

# **Parkfield Archers**

## **Minutes of The 2005 AGM** **Held at Golden Lion, Stonea – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2005**

**Meeting opened : 19:20**

### **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from David Johnson (President) and David Tharme

### **Minutes of last AGM**

The minutes were accepted as presented

### **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for attending. He then thanked the committee members who have been excellent and put in lots of work to ensure the smooth running of the club. We are very lucky to have such a committee.

He then thanked all those involved in running the “beginners” sessions as this is the lifeblood of the club.

He then stated that expenses at Parkfield have risen sharply this year (£10 @ weekends and £5 @ weekdays) Assuming members shoot on a regular basis the club should meet expenses without increasing our fees.

Nothing further has been heard from Parkfield Sports Club regarding the purchase of the new storage container. It is probable that the club will pay for its own.

At last years AGM there was much discussion relating to child protection. The club constitution has now been amended to include our child protection policy and details of our child protection officers as agreed at last years AGM. Copies will be available shortly.

The club should be hosting the end of season county shoot again this year but have heard nothing yet.

**The Chairman reminded all present that all officer positions were open for re-election (particularly Secretary) and asked all members to consider nominating themselves. He stated that it was a great way of getting involved with the club and did not involve too much work.**

**Finally, the Chairman congratulated our junior members performing in outside open shoots. He stated that they were outstanding in putting our club on, not only the County map but also the regional map as well.**

### **Secretary's Report**

**Parkfield Archers has had another good year. During the last 12 months although we lost one or two members, we took on 6 new seniors and 9 new juniors, which brings our current membership numbers to 45.**

**Although a lot of members shoot recurve, there has been quite an interest shown in the traditional longbow. This is evident on the shooting line where it can be seen the number of archers, both junior and senior, enjoying the pleasures and frustrations of shooting the "bent stick" is steadily increasing. The interest in the longbow brought rise to Parkfield Archers holding an additional annual tournament, its first annual longbow competition that was held during the summer of 2004.**

**The Secretary expressed his sincere thanks to everyone involved with the 24 hour sponsored shoot. It was a brilliant success raising £1000 that was donated to East Anglian Air Ambulance Service. A big pat on the back to everyone.**

**The junior outdoor target archer world championships were held at Lileshall in July 2004. The Secretary thanked Jason and Jordan Bullman who represented Parkfield Archers in the opening ceremony.**

**Finally the Secretary thanked John Claydon for organizing the clout shoot at Sutton Gault. It was a great day, a new experience for some and enjoyed by all, especially hunting for lost arrows in the distant fields!**

### **Treasurer's Report**

**The Treasurer submitted a copy of the last years accounts (attached) The club has an increase in funds since the last AGM but some bills are still to be received for trophies, Manea village hall and the Golden Lion.**

**The Treasurer reminded those present that since 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2005 we pay to use Parkfield. This would cost the club roughly £800 (Sunday x 52 =£520, Tuesday & Friday x 28 = £280)**

**Adults currently pay £5 for membership of Parkfield Archers and £2 of this goes to Parkfield Sports club, club fees are due in April each year but Parkfield Sports club renewal is in July/August so we pay for new members twice. It was suggested that we delay our membership fees until August to bring both memberships into line. The committee would consider this and members were asked to do likewise.**

**Julie Larham has provided papers for grant applications and the new committee will consider this. We know costs for field rent and know Parkfield Sports club will not be providing us with a new container.**

### **Equipment Officer**

**The club now owns a good selection of training bows, arrows etc for beginners use.**

**The plastic butts used at Manea have proved ideal for indoor shooting but less popular outside. 5 straw butts will need to be replaced this summer.**

**The club has purchased a 6 arrow fletching jig which members are welcome to use.**

**The shared storage situation has not been resolved making care of equipment difficult.**

**The club needs 20 flutterers (wind direction flags) for our open shoot so if you have any bent or short aluminium arrow shafts please give them to the Equipment Officer.**

### **Records Officer**

**The Records Officer stated that very good progress had been made by some archers as would be seen in the awards presented later in the evening.**

**He requested that archers submitted regular scores for practice rounds as this would give a fair allocation of handicap allowances for future shoots here and away. He also pointed out that members shooting at other clubs should submit scores from these clubs to keep a common handicap value.**

**Future competitions will be a balance of raw score and handicap score to allow all types of bow to compete with each other.**

**Due to the increase in popularity of Compound and Longbow archers within the club we need to consider this for next years award for club champion. This award is currently based on raw score at club shoots and Compound bows would in theory win all the time. We have a Longbow competition but nothing for Compound archers. The committee will take up these issues and members were asked to make their views known.**

### **Events Officer Report**

**Parkfield Archers are now becoming a threat to other clubs.**

**The Events Officer would like to arrange another 24 hour sponsored shoot.**

**There are several away competitions soon:**

**Nene – 26<sup>th</sup> April**

**Kestrels – 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**OOBAC – 25<sup>th</sup> May**

**See the Events Officer or club notice board for more details**

**The field shoot will be held again at Dunhams Wood but will be 2 rounds with lunch. Details are on the club notice board.**

**Finally, he thanked everyone involved with the 24 hour shoot.**

### **Change To Club Constitution**

**The Chairman proposed to delete clause which makes club assets property of Parkfield Sports club should Parkfield Archers fold. It was decided it should be replaced with a new one. The committee will discuss at a later date with a view to amending it at the next EGM.**

### **Election of Officers**

<b>Chairman -</b>	<b>proposed Steve Green seconded by Gareth Fowler</b>
<b>Secretary -</b>	<b>proposed Steven Hutchcraft seconded by Steve Bullman</b>
<b>Treasurer -</b>	<b>proposed Geoff Searle seconded by Angela Watson</b>
<b>Records -</b>	<b>proposed Roger Watson seconded by Steven Hutchcraft</b>
<b>Events -</b>	<b>proposed Steve Bullman seconded by Alan Crossly</b>
<b>Equipment -</b>	<b>proposed John Claydon seconded by Alan Crossly</b>
<b>CPO -</b>	<b>Julie Larham</b>
<b>Deputy CPO -</b>	<b>Angela Watson</b>

## **Members Representatives**

**Junior proposed Sally Watson  
Senior proposed Ian Burton**

## **Membership Fees**

**No change. To remain at adults £5 and juniors £2.50**

## **Shooting Fees**

**After some discussion it was voted to increase shooting fees by 50p to:  
Senior £2.50, Junior £1.50 and Family £4.50**

## **Beginners Fees**

**These will be Senior £3.00 and Junior £2.00**

## **Shooting Times**

**Friday evenings 16:30 onwards  
Sunday 10:00 – 12:00**

**Beginners night 18:00 – 20:00 on Tuesday**

## **Any Other Business**

**There was no other business**

**The meeting was then closed and the Chairman thanked everyone for attending. All present then enjoyed a buffet, followed by the presentation of awards and trophies.**