Glamorgan Archery Association: Giving back to the Clubs

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Member's update December 2019

Dear members

The committee of the Glamorgan Archery Association met on 2 December. The purpose of this update is to keep members informed of news and decisions taken by the committee to advance archery across the historic county boundary of Glamorgan.

Important dates

- Glamorgan Indoor Target Championships hosted by Castle Bowmen on 2 February 2020
- Glamorgan Field Tournament hosted by Pentref Bowmen 29 February 2020 (TBC)
- Glamorgan Outdoor Target Championships hosted by Neath Archers 21 June 2020 (TBC)
- Inter-counties 2020 to be confirmed

Further details will be published to the county website at http://www.glamorganarchery.wales/

Wales is short of Judges
The call has gone out to clubs across Wales to encourage members or members of their families to consider putting themselves forward as candidate judges. Wales is desperately short of Judges and it is becoming increasingly difficult to cover tournaments in Wales for record status events. If you are interested, or know a person who may be interested in becoming a candidate judge, please contact your club officers or the county secretary Stephen Chamberlain (steve.gaa@virginmedia.com) who can tell you about how to become a judge.

Tournament timing signals – soon to be available to clubs to use for tournaments.
The GAA committee has approved the purchase of two tournament timing systems for use by Glamorgan clubs for local tournaments. This is a significant investment in the equipment the county can make available to better support our clubs. Details about how to reserve these systems will be circulated to clubs once they have been delivered.

Improving the GAA Visibility
Glamorgan Archery Association will make available a one-off grant of not more than £150, for the purpose of supporting club promotional activity and improving the visibility of GAA within affiliated clubs. GAA will make this funding available to meet the cost of club promotional materials, such as flags, banners, posters, etc....All material will need to carry the approved GAA logo in a visibly prominent position.

Eligibility criteria:
The one off grant is payable to any affiliated club within the GAA area

Conditions:
- The grant is payable in arrears to assist with the cost of promotional materials carrying the GAA logo
- Promotional material will include such items as flags, banners, posters, advertising or promotional materials
- The GAA logo must be easily visible on all of the materials being purchased, however it is not required to be the largest feature in the design.
- The grant is not repayable.
- Payment to clubs will be in arrears and on receipt of a claim supported by the invoice confirming payment of the goods has been made by the club making the claim.
- Payment will be payable by GAA for the amount defrayed, not exceeding £150.
- One claim per club only will be accepted. Multiple items may be purchased but need to all be claimed at the same time (e.g.1 flag costing £150 or 3 banners costing £50 each are both valid claims)
- Final date for claims will be the end of September 2020

Affiliation fees to Glamorgan for new members joining affiliated clubs from October 2019
The committee appreciates the efforts clubs in the county make to recruit new members during the archery year. At the AGM in September, the method for paying club affiliations was changed requiring only a single one off payment to be made by each club at the start of the membership year to cover all the renewals and new members joining the club in the following year. As clubs have paid their renewals for 2019/2020, the committee has decided no further payment will be required for this year to register members joining clubs and affiliating to GAA. Funds raised can be retained by clubs. Payments to the Welsh Archery Association will, however, be required and paid via our county treasurer as usual.

Best wishes for the seasonal holidays and here is hoping for a successful archery new year.