MINUTES OF ECAA COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT COURAGE HALL, BRENTWOOD, ON TUESDAY 7th July 2009

Present: Mrs.M.Hutchins (President), G.Sibley (Life Vice President and Secretary), C.Smith (Vice President), R.Frost (Chairman), J.Neal (Vice Chairman), representatives from Mayflower, Albemarle, Noak Hill, Burntwood, Oakfield, Pilgrim, SEAC, Rayleigh, Black Stag, Priory Ardleigh, Woodford. Total attending = 20.

76/08 Apologies for Absence – Mrs.I.Major (Life Vice President), M.Skinner (Treasurer), Mrs.M.Pearce (JRO), M.Pearce (General Member), P.Clark (FITA Organiser).

77/08 Matters for Any Other Business – None.

78/8 Minutes of last Meeting having been circulated were taken as read. 72/09 GNAS Report – President's Address – 8th line delete 'for' insert semi-colon. Seconded A.Ikel (Oakfield), accepted by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

79/08 Matters arising – 73/09(j) - Adults to shoot 3-spot, other archers may request 3-spot.

80/08 Correspondence – (a) Letter from Iris Major (Life Vice President) who could not attend the Target Championships as Lady Paramount, thanking all for the thoughtful gift of a floral arrangement. (b) Change of Secretary for Chelmsford Tudor Rose – Mrs Anne Rose, 69 Bodmin Road, Chelmsford, CM1 6LL. 01245 352346. avmr45@blueyonder.co.uk (c) Request for Affiliation Forms. (d) Received copy of CTR Constitution. (e) SCAS Indoor to be Sunday, 7th March 2010. (f) Copy of Ground Survey re tournament in Ipswich later in year. (g) Summary of Liability Cover sent to all clubs. Hope to put it on the website. Ensure Secretaries make this available to members.

81/08 Chairman's Remarks – Like to re-address a small item brought up some years' ago and unfortunately needs to be stated again. When awards are being presented by the Lady Paramount, it is customary for gents to remove their hats. Please remember to do this.

82/08 Report of SCAS AGM 04.07.09 - Presented by Graham Sibley. Before any business was transacted a minute's silence was observed in respect of the memories of Clive Haywood and Bob Gunther who both recently passed away. EGM was held to complete the SCAS AGM where it was unanimously agreed that the notes made at the discussion meeting held on April 18th would be accepted as the minutes of the AGM. All nominations for Council Members, the setting of the SCAS Fees and approval of the nominated Auditor were approved. The proposal for a new badge for Hon. Life Vice-Presidents was carried. This concluded the AGM. COUNCIL MEETING REPORT - It is still not known if the 2.5% refund from GNAS has been distributed. Enquiries will be made with the Regions Treasurer. A missing CHAIRMAN - It was reported that the letter sent to GNAS explaining and Junior Trophy has been replaced. apologising for the clash of date for GNAS and SCAS AGM was well received by GNAS. The Chairman was duly thanked for sending this letter. The point about the time taken to receive GNAS membership cards (and the patchy distribution of Archery UK) was also raised, an annoyance to all concerned. SECRETARY - Room bookings have been made for a complete year (including the 2010 AGM) and the dates have been circulated to all concerned. Dates are 4th July 2009, 10th October 2009, 9th January 2010, 10th April 2010 (AGM). A reply has been sent to GNAS with regard to Online Membership Systems consultation document. GNAS had made contact regarding an internal dispute within a club. The County concerned will endeavour to resolve the problem in the first place. TREASURER - Chairman will try to see when audited accounts for the past 3 years can be prepared as this matter is causing some concern. Help has been offered to assist in breaking any "log jam". Andover Archers had placed a request for a loan to purchase new target bosses for the club's use. An amount of £6,000 was agreed on the basis of it being repaid with a "once off " payment or by 3 annual payments of £2,000. It was also reported that a grant of 50% of the cost of attending an International Field Archery Tournament (expected to total £800 in all, so £400 from SCAS) was made to a SCAS Junior archer, Daisy Clark. PRESS OFFICER - The mobile unit currently used is too large for more local events and would like to explore the possibility of using a more compact portable display i.e. made up display boards and material in a small trailer. This could be collected a minimal cost by members. A costing exercise will be made as to the purchase of the unit. Good contacts had been made with Countryside Alliance who would welcome us to their shows with a display for no fee. The beta test SCAS website had been seen by the Chairman and Field L/O and felt to be of a good design. SCAM ORGANISER - Quite a lengthy report was presented but he mentioned that it was the second year with the new owners of the ground and an excellent rapport existed between all parties. The shoot has been well attended. new Caterers had been employed, once again all went well. Early arrivals for the major event caused the Longbow competition some problems, in future he has had to condition that no one can go onto the field until after the Longbow Prize-giving has taken place. The event would be 11th to 14th May 2010. JUNIOR I/C ORGANISER - Raised a question regarding the suggested Junior Age Groups and the rounds attached to them. The use of the Bristol Rounds 1 to 5 would accompany all the Boys classes but only suggested that the B1 to B4 apply for the Girls. It was thought that the B5 would also apply to Under 10 Girls, but the meeting thought that the whole issue of the age groups and B5 might change yet again shortly so it was decided to defer any change. SENIOR I/C ORGANISER - Reported that Mr. Philip van Buren had kindly replaced the damaged Compound Team Trophy. FIELD ORGANISER - Kingsbury are staging this years SCAS event on the 1st and 2nd August, see the GNAS field website for details. CLOUT ORGANISER - 85 archers competed 10 tassel awards claimed. Next year's event 6th June 2010. FIELD LIASON OFFICER - gave a brief résumé of the work done by Bob Gunther. He mentioned the European Champs in August and advised that the exact number of places for senior archers is still being decided at this late stage. It seems that due to lack of funding only a handful of seniors would be selected. Congratulations were due to Neil Wakelin (Grampian Suffolk) who was selected for the World Games this year. John Hartfield Bursary. A request was made for SCAS to consider making a lasting tribute in John Hartfield's memory that would be beneficial for Field Archers in the SCAS Region. Northampton has already implemented a fund and it was agreed by the meeting that SCAS would make an annual contribution to the scheme. This was with a number of conditions being applied. SCAS Field Winter League. Another league will be coordinated this year. The course should consist of a 12 target marked course. Archers shall be invited to submit scores from any venue during the months of October / November / January / February & March. Contact has been made by Northern Ireland & Wales for making this a National Postal League. CHILD PROTECTION - A written report had been submitted. It stated there had been one incident, which had led to the withdrawal of a membership card - no further During discussion Mark Davis pointed out that he felt there were some problems with the current CPO Rules and Regulations and that GNAS are not responding to urgent queries from him about these discrepancies. COACHING - a lot of activity within Counties and Coaching has been seeing positive results. SCAS coaching Conference had been a success with 135 Coaches attending. Next year's date 6th March. EAF REPORT The EAF is responsible for sending a team to the Commonwealth Games in 2010 to represent England. The team is currently being hampered in its efforts to gain International experience due to the ludicrous rules imposed by GNAS about self funding etc. and the fact that FITA only recognises GB as a team and not England. Therefore, to gain any experience at all they have been forced into the situation of sending a team to club competitions in America and Australia. DISABILITY OFFICER - Has continued to supply support to individual disabled archers in Essex, Sussex and Kent hoping for eventual selection to the GNAS paralympic development squad. In Kent work of promoting archery to small groups of disabled pupils in schools has progressed. PROPOSALS - Amendment to Constitution Para 13.4 - " If at half an hour past the time set for the start of the meeting a quorum is not present, then those members present shall be a quorum " (To be carried forward to the next AGM). Any orders for more SCAS medals should be sent to the Treasurer, with the exception of the Junior Medals. Funding of International Events - a Committee will be formed to a working group to formulate a written policy for the future funding of SCAS archers at International Events. GNAS -Proposals to change the Memorandum and Articles of the Society. It was agreed for the Secretary to circulate discussion documents to members of SCAS Council for discussion at the next meeting 21st November 2009. In regard to this I attach Page 4/5 in order that members are aware of what is intended at the GNAS meeting in November 2009. Thanks to Graham Sibley for his report and congratulations offered on his appointment as Vice President of SCAS. Various items of the report were discussed and explained and copy of report by.

83/09 Proxy Voting - In the absence of the Proposer of this item, it was agreed to hold over to the next meeting.

84/09 Reports from:

and barebow presented.

- a) TREASURER Nothing to report.
- b) LEAGUE SECRETARY Two matches shot, results sent to clubs participating and also on website. Andy Harris Entry to be sent with these Minutes.
- c) COACHING GROUP SECRETARY Coaches workshop for field archery very well attended and an excellent day. Level 2 course completed formal tuition; candidates now go to work with Mentors prior to start of assessments. Still some accreditation sessions outstanding. Level 1 course starting October. Accreditation still outstanding on previous Level 1 course, hope for this during August. Next meeting 10th September covering work with disabled archers, details on website. AGM 1st December. Meetings at Courage Hall. Paul Whiteman reported that Essex had signed up for future coaching over next 5-10 years and the group has a very positive attitude. Congratulations offered to Tony Ikel on becoming Senior Coach.
- d) SENIOR RECORDS OFFICER Offered the following for ratification:

Ladies Recurve	13.06.09	R.Willson	Abbey	Dble FITA 720	964	Sherwood
Gents Recurve	23.05.09	M.Webb	Mayflower	FITA 720	620	Southampton
	23.05.09	M.Webb	Mayflower	FITA 12 Arrow Pass	106	Southampton
	31.05.09	M.Webb	Mayflower	Dble FITA 720	1236	Andover
Gents Compound	25.05.09	C.Tricker	Priory	Dble FITA 720	1191	Wellbeck
	06.06.09	W.Stroud	Mayflower	New Western	732	Noak Hill
Gents Longbow	07.06.09	D.Adams	Grays	Hereford	565	Co Match
Seconded T.Majo	or (Pilgrim)	and accepted b	by the Meeting. Top T	en Ladies and Gents re	curve, comp	pound, longbow

e) JUNIOR RECORDS OFFICER – Offered the following for ratification - See attached.

These will be ratified at the next meeting. Top Ten Girls and Boys recurve and compound presented.

f) FIELD RECORDS OFFICER - Offered the following for ratification:

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Boy U15 & U18	20.06.09	L.Wiseman	CTR	24 mixed	273	Northampton
	21.06.09	L.Wiseman	CTR	Dble 24 mixed	544	Northampton
Girl U15 & U18	23.05.09	D.Clark	CTR	Marked	350	All British
	24.05.09	D.Clark	CTR	Combined	682	All British
	20.06.09	D.Clark	CTR	24 mixed	364	Northampton
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Seconded M. Vaughan (Mayflower) and accepted by the Meeting.

g) FLIGHT/CLOUT RECORDS OFFICER – Offered the following for ratification:

Boy U16 longbow 19.04.09 P.Stafford Rayleigh 1-way single clout 8 Ex Champs Boy U14 comp'nd 19.04.09 C.Wheatley Rayleigh 1-way single clout 105 Ex Champs

Seconded Mrs.M.Saville (Ardleigh) and accepted by the meeting.

h) TARGET ORGANISER - Weekend went well with 54 junior entrants on Saturday and 86 senior entrants on Sunday.

Weather was nice. Thank you to all who helped out, particularly members of Noak Hill. My first organization role but with the backing made it easier. Most Improved archer was Ben Brown of Rayleigh with a 300 improvement. Trophy passed to Organiser who will arrange presentation. 2010 tournament will be at Noak Hill under the organisation of Richard Green. Be aware of Bristol age group changes. The result sheet indicated 'Sponsored by Linecutter Archery'. This was not the case, target faces for both days were provided at cost by Perris Archery. Perris' contribution is acknowledged and thanks to them recorded.

- i) FITA ORGANISER To be held 19th July. 79 booked in so far. Spaces left for 1 gent, 2 ladies, 2 Metric 2, 1 Metric
- 3, 2 Metric 4, 2 Metric 5, 1 Short Metric. j) INDOOR ORGANISER No report.
- k) CLOUT ORGANISER No report.
- I) FIELD ORGANISER 4th October, marked 24 targets. Entry forms to be on website when available.
- m) FLIGHT ORGANISER N/a.
- n) TEAM MANAGER Thanks to Crawley archers for use of their ground and assistance prior to and on the day. Senior results: Recurve Sussex 3835 Essex 4110. Compound Sussex 4734 Essex 4623. Barebow Sussex 1719 Essex 1549. Longbow Sussex 677 Essex 791. Total Sussex 10965 Essex 11073. Junior results: Recurve Sussex 4459 Essex 4694. Compound Sussex 3375 Essex 3406. Total Sussex 7834 Essex 8100. Thank you to everyone who shot and congratulations to Essex. Details of results will be on website. Arranged Longbow Indoor match with Cambs 29th November.
- o) EQUIPMENT OFFICER N/a.
- p) COMPOUND LEAGUE SECRETARY No report.
- r) BRAY 1 LEAGUE Entry form and rules to be sent with these Minutes. Has emailed those who contacted him and one entry form has already been returned.
- s) MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVE No report.
- t) CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER No report.
- u) WEB MANAGER No report.

85/08 County Calendar – Advice from Brentwood Leisure Centre on limited use of car park 3rd November 2009 and 2nd March 2010. Alternative meeting dates will be discussed at November meeting. Noak Hill Record Status Western 5th June 2010.

84/08 Any Other Business – (a) Review of County Equipment could not be dealt with. (b) Appointment of Equipment Officer. No offer of a volunteer. (c) Procedure for Proxy voting. To be dealt with at next meeting. (d) Details of memorial to Bob Gunther and Clive Hayward with Secretary. (e) Congratulations to Tommy Hodder on winning the Ascham Mazur Trophy for the third time.

Being no other business, the Meeting closed at 21.40pm with thanks to all for attendance. Next Meeting will be on 1st September 2008.

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