



Essex and Suffolk County Archery Association

## Essex County Archery Association

### Council Meeting

held on Wednesday 03 January 2024 via Zoom commencing at 20.00hrs

### AGENDA

Attendees: Alex Purser (Chair) Jason Pretlove (Vice-Chair) Paul Clark (President) Deb Horn (Secretary) Martin Skinner (Treasurer) Kevin Juniper (General Member) Emma Broxholme (CCO) Wilco Van Kleef Bolton (Webmaster) Chris Higgins (Albion League Organiser) Mark Lawrence (SRO) Matt Webb (Team Manager) Paul West (TO 1440) Dennis Savile (direct member) Marion Saville (FRO) Huw Lillywhite (WEB)

#### 82.23 Apologies for Absence

Received from; Tony King (JRO) Sean Fortune (Development Officer) Wendie King (Mayflower) Alan Munson (Blue Arrows) Marlene Hutchens (Hon Life Member) Roy Hutchens (Direct Member)

#### 83.23 Additional matters for Any Other Business

Several to be submitted

#### 84.23 Minutes of the Meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> November

Several corrections to spelling errors. With these corrected, minutes accepted as a true and accurate reflective of the meeting. Proposed by Wilco Van Kleef Bolton, seconded by Jason Pretlove

#### 85.23 Matters Arising

77.23 – Coaching sub committee proposed buying some theraband for the coaching clinics. This has been purchased by Emma Broxholme and will be refunded.

76.23 – Development Officer has been chased for the report. Officer not present at this meeting but has said that he has prepared an abstract for discussion. This remains as an open item for this meeting.

80.23 – The Bill Tucker date has been confirmed as 12<sup>th</sup> May. RS has been applied for and the club are awaiting confirmation from AGB

81.23a – Field results are now on the website

#### 86.23 Chairman's Remarks

Happy New Year to everybody across the county.



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Congratulations to Tony Gedalovitch for his England selection at the National Indoors in December 2023, and looking forward to this year; good luck to Wilco Van Kleef-Bolton for his GB selection to the European Indoors in Feb 2024. I'm sure everyone sends you the best of luck.

Further considerations to this coming 2024: the AGM is fast approaching on the 11<sup>th</sup> of February, please do save the date, and it would be great for as many members to attend as possible, remember the AGM is the time to have your say and listen to the operations of the county in a broader sense.

The AGM means nominations are needed, so please may members and clubs give thought to nominations for members for county awards – which will be recirculated with the meeting minutes. As well as considering if they might be able to give up a little bit of time and act as officers.

All posts are a year, other than the Vice President and President which are 2-year and 3-year terms respectively, and it is at this point in the meeting, that I would like to record my thanks to Paul Clark, who is coming to the end of his three-year term as President, and I'm sure you will all agree he has acquitted this role with flare and panache, and will be a difficult person to follow.

Further to this, after 11 years in the Chair, I have decided not to seek re-election as Chairman. It is a post I have really enjoyed fulfilling across my tenure, and hopefully, I have made a difference to people for the right reasons. I would like to record a vote of thanks to the officers of the county across my tenure, in particular the members of the executive who have both counselled and supported many of my ideas, no matter how hair-brained!

I look forward to supporting my successor in any way I am able.

### 87.23 Development Sub-Committee Update

Development Officer not present at the meeting. Secretary has been informed that there is an abstract of the development proposals ready to be shared.

### 88.23 Coaching Sub-Committee Update

The coaching sub committee has held 2 sessions of the indoor coaching clinics and these have been successful so far, with 25 archers and 9 coaches. Of particular note is that the number of current Level 2 coaches attending is rising, and these coaches are grateful for the CPD opportunities. Potential coaches have asked for face to face sessions for the in person modules for the session coach course. These have been submitted to AGB and we are awaiting confirmation. Emma is looking to send out an email asking for clubs who are willing to host the outdoor clinics over the summer. Emma asked for updated email addresses for the current coaches as some of these are out of date and are bouncing back. There is money to be handed to Martin (Treasure) for the indoor sessions.



### 89.23 Leagues Update

The Bray League is up and running. The surprise entry was from a Junior of 8 years old from Darentford, who has achieved a place on the list of highest scores.

The Albion league has 2 entries already. Chris Higgins has sent an email to those clubs who have expressed interest but not yet returned the form.

Longbow league is completed for this year and nothing has been arranged yet for next year. This will wait until after the AGM.

### 90.23 Tournaments Update

Judges have been appointed by county for all county shoots. This has been sent to all county TOs.

All county tournaments will go live the day after the AGM on TryBooking. There will be a mail shot to all members to encourage them to enter the shoots.

RS for the target championships has been sorted and the shoot is ready to go live.

TO for the 1440 has a club shoot in January and will get to organising the 1440 once this is resolved.

The Indoors has had a good uptake, with lots of junior archers, and some new clubs represented.

Clout is still undetermined, nothing has been heard since the last meeting.

### 91.23 County Calendar

Date added for the NHA Western Shoot on 18<sup>th</sup> May.

### 92.23 Any Other Business

92.23 a General Member proposed a grant of £300 to Wilco Van Kleef Bolton, who has been selected to represent Great Britain in the Indoor European Championships. Seconded by Mark Lawrence. Treasurer agreed that this is affordable for the county. With the proviso that Wilco also applies to SCAS for a grant to support with the cost, and applies the amount granted to his crowd funding page, this was awarded.

92.23 b Wilco asked for permission to share a link to the Go Fund me page on the County Facebook page. Given the prestige of the event, this was agreed, with the caveat that this cannot be used for every page in the future, only for prestigious events.

92.23 c SRO submitted a clout record for Barbara Williams. Details attached to these minutes.

92.23 d FRO submitted a field record for Stephen List (Gipping Valley) and Peter Scofield (Braintree). Details to follow as they are received.

92.23 e Information needed for colours and date bars for the AGM. This has not been received as yet from the previous Team Manager. Mark Lawrence agreed to chase this



urgently. Current Team Manager is awaiting paperwork. It was suggested that this could be exchanged at NHA.

### 92.23 f Amendments to the wording of the Albion League rule 3

#### *Current Wording*

*The round shot shall be an Albion. Sighters shall be as mutually agreed by the Clubs concerned. If no agreement can be reached then Sighters shall be at 2pm. For the matches in May and September, if no agreement can be reached, Sighters shall be at 1pm. League shall take precedence and not be delayed or hindered by any other shooting on the Ground.*

#### *Proposed Wording*

*The round shot shall be an Albion. Sighters shall be as mutually agreed by the Clubs concerned. If no agreement can be reached then Sighters shall be at 12pm (Noon). League shall take precedence and not be delayed or hindered by any other shooting on the Ground.*

Proposed by the League Organiser, Chris Higgins, seconded by Kevin Juniper, Agreed unanimously.

92.23 g Proposal to officially recognise the Windsor league as a separate league to the Albion league. Proposed by Chris Higgins, Seconded by Jason Pretlove. Agreed in principal. Chris to write a set of rules to be presented at the AGM.

92.23 h Team selection for the Four-Way Indoor Shoot in Kent. The current team selection policy is for a Portsmouth shoot, but this year is a WA18, so we need to allow for this in the team selection. There was discussion around which teams to enter. Can we fill teams for all bow types and both genders? We should not be pulling in archers for the sake of filling the teams. We have a policy, which should be applied.

92.23 i Proposed changes to the selection policy to encourage a wider range of archers to enter scores for county selection. Proposed by Matt Webb, seconded by Jason Pretlove.

#### Current Wording

##### 3.2.1

*York/Hereford Scores submitted will be converted to World Archery equivalent rounds for comparison using the appropriate Handicap.*

##### 3.2.2

*WA Masters rounds submitted will be converted to World Archery 1440 equivalent round for comparison using the appropriate handicap. (Unless a Master round is catered for within the match)*

##### 3.2.3

*For Indoor Matches three (3) scores are required, ALL scores will be converted into WA 18M equivalent.*

##### 3.3



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*Archers must supply details of the events scores have been shot at.*

3.4

*Scores submitted must be no older than 4 months at the publicised closing date of applications.*

3.5

*Archers may submit their scores directly to the County Team Manager by post or via the ECAA Website.*

### *Proposed Wording*

3.2.1

*A minimum of three (3) scores are required for all representative matches.*

3.2.2

*Archers will be expected to have shot a minimum of (1) score in the round the match is to be shot as, including the longest distance to be shot.*

3.2.3

*Scores submitted must be no older than four (4) months at the publicised closing date of applications.*

3.2.4

*The Team Manager reserves the discretion to amend criteria as required for the competitive composition of the team or the ability to have representative teams, with the agreement of the selection committee.*

3.2.5

*York/Hereford Scores submitted will be converted to World Archery equivalent rounds for comparison using the appropriate published Handicap.*

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*WA Masters rounds submitted will be converted to World Archery 1440 equivalent round for comparison using the appropriate handicap. (Unless a Master round is catered for within the match)*

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*Archers may submit their scores directly to the County Team Manager by email or via the ECAA Website.*

3.2.8

*Archers must supply details of the events scores have been shot at.*

With some discussion around individual points, particularly the timing of “four months” to take account of Indoor and Outdoor seasons, changes were accepted unanimously. Matt to send out a calling notice for score submission for the Indoor County match.

92.23 j With the Skreens cup still missing, what is the plan going forward? Do we replace it? Do we stop handing out trophies at County shoots? If so, what do we do with the trophies we currently have? Who becomes responsible for the engraving and storage of trophies if they are not given to the winner? Could we re-purpose a trophy which is not awarded to replace the Skreens cup? If so, do we need to speak to the donors of the cup to discuss this? Could we give a different type of prize instead of a cup?



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No decisions were taken at this meeting. We will revisit this at a later date.

Meeting closed at 10:25

Date of Next Meeting           **6<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

#### Clout Record

Archer	Club	First Clout			Second Clout			Overall		
		Score	Hits	Clouts	Score	Hits	Clouts	Score	Hits	Clouts
Barbara Williams	Braintree	100	35	3	80	30	1	180	65	4