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**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE GLAMORGAN ARCHERY ASSOCIATION
MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2013**

PRESENT: List of those present – *Attached*.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence have been received from Marian Howells, Alan Grimshaw and Adrian Boudier.

2. Chairman's Opening Remarks

The Chairman thanked all those present and particularly to those who had not attended before and also to those juniors present.

The Chairman's full address (*Attached*).

3. Presentation

The Chairman presented badges to all those members who had participated in the Inter Counties Championships. She also congratulated Glamorgan on achieving first place overall at the Championships.

The majority of juniors then left the meeting.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the AGM held on 17th September 2012 were proposed as an accurate record by Emma Pryse and seconded by Paul Curtis. All agreed.

5. Matters arising

The Treasurer gave an explanation of the block fee that would be in place from this year.

6. Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer presented her report for the year ending 31st March 2013. She also explained that Glamorgan fees in future can be paid via BACS. If clubs wished to pay via BACS they should contact the Treasurer for the details.

There were no questions on the Report and the Chair thanked the Treasurer for her work during the year.

7. Election of Officers

The following appointments were

Chairman: nomination received for Tim Pryse. Voted 10 for, nil against 2 abstentions. Tim Pryse elected.

Treasurer: No nominations received. Emma Pryse agreed to continue for the remainder of the term of office to 2015. All voted in favour.

Secretary: No nominations received. Pat Widger agreed to continue for the term ending September 2014. All voted in favour.

8. Election of Officials

County Coaching Organiser (CPO) : Nomination had been received for Langdon Davies. All voted in favour.

Records Officer: No nominations received. Keith Lynch had indicated that he was prepared to continue in this role. All voted in favour.

Child Protection Officer: No nominations received. Nomination from the floor for Elaine Rutherford – all voted in favour.

Tournament Co-ordinator: No nominations received. Chris Mearns offered to take on this role. All voted in favour.

WAA Representative: No nominations received. Pat Widger agreed to continue until the end of the term of office – September 2014.

Development Co-ordinator (CDC) – after some discussion it was agreed that this position should be dropped. Vote – unanimous.

9. Auditor

It was agreed that the appointment of an auditor should be left to the Executive.

10. Constitution

- 10.1 To comply with a directive of GNAS Archery GB the following amendment to Clause 16 of the Constitution was proposed by the Executive:

‘16. Membership

‘Membership of the Association shall be:

- I. Open to archers via affiliated clubs within the County of Glamorgan;
- II. Open to Direct Members of GNAS/Archery GB who reside within the County of Glamorgan.

Membership of the Association shall imply, without reserve, acceptance of and compliance with, the rules and decisions of the Association.’

It was pointed out by NS that as it was a directive issued by Archery GB the amendment should be automatically made to the Constitution. A vote was taken from the club representatives – Vote for – 10, against 0, no abstentions.

It was agreed that as this amendment would affect Clause 13 it was unanimously agreed that the following amendment to Clause 13 should be made:

‘All members of GAA are required to be members of GNAS/Archery GB either through club or direct membership.’

- 10.2 Lee Callaghan proposed, seconded by Emma Pryse that the following clause should be included in the Constitution:

"All Clubs within GAA must adhere to a standard of beginners' course, which shall be NO LESS than four (4) INDIVIDUAL two hour sessions. These courses must also adhere to the basic coaching structure outlined by Archery GB, to include range safety, archer safety and proper shooting form. All coaches running Beginner Courses MUST be ArcheryGB Level 1 or above."

NB: This is to ensure the safety of archers, spectators and officials on club days, tournaments, have-a-go's or any other archery related activity.

The Chairman stated that advice had been taken on this matter from Archery GB. It had been confirmed by Archery GB that a clause of this nature should not be included in a Constitution. The Executive had been informed that information such as the number of hours of instruction was included as part of Level 1 coach courses. However, it was appreciated by Archery GB that at this moment in time, although the number of hours of instruction advocated on Level 1 Coach courses was considered the ideal, it was not always possible to adhere to because of

- a) the number of coaches available for teaching beginners and,
- b) the increasing cost of venues/facilities

Following a lively discussion on this matter the Chairman did not take a vote but agreed that the matter should be noted.

It was also noted that the teaching of beginners should be left to the discretion of the individual clubs as to the number of hours of instruction given taking into account the importance of safety and rules of shooting.

11. Date of Next Annual General Meeting

The date of the next Annual General Meeting is confirmed as Monday 16th September 2014.

**At the close of the meeting
a Presentation was made to Mrs Val Goodman
to mark the work she had undertaken as Chairman over the past two years.**

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

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GLAMORGAN ARCHERY ASSOCIATION
ATTENDANCE SHEET
Annual General Meeting - 21ST October 2013.

Mrs Val Goodman – GAA Chairman
Emma Pryse – GAA Treasurer
Pat Widger –GAA Secretary
S J Downer - RJD Archers
Richard Downer – RJD Archers
Keith Lynch – Records Officer
Jonathan Matthews – Bowmen of Gower
Alice Reynolds – Bowman of Gower
N M Smith – Bowman of Gower
L Davies – Blandy-Jenkins Archers
S Davies – Blandy-Jenkins Archers
P M Dabvies – Celtic Archers
K L Davies – Celtic Archers
C hris Mearns – Castle Bowmen
Lee Callaghan – Cambria Bowmen
Tim Pryse – Cambria Bowmen
Paul Curtis – Cambria Bowmen
Edd Jones – Blandy-Jenkins Archers
C Rawdin-Jnes – Blandy Jenkins Archers
S Rawdin-Jones – Blandy-Jenkins Archers
O Rawdin-Jones – Blandy-Jenkins Arches
Kelvin Haines – Neath Archers
Tim Kale – Neath Archers
Kim Swetman – Blandy-Jenkins Archers
Nigel Davies – Perriswood
R Harding – Perriswood
Rob Lock – Blandy-Jenkins Archers
Elaine Ruthford – Cambria Bowmen

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS 2012 – 2013

I was so concerned about giving my address at the end of my first year as Chairman that I sped away before the Secretary could even give the Apologies for Absence.

At the end of my second and final year, in office, giving the report should perhaps be as easy as the A, B, C. Well sitting down to write an account of the year my mind went blank. Where can I start? Well, why not with A.

A is of course for Archery. The sport that brings us all together and makes up some of our happy, fun and successful times as well as some of our rather frustrating, as well as soaked to the skin spells, but it is all part of our Beautiful game.

A is also for Apologies and I am sure there are many of these I will miss out and not remember until tomorrow! A is also for Act, my Act of Contrition - so I am begging your forgiveness now. Looking over my jottings for last year I noticed that I had not expressed thanks, not just on my own behalf but for all Archers in the County, to Keith Lynch, who, for as long as I can remember has attended meetings as often as possible, manfully kept our Shooting Records, delivered reports and written up certificates. We have been very lucky to have such an Able Keeper of Records whose work this year has been particularly labour intensive. A too can stand for Aides, A i d e s and here sincere thanks go to Graham Seymour for looking after and updating our website, to Susan Davies who again was my crutch for the first part of the year and Pat Widger who kindly took on the post of Acting Secretary and prop when Sue stepped down. Once again there is Emma, our Treasurer, or as I am on As should I say Accountant? who generously carried on in post when no-one else came forward. She has been very considerate in dealing with all the requests for spending money.

Now for the Bs, where, appropriately I will start with Beginners. What a fantastic number of learners we have been able to welcome into our Clubs! The wonderful Olympics obviously had quite an impact, especially with Archery having television coverage. I think it was also due to Clubs being open and welcoming and encouraging families to try a sport together. How many other activities can say that the whole family can take part at the same time as one another? B is also for Badge and at last we have once again a Glamorgan metal badge that can be awarded to Bowmen (notice I slipped in another B there) who have represented the County. It gave me particular pleasure to present some of these earlier this evening. My last B is for Band. I fervently hope that Clubs can band together not just at Executive meetings but whenever the opportunity arises to help one another out or give support when asked for help. I believe in the County and hope that you all do. You will be glad to hear I have reached C. Here I can do two at once. Congratulations and Certificates. Many congratulations to all the Certificate winners numbering over one hundred this year. Slipping in an extra C for codgers, old that is! as they have helped to increase the number with Master and Veteran Records. I gladly suffer repetitive strain injury when adding my signature to certificates when so many archers have trained so hard and done so well. I am sure those of you who could not take part will join with me in congratulating our County Team in coming out top this year's Inter Counties and doing so by scoring enough points to win by a clear margin. Well done Team and Chris Mearns who took on the job of Manager for the first time. The juniors did extremely well. Some Glamorgan Juniors really have been in the news. It was great to open the latest edition of Archery GB and read in the Junior Section how well Jakob, Finnlay and Grace Barrett-Rhys had shot in the Junior National Outdoor Championships at Lilleshall on an extremely hot day in July. A week ago yesterday I attended our own Junior Indoor Championship and was amazed at some of the high scores. Perhaps here a mention about Juniors from the RJD Club who all gave a very good account of themselves at their first ever Championship shoot. About all the Championships run for the County, we need to remember and say a very big Thank You to the Clubs that have given so generously of their time and energy for hosting the Shoots. This year Cambria put on the Senior Outdoor, Castle the Senior Indoor, Llandaff the Junior Indoor, Pentref the Field and Blandy-Jenkins with a little help from their friends, the Inter Counties as it was Glamorgan's turn to play host to Welsh Counties this year. I cannot leave the Cs without mentioning Coaching. How about that, we have three new County Coaches. Well done to Marian Howells and Sue & Langdon Davies as this Level requires a lot of hard work and determination. Unfortunately our County Coaching

Organiser has not been well so things have not gone quite to plan. I am very grateful to Langdon Davies for putting on a Squad Training. Hopefully all archers interested and of the right Class returned their forms in time.

So, almost finally, I will go back to A, B, C. I would ask you all to A. Acknowledge other archers' point of view B. Bring your own views to County Meetings and C. for Caretaker which was what I promised to be when I took on the job of Chairman when no one else would and hopefully I am passing the County on in as good a state as it was two years ago. However, I have been told that, "If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried".

Now really finally, A WARNING: Stay away from the grounds of Hereford Cathedral on a Sunday. If an Englishman finds a Welshman there, he has the right, granted 1000 years ago, to shoot him from a distance of 12 yards using a Longbow!

Val Goodman
October 2013.

GLAMORGAN ARCHERY ASSOCIATION**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**
FOR THE PERIOD 1 AUGUST 2012 - 31 JULY 2013**INCOME**

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| Affiliations | £2,557.25 |
| Tournaments | £1,021.00 |
| Coaching | £3,120.00 |
| Squad | £120.00 |
| | £6,818.25 |

EXPENDITURE

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| Affiliations | £1,150.50 |
| Tournaments | £1,020.69 |
| Administration | £692.27 |
| Coaching (Inc venue hire) | £2,344.54 |
| Grants | £50.00 |
| | £5,258.00 |

Surplus/deficit **£1,560.25**

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| Cash at Bank 1 August 2012 | £6,909.72 |
| Less Cheques accounted for in 11-12 | £151.25 |
| Plus cheques written but un cashed | £240.00 |
| Sub total: | £6,998.47 |
| Plus Surplus | £1,560.25 |
| Balance at Bank 31 July 2012 | £8,558.72 |

Petty Cash **£35.01**

I, Graham de Vall, have examined the income and payments accounts with the books, records, bank statements and explanations set before me of the Glamorgan Archery Association for the period from 1st August 2012 to 31st July 2013 and confirm that they are a true record and correctly reflect the situation at the end of the period as above.

I recommend that in future all expenditure in relation to coaching fees be evidenced.

Signed:



Date: 18 October 2013