

Old Basing Archers AGM

10-February 2009

Old Basing Cricket Club.

Present



Sue Elliott	Paul Richards	Ian Boreham (Sec)
Robin Foster (Chair)	Geoff McCann	Terry Cootes
Julian Ricketts	Helen Ricketts	Geoff Machin
Margaret Holt	Harry Holt	Vic Bostock
Lynne Bostock	Richard Lamb	Dave Westbrook
Stephanie Westbrook	Richard Ayling	Andrew Hutchison

Apologies: Amy Pullen, John Newman, Charlie Phillip, Mark Gales, Dave Stiles, Jack Stiles, Steve Learwood, Debbie Campbell, Les Soper-Dyer, Phil Lamb

Minutes of previous meeting.

Action – to distribute the financial report prior to the meeting. Completed

Adoption of the minutes as a true and accurate record was proposed by Geoff Machin, seconded by Terry Cootes and passed.

Chairman's Report: This report is a general overview of the last year. The principal office holders will present individual reports on their specific areas of responsibility.

It has been a pleasure to serve as the chairman of Old Basing Archers for the past year. Having been a member of four different clubs in diverse parts of the country at various times, I can honestly say that OBA is the best! One of the outstanding facets of OBA is its committee and band of hard working helpers. Being chairman of a club with such a dependable and diligent group of people has made the job so much easier. Much of their effort goes on unseen, behind the scenes so I would like everyone to formally thank them with a round of applause.

One of the topics that has consumed much time at committee meetings is issues connected with the parish council. When it finally arrived, the Service Level Agreement was not a document that I felt able to sign as it provided no "level of service" for the club. Su has done sterling work as our Parish Liaison Officer and we now have agreed with the parish council the charges that the club will pay for the year and should avoid unexpected invoices being sprung upon us. Discussions and meetings with the parish council will continue in the coming year and we also look forward to continued good relationships with our fellow recreation ground tenants, the cricket club whose excellent facilities we are enjoying this evening.

An interesting item of note is that the number of long bow archers in the club continues to grow. As a compound archer, I have to say that the fascination of pulling arrows out of the ground escapes my understanding. However, as we have an approximate equal number of

long_bow, recurve and compound archers, this must be viewed as a very good thing and results in a healthy archery club.

Members have enjoyed the sport at every level from beginners to beating an England team member in a head-to-head competition; from qualifying as Third Class to being ranked 6th in the UK. Whatever your weapon of choice or level of ability, the club exists to enable our members to enjoy their chosen sport in a friendly and safe atmosphere. I would like to conclude by wishing you all good shooting in the coming year.

Secretary's Report. This year has involved a great deal of issues with communication between the club and the Parish Council, I would like to thank Sue for her role as Parish Council Liaison which has helped tremendously to solve some of these problems. The club membership is now 67 with many more active shooting members than in the last year or two, it's encouraging to see some of the newer members so enthusiastic and is a sign the club is in a healthy state. The club has a good relationship with the Cricket club and we hope to keep this going in the next year.

I would also like to give thanks to the coaches who have dedicated a lot of effort into running the beginners courses, the new members and funds raised are a vital part of the club's activities. I hope that we can encourage more members to attend competitions shoots at other clubs in the coming year as this raises the profile of the club in the area.

Treasurer's Report. Income for 2008 came from 4 sources: as in previous years: Membership, Beginners, The AndOBA FITA, and Have a go.

Membership: £5662.34	Beginners: £1700
AndOBA FITA: £900	Have a go Old Basing Carnival £201

Interest on savings, this came from 2 sources this year, the savings account, and for the majority of the funds we have invested in fixed term deposit bonds, each time fixing for 3 Months.

Savings Account: £1.67

Deposit Bonds: £239.13.

Thanks should go to Andrew Hutchison, Terry Coates, Julian Ricketts and Geoff McCann, and other club members whose efforts in guiding potential archers through their courses, also for the significant revenue that was generated.

Membership in 2008 stood at 67 shooting members: of whom 24 were not members in 2007.

The 4 most significant expenses in 2008 were: GNAS, Indoor & Outdoor Equipment and insurance:

GNAS/SCAS/HAA: £1865.50	Indoor Equipment: £853.45
Insurance: £901.68	Outdoor Equipment: £1184.50

On the Equipment front: we purchased New Indoor Bosses + Stands, New Outdoor straw & Foam Bosses & spare foam, new Arrows, new Fletching Jig and Longbow Taper Tool Set.

It was nice to see that in 2008 we were self sufficient, generating the income that we need to sustain the club without the need for outside help.

Terry Cootes asked if a valuation of assets held by the club could be preformed as the records are out of date and would not be valid should an insurance claim be required.

Geoff Machin asked that the balance sheet reads 'Surplus' rather than 'Profit' as the club is not a profit making venture.

Records Officer's Report. The number of scores submitted was 1,197, down on the previous year, due to several factors i.e.; bad weather etc.

The following members improved the handicap during the year:

Archer	Start Handicap	End Handicap	Improvement
Chris Wilgar	44	40	4
John Newman	48	45	3
Su Elliot (L)	68	65	3
Steve Hawtin	78	75	3
Julian Ricketts	29	27	2
Dave Westbrook	19	17	2
Robin Foster	36	34	2
Richard Hutchison	72	70	2 (L)
Phil Lamb	41	39	2
Debbie Campbell	46	44	2
Helen Ricketts	58	56	2
Andrew Hutchison	62	60	2 (L)
Debbie Campbell	66	64	2 (L)
Paul Richards	19	18	1
Dave Stiles	50	49	1
Iain Fletcher	27	26	1
Geoff McCann	37	36	1

The GNAS Improvement medal goes to Chris Wilgar with 4 point improvement on handicap.

Classification Badges

Bowman

Andrew Hutchison LB

George Fletcher

Su Elliot LB

1st. Class

Charlie Philip LB

Debbie Campbell LB

Phil Lamb

Richard Ayling

Richard Hutchison LB

Terry Cootes

2nd Class

Helen Ricketts

John Newman

3rd Class

Lynn Bostock

Danial Sturgess

Ian Bicknell

Jonathan Lucas

Les Soper-Dyer

Vic Bostock

Notes

Reference away Shoots and Competitions, please ensure that all scores are submitted to me within 3 days if possible with all information i.e.; score, number of hits and golds, to ensure that records are kept up to date.

Please ensure that score sheets are submitted with the correct information i.e. name. date, round and distance, as failure to do so will effect handicap ratings.

7. Election of Committee

Chairman. Julian Ricketts was proposed for the position by Terry Cootes, Seconded by Geoff McCann and unanimously voted in as chairman.

Treasurer: Steve Learwood had agreed to remain and was proposed by Robin Foster, Seconded by Geoff McCann and unanimously voted in.

Secretary: Ian Boreham agreed to remain and was proposed by Harry Holt, seconded by Julian Ricketts and unanimously voted in.

Records Officer: Debbie Campbell had agreed to remain and was proposed by Sue Elliott, seconded by Helen Ricketts and was voted in unanimously.

Child Protection Officer. Andrew Hutchison agreed to remain but felt that it conflicted with his role of beginners Coordinator. The meeting agreed that Lynn Bostock should assist in the role. Proposed by Robin Foster, seconded by Harry Holt and passed unanimously.

Tournament Organiser: Iain Fletcher was proposed by Terry Cootes, seconded by Dave Westbrook and unanimously voted in.

Equipment Officer: Geoff McCann agreed to remain and was proposed by Terry Cootes, seconded by Richard Ayling and unanimously voted in.

Beginners Coordinator: Andrew Hutchison agreed to remain and was proposed by Robin Foster, seconded by Ian Boreham and unanimously voted in.

HAA Liaison: Geoff Machin informed the meeting that he would remain in this role for this year only and would raise the subject of the HAA under AOB. Proposed by Andrew Hutchison, seconded by Lynne Bostock and unanimously voted in.

Andoba Fita Liaison: Iain Fletcher was proposed by Robin Foster, seconded by Terry Cootes and unanimously voted in.

Parish Liaison: Sue Elliott agreed to remain and was proposed by Terry Cootes, seconded by Geoff Machin and unanimously voted in.

Newsletter Editor: Lynne Bostock agreed to take on this position, proposed by Robin Foster, seconded by Geoff McCann and unanimously voted in.

8. Approval of Club Fees.

Steve Learwood sent in the suggestion that fees would remain the same but if there is an increase in the GNAS, SCAS or HAA component then this would be paid for by the members. Unanimously agreed.

9 ANDOBA FITA. Iain Fletcher had provided the meeting with some figures from the ANDOBA FITA. The account holds £1707. Last year the event had an income of £5101 which provided a surplus of £1836, a £900 each way split to the clubs was agreed. The event was well attended and run and is scheduled for the 25/26th July 2009. The fee's are to increase to £25 for 2009.

The cost of target foam was questioned by the meeting. The executive meeting of the FITA will take place on Tuesday 3rd March, the meeting was informed that Dave Greenslade will continue in role for 2009 but wishes to step down for 2010. Geoff Machin asked that Old Basing Archers send a strong team attend the meeting and be prepared to volunteer for some of the posts.

Terry Cootes asked that a schedule of work be drawn up so OBA can assist more effectively. Richard Ayling asked how many stands need rebuilding and Geoff Machin replied about 60. Geoff also asked that any comments relating to the FITA be sent to him.

10 Archer Supreme. After a closely contested vote the Archer Supreme was Paul Richards.

11. AOB

Geoff McCann thanked Dave Westbrook for donating two bows to the club and appealed for any old recurve cases so they could be added to the rental equipment on offer to new members.

Helen Ricketts asked about the Alencon Exchange visit, the original request was distributed to club members but only three responses were forthcoming, so it was decided not to participate this time.

Geoff Machin appraised the meeting of the current state of the Hampshire Archery Association (HAA), he informed the meeting that they provide a link between the local clubs and the Southern Counties Archery Society (SCAS), HAA provides a number of functions including county championships, county team, training for coaches and judges. HAA has the largest membership in SCAS. However attendance at the regular meetings is dropping and at the last meeting there were 15 attendees from over 15000 archers in the county. The AGM is at Hedge End on 10th March and there are to be a number of resignations from the committee including the Secretary, Target Secretary and SCAS rep. If the meeting fails to elect a new secretary then the chairman must inform SCAS who can then seize the HAA assets (£20K). Geoff appealed to the club to attend the AGM and be prepared to help.

Dave Westbrook asked the meeting about the ground fees the club pays and what guarantees the club has for access to the ground in the future. Sue Eliot responded that there are no guarantees and that next year the football clubs would like to be able to play on Sunday afternoons as well as Saturday afternoons. Phil Lamb suggested the club could trade a morning session for the afternoon if required for a competition. Julian Ricketts suggested a PR exercise, inviting the Rec Committee to a have-a-go session one morning. Dave Westbrook informed the meeting that in his opinion the facilities are better than most and the fee's are reasonable.

Stephanie Westbrook asked if the dates of events could be put up in the Equipment Store.

Dave Westbrook asked if the website could be updated, it was agreed that more information needs to be passed to the webmaster.

The meeting closed at 9:40 and the next committee meeting would be arranged at a later date.