

Leicestershire & Rutland County Archery Association

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th March 2020 at Syston Rugby Football Club,
Barkby Rd, Leicester LE7 3GD

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Present:

Name	Club	Name	Club
Eddie Pemberton, Chair	Bowmen of Glen	Martin Dexter	BOB
Mark Peart, Treasurer	LSAC	Quentin Mabbutt	LOAFAC
Jayne Curnock, Secretary	Fosse Co of Archers	Steve Gill	LOAFAC
Tom Cram, webmaster	Paradox	Kim Copson	BoB
Carol Smith, CRO	Fosse Co of Archers	Peter Fox	BOR
Debbie Staps, Minutes Sec	KMAC	Anne Smith	Foxes
Sarah Warner, County Capt		Colin Timson	Hinckley
Richard East, safeguarding		Laura Hutchinson	Loughborough
Mick Shaw	Lutterworth	Mark Lantsbury	Welland Valley
Peter Curnock	Fosse		

19 attended

1. Apologies for absence: Yakoob Ali, Peter Fox, James Browne

2. Minutes of the Last meeting:

Proposed: Kim Copson Second: Anne Smith Agreed with 4 abstentions

3. Matters Arising

I. None

4. Treasurers Report: Mark Peart

- I. £12,416.10 in the bank and £457.07 cash in hand which will be paid into the account. Discrepancy with income from the indoor champs as we have received more cash than expected. Mark will talk to Ann about this. Affiliation fees are going into the account, expenditure is the venue for the County Champs and the coaching days.

5. Secretary's Report: Jayne Curnock

- I. County membership as of today is 1076.
- II. I heard back from AGB regarding the en bloc club and Direct member issues, they are looking into it further, with possible payment direct to AGB for these membership groups, AGB will then pay county and region.

- III. The Barclays insurance for the Damage timing system is due for renewal the quote is for £198.50, an increase of £12 on last year. Committee agreed to renew the damage system insurance.
- IV. There have been no nominations from clubs for the Ron Smith Memorial Trophy, to be presented at the EMAS AGM (4th April 2020 in Derbyshire, information has been sent out to all clubs).

6. EMAS Report: Carol Smith

- I. No meeting. The AGM is the 4th April 2020

7. Development Sub Committee Report: Yakoob (Not present) email read by Jayne

I. Senior Coaching Day 4 (Outdoors – Bowmen of Glen – 21st March)

As it stands, we have 9 archers and 4 coaches confirming attendance.

We have to decide if we want to go ahead with this, we can work with the confirmed numbers or give it another week and see if there is more interest. At the moment the coach/archer balance is adequate. If we get more archers signing up during the week and not enough coaches, then it may become an issue. It was agreed to give it another week to see if any more people contacted Yakoob.

II. Senior Coaching Dates 2020 -2021

I have now received the following proposed dates for running the Senior coaching session next indoor season (2020/2021):

25 October 2020

29 November 2020

10 January 2021

14 February 2021

21 March 2021 (Outdoor)

Please can we send these dates out to the clubs to determine if anyone would like to host one or more of the proposed dates. We would like clubs to make their shooting venue (County will pay for the venue) and club equipment (stands, bosses, nets etc) available for use to run the sessions. Ideally, we would want to move the sessions around the county.

III. Level 1 (Session) Coach course

I have had some interest in putting on a Level (session coach) course this year. I do not have confirmed dates, however if any club is interested in assisting by providing their venue/equipment please can they get in touch.

8. Jedi's coaching team:

- I. No report

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

- I. There have been 0 claims:

9. Team Captain's Report: Sarah Warner

- I. I will be sending out the clout team tomorrow.
- II. No-one can host the Notts match so I have gone back to Nottingham and they are going to try and sort this.

10. Junior Reps Report: James Browne (Not Present) Email read by Jayne

- I. JeDis subs are all collected apart from Harvey who barely turns up and Yakoob's Mariam. Will bring money to the next meeting.
- II. Arranged with Soar valley for the first junior outdoor shoot of the summer for June 7th so will get that set up soon.
- III. Regarding last month's minutes, I email every parent of juniors I have on my list which Carol gave me about junior shoots and JeDis sessions and also send reminders out and put on the social sites.
- IV. At January's meeting I specifically asked if I should cancel the junior shoot as only 5 juniors and 2 coaches I knew of were attending and it was agreed that we should cancel. I cancelled with everyone the next evening.

11. Information Officers Report: Tom Cram

- I. Nothing to report

12. Tournament Organisers Report:

- I.

13. Safe Guarding Officer: Richard East

- I. No report

14. Any Other Business:

- a) Peter Fox asked about the senior coaching paying up front for all 5 sessions which was discussed at the last meeting. This was taken back to his club and members were a bit concerned as some members would be unable to make all 5 sessions due to other commitments. Possible suggestion was to commit to 3 out of the 5 sessions so only paying for 3 sessions. Now that Yakoob has the dates these can be sent out to archers.
- b) Rugby club have double booked for May meeting. Can we have the meeting on the 18th May instead? Agreed
- c) The committee discussed the proposed postal shoot to commemorate 70 years of LRCAA. All clubs are encouraged to take part and the shoot should take place on Friday 8th or the Saturday 9th May. It was agreed we would shoot a national round as this would be better for novices as the faces are bigger compared to a metric. Archers will only get an award if they shoot their correct distance for their age/gender. To claim a record there must be 2 clubs present so if your club is intending to host a shoot please make sure all county archers know so they are able to attend if they want to. Jayne asked if the results could be back to her by midnight on Saturday 9th May so awards can be presented to club reps at the County meeting

on the following Monday. If your club is shooting please let Jayne or Debbie know so this can be disseminated. There was a suggestion we could give the profits to charity. Clubs could collect fees/donations and the charity will be decided at the next meeting.

- d) We do have six little cups which were done for the double Portsmouth which we no longer do. We could engrave this with something to do with the 70th anniversary. We do not have many medals left so will need to order more. We currently have; 15 gold, 71 silver and 34 bronze. Probably have enough silver but may need to bring gold and bronze up to 75.
- e) Sydney Bond - Steve from LOAFAC said they were happy to host this.
- f) This is the last month of the L and R, would holders of the trophies please return these for reissue.
- g) Anyone who is interested in the coaching sessions should contact Yakoob.
- h) County Outdoor Championships? We will lose our development grant if we don't host it. We need a club to host it but no-one has come forward. Proposed date is the first Sunday in August (2nd August). Suggestion to combine it with the 14/40 being hosted by Bowmen of Glen in September. Entries for this are already out. This can be sent out to club secretaries to disseminate. Eddie will double check with his club before emails go out.
- i) Jayne read an email received from Mel - I've just been looking through the minutes of the last county meeting. In Any Other Business it states that I was proposing the county organise more novice shoots. I think what I was suggesting has been misinterpreted. I've included the email I sent you and you'll see that what we're looking at is:
 - 1) Reducing the distances at the outdoor novice shoot for seniors (from 60, 50 to 50, 40 yards - a Short National)
 - 2) Allowing archers to shoot it more than once.

The idea is to try and increase the number of archers new to the sport to participate in the novice shoots. The outdoor one is poorly attended and we think that if the two changes above were implemented it would improve the turn out. Last year 9 seniors archers entered. Reducing the qualification period from 18 to 12 months wouldn't help. If you finish your Beginners' Course in July you are unlikely to enter the novice shoot in September which means you wouldn't have the opportunity to shoot it at all. The 18 month period is there for a purpose. There have been discussions on the Novice Shoot at the last two meetings. Do you think we could have a vote on the two proposals and put the topic to bed? They would of course need LAOFAC's approval since they run the tournaments.

The committee discussed the proposals. If people want to shoot a shorter distance they should be able to but they are not eligible for awards. Tom said 60 yards is not very far. Sarah said should we change it as it is not working. There was a suggestion that as it is done over 18 months, archers who have only been shooting 9 months could do the shorter distance but this would become very complicated. The novice shoot hasn't been very well advertised in the past and this may have contributed to low numbers. The shoot has been run for a number of years and people previously were shooting this distance so it shouldn't be changed just to make it easier. The purpose of the novice shoot was to show archers what a competition was like and

archers are always allowed to drop down a distance but do not get awards which is reflective in the novice shoot.

It was asked if Kirby would do the indoor novice shoot again and if LOAFAC would host the outdoor shoot this year? Both clubs agreed. Clubs should think about the advertising and make sure archers are aware they can drop down a distance.

Proposal:

1) Reducing the distances at the outdoor novice shoot for seniors (from 60, 50 to 50, 40 yards - a Short National) 1 in favour Not Agreed

2) Allowing archers to shoot it more than once. 1 in favour Not Agreed

The novice shoot will remain the same at the moment and we can review this in the future.

- j) LOAFAC offered to help out with juniors. Mel and Steve from Kirby are going to try and get together with LOAFAC and come up with a proposal for juniors.
- k) Barclays are closing Mark's local bank so cheque payments will be more difficult. If possible encourage the use of online banking.

Meeting closed at 20.30pm

The next meeting will be Tuesday 14th April 2020 at 7.30pm