

**County of Warwick Archery Association**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**held on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2013**  
**at Barkers' Butts RFC, Coventry**

**Present:** Geoff Beston, Denis Folkard, Kathy Folkard, Pete Hunnisett, Derek Kelly, Tony Luff, Jon Richmond, Brian Tustin, and Roger Wyton

**1. Apologies**

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Adam Ravenscroft, Dave Redding and Kath Vick.
- 1.2 Denis Folkard introduced Rachel Smith and explained that she had volunteered to take on the role of County Team Manager. It was agreed that Rachel should be co-opted.

**2. Minutes of Last Meeting (18.10.12)**

- 2.1 The minutes were agreed.

**3. Matters Arising from 2 above**

- 3.1 Item 3.1 – It was confirmed that details of the **2011 county team awards** are now on the CWAA web site, together with those for 2012. Kathy Folkard confirmed that Stuart Wood-Edens had obtained the year bars for 2011 and 2012 and that she had passed them on to Rachel Smith for presentation at the upcoming AGM.
- 3.2 Item 3.3 – With regard to the missing CWAA Indoor men's compound trophy (a new engraved tankard first presented with its original box, and signed for, in 2011, but not returned for the 2012 event) Kathy Folkard said that she had tried to contact the winner, but could get no reply. Tony Luff contacted him by phone during the meeting, and he undertook to find the trophy or pay for a replacement. **(Action: Tony Luff/Kathy Folkard)**
- 3.3 Item 3.6 – Kathy Folkard said that she had received a letter of thanks from Georgie Brown for the CWAA grant.
- 3.4 Item 10.3 – Brian Tustin had asked why it was no longer intended to run county coaching sessions for 2<sup>nd</sup> Class archers and below. Although it was agreed that they are needed, no one has come forward to organise them. Tony Luff and Denis Folkard said that they would be prepared to coach, but not to organise.
- 3.4 Item 13.4 – It was confirmed that the WMAS Eaton Manor weekend for second class archers and below did not go ahead, largely due to the illness of the organiser, Tom Williamson.
- 3.5 Item 16.1 – Denis Folkard said that he had not written again to Archery GB regarding disciplinary procedures, because he had been invited to a weekend seminar on the subject by Archery GB. He understands that the AGB disciplinary panel is under pressure and AGB is looking to ensure that cases are dealt with at an appropriate level. In this connection it intends to give clubs, counties and regions a briefing pack.

**4. Correspondence**

- 4.1 Kathy Folkard reported the following items:

- **A questionnaire from AGB Junior Committee** regarding provision and opportunities for juniors in the county. Kathy said that she had responded to this.
- A letter from Geoff Malyon on behalf of AGB Tournaments Committee regarding **an Inter-counties team championship** involving recurves, compounds and longbows, at the National Tournaments Midsummer Tournament. Limited details were given, but an entry form should be available in February. Kathy said that she had e-mailed all the county team archers to get some idea of the interest level and had received a number of positive responses.  
It was agreed that : (1) Rachel Smith would e-mail county archers as soon as further details are published in an effort to select teams based on ability and (2) Kathy Folkard would contact the committee in order to determine the level of support to be given to the county's archers.  
**(Action: Rachel Smith and Kathy Folkard)**
- **'On Target' Newsletter.** This included information with regard to: (1) a development grant from Sport England of £2m over 4 years; (2) the 2013 Development Seminar on 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> March: and (3) progress with 'On Target' specialisms.

It was agreed that CWAA should fund Denis Folkard as County Development Coordinator to attend the Development Seminar (£75).

(Action: Denis Folkard)

- **Request for financial assistance** from Adam Ravenscroft for the 1<sup>st</sup> Leg of the World Cup in Shanghai (to be self funded at a cost of £1200). It was agreed to contribute £175.

(Action: Kathy Folkard and Roger Wyton)

## 5. Archery GB Membership Modernisation Consultation

5.1 Kathy referred to the details of the proposals and her initial comments, both previously circulated to the committee. She said that after writing to county clubs and members of the committee, she had received numerous responses highly critical of the proposals. She said that she had also seen various comments sent to WMAS, both from within and outside the region, almost all in the same vein.

5.2 It was agreed that: (1) Kathy should write to Archery GB (the 'Consultation', David Harrison and David Sherratt), and (2) she should prepare a notice for the CWAA website drawing attention to the Consultation and pointing out the likely consequences of the proposals for members and clubs.

(Action: Kathy Folkard and Pete Hunnisett)

## 6. Treasurer's Report

6.1 Roger Wyton presented a **receipts and payments account** for the quarter ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012. This showed a surplus for the quarter of £4429.40 largely due to the receipt of affiliation income. A surplus on the year to date of £3707.34 is largely due to a CDC grant for the junior squad of £1000, as yet largely unspent, and the lack of senior squad winter training.

## 7. Membership Secretary's Report

7.1 Brian Tustin reported that Solihull, 'V' AC and the University of Birmingham AC have not yet reaffiliated. He understands that Birmingham University intend to rectify this quickly as they have members shooting the CWAA Indoor Championships on 27<sup>th</sup> January.

(Action: Brian Tustin)

7.2 It was reported that Sanjah Archers are now renamed Pioneer Archers and have affiliated to Archery GB, but not to the county or region. Derek Kelly said that he had visited the club several times, and found noone present, but he undertook to visit again.

(Action: Derek Kelly and Brian Tustin)

7.3 It was agreed that club contact information on the CWAA website should be checked.

(Action: Kathy Folkard and Pete Hunnisett)

## 8. CWAA Tournaments

8.1 Jon Richmond reported that arrangements are in hand for the **CWAA Indoor Championships** at Quantum on 27<sup>th</sup> January.

8.2 He confirmed that he is proceeding with arrangements for the **CWAA Field Championships** at March Hare on 24<sup>th</sup> March. Kathy Folkard undertook to look out contact information for Worcestershire clubs.

(Action: Kathy Folkard)

8.3 Derek Kelly confirmed that Quantum would like to organise the **CWAA Senior and Junior Championships** on 15<sup>th</sup> September. This was agreed.

8.4 No information was yet available regarding the **CWAA Clout Championships**.

8.5 It was agreed that care should be taken to ensure that anyone taking away a CWAA trophy should sign his/her own name, in order to assist with tracing unreturned trophies.

## 9. Team Manager's Report

9.1 Rachel Smith confirmed that she had just received the county team medals, badges and some files.

9.2 Kathy Folkard said that there are two trophies won at the Notts/Derby match which appear to still be with Stuart Wood-Edens, and that Anna Tillman still holds the WMAS red book on the Regional Inter Counties event. Rachel agreed to try to obtain these.

(Action: Rachel Smith)

9.3 Rachel said that she intended to start organising the home match against Notts/Derby, and set up a ranking system for county archers.

(Action: Rachel Smith)

## 10. Junior Squad

10.1 Geoff Beston reported that 7 junior squad sessions had now been held, with a total of 112 junior attendances, and that 6 coaches of various levels had supported the sessions.

10.2 He explained that because of the wide range of ability of juniors attending it had been decided to introduce a minimum standard (FITA white arrow), and to have 2 sessions, for 'development' and 'performance' archers.

- 10.2 With regard to funding Geoff requested agreement to the following items: t shirts (at £6 each) £200; trophies for internal competition £200; first aid kit £15; clipboards etc £22.85. This was agreed, but the archers are (unless special circumstances) to pay for their shirts, as an indication of commitment.
- 10.3 Geoff suggested that the host clubs should receive a payment of £25, rather than the £50 previously agreed, in order to make the CDC grant last longer. Kathy Folkard pointed out that it is a condition of the grant that it is spent by 31<sup>st</sup> March. It was, however, suggested that those clubs hosting events during the grant period, would possibly be prepared to provide some free or cheaper sessions, if no further grant is available.
- 10.4 The introduction of a small charge for those attending was agreed, to help in a small way towards meeting future costs.
- 10.5 It was confirmed that two more sessions are planned before the end of March, and that information on the CWAA web site is being kept up to date.

## 11. County Coaching Officer's Report

- 11.1 No report.

## 12. Records Officer's Report

- 12.1 4 record claims were ratified: Janette Ross 2 and Caitlin McCarthy 2.

## 13. Public Relations, Website and Communications

- 13.1 Pete Hunnisett had confirmed that the CWAA website is being updated as necessary.

## 14. WMAS Delegate's Report

- 14.1 Denis Folkard referred to the meeting of the WMAS council, on 17<sup>th</sup> January, and reported as follows:
- WMAS funds have now reached £29,000 (approx), partly due to an increase in the number of archers and partly because spending has been low, particularly as the planned coaching weekend for improvers did not take place.
  - A request for a subsidy for the WMAS Flight Championships was refused. WMAS currently provides all the medals at no charge, and it was considered that the event, with a very low entry fee, should be self-supporting like other championship events.
  - A personal grant of £250 was given to a self funded Warwickshire archer towards attendance at a World Cup event.
  - The Council agreed to increase grants for completion of coach courses: level 1 £30, level 2 £75 and others £100.
  - It was reported that there are spaces on a level 2 course to run in Worcestershire.
- 14.2 It was agreed to increase CWAA grants for coach qualification. These would now be: Level 1 £30; Level 2 £75 and others £100.

## 15. CWAA Summer League 2012

- 15.1 Kathy Folkard reported that of the 11 teams entered 9 had completed all three rounds. Beacon only made one submission, and despite numerous reminders Meriden only two.
- 15.2 Martyn Ellis has prepared results showing the made score winning team to be Leamington and the handicap adjusted winning team to be Charnwood Juniors. The results were agreed and are to be published on the CWAA website. **(Action: Kathy Folkard and Pete Hunnisett)**
- 15.3 Martyn has volunteered to continue dealing with the results, and his offer was gratefully accepted.
- 15.4 It was agreed that clubs should be required to submit scores within 4 weeks of the end of the time period for shooting, and that, unless there are very special circumstances, this should be strictly adhered to. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**
- 15.5 It was agreed that if a club enters a junior team, any juniors within the club are to be eligible for the junior team only. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

## 16. Child Protection

- 16.1 Geoff Beston confirmed that he had attended the Child Protection course in Staffordshire, but said that it had been very disappointing. It was a standard NSPCC course and the course was not archery-orientated, as the organisers had suggested.
- 16.2 Geoff confirmed that there are no changes with regard to child protection, and confirmed that the Protection of Freedoms Act does not affect archery.

**17. CWAA AGM 2013**

- 17.1 It was agreed that the AGM will be on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2013 at Barkers' Butts RFC. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**
- 17.2 Jon Richmond said that he may not be able to stand for re-election, but, if not, he will let Kathy Folkard know as soon as possible. All others present were prepared to stand. **(Action: Jon Richmond)**
- 17.3 Brian Tustin confirmed that he will arrange the printing of documents.
- 17.4 Rachel Smith confirmed that she will deal with the preparation of county team awards.
- 17.5 Kathy Folkard said that Anna Tillman has the lady recurve 'complete' archer trophy. Rachel Smith agreed to try to retrieve it, at the same time as the WMAS red book on RIC. **(Action: Rachel Smith)**
- 17.6 It was agreed to recommend no change in membership fees.
- 17.7 It was agreed that concise reports would be presented by the following: chairman, treasurer, team manager, records officer, county coaching officer, tournaments officer and junior squad administrator.

**18. Date of Next Meeting**

- 18.1 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at Barkers' Butts RFC. **(Action: Kathy Folkard)**

**19. Any Other Business**

- 19.1 Payment of claims for the following was agreed: £75 for completion of a level 2 course; £26 for a child protection course and £22.85 for Junior Squad stationary items etc.

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