# **LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND COUNTY ARCHERY ASSOCIATION**

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2022 on Skype; the meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

13 attended, 12 in person, 1 via skype:

Eddie Pemberton	Chair	Carol Smith	Records, EMAS
Mark Peart	Treasurer	Helen Smedley.	AGB
Neill Brown	Secretary	Eileen Payne	КМАС
Rebecca Cusworth	Captain	Colin Timson	Hinckley
Maggie Squires	Development, EMAS	Andrew Bennison	The Foxes
Mick Shaw	Lutterworth	Martin Dexter	Birstall
Glynis Castle	Lutterworth		

1. Apologies -

Richard East	Safeguarding	Chrissie Mortlock	Affiliations
Peter Fox	Bowmen of Rutland	Tom Cram	Web
Mark Bennett	Apollo	Mark Lantsbery	Welland Valley

- 2. Minutes from the last meeting approved
- 3. Matters Arising. Updates included in sections below
- 4. Treasurer's report.

All up to date, except a few cheques to be paid in – Bank processes and opening hours make this difficult to do.

### 5. Secretary's report.

A quiet month – a few emails have been passed on to Club Secretaries for onward distribution. ACTION Next year's Fees document has been updated and sent to Chrissie for approval – Tom will then publish on the website. (LRCAA fees are the same as last year, and EMAS have reintroduced fees at the previous rate). 6. <u>Affiliations</u>

No report.

Mick asked if we need names to be provided as there is nowhere to add these to the form. We normally reconcile the numbers between AGB registrations and County fees.

Helen advised that **AGB** are collating information on fees from all regions and counties with a view to providing the facility to collect alongside AGB Fees – but as the counties and regions currently have a wide range of fees structures there will need to be a consolidation to accommodate this, and therefore it will take some time. 7. **Development and Coaching.** 

Maggie now has access to Sport80 - and County have agreed that she can use contact information on the system to contact our AGB registered coaches directly where appropriate.

A safeguarding course has been arranged at Loughborough Uni on 9 sept, it is nearly full, and we will arrange another if there is sufficient interest - contact Maggie to let her know you are interested.

We currently have a number of people who have started session coach training (old L1). 6 Loughborough Students are being funded by the university. A student from DMU has asked if County can assist with fees. After debate it was decided that this would be a good use of county funds. We currently get a grant from EMAS, which we match, that has enabled us to provide the mandatory Safeguarding course free of charge to the candidates. In addition, the meeting decided that where candidates are not fully supported from other means (eg clubs), then the County may reimburse candidates who successfully complete the training up to £100 of their fees - To manage the demand this will be at the discretion of the committee and will need to be applied for via their club secretary (Club Secretaries please contact Maggie for further

information).

3 Juniors have responded to the request from Maggie/Rebecca for archers to shoot the Sydney Bond Tournament. AGB info:

Helen reminded us that AGB are offering a support fund for clubs to apply for eg for help to clubs to cater for the boost in beginner numbers (and will give County the opportunity to match funding, which means the admin will be done for us by AGB).

The new Online club competition is still open for entries (til end of August - round to be shot be end of Sept) There are decent cash prizes to be won.

Neill, Eddie and Maggie have had an initial meeting with the South Leicestershire School Sport Partnership to discuss a joint initiative with L&R schools, to develop a programme that will be self sustained in local schools and will provide a feed of juniors (and their families) into local clubs. It is early days yet, and a second meeting is scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> August. We also have the benefit of input from Integr8archery who has been running a programme in Northants.

## 8. EMAS Rep.

No meeting this month.

## 9. Records Officer.

6 claims for Fox Awards this month. Total claims for records this year are 19 (8 senior, 11 junior) so the change to single club night claims is not causing any concerns at present.

#### 10. County Captain.

We are struggling to get enough archers to field full teams for county matches and the Team intercounties. Compound and Recurve Teams have been entered for the intercounties at Lilleshall, but only the Gents Recurve is full - if we do not get enough people interested then we will need to cancel - for a refund this needs to be by Monday 22nd August. Rebecca and Neill have circulated adverts via email and social media and will send out another - ACTION CLUB SECRETARIES - Please circulate the email to all club members - archers do not have to great to represent the county - willing volunteers are welcome of whatever standard - and entry fees are paid in full for away matches, and 50% for Home matches.

#### Information Officer.

Website is up to date.

## 11. Safeguarding Officer.

Nothing to report.

## 12. Tournaments.

Carol has ordered more medals, which should be here in time for the Novice shoot (4<sup>th</sup> Sept) – **ACTION Carol** to let **Neill** know when they are here to arrange collection.

L&R 300 will run again this year - but not the Frostbite (which was run last year because many indoor venues were closed).

# 13. Any Other Business.

Next meeting to be face to face (with option for remote dial in). It would be good to move the meeting around the county, with clubs being invited to provide a venue – either a clubhouse, or a local room (a small budget can be made available to hire a local venue in the vicinity if there is no facility at the club).

## Meeting ended at 21:05

Next Meeting will be face to face – volunteer club to host - venue TBA