

Annual General Meeting. Held in the Indoor Range Friday 5th April 2024 at 7.30pm

Present:

Will Kempf, Paul McGuire, Graham Ivey, Alan Hoddinott, Alan Marriott, John Sinfield, Les Griffiths, John Pawson, Ian Huntingdon, Mollie Bower, Annie Kynaston, Darren Martell, Clive Morley, Josette Griffiths (non-member), Ian Hiscocks, Matthew May, Jonathan Holmes, Alice Knox, Jonathan Powell, Russell Bower, Rosie Woods, Michael Robshaw, David Miller, Judith Miller, Neil Eddie, Mark Pierce, James Kapherr, Mark Jones, David Stewart

Apologies:

Gareth Stott, Alison Stott, Eleanor Stott, Tony Barrett, Lynn Marriott, Sarah Clay, Nathan Clay, Alex Jamieson, Helen McKerracher, Stuart Mullane.

The meeting was opened around 7.30 pm by the President, Mr. Will Kempf.

Payment of annual subscriptions:

Club subscriptions are now due. At the time of the AGM 133 people had renewed their subscriptions. If you wish to renew, would you please do so at your earliest convenience. Cash, cheques, or bank transfer are all acceptable.

Bank details: sort code: 30-94-43 Account No. 59079168

Minutes of AGM 2023:

There were no matters arising from those minutes therefore these have been submitted and signed as a true record of that meeting.

Election of Officers:

The existing post holders for President, Vice president, Secretary, Records Officer, Welfare Officer and Entertainments Officer agreed to stand for re-election.

The post of Treasurer was vacated by Mr. John Sinfield with Mr. Jonathan Powell proposed and seconded to fill this post.

The post of Junior Liaison Officer was vacated by Mr. Alan Hoddinott with Miss Mollie Bower proposed and seconded to fill this post.

The post of Membership officer was vacated by Mr. Paul McGuire with Mr. Alan Hoddinott proposed and seconded to fill this post.

A new post of Club Members's Representative was created with Mr. John Sinfield proposed and seconded to fill this post.

The above were nominated, proposed and seconded prior to the AGM and were voted through on the night unopposed.

President's Report: SEE PP PRESENTATION

It was unanimously agreed that Mark Swallow be made a lifetime honorary member of the club in recognition of his years of service on the committee, supporting the club and leading the coaching team.

Secretary's Report

Good evening everyone and thank you for taking time out to attend the club's AGM 2024.

BEGINNER COURSES / TASTER SESSIONS.

Interest in beginner courses remains healthy. From April '23 to February '24 we have completed 10 beginner courses with no course being run in July / August and December '23

Out of the 92 people who took the course 43 joined the club. This is a joining rate of 46.70% which is well above our target rate of 30% retention.

The joining rate increased around 5% from the joining rate last year.

Out of the 43 who joined the club 11 were juniors, being approx. 25% of the total joining. This means that we have again achieved an increase of almost 17% over our target of 30% retention of beginners from our courses.

Our next course starts on the 13th April, and we are fully booked until the end of June when we have our Summer break with 48 people signed up being 39 adults and 9 juniors. Again, this year we will not be running courses in July, August, or December. The cost of the course remains at £75.00 per person and a non-refundable deposit of £10 per person is always requested to secure a place.

Once again, thanks go to all our coaches and volunteers for their valuable time and help in running these courses, as without their help the club would not function as well as it does.

Regarding **Taster Sessions** from the 1st of April 2023 up to and including the 2nd of April 2024 we hosted 10 taster sessions and 2 have-a-go sessions earning around £2883.00 for the club which was down by around £537.00 from last year. This was due to our rationalisation of the taster sessions by holding 4 main sessions during the months of April, August, December and February.

This was again an excellent effort by all members involved.

We are continuing to rationalise taster sessions to four times a year except for group bookings of more than 10 people.

WORK AT THE ARCHERY FIELD.

We have carried several projects at the field over the past 12 months these being as follows:

- A) Replacing the meter room door
- B) hard standing to the front of the entrance doors of the indoor range
- C) replacement of leaking gutter
- D) additional protection to beams in indoor range from accidental misdirection of arrows.

We still have some items to carry out in the longer term being:

- A) Car parking provision between the pavilion and the boundary wall.
- B) Tarmac to the car park
- C) Applying sealer to the concrete floor in the indoor range
- D) Install dummy CCTV cameras.
- E) Improvement to the surface of the archery field particularly up to the 50yard marker.

Thanks go to all those who helped on any of the above and to Annie for keeping the place clean and tidy.

INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The club indoor championship & handicap competitions were held on the 17th and 24th March 2023 respectively.

Trophies were presented after the AGM.

THE ARCHERY BIG WEEKEND

This year, as in the past few years we will again be hosting 'Start Archery Week' formerly known as the 'Archery Big Weekend' where members of the public are invited to try out archery for free.

It will be held on Sunday 12th May from 10.00am until 4.00pm. The time slots are from 10am to 11am, 11.30am to 12.30pm, 1pm to 2pm and 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Currently 24 people have applied over the 4 sessions. Further details nearer the time.

Eight volunteers have already signed up to help run this event and further details will be available at the end of April.

FIELD TIDY

The field tidy is to be held on Sunday 14th April from around 10.00am. Volunteers most welcome.

Treasurer's Report: SEE PP PRESENTATION

Vice President's Report: SEE PP PRESENTATION

Records Officer's Report: SEE PP PRESENTATION

The handicap improvers medal was awarded to Alan Hoddinott. Members eligible for a Portsmouth badge are shown on a spread sheet attached to these minutes.

Junior Liaison Officer's Report: SEE PP PRESENTATION

Membership Officer's Report: SEE PP PRESENTATION

Annual Subscriptions Review:

The annual club subscription fees of £70.00 for adults and £30.00 for juniors and disabled members is to remain for this year.

Club subscriptions are NOW DUE for 2024/25 season!!!

Archery GB fees are payable separately, later in the year.

Archery GB Big Weekend:

As mentioned in the secretary's report

The meeting closed around 9.00pm.