# County of Warwick Archery Association Executive Committee Meeting Held on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2024 via Teams

Start Time 7:00 pm

**Present:** Derek Kelly, Martyn Ellis, Alan Smith, Brian Tustin, Roger Wyton, Peter Hughes, Wendy Baird, Gordon Jones.

## 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Nick Mitchell, David Redding, Helen Smedley (Regional Development Officer)

## 2. Minutes of Last Meeting 22.07.24

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record.

## 3. Minutes of Special Meeting 07.10.24

The minutes of the special meeting were agreed as a correct record.

## 4. Extraordinary General Meeting

An extraordinary general meeting would be held on 26<sup>th</sup> November. Brian and Alan would draft a proposal for amendments to be made to the constitution.

# 5. Treasurers report/Grants

- 5.1 Roger presented the receipts and payments accounts for the periods April to June and July to September.
- As usual, at this time of the year the major element of income was from affiliation fees which amounted to £2,061. In addition we received £387 in entry fees for the Field Championships and £180 entry fees for the Outdoor Championships. £84 interest was received on our deposit account. On the expenditure side the most significant item was £467 spent on the purchase of an event flag and table cover for use at County matches. Coaching grants of £125 were paid out and trophy engraving costs of £66 were reimbursed. The surplus for the period amounted to £1,721.
- 5.3 The final accounts for the Outdoor Championships would be finalised and circulated once the invoice from Shipston was received.
- 6.4 The committee ratified an individual archer financial assistance grant of £177.85 to Edward Gray.

# 6. Membership Secretary Report

- 6.1 Brian reported that August 31<sup>st</sup> was the last date when he could give a meaningful figure for year-end membership. This was because there were members renewing in September and without doing a lot of sorting it was hard to get an exact year figure. There would not be many, if any, new members in September.
- 6.2 As of the 31<sup>st</sup> August membership stood at –

AGB showing Seniors 942 (897) Juniors 149 (162) Total 1091 (1059) CWAA showing Seniors 931 (897) Juniors 149 (163) Total 1080 (1060)

Figurers in RED are for 31st August 2023

This meant we were waiting for affiliation fees from 11 members, one of which was an AGB direct member who had ignored repeated payment requests. The affiliation fees for the remaining 10 archers were likely to appear in with the membership renewals for 2025, if not it was likely they would be written off.

- 6.3 There were twenty-two AGB registered clubs in Warwickshire. All were affiliated to WMAS & CWAA apart from West Midlands EMS Archers who had not affiliated any members to AGB.
- 6.4 Regarding the new affiliations from October 1<sup>st</sup> Brian had incorrectly assumed that there would be the ability in AGB's data for us to carry on as we were in CWAA with Seniors (18+) and Juniors (U18).

This was not the case or at least not easily as the Membership Categories given by AGB are as follows:

	TOTAL Membership	780
Non-Members	in CWAA as of 24/10/2024	2
Seniors	in CWAA as of 24/10/2024	504
University Members	in CWAA as of 24/10/2024	121
Under 21 Archers (Includes Students)	in CWAA as of 24/10/2024	99
Disabled Archers (All Ages)	in CWAA as of 24/10/2024	54

To try to keep track of juniors in CWAA as anyone U18 is going to be more difficult. At club level membership secretaries need to ensure the correct age of a member when they join, and at county level, the membership secretary has to sort the AGB data to cross check it. In light of this it was agreed that the proposal to the EGM would include amending the designation of junior to anyone under 21.

6.5 Three clubs had been lost from Warwickshire, they are Birmingham Barbarians, West Midlands EMS and Rugby Archers.

Alan would contact membership services as the county had not been informed of the change by Rugby Archers to Northamptonshire and EMAS.

## 7. CWAA Tournaments

- 7.1 The field championships would take place at Merlin on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. There were 46 entries, however, only 11 were from Warwickshire members, 7 from Leamington and four from other county clubs along with 4 from WMAS clubs outside Warwickshire.
  - There had been a problem with judges but this had been resolved.
  - Martyn was trying to contact the WMAS treasurer Mark Baggott to sort out the WMAS medals.
  - Three new/replacement trophies had been purchased for this competition.
- 7.2 The 2025 indoor championships were being organised by Warwick University. Barebow trophies would need to be purchased. There was confusion as to how the entry fees were being dealt with.
  - Peter would send Wendy a copy of the prospectus (which contains a link to the entry form) for display on the website.
- 7.3 Wendy would check to ensure any emails to the county TO were being forwarded to Derek.
- 7.4 Following discussion it was agreed that the outdoor championships would be held at Shipston on 8<sup>th</sup> June shooting a WA1440 round. Clubs would be contacted to ascertain whether any others were interested in hosting the shoot in 2026.
- 7.5 Derek had not heard anything from Rob Southern regarding the clout.

## 8. Team Managers Report

- 8.1 Peter had submitted a report which is attached as attachment A.
- 8.2 There was a problem with getting archers to shoot for the county.
- 8.3 Brian asked about the proposed junior coaching day, which Leamington had offered to host. The parents who had asked for this had dropped out as they could not attend on the date proposed. There might be a possibility of running this in 2025.

## 9. Records Officer Report

9.1 There have been 7 improved records over the last quarter. These came from mainly barebow and longbow archers.

### 10. Webmasters report

10.1 Martyn asked if there had been progress with the problems with the website email. Wendy said that she could not find anything wrong with the system.

## 11. West Midlands representatives Report

11.1 There had not been a meeting since the last meeting of this committee. In answer to a question on fees Alan stated that this would be discussed at the WMAS meeting next week.

## 12. Safeguarding Officers Report

12.1 Wendy was concerned that she was not receiving any correspondence from ArcheryGB. Alan would check the county entry on Sport80.

### 13. Annual General Meeting

14.1 The 2025 Annual General meeting would be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 2pm. Alan would ask Dave redding to book Meriden Village Hall.

## 14. Summer League Report

- 14.1 Martyn reported that the final results of the competition were now on the website.
- 14.2 He proposed that no trophies be awarded for the junior division, as neither club which entered had submitted scores for all rounds.

## 15. Any Other Business

- 15.1 Alan confirmed that nothing had been received from ArcheryGB concerning proposals for counties and regions.
- 15.2 Martyn had had a meeting with Ruth Hall and Arran Coggan regarding his concerns. He had been asked to assist with their approaches to counties and regions. He would update the committee if anything came from this.

Meeting ended 8:30 pm.		
Next meeting to be held online on 20 <sup>th</sup> J	anuary 2025 at 7:00 pm.	
Chairman	Date	

## **CWAA TEAM MANAGERS REPORT Q3.2024**

**The WMAS Inter Counties** took place on Sunday 22nd September at Lilleshall, hosted by Shropshire.

Trying to get archers (both Junior & Senior) to represent CWAA this year was **extremely** difficult.

Considering we could have a squad of 25 archers for the Seniors and 12 for the Juniors we only ended up with 15 & 9 respectively. EVERYONE that expressed an interest to shoot was selected!

It was advertised via the documents sent to all club secretaries (via Alan), and I also sent 100's of personal emails out to archers that had represented over the past few years, and also to those that had not but were competing either nationally or locally.

The uptake was very poor considering the size and numbers in the County. Was it the round that was unappealing (Double 720), the time of the year the event takes place or have archers simply lost the appetite to represent the County?

The weather was awful in the run up to the event with heavy rain, thunder and lightning the day before, however we only had 1 no-show because of this, but the event was cut short to a single 720 on the day. No Senior 'category' trophies at all for us this year, however we did manage to finish 3rd overall (from 2nd in 2023).

Senior Squad: Sam Brown, Sam Curtis, Joshua Morris-Jones, Kathryn Taylor, Phil Short, Russell Sams, BenThompson, Chris Sutton, Emily Williams, Justyna Urbansks, Liz Taplin, Noelito Parina, Steven Stark, Zach Ball, Georgia Georgiou (absent)

The Juniors fared somewhat better, finishing as the overall winners! Unfortunately only 2 of our 9 archers waited for the trophy presentation, which again was disappointing but somewhat understandable as several were starting to feel the cold. No photograph which was a shame!

Junior Squad: Rachel Yuk Man Ho, Wai leung, Adriana Jones, Assya Ajraou, Talha Ajraou, Tin Leung, Archie Christopher, Ollie Sharpe, Javanya Mudha-Jones
Full results via the link below.

WMAS Inter County Results 2024

This event was also part of the wider WMAS v EMAS match in which we had 5 archers - *Emily Williams, Steven Stark, Chris Sutton, Liz Taplin & Zak Ball* - selected to represent the Region. The event was won by the EMAS.

I think the date of the WMAS IC needs to be looked at in 2025 as some archers will not want to shoot consecutive week-ends, and with the Regional Match booked for Sun 21st Sept, and the NCTC on 27th/28th Sept, when the hosts - Worcestershire - will hold it is up for debate.

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**The National County Team Competition** took place on Sunday 29th September at Lilleshall. After the disappointment of not getting any spaces in 2023, this year we committed to entering a team in each category as soon as the entries opened up. So a total of 8 teams - Male & Female R, C, BB & LB.

After hearing grumblings that LB are never included in many Competitions, this was an opportunity for everyone to get involved.

Again it was well advertised in the ways that I did for the WMAS Inter Counties, however I'm sorry to say that the uptake was again particularly poor. We only had 15 entries (out of a possible 24). Once I knew that we had no LB entries, I tried to convert the entry to a 2nd

recurve mens and womens team ···.. However, I couldn't even get recurve archers to attend. Entries for this competition cost the County £1200

Senior Squad: Edward Gray, Phil Short, Russell Sams, Justyna Urbanska, Georgia Georgiou, Kavina Keshav, Chris Guerin, Kai Thomas-Prause, Dmitrii Suchkov, Liz Taplin, Chris Sutton, Kyron Bradley, Steven Stark, Zara Green, Milly Williams (absent through illness)

You will notice that non (excl. Kai Thomas- Prause GB) of our top archers wanted to take part in either event. Edward Gray offered to 'shoot up' in order that we could field a RM team. The only medal was from the Warwickshire Barebow Men's team who came 3rd NCTC Day 1 results

NCTC Day 2 results

### Who has represented the CWAA this year?

Two events for the Juniors - Indoors and the Inter Counties, and a possible 4 events for the Senior.

**County ribbons and bars** - we already have the 2024 bars in stock, and based on the list above are ready to be handed to the recipients at the AGM (or otherwise)

**County Shirts** - there are 8 archers that have now represented the County, however do not have a CWAA Shooting shirt. These need to be ordered prior to the next event.

The contact is Nancy Chandler at Akuma Sports nancy@akumasports.com. 01676-533320 The shirts we use are called the JURO Sublimated. Normally a 3 week turnaround.

#### Next County Team Event - Saturday March 8, 2025

Indoor County Mixed Team Championships at Hartpury University, Gloucester
This event was well received and we entered mixed teams in all categories for both Senior &
Junior

### **CWAA Stock that I hold**

- Two large CWAA feather flags inc. ground spikes. If these are to be used for the Indoors event then other suitable stands will need to be procured. Something like this at approx. £30 each. It would be a shame not to use them for the CWAA Indoor Comp' in January, as they look really good!
- A new large CWAA 'presentation table' cloth
- County Team Shooting Shirts x9
  - O Youth 26(1), 30(2), 32(1), 34(1)
  - O Womens 12(1), 14(1), 16(1), 18(1)
  - Men (0)
- Gold Team Ribbons x4
- CWAA Pin Badges x24
- CWAA Cloth Blazer Badges x28
- County Badges x34
- CWAA Bar Brooches, inc.Ribbon and Medal x66
- Team Bars a box full of pre 2018 2019 x8 2021 x13 2022 x6 2023 x13 2024 x40
- Box of "certificates of achievement" approx.40

**Peter Hughes** 

CWAA Team Manager - October 2024