirmed that her letter of 28th August is receiving attention, and that a full response will be sent in due course.

13.2 Jon Richmond confirmed that he had heard from Judy Friedlander (Surrey), who likewise is still awaiting a response.

14. Date of Next Meeting

14.1 The next committee meeting will be held on Thursday 8th April at Leamington. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

14.2 The AGM will be on 25th March at Leamington.

14.3 Jon Richmond said that he wished to resign as Child Protection Officer. It was also understood that James Folkard wishes to resign as Records Officer. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

14.4 James Scott agreed to make a presentation at the AGM on the CWAA Squad and Squad training. **(Action: James Scott)**

15 Any Other Business

15.1 Dave Redding reported that Liam Grimwood would run a 3 hour seminar on 25th February at Bow Plus (tickets £15).

Chairman..... Date.....