

Cumbria County Archery Association



Cumbria County Archery Association Committee Meeting

Minutes

Held on 14th February 2021 via Zoom.

Those Present

Name	Officer	Club
Simon Degler	Chairman	Sellafield Archery Club
June Houghton	Vice Chairman	Keswick Archers
Stuart Burnett	Secretary	Sellafield Archery Club
Chrissey Burnett	Treasurer	Sellafield Archery Club
Chris Battersby	Tournament Organiser	Eagle Bowmen
Andy Carr	NCAS Rep	Eagle Bowmen
Gary Pimblett	County Coach Organiser	Beacon Archers
Alison Hunter	Beacon Archers Secretary	Beacon Archers
Freya Wise	Kendal Bowmen Chairperson and acting Secretary	Kendal Bowmen

Meeting opened approx. 2:00pm

1. Apologies

Tony Tideswell (Honorary President).
David Poole (Vickers Archery) gave his apologies after the meeting.

2. NCAS Coaching Plans

2.1. During last year Archery GB asked Counties and Regions if they would contribute to a fund to help with the recovery of the sport after COVID-19. NCAS asked for more information on everyone's behalf, but there was no reply to that. NACS decided to set-up something

themselves to help, and thought that supporting coaching within the Clubs would be a good help.

2.2. The idea is to help Clubs to produce a Coaching Plan, to show what they will do to encourage the existing archers, and retain as many as possible considering it hasn't been possible to run beginners courses. A £50 grant is available per Club to cover the cost of the plan.

2.3. At the time of this meeting, 32 clubs in the region have made a Coaching Plan, with 2 of those from Cumbria.

3. Coaching

3.1. The discussion continued with the current situation with Level 1 and Level 2 coaching. Coaching activities are limited at the moment due to COVID-19 restrictions. However, coaching can be done online if the technical facilities allow it, or in socially distanced groups.

3.2. Coaches can also take part in Archery GB webinars, which will count as continuous improvement and qualify for CPD points. (More information about CPD points is available from Gary.) Due to the difficulties, the panel is being more understanding about renewal applications.

3.3. Gary is looking to start more Level 1 and Level 2 course, part of these can be done on-line, then the rest completed when COVID restrictions ease.

4. Club Round-up

4.1. Summary by Chris and Andy. Eagle Bowmen have only been able to shoot outdoors, during July and August. Then the school and the village hall were closed, due to COVID restrictions, so they have been unable to shoot since then.

4.2. Chris has also been involved with re-writing the Tournament Organisers Manual for Archery GB.

4.3. Summary by Alison and Gary. Beacon operated a diary booking system to allow archers to shoot on their own, when COVID restrictions allowed. They have continued to have Committee meetings via the internet. They have received financial support from their Local Council. This is planned to be spent improving the facilities – particularly the toilets, floor and kitchen. They have waived their Club renewal fees for their archers.

4.4. Summary from Freya. Kendal Bowmen have been able to shoot outdoors during the summer, and a few times indoors, as allowed by COVID restrictions. They haven't been able to hold committee meetings, but have been keeping in touch with each other by telephone. They have also registered as a Charitable Organisation, which helps from a Tax point of view. They have subsidized their Club renewal fees for their archers.

4.5. Summary from Simon. There's not a lot to report. Sellafield Archery Club have no outdoor venue, their field is closed while the Environment Agency are doing drainage works. They've not been able to shoot indoors due to COVID restrictions. There have only been around 8 archers renewing their club membership, even with the Club renewal fees being subsidized. Simon has been able to shoot a lot in his garden. It has worked-out good for him, not to be shooting in competitions, and allowed him to "get his head together". Chrissey has not renewed with Archery GB.

4.6. Summary by June for Keswick Archers was not possible due to Technical difficulties.

5. AGM Meeting Dates

5.1. It was discussed whether to hold the AGM in the afternoon or evening of 21st, 27th or 28th March. It was decided to hold the meeting earlier than that, and two dates were chosen i.e.

Thursday 11th March at 7pm or Saturday 13th March at 4pm, depending on everyone's availability.

New Action: Stu to write to Club Secretaries and committee members to find out which date is best.

6. AOB

6.1. Competitions

6.1.1. The earliest competition in the County would be the 2-day FITA at the end of May. However, it might be cancelled if we can't get a National Judge for the Head-to-Head on the second day.

6.1.2. The County and Open competition in July will be held at the Aspatria Rugby Club, because Maryport Archers have moved their outdoor venue there.

New Action: Stu to Add a new Range Registration for Aspatria Rugby Club.

Meeting Closed 3pm

Actions from February 2021

104	Date for AGM – write to Club Secretaries and committee members to find out which date is best.	Stu	New Complete at time of writing the minutes.
105	Add a new Range Registration for the County shoot in July at Aspatria Rugby Club	Stu	New Complete at time of writing the minutes.

End of Minutes