

LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND COUNTY ARCHERY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 10th August 2020 on Skype; the meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

Eddie Pemberton	Chair	Chrissie Mortlock	Bowmen of Rutland
Mark Peart	Treasurer	Carol Smith	Records/EMAS
Jayne Curnock	Secretary	Peter Fox	Bowmen of Rutland
Tom Cram	Webmaster/ Paradox	Martin Dexter	Bowmen of Birstall
James Browne	Junior Rep	Sarah Warner	County Captain
Yakoob Ali	Dev/coaching	Colin Timson	Hinckley Archers
Andrew Bennison	The Foxes	Harry Morton	LSAC
Mick Shaw	Lutterworth		
Avtar Singh	The Foxes		

16 attended

The meeting was recorded on Skype for minute taking purposes, this file has now been deleted.

1. **Apologies;** Debbie Staps, Richard East and Steve Gill.
2. **Matters Arising.** There were none from the last minutes.
3. **Treasurers report.**
Summary of the county accounts, £8566.67 in the Barclays account, £457.07 in cash. We've paid EMAS affiliations (£127.50) and postage costs for sending out the L&R medals to clubs. The DJ Morgan invoice for medals (£387) is to be paid. Mark as contacted the auditor to see if he will do them again, hopefully he will verify the balance sheet as that all we require.
4. **Secretary's report.**
 - a) AGB announced their fees on the 31st July with no reduction for current members and an increase for new members joining in the 20/21 season. I have created a breakdown of affiliation fees for AGB, EMAS and LRCAA which has been circulated to clubs and is on the county website.
 - b) EMAS sent out conflicting advice at the end of last week regarding new members affiliations, today this has been clarified. EMAS fees are only due for members who join L&RCAA and EMAS during the 2020/21 year.
 - c) I'm going to set up an LRCAA secretary skype address, so that I am not using our home one, as it looks like we are going to be holding meeting this way for quite a while yet.
 - d) I was loaned some old county newsletters from the early 1980s which had some interesting letters, with the origins of Leicester DISC, Kirby Muxloe and Birstall, also an article from Chris Jones when he shot at the indoor champs for the first time with a compound bow. I scanned these parts and sent them out to the respective clubs for their archives.
5. **Development and coaching report.**
 - a) Bowmen of Glen have run a beginner's course and Yakoob would like to invite other coaches to attend to see how to socially distance and still coach safely. Eddie will check with his club committee and will let Yakoob know.
 - b) AGB have released guidance for indoor shooting, it would be good to know what clubs are doing indoors so we can plan senior sessions. Many venues are still in the planning stage, hope we will know more by the next meeting. Clubs will have to restrict the numbers of archers attending sessions, which may be economically unviable to run indoors sessions. Yakoob suggested looking at the viability outdoor coaching.
6. **EMAS report.** No report as there haven't had any meetings. There was a discussion about holding EMAS meeting online on Skype to keep the business of the region going. It was felt by the meeting that EMAS is not running effectively, Mark has offered to stand as Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer of EMAS both get paid, so should be following their procedures to get things sorted. Eddie is going to talk to Mario to call a virtual meeting, to get the officers elected.
7. **Records Officer.** Nothing to report.
8. **County Captain.** Nothing to report.
9. **Junior Rep.**
 - a) James sent out an email to JeDiS yesterday (12 of them) to see how many want to continue and two have replied so far, one saying that due to A level studies they won't be continuing. Waiting for the rest to reply, Eddie suggested to send another follow up email.
 - b) Steve and James have some ideas, start afresh and go back to basics, two sessions a month with shorter sessions of 2 hours, to get more of team atmosphere. Sessions of fitness and nutrition and charge subs (if it is held at Soar Valley where there is a cost to use the outdoor venue).
 - c) We need to have a coach meeting to put these ideas onto paper so that all the coaches are all on board. There was concern that holding two sessions a month would increase our contact time with JeDiS and also a huge time commitment from parents.

- d) It was agreed that we will hold a skype meeting, with the current JeDiS coaches and open it up to all the coaches in the county. Yakoob will also add something to go all coaches whilst we are contacting them about JeDiS.
- e) Important to inform all the JeDiS and parents of any changes and proposals we are making.
- 10. **Webmaster.** Nothing to report, Tom is putting on what he is sent.
- 11. **Safeguarding Officer.** Richard said that he has nothing to report.

- 12. **Any other business.**
 - A) EMAS sent out a suggestion to shoot a junior match online, with juniors at clubs in their own county and scoring virtually on lanseo. Not many of the juniors will be match fit, the only certainty was the date. It assumes that everyone has a smart phone and Wi-Fi to actually score the round on the day. The issues of juniors not replying to emails would also make it difficult. It's a good idea, however it would be too difficult to organise. A postal league would have been easier to run.
 - B) There has been another break in at a club in Northants (Wellingborough), it seems that the people who did the burglary knew what they were taking, it was felt that they were stolen to order. Clubs should ensure they have an inventory of equipment (and its value), and that their security is as good as it can be.

Meeting ended at 20.18pm

EGM will be on Monday 14th September at 7.30pm.

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