Cumbria County Archery Association





Cumbria County Archery Association Committee Meeting Minutes

Held on 26th March 2022 via Zoom.

Those Present

Name	Officer	Club
Simon Degler	Chairman	Sellafield Archery Club
June Houghton	Vice Chairman	Keswick Archers
Stuart Burnett	Secretary	Sellafield Archery Club
Chrissey Burnett	Treasurer	Sellafield Archery Club
Chris Battersby	Tournament Organiser	Eagle Bowmen
Andy Carr	NCAS Rep	Eagle Bowmen
Gary Pimblett	County Coach Organiser	Beacon Archers
David Poole		Lakeland Archery Club
Roger Payne	Tournament Organiser Club Secretary	Vickers Archery Club
Yvonne Stead Regional Development Officer, Archery GB		

Meeting opened approx. 10am

1. Apologies

Jeff Higham (Squad Manager), Alison Hunter (Beacon Archers), Mark Christie (Lonsdale Archers).

2. Review of Minute from Previous Meeting

2.1. Accuracy

It was agreed that the previous minutes were an accurate representation of the meeting.

2.2. Matters Arising

None

2.3. Review of Actions

- **2.3.1.** It was agreed that all actions, except Action 94 would be closed because they are out of date.
- **2.3.2.** It was agreed for Action 94 to updated to get the ball rolling again on Coaching. Gary to arrange a Level 2 Coaching Course with Andy Arnold. Gary to arrange some Coaching Days with Duncan Busby.

3. Introduction from Yvonne Stead, Archery GB's Regional Development Officer for Northern Counties

Yvonne gave an overview of her role. She is here to help with things like:

- County Sports Partnerships
- Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Sport for disadvantaged groups, etc.
- Clubs
- Volunteers
- Ambassadors individuals in Clubs to promote Archery
- **3.1.** Yvonne mentioned that Morecambe Bay Archers had registered to take part in Start Archery Week.
- **3.2.** Chris Asked Yvonne about AGB's "Range Returners" initiative, where AGB would contact ex-members about returning to Archery. Yvonne said that would be re-launching soon.
- **3.3.** Yvonne and Gary to start communications by email.

4. Officer's Round-up

- **4.1.** Simon (Chair): Not much to say. I enjoyed the County Indoor shoot. Well done to everyone taking part.
- **4.2.** Stu (Secretary): I have been contacted by some people wanting to take-up archery. I have put them in contact with their nearest Club.
- **4.3.** Gary (Coaching): I will contact Andy Arnold to arrange some Level 2 Coaching courses. I tried to take part in the psychology webinar by AGB, but the link didn't work. This was a problem for many others too. Yvonne agreed to look into what the problem was, and let Gary know when it's reorganized.
- **4.4.** Chris (Tournament): We have re-started competitions. The County Indoor was very successful. Eagle Bowmen ran an indoor competition in January as a test event. This

- worked well, so next year it will be a record status shoot. The CCAA web-site is up to date with all the competitions for this year and the venues are already booked for next year.
- **4.5.** June (Vice Chair & Child Protection): Nothing to report for Child Protection or Vice-Chair, it's been a quiet year. Yvonne remined those attending that it is a requirement for every Club to have a Safeguarding Officer.
- **4.6.** Chrissey (Treasurer): I am carrying-on as Treasurer until Freya has completed her PhD, and then hand-over. The County has £23,000 in the current account and £3700 in the Savings account. We have had an overall profit from the shoots so far, and the last competition made a profit. We have some late affiliations June will be sending Keswick's soon; we recently received Morecambe Bay's; we've not received any from Headleywood; and we are in discussions with Alison at Beacon as the County might owe Beacon for the last Coaching Course.

New Action: Chris agreed to chase-up Headleywood.

The County income is matching outgoings – we have reduced income due to half-price renewals, but we have reduced outgoings due to no coaching or squad expenses.

5. Club Round-up

- **5.1.** Summary from Simon for Sellafield AC. We are shooting again, but the number of archers has been decimated. The Falcon Field looks okay, after the work for the Environment Agency, but the shed has been battered by the elements during the time we have been unable to shoot there. There are currently problems with accessing the field. We will soon need somewhere for Elanor Piper to train when she moves into the area.
 - New Action: Yvonne to help by contacting SASRA to push for an access agreement.
- **5.2.** Summary by June for Keswick Archers. The first year after COVID we reduced our fees, which helped those returning. We have had 15 new starters. The Snowman shoot was moved indoors on the day, due to very bad weather. Next year this will be a Stafford round. We have 45 entrants for our Portsmouth competition tomorrow.
- **5.3.** Summary from Chris for Eagle Bowmen. We have been shooting inside and outside when possible due to the restrictions. We were restricted from using the school grounds briefly, but managed to resolve that by managing sessions. We have a free Flight Workshop on Easter Monday, using flu-flu arrows. Membership numbers are returning to normal, with beginners joining.
- **5.4.** Roger Payne for Vickers AC. We have a small number of archers, the numbers are down but we are working through the waiting list of beginners. We have been shooting indoors, and

have now started outdoors again. Things are looking up. I enjoyed the competition at Penrith.

5.5. No report from David Poole due to technical difficulties.

New Action: Yvonne to contact David to see if she can help with the planning application for Lakeland AC.

6. AGM Preparation

6.1. The Secretary (Stu) and Public Relations / Web-site officer (Beks) are standing down. It has been suggested that Jonathan Dent might be interested in taking over from Beks. Does anyone know of any other takers?

New Action: Stu to email Clubs with job roles and how many hours would be involved. Suggest a job-share might be possible.

Yvonne said there is further information about job roles on Club Matters and the AGB's web-site.

We are a volunteer lead organization. If we don't have volunteers we won't be able to run competitions.

It was agreed that an EGM should be held on 11th June in the French Fields Pavilion at 4pm to elect new people to these roles.

- **6.2.** It was agreed to hold the AGM in November, as usual.
- **6.3.** It was agreed that the membership fees are set by the committee, and there is no need to change them at the moment.

7. Competition Fees

7.1. The use of Eventbrite was discussed. The Eventbrite system is used by David for the Indoor competitions. The "Stripe" part of it is for the entry fees paid by credit card. The rest is cheque or cash. Eventbrite has the advantage of advertising our competitions "for free".

8. Squad Days and Coaching Days

- **8.1.** A Flight Archery workshop will be held at Hunter Hall on Easter Monday (18th April).
- **8.2.** Stu received an email from Jeff asking about new shirts for the squad. These would be needed for the Inter-Counties Target at Lillishall and the Northern Counties Clout at York, both in September. It was agreed that the County would provide new shirts to anyone who needs one. It was suggested that any out-grown ones could be handed back and June could help assess if they were okay to be re-used.

New Action: June to Talk to Jeff about helping to assess any shirts that are returned.

New Action: Jeff to let the Committee know who will be on the Target squad.

New Action: Chris to let the Committee know who will be on the Clout squad.

8.3. NCAS have proposed set-up an intercounty league, to increase team competition availability, and develop a Regional Squad.

New Action: Stu to send out the proposal to the committee for comment.

9. AOB

9.1. Keswick Archers have the use of a big room, with space for up to 20 bosses for indoor competitions, but there is no heating at the moment. The room costs £10/hour, compared to £60/hour for the Penrith Leisure Centre. Could the County fund some heating, which would make the room usable for County competitions as well as Keswick Archers? The owner says we are okay to use that room for at least the next 3 years, but might want to re-roof the room after that. The owner is happy to put in a cage for gas cylinders. We will need a

Heating Engineer to look into the options. Current estimates for gas "blower" heaters are £250 each. Patio heaters might be an option.

New Action. June to ask at the Competition if anyone has expertise in this area? New Action. Simon to ask a work colleague about options and regulations.

Meeting Closed Approximately 12 noon.

Actions from March 2022

94	Consider CCAA paying for the Level 2 seminar, so it is free for our Level 2 coaches.	All	Ongoing. The Treasurer believes we can afford to pay for
	Arrange a Level 2 Coaching Course with Andy Arnold.	Gary	this first coaching seminar and to fill additional spaces with Level 1 Coaches if required. Updated at March 2022 meeting.
	Arrange some Coaching Days with Duncan Busby.	Gary	
106	Chase-up County affiliation fees for 2021/22 from Headleywood	Chris	New
107	Contact SASRA to push for an access agreement	Simon and Yvonne	New
108	Discuss planning application for Lakeland AC.	David and Yvonne	New
109	The Secretary (Stu) and Public Relations / Wed-site officer (Beks) are standing down. Email Clubs with job roles and how many hours would be involved. Suggest a job-share might be possible. To be elected at EGM to be held on 11th June in the French Fields Pavilion at 4pm	Stu	New
110	Assess any Squad shirts that are returned	Jeff and June	New
111	Let the Committee know who will be on the Target squad.	Jeff	New
112	Let the Committee know who will be on the Clout squad.	Chris	New
113	Send out NCAS "Team" proposal to the Committee for comment.	Stu	New

114	Ask if anyone has expertise as a Heating Engineer for heating the room	June	New
115	Ask a work colleague about options and regulations for heating the room.	Simon	New

End of Minutes