

Club Grounds:
Kalbarri
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Milborne St Andrew
Dorset
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**Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
held on Sunday 23rd June 2019 at "Kalbarri".**

1. Present:

John, Sheila & Sue Ryall, Julia Ryan, , Bryan Tucker, Mike Healy, Robin Eversden, Kevin Davies, John Harvey, Steve Newton, David Humphreys, Carol Eastment, Christine Butterworth, Nick Allen, Karen Guest, Barry Thom, Mark Howell.

2. Apologies: Geoff & Kieran Damon, John Wright & Deedee Bryant, Sam & Tracey McBeath, Andy Howard, Erzs Sinka, Zoli Nagy

3. Acceptance of Minutes: minutes of the 2018 AGM were approved.

Proposed by Julia, Seconded by Robin, and duly signed and adopted.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of 2018 AGM

None.

5. Chairman's Report:

Bryan spoke on behalf of the joint Chairs. He reported wryly that the club was a victim of its own success in that membership has recently risen beyond the mandated 25 members and has required, with the agreement of the Ryall family, a Committee decision to expand this limit. Currently there are 25 Adult and 5 junior members with some further affiliated archers. We have doubled our membership over the past year, driven primarily by Beginner's Course graduates. This is to be welcomed.

We have held two Have-a-Go events at Marnhull Fete and Dorset Young Farmers which have helped to boost club income.

Bryan gave formal thanks to the Club Coaches, Mike & Erzs, and to the Ryall family for hosting the club and coping with increased membership numbers.

Julia added particular thanks to those members who helped deliver the HAG events for their sterling efforts.

The Chairman's Report was accepted by members, proposed by Mike and seconded by Sue.

6. Treasurer's Report:

Sue reported on Club finances and distributed a written financial statement. The accounts show a surplus of £680 income over expenditure for the year. Equipment spend, at £22, was particularly modest and might be expected to rise to renovate aging kit. There has been an increase in membership from last year and a boost in income from Beginners Courses. We have a healthy Bank cash balance of £5,900 but Sue noted that equipment replacement in particular can rapidly eat into this sum.

Current club fees stand at £25 for Senior and £12.50 for junior members with a discount scheme in place for family membership. Sue has modelled several future cost scenarios and in particular anticipates that our winter Gym fee is likely to rise.

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Accordingly, she recommended an increase in the club subscription fee to aim to ensure club costs are met by its income. Her recommended rise is of £5 for senior members and £2.50 for junior members, taking rates to £30 and £15 respectively.

This proposal was debated by members present, with a general consensus that these rates continue to represent excellent value and are not unreasonable even for family members.

The Fee increase, proposed by Christine and Seconded by Kevin was carried with no votes against.

The Treasurer's Report was adopted, proposed by Mike and seconded by Robin.

7. Equipment Officer's Report

Robin reported on his activities, and debate noted that the Foam targets will benefit from maintenance to rotate the blocks within each Target frame. John R noted that there are two different block shapes in different generations of these targets, and that new replacements may be yet another size. Discussion also identified that some target stands are becoming worn out, that John Wright has already carried out some repairs and that further work is likely needed. Robin is happy to support and implement.

With Proposer Mike and Seconder Julia, the report was accepted.

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman – Julia Ryan and Bryan Tucker indicated their willingness to stand again as joint Chairs, were proposed by John, seconded by Mike and were duly elected.

Treasurer - Sue Ryall indicated she was willing to stand again, was proposed by Christine, seconded by Karen and was elected by those present.

Secretary –Mike Healy indicated his willingness to continue, was proposed by Sue and seconded by Julia and was duly elected

Equipment Officer – Robin Evesden indicated he was willing to stand again in this role, was proposed by Bryan, seconded by Sheila and was elected by those present.

Coaches and Child Protection – these are not elected roles as they require certification. Mike and Erzi to continue.

Senior Member – Geoff Damon was elected, proposed by Bryan and Seconded by Julia.

Records Officer - David Humphreys was elected, proposed by Mike and Seconded by Sue

9. Lifetime Honorary Club Membership

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Bryan made a proposal, seconded by Mike, that Sheila, John and Sue Ryall all be elected as lifetime Honorary Club Members, as recognition and appreciation of their services to this club over many years. This was warmly received and endorsed and passed with none against.

9. Constitutional Amendments

Mike spoke to each of the amendments circulated with the AGM calling notice. Changes focussed on introducing a mechanism allowing the club committee to flex the membership ceiling of 25 upwards in response to demand; to adopt ArcheryGB as the preferred name of the Grand National Archery Society; to adopt ArcheryGB membership categories and add a category of non-shooting member; and to tidy some clauses.

David noted that the Senior category had been repeated in draft clause 2.3 and Mike agreed to correct this.

Each clause was individually voted on and all changes were approved.

The revised Members Handbook incorporating our Constitution will be emailed to current members and made available on our web site.

10. AOB

1. Web Site

Kevin commented that the current web site would benefit from a refresh, particularly of some of the photos. John H responded that he maintains the web site content, updating where requested and is certainly open to specific requests. Data protection concerns have made the use of photos of identifiable club members and course attendees more difficult.

The availability of the Members section of our site, protected by a password, was publicised.

2. Julie noted that it is established club custom and protocol that archers set up and put away their own targets and reported that targets have sometimes been abandoned in recent weeks, leaving them for others to put away. She asked members present to gently reinforce club practice.
3. John H observed that increasing archer numbers on the shooting line will benefit from better discipline from archers to shoot their six arrows collectively and in a timely manner.
4. Marnhull Fete is due to be held on Sat 27 July 2019, and we are providing a Have-a-Go. Mike checked availability of members to support: Steve, Kevin, Karen, Mark, Nick, Bryan, David, Robin, Mike & Julia offered support

With no other business, the meeting closed at 12.20.

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Minutes agreed:

Seconded:

Date: