

County of Warwick Archery Association
Executive Committee Meeting
held on 29th July 2010
at the Old Leamingtonians RFC, Bericote Road, Leamington Spa

Present: Denis Folkard, Kathy Folkard, Colin Geenes, Pete Hunnisett, Philippa Lowe, Jon Richmond, Brian Tustin, Kath Vick, Bob Watson and Roger Wyton.

1. Apologies

1.1 Apologies were received from Derek Kelly, Dave Redding, James Scott and John Taylor (MBE).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 8th April 2010 were agreed with amendment to minute 10.4. The latter now reads: "...has prepared a list of local press contacts."

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Item 3.2 – Philippa Lowe confirmed that she dealt with an order for county squad clothing, but is still awaiting payment from some squad members. It was agreed that in future payment should be received before orders are placed.

3.2 Also with regard to county clothing Philippa pointed out that James Scott, on behalf of the county team, wishes to change the tops to white with red panelling. Although there was some doubt about the acceptability of the wearing of old and new tops concurrently it was agreed that the new tops should be registered. In view of the proposed change it was agreed that the purchase of tops for juniors previously agreed, should be deferred. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

3.3 Item 3.3 – Kathy Folkard said that while it appears that the Archery GB review of the fee structure is proceeding, a new process for the collection of fees and issue of membership cards has been introduced. All clubs should now be aware of this, but it was agreed that Brian Tustin should prepare instructions/information etc to send to all CWAA clubs regarding the collection of 2010/11 affiliation fees. **(Action: Brian Tustin and Kathy Folkard)**

3.4 Item 4.1 – Kathy Folkard reported that it appeared that a useful Archery GB e-mail newsletter to clubs/counties started in February had ceased in May. Although there is now a newsletter available for all on the Archery GB website it is quite difficult to locate and may be out of date before it is noticed.

3.5 Item 15.2 – It was confirmed that the county Team awards for 2009 are still to be presented. Philippa Lowe said that they were now with James Scott, but Roger Wyton said that he had not yet received a bill for them. **(Action: James Scott?)**

3.6 Item 15.3 – Roger Wyton reported that he had not yet received any claims for entry refunds for the Worcestershire match. **(Action: James Scott?)**

4. Correspondence

4.1 E-mail from Martyn Ellis (dated 13th July 2010). Martyn expressed at some length his disappointment at the loss of the Warwickshire v Leicestershire senior and junior matches and his disagreement with the withdrawal of Warwickshire from the match at Eccles between Warwickshire, Lancashire and Cheshire. He suggested that the traditional county matches 'should revert to their original format and dates', and that unless county archers are prepared to commit to shooting matches, squad sessions should be cancelled and subscriptions reduced. He also suggested that it may be helpful to have a discussion about the principle of county matches at the 2011 AGM.

4.2 Denis Folkard, having discussed the matter with James Scott, indicated as follows:

- The match against Lancashire and Cheshire was cancelled because James was unable to select a ladies' team, as a result of which there was no hope of winning and consequently to have sent our archers would have been pointless and unjustifiable on grounds of cost. The likelihood of some Warwickshire archers deciding for themselves not to go in these circumstances was an added complication. This situation was causing the organiser considerable difficulties in terms of the production of a target list and field layout.
- The match with Leicestershire was cancelled because Leicestershire withdrew, and did not wish to organise a junior match on a different date. There was no lack of commitment to county matches, although it was acknowledged that when match dates clash with shoots that carry ranking and/or GMB/MB status, or National Series events etc, the best squad members have put their own interests before those of the county.
- There is a pressing need to recruit more ladies into the county squad, and to cut back on squad training would make that very difficult to achieve.
- The squad sessions are valued and have proved to be a very useful way of bringing on new archers.

4.3 National Development Plan from Archery GB. This has since been publicised and sent to all clubs.

- 4.4 An entry to CWAA Summer League from Elite CO of Bowmen (Jersey) on 10th July. The committee confirmed that the league should not be opened to non-CWAA clubs.
- 4.5 Letter dated 25th July from Archery GB re the appointment of a county development coordinator. To be dealt with under item 5.
- 5. Appointment of County Development Coordinator** – “an advocate for development in each county to help embed the National Development Plan in local areas”.
- 5.1 It was confirmed that, Derek Kelly having withdrawn his application for the job, the only applicant was Colin Geenes. Colin said that he is interested in, and hoping to make a career in, Sports Development, and that he is currently working with CSW Sport. The committee agreed his appointment.
(Action: Kathy Folkard)
- 5.2 It was agreed that CWAA would pay reasonable expenses for Colin to attend the National Archery Development Conference at Lilleshall on 23rd/24th October.
- 6. CWAA Tournaments**
- 6.1 Jon Richmond confirmed that the **CWAA Clout** will be held at Bowflights on 5th September.
- 6.2 Arrangements are in hand for the **CWAA Outdoor Championships** on 19th September. Record status has been obtained for all the rounds (FITAs and Metrics). Jon showed an engraved tankard purchased for the gent’s compound trophy.
- 6.3 Jon confirmed that he had booked the Harry Mitchell Centre for the **CWAA Indoor Championships 2011** on 30th January. The alternative venues previously suggested had not been suitable/available. A record status application has been submitted and Phil Ravenscroft, Carol Brown and Andrew Ledbetter (candidate) have agreed to judge. It was agreed that Naomi Folkard should be invited to act as Lady Paramount.
(Action: Jon Richmond)
- 6.4 Jon said that he is in touch with John Robbins (Meriden) regarding the **County Field Championships 2011**.
(Action: Jon Richmond)
- 7. County Coaching Officer’s Report**
- 7.1 There was no report.
- 8. Treasurer’s Report**
- 8.1 Roger Wyton produced a receipts and payments account which showed a deficit of £947.49 for the quarter and £ 1169.38 for the year to date, with a total cash balance of £9722.80.
- 8.2 Roger pointed out that he is still awaiting income from the winter squads. It was agreed that in future all archers attending squads should sign in and pay before shooting, and that payments for weekend sessions should be paid strictly in advance. Brian Tustin volunteered to be the money collector for any upcoming squads.
(Action: James Scott and Roger Wyton)
- 8.3 Phil Lowe said that a cheque for £160 was required for the provision of sandwiches for the Notts/Derby match on 8th August.
(Action: Roger Wyton and James Scott)
- 8.4 Roger Wyton undertook to send a form to Denis Folkard in order that he can claim a contribution towards the cost of becoming a level 2 coach.
(Action: Roger Wyton)
- 9. Records Officer’s Report**
- 9.1 Kathy Vick said that she had vetted 59 claims, all of which were in order: Jacob Vick 25; Jon Shales 16; Philippa Lowe 7; Stuart Tongue 4; Jack Brookes 4 and Naomi Folkard, Janette Ross and Jamie Warner 1 each.
- 9.2 All claims were ratified.
- 10. Team Manager’s Report**
- 10.1 There was no report.
- 11. Public Relations, Web site and Communications**
- 11.1 Pete Hunnisett confirmed that he is now producing a website page on CWAA tournaments. This will include an archive of results.
- 11.2 Colin Geenes reported that BBC and Cov & Warks Radio had covered the Commonwealth Games shoot-off at Meriden.
- 12. WMAS Delegates Report**
- 12.1 Denis Folkard reported that he had attended the WMAS Council Meeting at Bromyard on 13th July together with Kathy Folkard (CWAA representative) and John Taylor (WMAS President).
- 12.2 The main points of interest were:
- The RCO said that, as he had no funds, he was unable to organise anything useful. Having received a sizeable grant from WMAS last year he felt unable to request further support at present This instigated a lengthy discussion on finances.
 - Terry Shough expressed concern at escalating expenditure and falling income. The cost of the RIC and medals (up to £8 each, even excluding the Roy Matthews medals) gave rise to particular

concern. The use of the various medals is to be considered at the next council meeting with a view to reducing the range and number of medals awarded.

- Dave Harris said that the EAF is seeking venues for the 2011 Euronations and 2011 English Championships. He mentioned the confusion over the election of the Director for England when the Archery GB gave advice conflicting with its own Memorandum and Articles of Association. The EAF is looking to obtain its 'fees' more promptly in order to have funds with which to work.
- As requested by CWAA committee Denis again raised the question of increased grants to Level 2 and above coaches, but the Council confirmed a maximum award of £25 for coach qualification.
- A draft document relating to the organisation of the RIC was discussed and should be finalised shortly. Again the rising cost of the event, in excess of £1400, was discussed and a suggestion made that a per capita charge for archers should be introduced.
- It was agreed that Jonathan Mynott should be invited to be regional development officer. Steve Taylor is to take on the job in the event of Jonathan declining.

13. CWAA Summer League 2010

13.1 No results were available.

14. Child etc. Protection

14.1 Kath Vick said that she had nothing to report.

14.2 Kathy Folkard suggested that Kath should keep an eye on the Newsletters in the media section of the Archery GB website, and said that she thought there was something about child protection in the July issue.

(Action: Kath Vick)

15. Date of Next Meeting

15.1 Kathy Folkard informed the committee that the Old Leamingtonians RFC intends to charge, probably £30, for the use of its members' lounge for meetings. It was agreed that this was reasonable, and that CWAA should continue to use the facility.

15.1 The next committee meeting will be on Thursday 21st October at Leamington. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

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