

**MINUTES OF ECAA COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
COURAGE HALL, BRENTWOOD, ON TUESDAY 9th MARCH 2010**

Present: Mrs.M.Hutchins (President), G.Sibley (Life Member and Secretary), Mrs.C.Stanford (Vice President), R.Frost (Chairman), J.Neal (Vice Chairman), M.Skinner (Treasurer), M.Pearce (General Member), representatives from Mayflower, Oakfield, SEAC, Rayleigh, Black Stag, Priory, Ardleigh, Woodford, Pilgrim, Clements, Noak Hill, Burntwood, CTR, Malgrave, Braintree, Abbey and Direct Member. Total attending = 32.

51/10 Apologies for Absence – Mrs J Ikel (Oakfield).

52/10 Matters for Any Other Business – Various items.

53/10 Minutes of last Meeting having been circulated were taken as read. Proposed by M Pearce (General Member) they be accepted by the Meeting, seconded A Ikel (Oakfield) and signed by the Chairman.

54/10 Matters Arising – 07/10 Change of FITA Rules: As from 1st April 2010, 10-seconds time to Line and all archers must wear enclosed footwear.

55/10 Chairman's Remarks – Thank you very much to all clubs who responded last October regarding the GNAS EGM and would like to think they will support their Reps at the AGM in April. When the Agenda comes out there will be a similar item to that which was defeated last year. I ask all clubs to please read the Agenda before making their decision and there are plenty of people who will help. Do not fill in the back of the form and cross out 'Chairman'. Dennis and Marion Saville will take any proxy forms with them. Members of the Essex Executive will endeavour to attend. We have on the table a number of trophies, a new one presented by Irene Hawkins in memory of husband David to be presented at the County Indoor Championships to the winner of the Gentlemen Compound section. Two trophies previously from the County Clout Championships will be donated to Colchester club for use at the SCAS Junior FITA Star. The Jubilee Trophy will be presented to the highest Barebow score at the County Clout Championships. At the County Field Championships there were two trophies for Gents Longbow. The one presented by Tom Major will be retained for this and the one presented by HNA, with their permission, will be for Gents Traditional. Two trophies presented by Claire Stanford in memory of husband Doug will be for Married Couples at the County Target Championships, one recurve and one compound.

56/10 Correspondence – (a) Change of email for Paul Whiteman: phgwhiteman@googlemail.com (b) Notification of extended opening hours for Perris archery. (c) GNAS Newsletter for February. (d) Nominations required for GNAS Coaching, Rules and National Tournaments Committees. Essex will put forward the names of David Squibb (Coaching), Dennis Whiteman (Rules) and Carla Russell (National Tournaments). Essex nominations for Chairman of Committee – Andy Pointon and Chairman National Tournament Committee – Geoff Malyon.

57/10 From AGM – Squad Formation and Development (Minute 109/09 and 49/10 refers) – No problem with the forming of a Squad and Team selection is already stated in the Constitution, the criteria for selection works well and feel no need to change it. Problem was that only members of the Squad would be eligible for selection and, despite attaining the required level, archers not in the Squad would not be considered. Question asked, what if not enough Squad members available to shoot? How would the Team be made up? Following this, the County Coaching Organiser stated that, to save time and with disappointment that there is inadequate support for the proposal, it is being withdrawn in its entirety.

58/10 Further proposal in amendment to County Team expenses (Minute 04/10 refers) – When this was discussed previously not all the factors were known. Expenses are for fuel expense only, not wear and tear on the transport. AA considers 14p per mile for fuel adequate for an average modern car. GNAS income far exceeds that of ECAA and should not follow their guideline of 28p per mile. If this extra is paid the money must come from somewhere and fees may have to be increased. The money in the County was raised by the Membership to cover a Libel case and should be for the entire membership. A proposal from C Bushell (Malgrave) that "Expenses for fuel allowance be 16p per mile". Seconded D Saville (Ardleigh) will be on the Agenda of the next Meeting. P Whiteman asked for a breakdown of the past 5-years expenses to attend County matches and options as to how to fund an increase.

59/10 Appointment of Equipment (Minute 45/10 refers) – Matthew Webb stated he was happy to take on the position provided it could be reviewed after the County Target Championships. This was agreed. He will take an inventory and report back to Executive so any problems can be dealt with. A key for the container will be available and authority to spend up to £50 provided receipts are submitted. Thanks offered to Matt for his kind offer.

60/10 Appointment of Minute Secretary – Marlene Hutchins was proposed by G Sibley (Secretary), seconded R Frost (Chairman) and agreed by the Meeting.

61/10 Appointment of SCAS Representatives (3) – Graham Sibley, Robin Frost and John Willson were proposed by M Pearce (General Member), seconded A Ikel (Oakfield) and agreed by the Meeting.

62/10 Calendar 2010/2011 – Grays 2010: 4th July - Longbow Double National, 15th August - Western, 30th October - Halloween Shoot. Dates booked for this year's meetings at Courage Hall.

63/10 Any Other Business – (a) At SCAS Indoor Championships last weekend spectators, including Coaches and Parents, were not allowed in the hall,. Many complaints received. Also should not have County Championships with Regional Championships. (b) Records being changed for Girls from Under 13 to Under 14. Records will stand until beaten. (c) Top Ten system for Juniors to revert to the previous way of ranking. Agreed by the Meeting. (d) System of claiming records queried as same round on different faces can be claimed. This follows GNAS system. (e) Suggestion of new clothing colours for Judges. (f) County Indoor Organiser asks for help to set up targets on Saturday 13th March from 6.30pm at the Hall. (g) At the National Indoor Championships, two Essex juniors competed in the senior section. Sophie Cole gained 1st recurve and Daisy Clark 3rd compound. Essex took 3rd team place.

Being no other business, the Meeting closed at 21.40 with thanks to all for attendance.

Next Meeting will be 4th May 2010.

CHAIRMAN
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JUNIOR RECORDS:

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| Recurve Boy | 29.01.10 | Aaron Gourley | Mayflower | Bray 1 | 272 | Club |
| Recurve Girl | 29.11.09 | Sophie Cole | CTR | FITA 25 triple | 538 | Beds |
| | 01.10 | Sophie Cole | CTR | Bray 1 | 275 | Club |
| | 10.01.10 | Sophie Cole | CTR | Portsmouth triple | 569 | Rayleigh |
| | 20.01.10 | Rebecca Willson | Abbey | Vegas | 510 | Club |
| | 20.02.10 | Sophie Cole | CTR | FITA 18 triple | 531 | NICS |
| | 20.02.10 | Sophie Cole | CTR | 12 Arrow Pass | 109 | NICS |
| Compound Girl | 17.01.10 | Daisy Clark | CTR | FITA 25 | 559 | Guildford |
| Longbow Boy U18 | 29.11.09 | George Whitley | CTR | Portsmouth | 294 | Co Match |
| | 29.11.09 | George Whitley | CTR | Dble Portsmouth | 582 | Co Match |
| Longbow Boy U16 | 29.11.09 | Laurie Clarke | Burntwood | Dble Portsmouth | 599 | Co Match |