



**Cambridgeshire Archery Association
Council Meeting
21 July 2020
Meeting via Zoom**

Attending

Philip Watson, John Gorman, Amanda Bakewell, Dave Stocker, Gill Millward, William Hughes, Mike Williamson, Alison Pritchard, Jack Atkinson, Vicki Hodgson, Richard Brasher, Robert Spencer, Mary Watson, George Sykes, Paula Langton.

Apologies

Steve Millward

Notes of the previous meeting

The notes of the last meeting on 5 May and Council meeting 16 June 2020 were agreed.

Matters arising

- PW reported the SCAS Coaching Conference will be going forward as series of seminars starting in September. All the sessions are being led by qualified coaches with the first one being led by Anna Heaven (Senior Coach).
- Emergency funding from AGB – JG confirmed the link was sent out to clubs in the county. PW indicated the scheme was oversubscribed but some clubs in the eastern region were successful.
- Readiness survey – an email was sent out to clubs by JG. A response was received from 10 out of 16 clubs. It is anticipated those clubs on school premises will not be able to restart. JG reported AGB have sent out a request today for an update on whether clubs are shooting.

Reports

Chair

Verbal report provided by Philip Watson.

- PW advised he is on the restart working group with AGB. Many of the members of the group have their own ranges or access to semi-permanent ranges. Phase One of the restart has been completed with a reduction to 4m boss centres and 2 people shooting on the same boss. The next item to be worked on will be indoor shooting arrangements. It is hoped the guidance will be ready for when gyms are reopened at the end of July. PW reported robust discussion is taking place on boss distances and mitigating systems for indoor shooting. **PW agreed to send the Government guide to team sports Appendix A decision tree.**
- PW reported AGB are coming forward with proposals for renewal from September. The expectation is fees will remain static for 2020/21 with a slight discount for early renewal. AB indicated a questionnaire was distributed asking for opinion on increasing/decreasing or remaining at the same level of fee. PW reported AGB are looking at cost savings to manage a budget deficit.

- JG indicated if members would be interested in looking at a copy of the Tournament Guide to make contact. **JG agreed to send a copy to GM.**

Vice chair

GS reported coaching two meters away is proving to be 'fun' and the club booking system is working.

Secretary/Treasurer

Report provided by John Gorman

JG indicated the bank has made some security changes which has created some issues accessing the account. The cash figure in the account is £7,600 which includes all the known income.

JG reported there are 675 members in the county. As yet JG has not had the opportunity to model the anticipated renewals for the County and impact the reduced numbers may have. There are enough cash reserves to support a reduced renewal for the next year or so.

JG indicated the Tournament Officers have been invited to feedback their views to AGB via a webinar on 28 July. The draft guideline, in his opinion, do not make it feasible for tournaments to run with 24 people and the restrictions they are imposing.

Team Manager

No items to report at this meeting.

CCO

GM reported SM has advised he will make arrangements to hold a coaching group meeting online.

PRO

No postholder.

Webmaster

PW reported the website continues to run and has not had any down time. Richard Pilkington continues to provide back office support.

Records officer

JA reported no new records have been received and no competitions are taking place. As a result the Cambridgeshire rankings are not going forward this year. If members are interested in a Cambridgeshire postal league competition JA would be willing to set something up, perhaps using a 3 dozen round at a set distance and will look at options. **JG agreed to send a request for expressions of interest to clubs.**

CPO

No items to report from the CPO.

Other items

AGB rebuild activity for clubs

JG indicated the scheme has been launched but does not contain the content expected, it includes coaching and running Boost sessions. AGB are expecting 25% match funding from the club and additional support from the Counties where required. JG indicated further details are available from the AGB website with an online application form.

CAA Grant Scheme

PW indicated the County will match fund any grants awarded by AGB. Any applications rejected can be submitted for consideration by the County, both awards will be up to £150 maximum. The funding for the AGB scheme has been provided by Sport England.

Members discussed running beginners courses and the limitations currently in place, at this point only commercial operations in the eastern region are running them. Concern was expressed regarding safety, regardless of the number of skills and drills undertaken. RS indicated CUB are reliant on beginners courses in September to recruit novice archers.

AGB's Support Pack for Clubs using School Premises

JG reported AGB have provided a package of resources for clubs who use school premises with the aim of furthering their ability to shoot on those grounds.

AOB

Members briefly discussed the difficulties of coaching while observing social distancing measures and the need to be creative in terms of descriptions and practices.

PW advised if members need assistance from the County to write letters to support return to shooting to make contact.

Next meeting

Tuesday 22 September 2020 via Zoom.