

MINUTES

Parkfield Archers Minutes

26 March 2010

The meeting was called to order by Rick Darville at 7:30 p.m.

In attendance

Rick Darville, Kevin Charter, James Fletcher, Alex Fletcher, Wayne Bush, Sheena Bush, Paul Whitwell, Jackie Whitwell, Michael Fletcher and Andrew Charter.

The Chairman, Rick Darville thanked all for attending the meeting at such short notice.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the January meeting and approved.

Beginners Courses

It was discussed on ways to improve the structure of beginner's course. Under consideration where possible would be that at least one person should see through all of the weeks for a group to maintain consistency. The new beginner's course books that have been under development over the winter months would now be adopted and Kevin and James will review the current membership form to see if any areas can be improved here as well.

Action: KC and JF

Rick also asked that the committee look to get a couple of members qualified as Level 1 Coaches during this year, as this will be a requirement from GNAS/Archery GB in the near future.

Action: RD

It was noted that if juniors are present at beginners courses that at least one of the members will have to have a CRB check. These needs to be actioned with immediate effect.

Action: RD to ask AW to issue forms to those members required.

It was agreed that beginners courses will be 5 weeks in duration at a cost of £30 per adult and £20 per child (17 and under) on Tuesday evening starting at 6pm. The first two courses will commence on Tuesday 13th April and Tuesday 11th May and that the start dates of the courses will be discussed at the next meeting. This would mean that the last week of the first group will overlap with the start of the second group, but the last week of beginner's course will be with the main members group to help introduce, welcome and encourage them to join the club.

An article will be submitted to the local press advising them about the beginners courses.

Action: KC

Equipment

The current level of stock had been reviewed and as discussed at previous meetings it was agreed to use the monies collected from the recent Indoor fees to purchase between 3 to 4 new Recurve bow sets with different weight limbs. Paul will contact and organize this purchase hopefully before the first beginner's course.

Action: PW

It was also agreed that a minimum of 5 new bosses be purchased for this year.

Action: PW or JF?

It was noted that the First Aid in the lock up needed to be replaced and Jackie had brought along a sample kit that they had recently bought for under £10. Again it was agreed to purchase two of these. One for Parkfield and another for the Field.

Action: JW

Alex requested would the club consider the purchase of the software "Golden Arrow" to assist in the keeping of Club records. This was agreed.

Action: AF

Open Western

Sheena advised the committee that she has arranged with the same caterer that was used at the End of Season shoot to attend this event with the larger Burger van.

New trophies and the possibility of sponsors will be discussed at the next meeting when Wayne has more detailed costs.

Action: WB

Fundraising

Various ideas were suggested about ways to raise money with Have-a-go events. For example a prize on a string with a polo midway along the string. Break the polo to release the prize. Also consider inviting a school along to a Have-a-go in the evening with teaching staff present not only from a fundraising perspective but also to encourage junior membership. This would need careful consideration from legal and child protection grounds.

Parkfield Committee

Roger Watson had requested that Rick to ask if anybody else would attend these meetings on behalf of Parkfield Archers. At present the committee consider Roger to be best placed to continue for the time being as his diplomacy with this role is greatly appreciated. Rick will ask Roger to continue.

Current Members

The Chairman also asked that the committee not to lose sight of the current members and that we should look at holding a few more social events similar to the Bowl Evening held in December.

One suggestion was to hold a BBQ, which the committee members will ask existing members if they are interested in.

Junior Members

Michael thought it would be worth submitting an article for inclusion in the local school Newsletters with details about the club and the beginner's courses. Kevin will draft out the text to submit to the committee for discussion.

Action: KC

Next Meeting

In the future the committee will hold a meeting on the last Friday of every month and on occasions will give notice to all members to attend an "Open" meeting to allow the members to bring to the notice of the committee any subjects they wish to raise.

The next meeting will take place on the 30th April at 7.30pm, 32 Charlemont Drive, Manea PE15 0GA.