

## **Committee Meeting minutes.**

# November 14<sup>th</sup> 2019 7:30pm – The Bell Inn, St Nicholas at Wade, CT7 0NT

- 1/ Apologies Dick Bailey, Lee Burns
- 2/ **Present** Mike Davis, Ann Fretwell, Colin Gallagher, Bob Gawler, Roy Holden, Ryan Holden, Brian Horne, Andy Mair, John Marshall, Frank Pullen, Pete Verrall.

#### 3/ Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting - Accepted.

#### 4/ Officers Reports

#### a/ Secretary (including Correspondence)

Agenda prepared and sent out to members for TAC AGM – will arrange for Newington Free Church to be open from 6:45pm.

#### Correspondence

- V. early enquiry from John Peppiat about Sylvia Hogbin shoot. I gave him Sun 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> June as likely dates.
- Also a couple of enquiries about associate membership.
- Notification from KAA about AGM and resignation of KAA treasurer.
- Toby Andrews in touch with self & Mike D re: community specialism. Replied saying that this year other issues had taken priority, but would be returning to it in the new year.

#### b/ Treasurer -

Our current balance as of the 31/10/2019 is £13,051.30 with uncleared cheques amounting to £989.31.

This gives the club a true balance of  $\pounds$ 12,061.99 +  $\pounds$ 30 cash float of  $\pounds$ 12,091.99, which means the account is up on last year by:-  $\pounds$ 982.09.

To give a run-down of the accounts for AGM, this year we have spent £12,160.04 on various equipment replacement and repairs, field and hut maintenance, replacement trophies and new awards, plus first aid courses and first aid equipment upgrades.

On the clout shoot:- £964.60 less expenses of:- £249.11 (Balance:- £715.49). Watkins' £250 sponsorship therefore covered all clout expenses.



Beginners courses:- Nett:- £713.00 Sylvia outdoor:- £533.00 less expenses of £177.17 (Balance £355.83). Indoor record status:- £921.48 less expenses of £579.90 (Balance £341.58) The indoor winter shoot at the Ursuline last winter is in the black owing to the

continuation of the  $\pounds 6$  deposit and the support of the Canterbury archers.

**c/ Membership** – Current membership numbers in T.A.C. are 89 + 6 associate members.

This consists of:

- 69 senior
- 4 young senior
- 10 junior
- 6 disabled

Currently only 69 of those have renewed their AGB membership, not including the associate members in these figures. We have had 4 official resignations, leaving 16 non-renewals. Unfortunately 6 of the non-renewals are from the May beginners.

During this last year we have welcomed 24 new members into the club, 18 of which have come from the beginners courses.

So at present we have 69 members in TAC/AGB.

With the introduction of Bacs payment this year it has made membership / renewals much more convenient.

**d/ Captains report** – Pre-booked for clout either 6<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Linda is happy to run the Sylvia Hogbin shoot. Will provide a list of all the shoots needing volunteers to organise next year.

**e/ Records officer** – Ann provided a list of awards for AGM, and a summary of her AGM records report. These can be added to the AGM minutes.

**f/ Junior rep** – One of 3 committee vacancies for AGM.

**g/ Equipment officer** – Brian H said that he'd mostly been repairing arrows.

h/ CPO - Absent.

#### 5/ Matters Arising.

a/ Suggestions for rounds/records

- Inventing badges for Nationals in a similar format to TAC36 with avg'd scoring over 2 distances (suggested by Frank). *Mike to look into that for the new year.*
- A5-sized certificates for club records (suggested by Ryan).
- John M also suggested that along with the target board to put a whiteboard out with upcoming shoots & other announcements. [Action 5(a) 11/19]

#### 6/ Outstanding general action points.

Action 4(g) 3/19a - Inventorying all the equipment in the shed, and clearing out the junk. Update? Needs a working party one Saturday afternoon to finish it off. John M suggested offering a membership fee discount for those who are prepared sign up to those during the year.

Action 4(e) 9/19 – Club shooting records from online database to be to be put on board in hut. Action for new year. *A monthly update suggested.* 

Action 4(h) 9/19 – Review of club policies regarding renewal of membership prior to AGM. Proposed changes circulated to committee at weekend. AGM agenda, constitution revisions and statement of account circulated to club membership on Monday 11th November. Any comments on proposed amendments, queries? *PV asked if as the amendments were quite varied, we would be asking members to vote on each amendment indvidually or as a whole? Frank said to keep it straghtforward we should ask them to vote on all of the amendments together.* 

Action 5(b) 3/19 – [Deferred until new year] Horse archery demo for future Archery Big Weekend event – either on field with School's permission or on field nr. Mike D's house.

Action 8(c) 8/19 - Christmas shoot prep – Update? *Targets done, forms prepared.* Because of meal in the evening, food will be just mince pies & sausage rolls.

## 6/ Outstanding action points on club development

Action 4(g) 3/19b – Equipment leasing – is it possible for the club to avail itself of that? Relevance to next action. Visit from Stylist postponed until next year. [Action deferred]

Action 5(a) 10/19 - OnTarget Archery GB club development programme – there's quite a lot involved in this - does it need a designated Club Development Officer to oversee? Either an existing committee member (one of our current ordinary members) or an additional volunteer from the membership? For discussion in new year.

Action 6(a) 7/19 – Next years beginners shoots; proposal to run beginners shoots on Saturday afternoons enabling more members to help after they've finished their morning rounds. Two weeks, 1-5pm. [Action for next year pending AGM response.]

Action 7(d) 3/19 – Adding scene shoot(s) to programme; Any dates set? Not planning to do one during the frostbite season after getting told off by the school for leaving field targets out. 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> July 2020?

Action 7(a) 9/19 - Mike has a suggestion regarding reforming the club into two sections, a target section affiliated to Archery GB using the main field as at present, and a field archery section affiliated to NFAS (or whoever) using the woods at the side of the main field. Can we reword the constitution to allow us to do that, but maintain one committee to oversee both? Could we run two sets of accounts, as we would probably need to? Would the school allow us to use the woods every week & what would be the cost? Throws up a lot of questions we don't have answers to, needs further exploration. Frank to look at the constitution, Bob to talk to the school about using whole field. Possibility of developing wooded area in co-operation with school as a

# dual-purpose field shoot course and nature trail? [Action deferred to next year with view to possible proposal for 2019/20 AGM.]

Action 7(a) 10/19 - What if we were to deregister our field with ArcheryGB, and register the **top** field instead? This would then free up our main field for use by members or visitors who choose not to take up Archery GB membership as long as we insure ourselves, and that insurance would cover AGB members and non-members. Something to look into but again too many unknowns to bring to AGM this year, except as something to explore in 2020. [Action for new year.]

# 8/ A.O.B.

- Colin G asked about business cards. *We've got them they're in the cupboard*.
- Brian H mentioned the possibility of obtaining some second hand 3D targets.
- Mike asked if we have any volunteers/candidates putting themselves forward for vacant committee posts. *Answer None yet.*
- Following on from that Mike said we needed to think about trophies. Rather than having the hassle of getting all the trophies engraved/returned/etc, we should get cheaper trophies each year that the winners can then keep. We then also don't have the problem of tracking them down the following year when they go AWOL. Keep the existing trophies (the special ones) from previous years, and from now on hand out new trophies each year and keep records of who wins what. Ryan suggested having a trophy cabinet to put them in. Brian H said his daughter has a cabinet going spare; glass on 3 sides, lockable, would need to make room for it somehow. Mike also suggested consolidating the club shoots i.e. club champs, end-of-season shoot, etc, into one big shoot a year, so that we have one set of trophies that are handed out at the AGM rather than the shoots themselves. Something to think about next year in time for club champs & AGM.
- Bob mentioned KAA AGM nomination form. Need to get our clout shoot nominated for Kent clout on nomination form. Mike also mentioned that Fred Hammond has offered to help organise the clout, so we should remember to take him up on that. Bob also noted that we could move the cooking over to the schools portacabin which has electricity so it saves having to take gas and water up to the field.
- Frank mentioned having a shoot sign-up sheet for the AGM so that people can offer to take on the running of particular shoots.

## Meeting ended at 8:20pm (is this a record?)