

LIZARD PENINSULA BOWMEN

COMMITTEE MEETING 24/1/12

MINUTES

Present: Alan, Adrian, Diane, Andrew, Mike, Trisha, Jon, Sarah, Sue, Peter and Hugh.

Apologies: All committee members were present.

Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

1. MATTERS ARISING:

a. Hard standing for the field: **Andrew** has contacted Nick Ferris who can deliver chippings for £28 per ton (roughly a cubic metre). **Jon** thought that about 10 tons would be needed. Andrew said he might be able to get it more cheaply. **Sue** asked if the area by the gate where the dogs used to train could be used as a car park, but **Hugh** said this was not practical and would be very expensive. **Andrew** suggested hiring a digger to scrape up the mud by the gate. **Adrian** suggested putting boards down so that the chippings were better contained and would not spread and sink into the mud. **Alan** then suggested that it would be a good idea to assess the proposed area and see if it was worth spending the money. **Andrew** and **Hugh** will look into it.

b. Beginners' Course: There are now 10 adults on the course, and one junior is coming on January 27th but may not be able to join the course as he is only 9 and possibly not developed enough yet. Those who have joined so far are promising archers and all seem keen.

c. Newsletter. **Alan** thanked **Sarah** for the latest edition which is now on the website. All agreed that it was very good. **Sarah** has been telephoning members to ask if they would prefer to have the newsletter posted to them, or whether they were happy to read it online. The online response has been good, and this would of course save the Club money. **Sarah** will also leave spare copies at the Hall.

d. Discount on Shooting Sessions: Peter had originally thought that the £3 reduction for hiring the Hall was niggardly, but on discussion with Keith it was found that the Club is on a very advantageous hourly rate and we probably should be paying more than we do. It was agreed to leave well alone.

e. Shooting in Christmas Week: This was deemed to have been a success. All sessions were well attended.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT AT 24TH JANUARY 2012:

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| Balance on deposit | £2,687.16 |
| Balance in current account | £1,412.67 |
| Income since 12 December 2011 | |
| Target Fees (indoor) | £ 338.77 |
| Target Fees (outdoor) | 62.10 |
| Refreshments | 35.00 |
| Membership | 60.00 |
| Beginners Course | 180.00 |
| Sales | 10.00 |
| Donations (St Julia's Hospice) | <u>65.65</u> |
| | £ 751.52 |
| Transfer to deposit account (January) | 25.00 |
| Expenditure since 12 December 2011 | |
| Field (petrol/mower) | £ 528.01 |
| Field (other) | 2.08 |
| Rent (GVH December) | 208.00 |
| Equipment | 5.75 |
| Refreshments | 2.60 |
| Affiliation fees | 47.00 |
| Xmas Dinner Refund | 25.00 |
| Donation (St Julia's Hospice) | <u>65.65</u> |
| | £ 884.09 |

3. RECORDS OFFICER'S REPORT:

Internal news:

The Archery GB Improvement medals for the Outdoor Season 2011 are awarded to:

Senior Medal: Cherilyn Woolford, who reduced her handicap from 86 to 74.

Junior Medal: Ross Leach, who reduced his handicap from 67 to 63.

Congratulations to both archers.

Achievement badges:

I am pleased to report a good start to the New Year, with 3 badges being won on the first day of the year:

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| Sarah Pinder | 450 (compound) |
| Jon Vinnell | 500 (recurve) |

Also many congratulations to **Tim Smith** for gaining his 400 badge. Tim is the first of our new members who joined in November 2011 to win an award -- well done.

Active Archer Award:

Last year **Richard Stock** gave the Club a trophy to be awarded to the person deemed to be the most active archer of the Club over a 12-month period. So for the Indoor Season 2010-11 plus the Outdoor 2011 Season and Clout shoots the results are:

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| In joint 2 nd place with 56 recorded scores: | Sue Day |
| | Diane Johnstone |
| | Richard Stock |

And the winner of the trophy, with 57 recorded scores, is **David Seymour**. Many congratulations to David on this well-earned award. Next year the attendance at Frostbite sessions will also be added, as Sue Day now emails the scores to Sue Jennings.

4. EQUIPMENT AND AMENITY OFFICER'S REPORT

Amenities: The field was mowed last week when the weather was dry. Owing to the mild winter, the grass is growing already, but the field is in good shape and looks good.

The man who mends our mowers says we are abusing the small mower by towing a large number of targets with it. It must only take 3 bosses and stands etc., and if more are needed it will be necessary to make two trips. It was also suggested that a quad bike could be purchased to do the towing and save the mowers.

Equipment: The equipment was in good order for the first night of the new beginners' course last week. **Adrian** has kindly offered to help **Hugh** do a stock-take of the equipment and make an order of anything we need. It was requested that any damaged arrows should not be put back in the box but either given to Hugh or left on the trolley. **Diane** asked whether it would be a good idea to make dividers in the bracers/tabs/stringers box, as this was always in a muddle.

It has been noticed that some new members are shooting full or part sessions and then leaving their bows for others to put away. New members are responsible for the equipment they borrow and should return it from where they got it, in good order. It was agreed that members should be reminded about this.

5. THE OPEN TOURNAMENT

Carol spoke to the Committee before the start of the meeting about how to organize and run the Open Tournament. She has a number of documents and charts which she will kindly put on a memory stick for future use. **Diane** agreed to be responsible for collecting entries, and **Hugh** plus a team of helpers will organize the field.

It was agreed that the present date of the tournament, Sunday June 3rd, would not be likely to attract many entries as it is the Jubilee Bank Holiday and it was felt that many archers would either be away or busy with their families. It was then agreed that **Diane** should contact the judges and see if an alternative date, Sunday June 17th, would be acceptable to them. If not, it was reluctantly agreed that we would have to cancel. **Jon** then suggested running a competition for members on that day, and **Alan** suggested a National round in the morning, followed by a Head to Head in the afternoon.

6. FUTURE LEVEL 1 COACHING

Peter and **Mike** had been interested in this, but on reflection had decided that the parameters of the course were not practicable, and no one else has shown interest.

7. STATUS OF CURRENT AND NEW TRACTORS

Trish had wanted to know how much a new tractor would cost. **Hugh** had several price lists collected by **Tony Bush**, and said that to replace the one we have now would cost £5,070, including VAT. The cheapest replacement would cost £2699, but was unlikely to last more than 2 years, whereas the one we have now was secondhand 9 years ago and is still working well. **Trish** said that she has been invited to join the team at Coastline and there is funding of £10,000-£16,000 available annually. **Trish** thought that £3000 towards the tractor would be possible, and she will find out more, but not till April when Coastline have their next meeting.

Adrian had suggested some time ago that **Sue Day** might be approached to ask what the council do with their secondhand mowers, but **Hugh** said the council mowers did not pick up the grass and therefore were not suitable for our field.

After some discussion it was agreed that we do need two mowers and that the best option was to go for the tractor costing £5000.

Hugh mentioned that the back plate on one of the mowers needed repairing. **Adrian** said that his son Ross, who is studying Engineering at Camborne College, would be able to do this.

8. MEMBERSHIP FEES

Peter pointed out that very little of the membership fee we charge actually goes into LPB's pocket, but it was felt that now was not the right time to raise fees and we could look at this again in July before the next round of fees become due in August.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Diane said that the current indoor forecast rounds were rather daunting for the new members, as we were shooting one Portsmouth a month, followed by three of the more difficult rounds, and perhaps this should be altered as new members wanting to gain achievement badges needed more Portsmouths. This was agreed, and **Sue** will put up a notice with altered forecast rounds, and also email these to **Sue Day**. **Sue** will also do the forecast rounds for the Outdoor Season.

Peter said that LPB was not on the Archery GB list of affiliated clubs. He will look into this and make sure we are on the list.

Alan said that he thought it was not right to charge beginners for their tea during the course. They had paid to do the course and tea should be free. This was agreed.

Alan also said that the electricity company want to trim the trees near the electricity supply and that they would need to get in touch with **Hugh** to let them in. There was also a form to be filled in.

Alan thought it would be a good idea to have a separate Committee area on our website, with a password which only Committee members can access, where documents such as scoresheet templates etc., could be kept safely. He will talk to **Sue Day** about this.

Alan also mentioned that last Friday a number of beginners turned up to shoot, but there were no senior archers present to let them in, so they had to go home. After some discussion it was agreed that new members could be permitted to set up and shoot in the hall without senior members being present provided they had attended 8 sessions and had satisfied senior archers that they knew what they were doing. **Adrian** suggested a proficiency card be given to new members, and initialled by senior archers, and this was agreed. **Diane** will put together a checklist for keys, equipment etc and will circulate this to Committee members for their comments.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 6th March, 7.30 at the Hall.

Meeting closed 9.45 pm.

