LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND COUNTY ARCHERY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 9th October 2023 via Skype. Meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

11 attended:

Eddie Pemberton	Chair	Mark Lantsbery	Welland Valley
Neill Brown	Secretary	Philip Jones	The Foxes
Mark Peart	Treasurer	Johnny Mistry	Fosse
Richard East	Safeguarding	Eileen Payne	KMAC
Carol Smith	Records, EMAS	Martin Dexter	Birstall
Chrissie Mortlock	Affiliations		

Apologies -

Maggie Squires	Coaching	Helen Smedley	AGB
Gill Brown	Captain	Tom Cram	Web
Laura McCartney	Publicity	Rebecca Cusworth	Development

- 1. Minutes from the last meeting approved.
- 2. <u>Matters Arising</u>. Updates included in sections below.

3. Treasurer's report.

A busy month as it was Financial Year end for both County.

We have some issues with Barclays as our bank. Mark may start looking for an alternative.

4. Secretary's report.

Nothing to report.

5. Affiliations

We are in the middle of the busy period for renewals and currently have 583 members affiliated so far this year, including 6 AGB direct. Chrissie has emailed the others to remind them to affiliate.

Development.

Rebecca provided a report which was shared and discussed:

The coach seminar which was hosted on 26th Sept. We had 24 coaches in attendance with a variety of Development, Sessions, and Trainee coaches, including one judge. We discussed how we recruit and train beginners, reflecting on how we might improve our coaching within the beginners course. We received positive feedback.

AP Mark - to review the grant paperwork which I Rebecca has sent to him, and provide costs.

We outlined the development plan for the next year which is a set of goals based on what we are currently working towards.

On a positive note, the Development Subcommittee has been shortlisted for AGB's Recognition Awards for 'Participation Project of the Year'. The awards are at the end of October.

A question was raised asking if people interested in becoming a coach could attend the coaching seminars – Yes they can.

Coaching

Maggie provided a report, the full report is included as an appendix. The summary of items covered is: Coaching renewal forms are being processed for a level 2 and 2 level 1s, and contacted 2 lapsed coaches for paperwork.

We have a new level 2 coach - Hannah Powe.

AP All coaches - please remember to upload your safeguarding course certificates to AGB sport 80.

The next date for our coaches is for a practical session on Dec 14th

Update to AGB courses (levels) and fees (F2F courses are now allowed).

The regional Development officer is asking for club development plans to be filled in, the templates were sent to all Clubs and Coaches.

Safeguarding is currently changing, and there will be a low-level reporting system to stop any issues earlier. Basically everyone needs to be careful, not just coaches. After the Whyte report they are trying to make archery a safer place for everyone.

Dates for development days (senior and juniors) have been set – next one is Jan 28th (see report for other dates) – we still need some venues – contact Maggie if you can host one - with details inc costs.

6. AGB info:

No report this month.

7. EMAS Rep.

We need to check if Marie Woolf is still willing to be our 2nd EMAS rep.

8. Records Officer.

To date there have been 175 records claims this year (24 junior, 151 senior).

6 Fox awards were claimed this month.

Reminder – If archers are claiming records for both County and EMAS they are separate records and therefore people need to fill in BOTH forms and send to BOTH email addresses (it can be one email sent to both addresses with the forms attached).

9. County Captain.

Gill provided a report which Neill read out and was discussed:

Thanks to all who helped at the County Champs, which was also a match against Lincs – who really enjoyed it even though the teams were an interesting mix of archers!

A number of archers have asked if their half of the match fee can be donated

to Macmillan in memory of Kim Copson – It was agreed that Gill will write to all team members asking if they would also like to do this – and Mark can arrange the donation for any unclaimed fees.

The over 50 category is still there subject of debate at various levels – it was agreed that this be added to the AGM agenda for an initial debate.

Information Officer.

Website is up to date.

Comms/Publicity.

Laura provided a report which was shared and discussed.

We have only received one club's session times and guest information. This is another reminder to please send me your information as a club if you allow guest archers.

It's time to release the next quarterly newsletter, Laura asked for potential items to include.

AP Carol please send Laura a list of successful record claims according to club since the start of the year.

Mandie Elson from Nottingham Archery Society has asked if there is a sports hall in Leics to help the BBC/AGB for a childrens tv program. Unfortunately there was nowhere suitable on the suggested date.

10. Safeguarding Officer.

Richard is dealing with one minor issue (regarding what people should/shouldn't say).

Is a F2F or online safeguarding course preferred? – F2F Richard to look into organising one.

11. Tournaments.

We still need a TO.

Indoor County Championships are to be hosted by KMAC on 11th Feb. Neill has applied for record status and Janet Short is our CoJ. Gill/Neill will act as T.O (for Admin and scoring), with Sharon Jennings managing logistics at the venue for KMAC.

12. Any Other Business.

Birstall reminded that their indoor venue is available for visitors – send an email to the address on their website. Question: On the new L&R300 and Frostbite website, if a later (better) score is added does this get used instead? Yes.

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Next meeting will be the AGM on 13 November at Countesthorpe village hall.

The next committee meeting will be on Monday 11th December, via Skype.