

Essex County Archery Association Council Meeting

held on Wednesday 3rd November 2022 at 8pm online via Zoom



Attendees:

Paul Clark (President), **Alex Purser** (Chair), **Mick Pearce** (Vice Chair), **Martin Skinner** (Hon. Treasurer) **Kevin Juniper** (General Member) **Anna Heaven** (Coaching Development Officer), **Sean Fortune** (Development Officer), **Mark Lawrence** (SRO) **Tony King** (JRO & Asst. Team Manager) **Chris Higgins** (League Secretary), **Wendie King** (Mayflower), **Alan Munson** (Blue Arrows), **Marion Saville** (Ardleigh), **Denis Saville** (Ardleigh), **Chris Jordan** (CTR) **Alan Martin** (CADAC) – **Total 16 attendees**

85.22 Apologies for Absence

Marlene Hutchins (Hon. Life Member), Deb Horn (Hon. Secretary), Richard Pilkington (Webmaster), Louise Fortune (Minutes Secretary), Sharon Lawrence (Team Manager), Roy Hutchins.

86.22 Additional matters for Any Other Business

Several items submitted to the Chair.

87.22 Minutes of the ECAA Meeting of 1st September

Minutes to be accepted – Proposed by Alan Munson, Seconded by Sean Fortune, All accepted.

88.22 Matters Arising

- 77.22 - Certificate printing – has been completed – and distributed to officers
 - Safeguarding course to be run every 4 years – Coaching officer investigating course leaders, hopes provision can be online.
 - SCAS Postal League – Goggle form for score submissions – not actioned.

89.22 Chairman's Remarks

Alex opened the meeting, reflecting on the number of clubs that are struggling for indoor venues this year, and encouraged clubs to band together to support each other to ensure facilities were shared where possible for the benefit of all across the county.

Looking to the outdoor calendar it would be great to see some more club level shoots re-establishing themselves in the calendar, and encouraged clubs to contact the county for support with this, while also reminding clubs to contact the county secretary about shoots to ensure they were in the calendar to avoid clashes but also to publicise the shoot.

He went on to highlight that the AGM was fast approaching, and members and clubs should give some thought to county award nominations and officer nominations, as in particular, the County needs nominations for officers to posts. All posts require nominations as all are electable. In particular, in addition to Mick Pearce signalling at the last meeting he will not be seeking re-election, Richard Pilkington (Webmaster) has now departed to Norfolk, and is unable to be re-elected at the AGM. Alex recorded his thanks to Richard for his work on the website and social media platforms.

Finally, he wished the membership good shooting and a healthy and happy Christmas and New Year.

90.22 Development Sub-Committee Update

- Verbal report and overview of progress presented to council. Full report attached to minutes.
- Action point to deliver on questionnaire to membership outstanding.

91.22 Coaching Sub-Committee Update

- Development Coach Presentation Day will be held this Sunday (6th November). There are four county learners who should qualify.
- Session Coach course planned for the late spring/early summer. I will organise a series of online modules to accompany the practical modules to try and help as many people as possible get through in a timely manner.
- I am hopeful that we could put on another Dev Coach course in the late summer next year but uptake for both courses this year has been low.

- Despite some comms issues, the first Winter Dev Day was successful with 9 archers using a variety of bow styles. We are combining coach CPD with the sessions this year – this got off to a good start with a ‘State of the Nation’ talk from myself. Other topics planned include fixing serving/basic repairs and GDPR for coaches. We are still finalising the exact programme.
- I am investigating how to offer in-person Safeguarding courses.

92.22 Leagues Update

- **Albion League** - I would like to thank Marlene for running the summer league so successfully for many years. My first year in charge of the summer league was made a lot easier, due to the shooting dates and league was already setup on handover. The Windsor league was added as there was an opportunity to run a league for clubs and archers who are unable to reach an Albion distance but still wanted to enter a club team competition. Hopefully this will be as successful as the Albion league in the years to come.

Congratulations to Noak Hill on winning division 1 by winning all of their matches and to Ardleigh on winning division 2 (Windsor) also by winning all of their matches. A special mention for Sarah Bettles on a new individual Ladies record of 919, beating the previous record by 7 points which had stood for 21 years. **Dates for 2023 Match 1.** 07/05/2023, **Match 2.** 04/06/2023, **Match 3.** 02/07/2023, **Match 4.** 06/08/2023, **Match 5.** 10/09/2023

- **Andy Harris** League underway, with scores coming in.
- **Bray league** – 14 clubs entered, and underway
- **Compound League** – no report

93.22 Tournaments Update

Field – All went well, with 60 archers in attendance plus a waiting list. Date confirmed for 1st October 2023, thanks recorded for Paul Clark and Laura Purser for organising.

Clout – No Report.

Target – No Report.

WA – No report

Indoor – No report

94.22 County Calendar

Date updates:

Blue Arrows – WA18m – 29th January 2023 – Record Status.

Albion League Matches - **Match 1.** 07/05/2023, **Match 2.** 11/06/2023, **Match 3.** 09/07/2023, **Match 4.** 13/08/2023, **Match 5.** 10/08/2023

95.22 Any Other Business

a) Senior Records - 10 scores for ratification – Emailed to Secretary/Webmaster - ALL accepted

b) Trophies – Target Champs – Skeens cup – Western Ladies, still missing, Wendie is in contact with recipient who has given name of person trophies handed over to at Clacton. Clacton to be contacted.

c) Meetings – Chairman suggested option of moving meetings more regularly to online, and the meeting discussed this, council broadly in favour of idea of meetings moving to online, allowing wider engagement from the north of the county, particularly Suffolk members. Chair to consider options for 2023.

Meeting ended at 20:45

Date of Next Meeting 4th January 2023

SRO Report

As at 24th October 2022, records received since the last Council meeting are as follows.

New records proposed to be ratified:

Name	Club	Date shot	Event	Bow type	Round	Score
Harry Cossey	Noak Hill	13/8/22	Southampton	Longbow	WA70	363
Harry Cossey	Noak Hill	13/8/22	Southampton	Longbow	Double WA70	662
Harry Cossey	Noak Hill	17/7/22	RTAC	Longbow	Long Metric(G)	231
Wilco van Kleef-Bolton	Noak Hill	7/8/22	Evesham	Barebow	WA50(BB)	624
Wilco van Kleef-Bolton	Noak Hill	27/9/22	Kilmarnock	Barebow	WA50(BB)	626
Wilco van Kleef-Bolton	Noak Hill	25/9/22	Abbey	Barebow	Albion	803
Wilco van Kleef-Bolton	Noak Hill	24/9/22	Clophill	Barebow	Double WA50(BB)	1261
Wilco van Kleef-Bolton	Noak Hill	24/9/22	Clophill	Barebow	WA50(BB)	633
Harry Cossey	Noak hill	25/9/22	Abbey	Longbow	Albion	579
EllieVidgeon-Hart	Mayflower	17/9/22	ECAA metric Clout	Compound	Double 165M Clout	151

Mark Lawrence
Senior records officer
24th October 2022