



2021 Norfolk Archery Association AGM 30th November 2021 at 20:00 Online via Zoom Minutes

Present: Pete Hill (Chairperson), Derek Sizeland (Treasurer, Coaching) Sarah Hubbard (Secretary), David Hall (Media Officer), Sam Parker (Safeguarding),
Fakenham Bowmen: Elaine Burbidge, Paul Gambling. **Marshland Archers:** Caroline Coates, Rob Lucas. **Iceni Archers:** Dave Dack, Teresa MacKenzie. **Wherry Archers:** Barry Hales. **Euston Park:** Michael Hausler. **Kings Lynn Bowmen:** Melissa Reeve.

Pete Hill informed the attendees that himself (Chair) and Sarah (Secretary) have had issues with their email accounts in the last year, and apologised for this. This is something that is going to be resolved as soon as it can be.

1. **Apologies:** Sean Fox (Team Manager), Hayden Cook (Records Officer), Chris Moore, Joshua Moore, Duffy Dowle, Dan Parnham, Shaun Godden.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 27th November 2020 were approved.

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Officers Reports

a. **Treasurer & Membership Secretary:** The Subscriptions have been down but there has been a surplus of £685.

Q: What are the normal expenses of the NAA?

A: Trophies engraving, Medals, Grants and travel as examples.

b. **Secretary:** Not a very active year. We have held the 2 committee meetings that are required by the constitution. Contact was made with all the club Secretaries to update information and make sure everything was ok in their clubs.

Q: When was the last committee meeting held?

A: 28th October 2021.

Q: What happened to the Coaching programme proposed by Dave Dack.

A: It was left off in error apologies were given for this. It will be added to the next committee agenda for discussion. Dave Dack will be invited to the next committee meeting.

c. **Records Officer:** The records have been updated regularly and are updated on the website.

- d. **Media Officer:** Nothing to report other than emails are being sent out as often as possible and a few competition advertisements have been going out on the website. There have also been discussions around changing the NAA Committee Email service.
- e. **Team Manager:** No Report as there have not been any events.
- f. **Development Officer:** No report received.
- g. **Safeguarding Officer:** There have been no issues to report.
- h. **Coaching Officer:** There haven't been any coaching events going on this year, one to one coaching has continued in the club. There have been a few Level 1 Coaches renewals that have all been passed.

Q: How are the Level 1 renewals processed?

A: The onus is on the coach to remember and fill out the renewal form, this then goes to a panel for review. It then gets sent to AGB. Derek doesn't currently have any pending renewals.

- i. **Chairperson:** It has been a quiet year the committee has only met a few times. All meetings have been held via zoom. Pete thanked the committee for their work throughout the year. There were grants offered to the NAA clubs, which was again discussed at a committee meeting to be proposed for this coming year.

Daffy (Jamie Lee) , a former member of the NAA, informed us that he has in his possession a box of old NAA paperwork. Pete will pick this up and pass onto Sarah.

Q: Regarding the grants, it was said that they were refunded to the clubs to their benefit, does it then help the members, as the members pay the club who then pays the subscription fee?

A: The idea of the grant was to use it to help with their covid work, for example members having their own target faces, protective screens and gels to name some of the things that clubs have needed. It is up to the club as to what happens to it for the benefit of the club.

5. Club Reports

- a. **Iceni Archers:** They have had a good year, they have met when the law allowed. Their membership has doubled in the last 6 months and they are doing all year round coaching, working on archers skills.
- b. **CONA:** They are back shooting indoors now and are working well with the school. They have the same numbers as before.
- c. **Euston Park Bowmen:** They have the same numbers as last year which is 12. They mainly shoot in the summer as they have no indoor venue. They do frostbite rounds in the winter to try and keep the club going in the winter.
- d. **Wherry Archers:** The club is doing ok and has now grown to 19 members. They are currently shooting outdoors when weather permits.
- e. **Marshland Archers:** The club has had an up and down year, and has lost half of their membership. They have been offering free courses from the coaches and have managed to bring the membership back up. They reported that they lost their indoor venue but now have a new venue in a proper sports hall but it is costly, but have managed to reduce the costs and get a grant to help with this.

- f. **Fakenham Bowmen:** They have been able to do target and clout shooting. The indoor venue has not been available to them. They weren't able to run their normal Clout weekend but did manage to run a one day Clout Shoot incorporating the NAA County Clout Championships. Duffy has run a beginners/induction course for them gaining them some members. They are currently not sure if they will be hosting the Mayday shoot but hope that they will be able to run it in some form.
- g. **Wymondham Archers:** They report that they have 93% of the membership that they had last year. 30% of them are female members and they have a good size junior club currently. They are working hard to do year round beginners courses.
- h. **Hingham Bowmen:** *Report not read out* Hingham has had a thankfully non-eventful past year. Obviously we have not hosted any competitions, but we have been open for shooting as much as possible. Good luck to all the clubs in the coming year and shoot straight and enjoy it. Team HB
- i. **Norfolk Bowmen:** No Report
- j. **Kings Lynn Bowmen:** *Report not read out* We're currently shooting outdoors as the school hasn't allowed us back into the hall yet. This includes having no toilet facilities. This has had an impact on our numbers, with some members refraining from shooting and several not renewing. Our current membership is 18. We have no juniors. We are appealing to the school regularly to review their policy, but this has not been successful so far. We have 8-10 regular attendees on a Sunday morning, however we expect this to reduce as the weather worsens. We have not been able to run any beginners courses since before the pandemic, but would like to think we can, come the spring. Our finances are ok at present.

Remembrance of Pete Gillard. Peter Gillard moved to Hunstanton in 2014 and became a member of King's Lynn Bowmen. Peter was a Level 2 coach and was a font of knowledge on archery and helped on many county coaching days at various clubs throughout the County. Peter also had a keen interest in Field Archery being a frequent visitor to King's Lynn Field Archers long after he gave up shooting and was a respected coach there.

Peter leaves behind a wife Ali and Daughter Helen and a Grandson.

The NAA acknowledges what peter has done throughout his career, and thanks him for this although he sadly cannot hear it.

6. Election of Officers

All positions were agreed by general consent.

Chairman	Pete Hill
Vice Chairman	Non proposed
Secretary	Sarah Hubbard
Treasurer/Membership Secretary	Derek Sizeland
Records Officer	Hayden Cook
Media Officer	David Hall
Team Manager	Sean Fox
Safeguarding Officer	Sam Parker

Coaching Organiser
Club Development Officer

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7. Election of President for 2021/22 & 2022/23

As specified in the constitution the Chair put forward a candidate for President. Pete Hill proposed that Sean Fox be elected as the next NAA President. Sean Fox was honoured to be nominated for the position and accepted. It was passed unanimously.

8. Members Proposals

There were none received.

9. AOB

It was again proposed that the NAA again offer the grant out to clubs as with last year. A grant to the sum of any membership fees for the NAA received before the end of December 2021. This was passed and David Hall will put the application form on the website so it is accessible for all.

Derek Sizeland Proposed that the NAA honour Elaine Burbidge and David Long with honorary life membership of the NAA. This was passed. Elaine said thank you.

Rob Lucas opened a discussion on Home Shooting and asked that the NAA support putting an end to it and encourage AGB to take action. Derek Sizeland observed that it's something that cannot be regulated. While the NAA is sympathetic to Rob Lucas's position it is an issue that they cannot do anything about. We can advise members of the risk the same as Archery GB does. Rob suggests a caveat to the beginners course certificate. Pete Hill will take Rob's concerns to AGB and get back to him.

The meeting closed at 21:18

This is a true record of proceedings.

Signed: 

Name: Pete Hill

Date: 8th November 2022