

Leicestershire & Rutland County Archery Association

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th September 2019 at Kirby Muxloe Sports Club, Ratby Lane, Kirby Muxloe.

The meeting commenced at 8.00pm

Present:

Name	Club	Name	Club
Eddie Pemberton, Chairman	BOGAS	Kim Copson	Bowman of Birstall
Mark Peart, Treasurer		Steve Gill	LOAFAC
Jayne Curnock, Secretary	Fosse Co of Archers	Mark Lantsbury	Welland Valley
Tom Cram Webmaster	Paradox	Mick Shaw	Lutterworth
Paul Agar, CTO	Fosse Co of Archers	Colin Timson	Hinckley
Carol Smith, CRO	Fosse Co of Archers	Peter Fox	BOR
Sarah Warner Team Cap		Anne Smith	Foxes
Debbie Staps, Minutes Sec			
James Browne, Junior Rep	SVAC		

1. Apologies for absence: Yakoob Ali, Richard East, Martin Dexter, Hannah Powe

2. Minutes of the Last meeting: were approved with 3 abstentions

Proposed: Mark Peart

Second: Steve Gill

3. Matters Arising

- I. Due to the slope at the County Champs at Kirby Muxloe, spectators were given a good view and the whole team were in the county shirt and black trousers, which looked excellent. Perhaps a reminder is needed to clubs to ensure their members doing competitions are aware of the AGB dress code, as you may not wear clothing with rips and clothing should be appropriate. There are new judges and they can stop an archer from shooting.
- II. Archery GB have stated all students will need to be using their digital cards. Please be aware if you are running competition all students will have to use digital cards.

4. Treasurers Report: Mark Peart

- I. No August meeting so we have a balance of £9925,22. Income was just short of £600 from County Champs and affiliations. Expenses were mostly from the county champs. Nothing out the ordinary. An auditor will be looking over the accounts from when Mark took over.

5. Secretary's Report: Jayne Curnock

- II. I had a request from Lutterworth asking about disabled membership of AGB, and what did other clubs do. Contacting clubs, the resounding feedback is that they follow the AGB policy. Which is a trust basis, if an archer requests disabled membership, they are given it with no questions asked. Some clubs in county admitted that they had to tell some disabled members about the reduced rate as they were not aware.
- III. Clubs have been sent reminders about affiliation payments for 2019/20 being due. I've requested a report from AGB on membership which I hope to have for the next county meeting.
- IV. 1262 members as of today.

111 junior females (includes 2 disabled)

218 senior females (includes 13 disabled and 3 in university clubs)

96 females under 25 (includes 71 in university clubs)

161 junior males (includes 1 disabled)

541 senior males (includes 25 disabled and 11 in university clubs)

135 under 25 males (includes 93 in university clubs)

- V. Does anyone have any preference on how they would like the county membership to be presented at the AGM?
- VI. I have created a draft nomination form the EMAS Ron Smith Memorial for clubs. Clubs will be able to send in their nominations after the AGM each year, up to the 1st March the following year. The county committee will then vote at the March meeting and that nominee will be put forward to EMAS for their AGM.

6. EMAS Report: Jayne Curnock

- I. EMAS development grants will be £1000 per county. I did say that penalizes larger counties, however it was voted in. There is an additional fund of £375(?), for us if we want to run safeguarding courses or similar. The EMAS junior squad will be funded 50% by EMAS, this will be refunded to counties if the junior attends 80% of sessions, it hasn't been finalised when this will start.
- II. Yusuf Ali's EMAS grant was approved for representing England at the Home Nations match at the Junior Nationals.
- III. EMAS trophies are no longer to be taken away by winners at competitions, photos can be taken; EMAS will pay for the engraving of all trophies. They now need

somewhere to store them and someone to manage this (trophy officer role?). They want ideas for where to store them, EMAS will pay to insure the trophies.

- IV. EMAS 720 – change of team sizes 2020, following on from discussions at the shoot (with the county captains) it was agreed at the meeting to make the teams of 4 gents (3 to count) and 4 women (3 to count) for compound, as only one county could send a full team this year. It was agreed that it will be this way as a trial for 2020 to see if it works.
- V. Dave Anderson has organized with Northern counties to reinstate the match in 2020, suggestion for it to be a three way with WMAS too. The provisional date is the end of September 2020 – so it may clash with the Northants match.
- VI. EMAS looking to change their shirts, this is in progress for 2020.
- VII. Sydney Bond, Notts proposed to move the date to mid-September (for the 2019 competition), this was voted down, as its only three weeks before the event. It was agreed that in 2020 the Sydney Bond would move permanently to the second Sunday in September.
- VIII. Derbyshire don't have enough bosses to cover the event and it was agreed (as a one off) for EMAS to hire in bosses. It was also agreed that the development committee will look again at the fee structure for clubs hosting for EMAS, this will then go to out to counties for discussion.
- IX. EMAS will purchase two feather flags, with spikes and printed on both sides with the EMAS logo on, to be displayed at shoots. Cost for this is £240 plus delivery.
- X. Haven't got the date for the next EMAS meeting.
- XI. Issue with trophy storage.
- XII. There are quite a lot of trophies missing, one which Leicestershire and Rutland won
- XIII. The committee complained EMAS are not putting out to the clubs for ideas. We don't get info before the meeting, it is announced at the meeting. The date for the Sydney Bond is going to change permanently to the second Sunday in September. Leicestershire and Rutland are hosting the Sydney Bond and cannot host when we have a county match. This will be emailed back to EMAS.
- XIV. Sarah asked if we could have a flag. If anyone knows where they do the printing for the flags let the committee know. Nottingham have a big gazebo and flags.
- XV. Do we have a regional coaching development officer? Conditions of the grant state we should attend meetings but there haven't been any.

7. Development Sub Committee Report: Yakoob Ali

- I. The first coaching date is 20th October to be held at Foxes indoor venue. The cost for the session is £182 for the hall plus £150 for a senior coach (Maggie) to lead the session. I have interest from around 9 archers for a full days coaching but I am sure we can get more archers signed up from the County Squad. I propose we charge anywhere between £10 and £20 (depending on the number of archers we have

confirmed) for a full coaching day to contribute towards the cost, the County should subsidise the remainder through the development fund.

- II. I have a number of coaches interested in participating, I will need to send out an email to request other coaches to assist. Unfortunately, as things stand, I will be in Germany on 20 October, I have asked Eddie if he can run the session with Maggie on the day.
- III. Future provisional dates for sessions are 5 Jan 2020 and 9 Feb 2020 (venue to be determined), however these will be dependent on the feedback and response we get from the first session.
- IV. Eddie said it would be good if archers from the county attended. Sarah asked what the maximum number of people who could take part was and whether there was a selection procedure. Yakoob is trying to make it as open as possible to encourage people to attend. It is likely to be on a first come first serve basis.
- V. Need to approve the funding and work out how much to charge. Other coaches will be working with Maggie as the lead. As it is the first one charge £10 per head and this should allow a good balance between coaching and number of people. For those who want to go, it may be the first time some coaches have coached outside their club. Need to make sure the coaches are matched to archer level. Archers need to email Yakoob if they are interested.

8. Jedi's coaching team;

Penny Smith read by James Browne

- I. A successful outdoor session was held at Bowman of Rutland in July with two potential new JeDiS invited to attend by Yakoob.
- II. The Foxes have kindly agreed to allow JeDiS to use their equipment again this year and the hall at Winstanley has been booked for the following dates:
October 6th – 9am to 2pm (Pre-season session)
October 27th – 9am to 1pm
November 24th – 9am to 1pm
January 19th – 9am to 1pm
February 23rd – 9am to 1pm
March 15th – 9am to 1pm
April – OUTDOORS to be finalised January/February once competition dates are checked.
- III. 16 existing JeDiS have been sent E-mails inviting them to attend and 3 new JeDiS have been invited to join. These are:
Ethan Burton-Browne
Maryam Manjothi
Zaaidah Bobat
- IV. I have sent an email to coaches informing them of the dates and asking them to let me know availability. Two level 1 coaches from Bowman of Rutland who attended the July session have been invited to attend and shadow existing coaches. Ismail Bobat has also been invited to become a JeDiS coach.

- V. As I am leaving the area and moving to Gloucestershire, I have asked the JeDIS coaches to consider if they will take on the lead coach role and to let Eddie know as soon as possible. Realistically, I cannot travel up every month particularly in the winter therefore a lead coach really does need to be found ASAP even if it is a new coach who has not attended JeDis before. While I may still be able to run the pre-season session on October 6th it would be better if the new lead introduced their own ideas and thoughts at that session.
- VI. I have asked Yakoob as CCO to again email all coaches in the County to invite them to become JeDiS coaches or at least come and see what we do. If anyone has coaches in their club who feel they would be a good addition, please can you arrange them to come.
- VII. Agreed to pay £60 up front for boss hire to the Foxes
The role of Jedi lead has not been advertised – send out to clubs and contact Eddie
This is very short notice. Does it have to be a coach or an experienced archer?
Previous leads have not all been coaches. There was talk at one point about Jedi coaches working on a rota. Penny also has a lot of the equipment, if she is at the first session she could hand it back then. If anyone has any thoughts please encourage them to get in touch. Yakoob to email out to clubs and coaches. Will need a basic criteria to send out.

8. C.R.O's Report: Carol Smith

- I. There have been 35 claims: 13 Senior and 22 Junior.
- II. 2 have been declined: current record was higher, one under distance for age group.
- III. Fox 16 claims: 3 Senior 13 Junior
- IV. Few issues with claims recently in relation to seniors with some claiming records they are not eligible for as they had shot junior rounds and therefore shot under the distance for age. Carol is having to go back and refuse claim. Appears to be club record officers or more senior club members are not helping others in the club. Not sure if club record officers are fully aware of the records that can be claimed.
- V. Classification: 1 Senior 3 Junior

9. Team Captain's Report: Sarah Warner

- I. The Thoresby - Leicestershire and Rutland won the Thoresby trophy
- II. Lincs match, juniors and seniors both one. 49 seniors have shot, 77 tops handed out, 10 new archers shooting.
- III. Have trophies with darts on, can they be repurposed? Sarah will take a photo of these and disseminate.
- IV. Tops for next year - we won't need as many as most have them. If we get more will probably get larger sizes.
- V. Another newsletter will be done after the Northants match.

- VI. The social date needs to be organised early and Sarah asked what the standard budget for this? Jayne suggested £40 was spent at the rugby club previously for crisps and nibbles.

10. Junior Reps Report: James Browne

- I. Junior shoot was two weeks ago at Welland – thank you. James was alone as Carol had just come out of hospital following surgery and was therefore unable to attend. Low numbers with 14 having entered and 1 no show. There were 5 Jedi's and 3 archers who were doing their first shoot, a couple didn't have quivers so arrows were everywhere. Perhaps mention to parents they need quivers.
- II. JeDI dates and venues discussed. 9th November will be the first Indoor shoot at Fosse, details are on the website.
- III. There is an issue with juniors re EMAS as they are inviting Leicesteshire Juniors that we have not put forward. An archer who has already shot for EMAS, as they were short of numbers, was advised to contact EMAS directly. Penny, James and Carol have been in contact with EMAS and raised their concerns. This is being considered and Carol has said if EMAS are going to select the archers they will have to be fully funded as the county will not subsidise. EMAS should be referring parents back to county. Whilst the county has raised an objection, EMAS has said it is likely to happen again. This undermines the selection process and can set a precedent which is unfortunate. If they are going to do that, they may as well allow archers to apply directly to EMAS. Other counties don't fund their juniors and funding is taken from parents which means archers are not being selected but paying for places. Paul asked if this was in the EMAS constitution regarding how juniors are selected. It is probably because they will be running at a loss as numbers are low. Paul stated if numbers are low EMAS should be coming back to County and asking for others to be put forward. The amount of money EMAS has they should be able to fund. EMAS don't inform the county and parents often don't either.

11. Information Officers Report: Tom Cram

Junior photo has been updated. All other updates have been done.

12. Tournament Organisers Report: Paul Agar

- I. Paul has stood down as TO
- II. County outdoors was held on the 4th August and hosted by Kirby Muxloe; many thanks to them. Had issues at the start
- III. Numbers were low with 74 archers and Income of £958
- IV. County team 12 seniors and 2 juniors had 50% of fee refunded. Email Mark and he will refund those whose refund is outstanding.

- V. Shoot was an actual loss when including the hidden cost of medals which amounted to £197.02. Numbers keep dwindling, less county archers are taking part as Nottingham brought a large team.
- VI. Paul has the laptop and printer with him to pass on.

13. Safe Guarding Officer:

Richard East

Nothing to report

14. Any Other Business:

- Jayne has sent out the county constitution to have a look through before the AGM and this should be shared with clubs. Sarah asked about the team clothing dress code and Jane reiterated the trousers should be black. Others suggested we could use the term dark but this can also lead to issues.
- Steve has been asked if there are any funding pots for potential archers to apply for funding from the county or EMAS. The county does not have any but archers can apply privately to councils. Tend to need some kind of track record.
- County Indoor championships - the hall and judges are booked. Anne asked if the entry fees would be the same as this year? It was agreed to stick to the same fees. Ann will put the entry form in for record status. Sunday 2nd February, Winstanley, get entries in early as they will be a boss down. Had a discussion previously about having the same fee for seniors and juniors. Reward categories – medals were given out for flatbow so Ann will include all bowstyles. February is going to be the 50th senior and 48th junior, apparently it will be the 51st. If it is the 50th do we want to mark this in any way? Could get pens done, certificates, badges. Any ideas bring to the next meeting.
- Eddie raised the point that Pam is going to investigate claiming WA Star Awards.
- Kirby – field is being investigated. In conversation with the owner as the field is being astrourfed. Can they still run the selection shoots next year?
- Mick – 1st October L and R 300 starts again. He will be emailing clubs this week. If details have changed make sure Mick knows.
- Coach funding grant document has been amended and agreed.

Meeting closed at 21.45pm

The next meeting will be Monday 21st October 2019.