

Leicestershire and Rutland County Archery Association

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th July 2019 Kirby Muxloe Sports Club, Ratby Lane, Kirby Muxloe.

The meeting started at 8.00pm.

Present: 16

NAME	CLUB	NAME	CLUB
Eddie Pemberton, Chair	BOGAS	Richard East, safe/g	Birstall
Jayne Curnock, Secretary	Fosse	Kim Copson	Birstall
Mark Peart, Treasurer	LSAC	Mark Lantsbury	Welland
Carol Smith, CRO	Fosse	Steve Gill	LAOFAC
Paul Agar, Tournament	Fosse	Martin Dexter	Birstall
Yakoob Ali, Dev/coaching	LAA	Colin Timson	Hinckley
Sarah Warner, team captain	Birstall	Laura Hutchinson	LSAC
James Brown, junior rep	SVAC	Tom Cram/website	Paradox

1. Apologies for absence: Debbie Staps, Mick Shaw, Peter Fox, Mohamed Patel and Andy Smith (Burroughs Hill)
2. Minutes from last meeting: were approved with 4 abstentions, proposed by Paul Agar, seconded by Kim Copson.
3. Matters arising: None.
4. Treasurers Report: Mark Peart –
 - a. Barclays account balance is just under £11000, cash in hand £182.
 - b. Income since last meeting has been £1100 EMAS development grant, £1675 county champs' entries and affiliations.
 - c. Expenditure since last meeting has been approx. £900 the third batch of team shirts and affiliations paid to EMAS.
 - d. I'm not doing detailed reports each month, however if anyone wants any specific financial information please ask.
5. Secretary's Report: Jayne Curnock –
 - a. JeDiS first aid kit; I'm still waiting for them.
 - b. The replacement Danage cable will cost no more than £40, the meeting approved the spend, county will pay for it as it couldn't be established when the lead went missing.
 - c. There are still affiliations coming in for this year and its nearly time to start organising 2019/20 affiliations. Jayne will be sending out reminders soon to clubs and direct members. At the September meeting she will report on the membership size of the county for the 2018/19 affiliation year.
6. Development and Coaching: Yakoob Ali –
 - a. The draft county development plan had been circulated to the county committee and clubs prior to the meeting. Yakoob proposed to adopt the plan, Mark Lantsbury seconded and it was agreed with one abstention.
7. Records officer: Carol Smith –
 - a. There have been 6 claims since the last meeting, two of which were from juniors. One of the claims has been declined due to shooting under their distance. One claim is also on hold due as waiting for 2/club shoot results to be produced.
8. EMAS Rep:
 - a. The June meeting was cancelled and has been rearranged for 24th July, Jayne will attend.
9. Team Captain: Sarah Warner – has created a newsletter which has gone out to clubs and is on the website. At the National Inter-counties, the recurve men came 4th. Sarah had complaints from longbow archers that there was no team sent to Lilleshall, this was after

the event. If the archers don't contact the county captain stating an interest they can't be selected.

- a. The Lincs match at the county outdoor champs will be a small team, they are only sending 3 lady compounds, 3 lady recurves; 2/3 gents' compound, 3 gents recurve and no longbows. As far as Sarah knows Lincs aren't sending a junior team. Sarah has had feedback from other team captains that is hard to raise a team to shoot York/Hereford rounds. Would the county consider changing the outdoor champs to a Metric round?
- b. Discussion at the meeting; Paul Agar stated that entries are falling each year for the outdoor champs, this year there are only 31 entries from archers in L&RCAA, feedback previously has been to move it to a WA round (this was mostly from compound archers). Eddie said that BoG stopped running imperial competitions as the entries were dropping. Tom said that with metric rounds ranking points can be earned, he personally wasn't bothered either way. Jayne said she didn't mind either way and that the imperial rounds are the traditional rounds of archery, it is difficult to move forward and lose the history. The committee agreed that this should be discussed further and clubs should be asked for their feedback too.

Thoresby team numbers;

Barebow - 2 ladies + 2 gents (1+1 to count)
Longbow - 2 ladies + 2 gents (1+1 to count)
Recurve - 4 ladies + 6 gents (3+5 to count)
Compound - 2 ladies + 3 gents (1+2 to count)

10. Junior Rep: James Browne – only 4 entries for the next junior shoot. Committee agreed that James should email out again, with a deadline of a week, if entries don't improve the event will be cancelled. Sydney Bond team (11th August) has been selected and emails will be going out to the archers soon.
11. Webmaster: Tom Cram – Everything that has been sent has been put onto the website. It was asked if there could be a new junior team photo, Tom said if someone sent him one, he would add it.
12. Safeguarding Officer: Richard East – Nothing to report. He was asked about the earlier issue; Richard has spoken or emailed all clubs in the county regarding this so they are all aware.
13. Tournament Organiser: Paul Agar – As mentioned in the team captains report, entries are very low for the outdoor champs, 38 entries (this includes 7 visitors). Paul asked if Eddie could bring the Danage timing system on the Sunday morning, Eddie agreed. Paul/Eddie/KMAC coordinate timings.
14. Any other business:
 - a) Sarah has enquired about The Swan in the Rushes for the county social in November. As the date is a Friday it will cost £100 for the room and bar. The committee agreed this was ok, budget for nibbles and photos (if we do them) to be agreed at a later date.
 - b) Laura asked if the novice shoot was happening again? Steve Gill said that LAOFAC were happy to run the event as usual, however Steve hadn't got the information about dates from Neill Brown. Committee agreed that the 1st September would be preferable.
 - c) Steve asked about clubs opting out of AGB insurance as LAOFAC and other clubs around the country are considering it. Jayne asked did he mean not affiliating to AGB and Steve confirmed yes, he wanted to know what implications it would have for their members affiliations to county/region. Jayne stated that for archers to be affiliated to county and region they must be affiliated to AGB, if the club isn't going to affiliate then each member will have to do so direct to AGB, and pay their affiliations direct to county and region, this is also more expensive by approx. £10 per adult. Otherwise the archers wouldn't be eligible to shoot for the county/region, there will also be implications for them shooting at other clubs and in competitions. Eddie stated that private insurance is expensive and very complicated. [*See appendix one.](#)

- d) Eddie said that when clubs hire the Damage kit the club must ensure that the paperwork is completed on return to Eddie, the inventory must be checked and confirmed that everything is present, and in the correct boxes. The leads do fit into the lidded buckets, you just need to wrap them carefully – without crimping them. It was suggested that clubs not returning the Damage kit correctly could have their deposit cheque withheld.
- e) Kim had sent an email with a complaint about archers not wearing their county shirts at the Inter Counties at Lilleshall, on the second day (Sarah did say the event was unseasonably hot). There were also members of the team who were wearing the correct shirts, but not with black trousers/shorts/skirt. Unfortunately, this seems to be a recurring issue at the Inter Counties and despite the county spending £2000 on new shirts some of the archers didn't wear them.

Sarah admitted that she had forgotten to say about the black clothing on the invitations (although this is clearly stated in the county constitution), and some of the archers have shot for the county previously and are aware of the team colours. There were suggestions to only reimburse those archers that are wearing the correct colours at a team event, or to not select them at following shoots. It was agreed that Sarah would make it clear in future invitations the county colour/clothing requirements.

Sarah will contact the archers that didn't wear the correct clothing colours at Lilleshall. Team members will be given the clear message on clothing and that they will not be selected again (for the next match) if they choose not to wear the correct kit. The committee will give Sarah their full support in this. Any archers wishing to purchase their own second shirt are welcome to do so.

- f) Yakoob has created a flyer to go out to clubs about starting a senior squad, he needs venues, coaches and archers.
- g) There has been some confusion with the reimbursement of fees for level two coaching courses, regarding external funds and who/what that is. Jayne, Mark and Yakoob are reviewing the document and will have a draft ready for approval at the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.19pm.

Next committee meeting Monday 16th September 2019

* [Appendix one](#): Further to the issue raised at the July county committee meeting, of LAOFAC possibly not affiliating to AGB, EMAS or L&RCCA we received this from Archery GB and further clarification by phone:

Archery GB Shooting Related Laws:

1. Only a member of Archery GB or a person who is a member of a national society affiliated to World Archery (or such successor organisation as may take over the role of World Archery from time to time) may shoot or officiate at any of Archery GB's meetings or at any meeting of a Regional Society, County Association or Associated Club.

Therefore, in summary if LAOFAC do not affiliate to AGB:

1. Their members will not be able to shoot at any AGB club, as it would invalidate everyone's insurance.
2. Their members will not be able to shoot for county or region.
3. LAOFAC will not be able to hold R/S shoots.
4. AGB members will not be able to shoot at LAOFAC ground under AGB insurance unless LAOFAC have their own insurance to cover visiting archers.