

**MINUTES OF ECAA COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
COURAGE HALL, BRENTWOOD, ON TUESDAY 7th September 2010**

Present: Mrs M Hutchins (President), G Sibley (Life Member and Secretary), R Frost (Chairman), M Skinner (Treasurer), representatives from Mayflower, SEAC, Rayleigh, Ardleigh, Pilgrim, Noak Hill, Oakfield, Clements, Priory, Burntwood, Woodford, CTR and Direct Member.

Total attending = 24.

The Meeting stood to remember Kevin Sinclair and Leigh Drury.

83/10 Apologies for Absence –Mrs I Major (Life Vice President), Mrs C Stanford (Vice President), T Major (Pilgrim), J Neal (Vice Chairman), P Whiteman (Black Stag), S Soanes (Phoenix), D Shrimpton (Woodford), Mrs J Ikel (Oakfield).

84/10 Matters for Any Other Business – Various items.

85/10 Minutes of last Meeting having been circulated were taken as read. Proposed from Chair they be accepted, seconded M Vaughan (Mayflower), agreed by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

86/10 Matters Arising - None.

87/10 Chairman's Remarks – Please keep any comments short due to ending meeting in good time.

88/10 Correspondence – (a) Messages recording the loss of Kevin Sinclair (West Essex) and Leigh Drury (Estuary). (b) New Secretary for Clements Bowmen, A Pearson, 26 Victor Gardens, Hawkwell, SS5 4DR. 07859 046574 pears244@aol.com (c) New club, Phoenix Archers, S Soanes, 74 Campernell Close, Brightlingsea CO7 0TA. 01206 306034 shaun@phoenixarchers.co.uk (d) Philip Glover, selected to attend World University Championships in China, looking for financial support. Total cost to be £600, his club, Mayflower, has donated a generous amount. Executive of ECAA offer a further £200 and this was agreed by the Meeting. (e) A club has asked that their badge be added to the Tablecloth and this will be done. A volunteer needed to rearrange the existing badges on the cloth to make room for more. If a club does not have a badge on the cloth, please provide one. (f) Perris Archery is relocating on 18th September to Unit 42, Highlands Farm, Rettenden, Chelmsford, CM3 8EB. Maps tabled and all details will be on website. Last day of trading at Braintree is 14th September. (g) Letter from Treasurer of Northern Counties regarding new affiliation system.

89/10 Collection of Regional/County Affiliations – Both County and Regional fees to be collected together from clubs and sent to Graham Sibley (Secretary) or Martin Skinner (Treasurer). Also send a copy of the membership list as of the time the affiliation fees are submitted.

90/10 Venue for Meetings – There have been problems with room allocation and car parking at the current venue, as a result various options have been looked into and discussed. It is recommended that as from January 2011, meetings will take place at the Marconi club in Chelmsford on the first Wednesday of the month, with the exception of January when it will be on the second Wednesday of the month. Marconi have been requested for Meetings to be held in the Board Room commencing 20.00hrs and the room arranged theatre style with a top table for seven and seating for twenty. Meeting agreed the move. Council Meeting dates 2011 – 12th January 2nd March, 4th May, 6th July, 7th September, 2nd November.

91/10 Team Selection – This item requested by Mick Pearce. As he was not in attendance it could not be discussed.

92/10 Indoor match v Kent – Information given to Kent Team Manager but no reply received. To be held in Kent and hope it will go ahead.

92a/10 Additional item – Record claims - The following is to clarify the procedure for SENIOR archers who wish to claim a new County record for outdoor rounds. Any round consisting of more than six-dozen arrows may be submitted. These rounds must have been shot at an OPEN shoot. This includes the F.I.T.A. 720 round and Warwick rounds which have been shot at club during the winter period (1st October – 30th April). Any round consisting of six-dozen arrows or less must have been shot at an OPEN shoot with RECORD STATUS. Junior archers may submit claims for any round which has been shot at any venue including club. This information will be on the website.

92b/10 Additional item – Equipment Officer – Being without an Equipment Officer for a few years has caused the equipment to be in need of renovating. A number of problems have come to light resulting in the need to spend a good deal of money. EO was asked to obtain three quotes and submit costs to the Executive in time for the November meeting. It was agreed that 'H' frames be used in future and timber be purchased. It was also agreed that new flags of three different colours be made and that the recommendation made by Equipment Officer be implemented.

93/10 Calendar 2011/2012 – Change of dates and venue for Council Meeting (see 90/10). Calendar for 2011 will be finalised at the meeting of the 9th November 2010.

94/10 Any Other Business – (a) League Secretary reported that the ECAA Summer League celebrated 55-years in 2010 and the Andy Harris League celebrates 45-years in 2010/2011. (b) Suggested that the ‘Olympic Grant’ could be looked into to finance the equipment but it was pointed out that it is too late to apply. (c) Suggestion that the Metric Clout becomes a County shoot. This to be held 7th August 2011. (d) J Willson, Organiser SCAS Junior Championships, thanked Marlene Hutchins (ECAA President) and Graham Sibley (SCAS President) for attending the shoot which proved to be a very successful day. (e) Message from Clare Stanford that the paperwork relating to Awards has not been returned to her and that trophies at the FITA were awarded wrongly. This will be looked into and put right. (f) GNAS Development Conference will be held in Telford on 23rd October. Cost for weekend £75. Treasurer will make a contribution towards the cost of those willing to attend. (g) Meeting asked if the Junior and Senior Target Championships could be shot together. Situation will be looked into at the 2011 champs and, if there is evidence that the two meetings will fit on one field, it can be considered. However, for 2011 the two Championships will be separate, juniors on Saturday and seniors on Sunday. (h) Team Manager thanked Graham Sibley, Robin Frost and Leslie Howell for help at the Team Shoot.

Being no other business, the Meeting closed at 21.30 with thanks to all for attendance.

Next Meeting will be 9th November 2010 at Courage Hall, Brentwood.

CHAIRMAN
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