

County of Warwick Archery Association Executive Committee Meeting
Held on 29th January 2024 via Teams
Start Time 7:05 pm

Present: Derek Kelly, Martyn Ellis, Alan Smith, Brian Tustin, David Redding, Mary Kelly, Nick Mitchell, Peter Hughes, Roger Wyton, Wendy Baird, Gordon Jones.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from David Beeton, Helen Smedley (Regional Development Officer).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting 30.10.23

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

3. Matters Arising from 2 above

3.1 There were no matters arising.

4. Regional Development Officer

4.1 As Helen was not present she had sent a written report. (Attachment A)

5. Treasurers report/Grants

5.1 Roger presented the receipts and payments account for the last quarter.

5.2 As usual at this time of the year the majority of the income received in the quarter was for affiliation fees which amounted to £6,506. This was offset by £2,177 paid over to WMAS for their share of the affiliation fees income. £1,164 had been received in advance entry fees for the 2024 Indoor Championships and this had been transferred to the Balance Sheet as it was more properly accounted for in the 2024 accounts. The same applied to the £288 paid out for the 2024 Indoor Team Championships entry fee. Coaching grants amounting to £1,263 were also paid over in this period.

5.3 Roger had completed the draft 2023 final accounts which were with the auditors and they planned to meet up one Wednesday evening in February to go through them and get them signed off ready for Alan to send out with the AGM notice etc. Roger would also ask Wendy to put them onto the website at the same time.

The Receipts and Payments account shows a surplus for the year of £4,518 and the Trading Account which incorporates adjustments such as those referred to in the paragraph above re 2024 related income and expenditure currently shows a surplus of £2,742.

6. Membership Secretary Report

6.1 Brian reported that nearly everyone had paid up.

6.2 There were 797 members according to CWAA figures against 884 recorded by ArcheryGB. These included 107 and 120 juniors respectively.

6.3 Brian was still chasing a prospective junior school club, Princethorpe College.

7. CWAA Tournaments

- 7.1 The 2024 Indoor Championships had taken place at Warwick University on 28th January. Peter reported that all three sessions were full, with 108 rounds shot. Although the hall was cold there were no significant complaints. Twenty-two juniors took part, of which fifteen were from Warwickshire and another five from the other West midland's counties. It was hoped that with the assistance of Helen Smedley this could be increased next year. It was agreed that Warwick be asked to organise the event next year on Sunday 26th January 2025, in a different hall, which could accommodate ten targets. Derek thanked Peter and Sam for organising the event.
- 7.2 Martyn suggested that how open awards, compared to Warwickshire awards, were made needed to be clarified as they were handled differently in the various county tournaments.
- 7.3 The 2025 Indoor Championships would not include the WMAS Junior Championships.
- 7.4 Wendy asked that a PDF document be provided for the website with the tournament prospectus and a link to the entry system.
- 7.5 The Outdoor Championships would be held at Shipston on 7th July and would be a WA 1440 round. Derek would organise the event along with David Beeton. Barebow trophies would need to be obtained for this event.
- 7.6 Martyn was unsure if he would organise the Field Championships due to the poor response in 2023. He was looking into the possibility of a have a go session earlier in the year, which might increase participation.
- 7.7 Alan would send out to clubs asking for any volunteers to host the 2024 Clout Championships.

8. Team Managers Report

- 8.1 Peter would be contacting those who had submitted scores regarding the team for the inter-county event in Gloucestershire in March. He would put together the team which would then be notified to clubs and published on the website.
- 8.2 No county shirts would be ordered until the total number required for the March event and those who did not receive one last year was known.
- 8.3 The county bars and ribbons for 2023 and 2024 were bought in 2022, and ready to be awarded.

9. County Coaching Organisers Report

- 9.1 Dave reported that there were now two new senior coaches, Nick Mitchell and Philippa Lowe, and grants had been paid to both.
- 9.2 He was unable to say how many coaches were in the county due to an issue with Sport80.

10. Records Officer Report

- 10.1 Nick reported two new records and ten improved records during the period.
- 10.2 In future he would only accept records for rounds recognised by ArcheryGB.

11. Webmasters report

- 11.1 The website was still being attacked, but the defences were working.

12. West Midlands representatives Report

12.1 Martyn reported that the main points discussed at the last WMAS meeting had been the regional inter-county team tournament and tournaments in general. There had been some discussion around having juniors and seniors competing in the same event. Some concern had been raised over the costs of the tournament but no details provided. Alan clarified that this would be discussed at the next WMAS meeting.

13. Safeguarding Officers Report

13.1 Nothing to report.

14. Annual General Meeting

14.1 Meriden village hall had been booked for the AGM on Saturday 16th March.

14.2 Initial information would be sent out to club secretaries in the next couple of days. This would include a general statement encouraging people to come forward to join the committee.

14.3 Alan believed he may have found a way round the limitation on the number of contacts allowed by MailChimp.

15. Correspondence

15.1 No correspondence had been received.

16. Any Other Business

16.1 It was agreed that grants to archers for international events would in future be 15% up to a maximum of £300. Roger would update the documentation and forward it to Wendy for the website.

16.2 Discussion took place on holding face to face committee meetings. Alan would contact Barkers Butts to see if there was a room available for the April meeting.

16.3 Two clubs had replied to the request for expressions of interest in hosting the 2025 Outdoor Championships. This would be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting ended 8:22 pm.

Next meeting date to be confirmed.

Chairman_____

Date_____

County of Warwick Archery Association 29 January 2024

Club Together: Birmingham Saturday 3 February. Attempt to bring together the clubs in the Birmingham area specifically, to look at common opportunities and challenges, and to aim for closer working together. Birmingham clubs have been invited. Sport Birmingham input, and a workshop in the afternoon by a Buddle Tutor (Sport England club support). Free to sign up:

<https://archerygb.org/coaching/find-a-course/40808>

Club Coaching Plans – A reminder to all clubs that we encourage the committee to write together a proactive club coaching plan, for your club's benefit. What coaching offer the club has, would like to have in future, and the support and development available for coaches. Template and Case Study have been circulated widely. Share with Dave and Helen once complete, and we will try to support your club achieve it.

Engaging Disabled People in Sport

£15 Thursday 8 February 7-9pm <https://archerygb.org/coaching/find-a-course/40742>

Introduction to VI Archery (Online Workshop) *Sold out! Watch this space for future opportunities
£5 Tuesday 27 February 7pm– 9pm Book here: <https://archerygb.org/coaching/find-a-course/40832>

In-Person Training Workshop: Introduction to VI Archery

Sat 20 April, 10.30am - 4pm. Ackers Adventure, Golden Hillock Road, Small Heath, B11 2PY
£30 per person, 20 spaces. Priority first to Licenced coaches in West Midlands. 4 CPD points available. Please bring own lunch. Free drinks provided. <https://archerygb.org/coaching/find-a-course/40917>

Flooding Support

Sport England are offering financial support in terms of flood damage clubs. Please check eligibility: <https://www.sportengland.org/news-and-inspiration/support-available-flood-damaged-facilities>

Coach training

Modules are available in the Midlands for those in training/ at correct point in their modules:

- Development Coach 18 February Archery Technique: Drills & Skills
- Development Coach 17 March Coaching Technique: Practice
- Session Coach 21 April Using Your Coaching Skills
- Two further Session Coach modules are available in Worcester 13 April and 18 May

Please check on any queries on eligibility, as once booked, places cannot be transferred or refunded.

Safeguarding training for Coaches

Several of the 'UK Coaching' safeguarding training workshops have been booked exclusively for new or renewing coaches aged 18 or over (16-18 year old coaches complete a different course). Please check out all dates on offer: <https://archerygb.org/coaching/find-a-course> On completion, please remember to upload your certificate to your profile. Just a reminder, every coach now needs a suitable Safeguarding training course certificate entry on their 'Qualifications' screen, every three years.

Ontarget

One of my main focus areas for 2024 will be the clubs part of the **ontarget** development programme. This is a programme that lays out priorities and good practice that will lead to healthier clubs.

Building on the learning from the past 12 years or so since its launch, new angles will be introduced this year as we transition into hopefully an even stronger programme. If your club would like to know more, or read more here: <https://archerygb.org/clubs/ontarget-club-development> (Please note, award nominations are not open at present but will open each summer)