### **Thanet Archery Club**

# **Special Committee Meeting minutes.**



# Wednesday 14th Dec 2022 7.30pm at:

Frank Pullen Building, Thanet Archery Club, Kent International Airport, Manston. CT12 5BL

- 1/ Apologies Dave Batchelor, Dick Bailey
- **2/ Present** David Brown, Chris Bullen, Lewis Bullen-Steed, Lee Burns, Mike Davis, Andy Doyle, Anne Fretwell, Bob Gawler, Fred Hammond, James Plummer, Pete Verrall, Jim Whiddett.
- 3/ Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting N/A
- 4/ Officers Reports N/A
- 5/ Matters Arising
  - **a/** Budget (see 2023/24 budget document- spend) Mike ran though the details of the budget.
  - Lee asked what committee thought of tent he'd sent link about: Mike said that Chris B was looking at sourcing a container (or two smaller ones) for a/ either the mower to go in, or for cover at the top of the main field, so will consider that option first.
  - '£3k for Bosses & faces' includes weather-proof target faces, gradually purchasing danage targets, plus replacing 3d targets on a rolling basis as they eventually get trashed.
  - '£2k Replacement of funds' over the 4-yr period of the lease in case we have to move again at the end of the lease.

Budget agreed by committee.

**b/** Review of fee structure (see 2023/24 budget document - income)

- Mike proposes scrapping associate membership **all** members pay the insurance
- Jim W asked if we're changing what was voted on at AGM. Mike D & Andy Doyle said "Yes", but it would require an EGM vote to approve the changes first. We should present the budget at the same time so members can see correlation between budget and fees.
- Pete V said it would require a vote on changes to constitution as well because of the reintroduction of target fees and the scrapping of associate membership. He had no objection in principle to all members paying insurance, but it was setting a bad

- precedent when fees agreed at the AGM are changed because an influential minority don't like them.
- Jim asked how this squared with our affordability clause in the constitution. Mike said the fees proposed are only increasing from £45 (pre-AGM) to £50.
- Lee B, Jim W & Pete V all objected to these changes as the minimum cost of membership will be higher (£50 seniors/£25 juniors & disabled) than under the fee structure agreed at AGM. Everyone will pay more except for those shooting between 25-30 times over the whole year (summer & frostbite) who will make marginal savings. Those who shoot mostly in the summer will all pay more, given that summer target fees are higher.
- James said doing a monthly check on how much the 25-shoot members have attended was much easier than trying to administer target fee payments now people can shoot every day.

### A vote was taken and proposal was passed 7 votes FOR & 5 votes AGAINST

Mike to draft further changes to constitution & club booklet for perusal by committee prior to vote at EGM to be held before membership renewal in March.

6/ Outstanding general action points. - Not discussed

7/ Actions deferred until after the AGM. - Not discussed

#### 8/ A.O.B.

- Disabled access to ranges discussed plans to prepare/improve accessibility of frostbite range path/shooting line; to lay path across the frostbite range extending to 3D and main target range in time for summer season; need to order 17m³ gravel (approx. 30.5 tons) from Reeves. Need invoice from Reeves. Membrane matting underlay available for £200 from Jewsons.
- Backstop netting discussed using scaffolding clips/poles to support back stop netting.

Meeting ended: 9.10pm

Next meeting: - 23rd January 2023