

**MINUTES OF ECAA COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
COURAGE HALL, BRENTWOOD, ON TUESDAY 3rd May 2005**

Present: Mrs.I.Major (President), R.Frost (Chairman), J.Neal (Vice Chairman), G.Sibley (Secretary and Life Vice President), C.Wooff (Life Vice President), Mrs.M.Hutchins (Vice President and Minutes Secretary), T.Major (Vice President), M.Skinner (Treasurer), Mrs.A.Stevens (General Member) and representatives from Ardleigh, Albemarle, Noak Hill, Oakfield, Black Stag, Abbey, Pilgrim, SEAC, Mayflower. Total attending = 24.

65/05 Apologies for Absence – E.Davies (Clout R.O), J.Willson (Rayleigh).

66/05 Matters for Any Other Business – Given to Chairman.

67/05 Minutes of last Meeting having been circulated were taken as read. With the addition of 62/05(y) last sentence to read, "...recurve finished", seconded by M.Pearce (Noak Hill), agreed by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

68/05 Matters arising – 61/05: written to GNAS and reply received.

69/05 Correspondence – (a) Affiliation fees increased by £1 for senior and junior archers. Other fees to remain same. (b) Change of Secretary for Oakfield: Miss Linda Roberts, 141 Riverway, Loughton, Essex IG10 3LN. Tel 0208 508 9363. (c) Notice of Ouse Valley Archers World Record Double FITA 900, 12th June. (d) Member obtained a grant from Basildon Distribution Fund. Help is available if contact Basildon Council. (e) Clout results to hand.

70/05 Chairman's Remarks – Winter has gone and summer season is rapidly approaching. Previous years I would be asking for scores to be submitted to the various Records Officers to aid in the selection of representative teams for the Inter County matches soon to be shot. Unfortunately as there have not been any nominations so far for the position of Team Manager it would be most likely that only the senior and junior SCAS Champs will be used for selection. There have been two matches where selection has taken place, the Indoor at Rayleigh and the match at Framlingham. Thanks must be recorded to Mrs Agnes Stevens who has been persuaded to act as Team Manager for these shoots. The GNAS AGM has taken place and Dennis Saville who agreed to act as the representative for Essex will give a report. I am a little disappointed at the response by clubs in the County that only a small number took the time to advise Dennis of their wishes regarding voting. A reminder that the County Target Champs will take place on 18th June for junior and 19th June for senior archers at Noak Hill. County FITA Champs will take place on 23rd July for junior and 24th July for senior archers at Mayflower ground, Billericay. For the field archers, the SCAS Champs will be held over 30/31st July at Panther Bowhunters ground, Galleywood. Welcome return to Tony Ikel and Roy Hutchins both having been ill.

71/05 Report of GNAS AGM – Given by Dennis Saville and will be circulated with the Minutes of this Meeting. A vote of thanks was offered to Dennis and Marian Saville for preparation of the Report. Question asked what was GNAS going to do with the extra money it will be getting from the increase in fees.

72/05 Report of SCAS AGM – Given by Graham Sibley, who stated that one Rep attended and carried only the proxy votes of Ardleigh and Pilgrim. Meeting dealt with reports as found in 'Green Book'. One change of Office, Chris Carroll stood down and a volunteer from Hamps will take over as Treasurer – no name as yet. Honorary membership of GNAS was discussed, happy with regard Mary Matthews but not in giving honorary membership to people working at one Championship and disregarding others who have worked over the years with no thought of recognition. The new 'Green Book' is now out.

73/05 Matters from the AGM – (46/05) Appointment of Team Manager – Mrs Joan Ikel offered to take on the post. Graham Sibley will liaise with Counties for the first match. (50/05) Future County Matches – Situation no longer applies. (xx/05) Appointment of Essex Bowman Editor – no offers.

74/05 Reports from:

a) **TREASURER** – Received final accounts from Indoor Organiser. Some adjustments to be made for medals but will have a profit from the Shoot. Affiliation fees, please add £1.

b) **LEAGUE SECRETARY** – Nothing to report.

c) **COACHING GROUP SECRETARY** – Level One Course assessment continues. Coach and County Coach Course one more session before the summer break. Next Guild meeting 2nd June with Carole Edwards, this will be on a Thursday rather than Tuesday. JEDI nearing conclusion for 2004/5, 70m and Cadet head-to-head on 14th May. Coach Course assessment in December, County Coach Course assessment in March.

d) **SENIOR RECORDS OFFICER** - Following offered for ratification, were with the SRO prior to the 3-month limit:

Barebow	24.10.04	T.Carter	Malgrave	FITA 18	455	All-Brit BB Champs
	20.03.05	D.Lillis	Noak Hill	FITA 25	458	ECAA Champs
Recurve	30.10.04	K.Godsall	Grampian	FITA 18	563	Ampthill Hawks

records for distribution. Gents Top Ten: 1.M.Peart (Deben), 2.M.Webb (Rackets), 3.T.Hodder (Mayflower), 4.K.Godsalls (Grampian), 5.D.Lawless (Braintree), 6.Martin Skinner (CTR), 7.S.Osborne (Gyppeswyck), 8.D.Collins (Ardleigh), 9.R.Markham (Mayflower), 10.S.Spragg (Oakfield). Longbow: 1.I.Malcolm (Abbey), 2.K.Davis (Harlow), 3.C.Clayton (Rayleigh), 4.T.Riddick (Grays), 5.D.Foster (Abbey), 6.G.Radford (Racketts), 7.P.French (Colchester), 8.S.Spragg (Oakfield), 9.T.Maher (Oakfield). Ladies Top Ten: 1.P.Spragg (Oakfield), 2.K.Hodder (Mayflower), 3.M.Lang (Black Stag), 4.J.Osborne (Gyppeswyck), 5.L.Benee (Racketts), 6.S.Romain (Racketts), 7.M.Saville (Ardleigh), 8.E.Lines (Abbey), 9.L.Roberts (Oakfield), 10.B.Knight (Colchester). Longbow: 1.H.Waterhouse (Black Stag), 2.A.Stevens (Abbey), 3.C.Stanford (Pilgrim), 4.J.Osborne (Gyppeswyck), 5.A.Tyler (Colchester), 6.L.Fisher (Colchester), 7.P.Spragg (Oakfield).

- e) JUNIOR RECORDS OFFICER – No records. Top Ten: 1.A.Johns (Rayleigh), 2.J.Rockall (Black Stag), 3.M.Markham (Mayflower), 4.P.Lees (Rayleigh), 5.P.Norris (Mayflower), 6.J.Guiton (Rayleigh), 7.M.Judd (Mayflower), 8.A.Mockett (Oakfield), 9.L.Willett (Rayleigh), 10.A.Devlin (Oakfield).
- f) FIELD RECORDS OFFICER – Nothing to report.
- g) COMPOUND RECORDS OFFICER – Up-to-date list will be given at each meeting for distribution.
- h) FLIGHT/CLOUT RECORDS OFFICER – Nothing to report.
- k) INDOOR ORGANISER – Profit made. 2006 meeting will be 19th March, same venue, Record Status.
- p) TARGET ORGANISER – Entries coming in, 39 senior, 7 juniors, some from outside County. Record status.
- q) FITA ORGANISER – Ground booked at Mayflower County High School. Transport organised. Entries coming in. Will be an expensive shoot to run this year and may run at a loss unless very full entry. Quicks sponsorship for faces.
- r) CLOUT ORGANISER – Went well and weather fine. Results out. Organisers changed colour of flags but should reconsider. Profit made.
- s) FIELD ORGANISER – As per calendar in October. 28 Arrowhead, marked distances. All details on Entry form. SCAS Champs at end of July, two-day, 12 marked and 12 unmarked on both days. Individual Saturday, Team Sunday. Entry forms tabled.
- t) FLIGHT ORGANISER - N/a.
- u) TEAM MANAGER – Indoor 27th March Essex 3410: P.Walker 585, D.Collins 573, M.Webb 571, D.Lawless 560. M.Skinner 564. M.Lang 548. Middlesex 3375, Kent 3374, London 3208. Thanks to Agnes Stevens for acting as Team Manager for the match. Next match at Framlingham, Essex/Camb/Norfolk. Team selected according to Constitution. Intercounty entry forms to be sent to Team Manager.
- w) EQUIPMENT OFFICER – Nothing to report.
- (x) COMPOUND LEAGUE SECRETARY – Nothing to report.
- y) BRAY 1 LEAGUE – Winter league finished. Apologies for late results. Hoping for entry forms in July.
- z) MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVE – Congratulations to the Recurve archers who shot in the Indoor County match held on Easter Sunday. Essex won by 35 points. Thanks must go to Graham Sibley and Robin Frost for organising this and the forthcoming match in the absence of a Team Manager. Good luck to all archers selected to shoot this Sunday against Cambridge and Norfolk. Some time ago GNAS advised they were looking into Rose Awards for Longbows. Although no further articles have appeared, archers are already claiming their awards. I telephoned Nick Nicholson of GNAS who advised he had sneaked them into an Operations Committee meeting. I have since found reference to them in the July 03 Minutes. Rose awards are as follows: White 225, Black 300, Blue 375, Red 450, Gold 525, Purple 600.

75/05 2006 Calendar – Will be on the Agenda until it is finalised at the September meeting.

76/05 Any Other Business – (a) Members notified of the passing of Malcolm Smith and offered a few moments silence in his memory. (b) Roy Hutchins thanked all the clubs and individuals who sent cards and/or telephoned to see how he is progressing. (c) Location of GNAS AGM: Colin Wooff stated he had written in 2002 to GNAS asking if this could be brought up at the AGM. Reply was that, at the meeting, there was no feeling for the venue to be changed with 62 in favour of Lilleshall and 1 abstention. Would like to see the GNAS AGM moved to a more convenient point to allow others to attend and a rotation of venues was suggested. SCAS have a large majority of people and think we are being ignored. This subject will be put to the next Regional meeting in July. (d) Clout Champion gent and lady Trophies have never been engraved with the names of winners. Suggested these be up-graded and will be looked into and considered. (e) Pat Spragg is in hospital and the meeting wished her the best of health for the future. (f) Secretary of SCAS received a letter asking that Longbows be included at the senior Intercounties. (g) Clare Stanford stated that she was very happy and very honoured to have been awarded the Red Tassel and thanked the Red Tassel Committee. (h) Anne Thompson, who did the scores at County Championships with husband Bill, has sadly passed away.

Being no other business, the Meeting closed at 9.30pm with thanks to all for attendance and wishes for a safe journey. Next meeting will be Tuesday, 5th July 2005.

CHAIRMAN
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