

Cambridgeshire Archery Association Council Meeting 22 September 2020 Meeting via Zoom

Attending

George Sykes, John Gorman, Amanda Bakewell, Alison Pritchard, Jack Atkinson, Vicki Hodgson, Paula Langton.

Apologies

Philip Watson, Dave Stocker, Mary Watson, Steve Millward, Gill Millward - the Council sent their condolences on hearing the news of the recent loss of her father.

Notes of the previous meeting

The notes of the last meeting on 21 July 2020 were agreed.

Matters arising

- PW agreed to send the Government guide to team sports Appendix A decision tree.
- JG reported the sending of a copy of the tournament guide to Gill Millward had been completed.
- JG reported the request to email clubs for the CAA Summer League (3 dozen round) had been completed. JG indicated JA has done a sterling job collating the results and producing the reports.

Reports

Chair

Written report provided by Philip Watson and read by John Gorman.

PW mentioned the success of Jess Sagoo (Peacock Archers) achieving a second place finish at the National Series Finals at the weekend, this included beating several of the Olympic team archers. Congratulations to Jess Sagoo were expressed by the committee. Congratulations were also expressed to Philip Watson who is her coach.

PW advised the SCAS Coaching conference has been taking place online. The next seminar by John Hartfield on field archery will be the last seminar in the series. GS advised recordings of the other conference sessions can be accessed on the SCAS website.

PW reported at the SCAS AGM the motion to move the organisation to a charitable incorporated corporation was passed.

PW indicated the AGB/CAA restart grants are still available to provide assistance with Covid compliance requirements.

Vice chair

GS reported a Zoom meeting took place of the Grants subcommittee. Two grants were awarded at meeting both of which were for the maximum of £150.

GS reported AGB are looking into the situation regarding the changes in the Covid restrictions announced today.

Secretary/Treasurer

Report provided by John Gorman

JG reported the membership figures in the report provided to this meeting are correct and ARU did not provide any figures. JG advised has not received any information to confirm if the 4 clubs due to open in September have done so. JG also advised two clubs, Griffin and Pathfinder, have not yet been able to reopen.

JG reported the CAA has £7,735 of funds in the account however a couple of payments have been made so the figure today is slightly lower.

JG advised fees are being received from smaller clubs and a few direct members have joined the CAA. JG said that it will be interesting to see the Covid effect on the AGB membership renewal and asked those attending the meeting for feedback on how it was affecting their clubs. Ely archers reported only 5 members have not renewed, and AB reported strong renewal from Ramsey Ravens archers. JG reported the Jolly Archers have had a 50% affiliation rate so far. JA reported City of Cambridge Bowmen have up to 1/3 of the membership renewing.

JG expressed concern the budget projection may have been optimistic based on the numbers reported to this meeting. The CAA is currently projecting loss of £1,000 with the inclusion of 10 clubs awarded £150 assumed. If the reduction of affiliation is more than 40% this will increase annual loss, however the lack of competitions will reduce expenditure.

Team Manager

JA reported the SCAS Indoor competition is due to restart and discussed the proposal from Oxford Archers for gender segregated teams. A response was provided that the County does not have enough archers for teams in all bowstyles and suggested individual results be gender split. No response has been received to this feedback.

CCO

No report provided.

PRO

No postholder.

Webmaster

No report provided.

Records officer

JA reported low level of records input due to lack of competition rounds. JA reported contact from Mark Roberts was made regarding a record from Mary Watson from one year ago. JA advised this was at the time the email mailboxes were transferred and JA has no record of receipt of the email, but MR had proof of sending. The Council agreed to ratify the record, PL abstained from the vote.

JA reported the summer league has received a lot of entries from all levels of archers and have received positive feedback indicating it came at the right time and gave CAA members a focus for

their shooting. JA proposing a similar scheme to be introduced over the winter and will distribute details before the end of October. Any suggestions for rounds to be sent to JA via the CAA website.

JG indicated the Selby league has been given permission by the BA league to run a Frostbite/Portsmouth competition during the indoor season. Any clubs interested in joining the league please contact John Gorman for further details, the cost is £7.50 per team. An email was sent out by JG in September with all the details included.

CPO

No items to report from the CPO. AB reported she has a safeguarding qualification obtained through the AGB Learning Curve.

AOB

Indicative budget

This item was discussed under the postholder reports.

SCAS AGM

This item was discussed under the postholder reports.

AGB Rebuild Activity Fund / CAA Grant Scheme

JG reported he has obtained information that the number of applicants for the AGB fund has been low, if anyone is interested in submitting a claim there are still funds available.

JG reported the CAA held a panel meeting on 17 September chaired by GS who assessed two applications, both of which were granted £150. A third application was received after the panel meeting and JG is setting up a further panel with GS acting as permanent Chair (except if Ramsey Ravens have submitted an application), JG will act as the permanent Secretary (unless Jolly Archers submit a request). The other two members of the panel will be sought from other clubs in the county.

AP reported Ely Archers have received a letter from AGB indicating they would like to generate an article on the Boost club grant they have received and the positive impact on the club.

Next meeting

Tuesday 8 December 2020 at 7:30 via Zoom.