

# Forest of Bere Bowmen

## Minutes of the Extraordinary Committee Meeting

Held at Waterlooville Fire Station: 19:30pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022

### Present

Vince Ibbs (Chairman/Treasurer)  
 Jessie Robbins (Secretary)  
 Pete Hulme (Records Officer)

John Taylor (Tournament Officer)  
 Wayne Goble (Ordinary Member)  
 David Jones (Ordinary Member)  
 Dave Revell (Equipment Officer)

### Apologies

Shaun Welsh (Social Secretary)  
 Adele Hulme (Welfare Protection)

Item	Notes	Action/When
Preamble	Absences	
Matters arising	<p>There is currently no update on who will be taking on bere facts and whether it should remain in its current form or on the website only. This has been put to some club members and most prefer having it emailed out.</p> <p>The change of the trust bank account has now been finalised and set up.</p>	
Items of Business	<p>2022 A/Cs &amp; Budget for 2023                      Subscriptions and renewals for 2023                      Committee posts – inc. coaching/indoor shooting                      WA Weekend (mentor)                      Jobs Lists</p>	
Chairman's Report	<p><b><u>Have-a-go events</u></b> – We have run several have-a-go sessions since the last committee meeting, for example Droxford country fair, which was the first one since lockdown. It was a great day and more people had a go than we have done at any other event of its type.</p> <p>Brian and Josie Chandler ran a session for about 12 adults at the field in mid-June, so thanks to them. And, of course, we had the Open Day, from which 22 people inquired about archery courses. Some have already signed up and others want to do a course in August or September, if we run another course. Clearly, these events help the club in many ways and particularly add to our funds for club improvement.</p> <p><b><u>Beginners</u></b> – Following on from that, Nigel Cam agreed to run a beginners course starting on Monday evenings from the 4<sup>th</sup> July and Dave Revell started a course on Wednesday nights from the 6<sup>th</sup> July. These courses are due to finish on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August.</p> <p><b><u>Tournaments</u></b> – The other thing that helps to fund club activities and advertise FoBB, are the open tournaments. We will no doubt hear from John Taylor about these, but the WA Weekend in particular was a remarkable success. Many thanks to John for his tireless work in organising and overseeing these occasions. The Social Secretary, Shaun Welsh, also did an excellent job in providing some great catering facilities during the weekend and thanks also to the other club members who helped with the car park and field party duties.</p> <p><b><u>AGM</u></b> – We will be discussing the AGM later in the meeting, but I have booked and paid for the room at our indoor shooting facility, to hold our AGM on the 17<sup>th</sup> August. As usual, the club finances will be discussed at that meeting and I have asked Ray Grant to audit the accounts, as he did last year, and he has agreed.</p>	

**Indoor Shooting** – The subject of indoor shooting is also due to be discussed later in the meeting, but I have agreed the use of the Sports hall at Clanfield for 24 weeks, between 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023. They are sending me an invoice for that and I will pay it in August, as this will be in the 22/23 accounts; our current accounts close on the 31<sup>st</sup> July.

I recently went to the Clanfield centre, with Roger Spicer, to meet the Hall Director and agreed some changes to our storage facility. We will now be able to store the netting poles on wall hooks and Roger is making a plinth to raise the cabinet off the floor with the net box stored underneath. Also, two other new stands will be made before the start of the new season. This will make things much neater and easier to use.

**Jobs list** – Much of the rebuilding work on various structures at the field has now been done and we will discuss this in a bit more detail later in the meeting. However, around 17 club members have been working on and off to repair things that could not have been completed at a work party day, so my thanks to all of those members who have given their time and effort to improve these projects.

**Club finances** – There are items on the agenda for discussion about the current state of our finances as well as the future financial position. However, you will see from the finance update that we remain in a very stable condition. Clearly, we have bought bosses for each of our shooting lanes at the field and even though they were quite expensive, we are finishing this year slightly better off than last year.

As you will see, we have taken on quite a number of beginners from various courses that have been run this year and in total, 47 people have joined the club since 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021, taking our member count up to 162. Perhaps the challenge now is to ensure that as many as possible renew in September.

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Financial & Members Update

Cash In Hand	£626.78	<b>As at 15 July 2022</b>
Current Account	£13,493.87	
Business Reserve Account	£20,652.03	
	<b>£34,772.68</b>	

### **Outstanding Bills:**

**£0.00**

### **Members Subscriptions:**

Last Year	£6,575.50	Year end
This Year	£9,986.00	To Date
Increase	<b>£3,410.50</b>	

**Members not renewing for 2021/22**      **13**

**New Members since 1st October 2021**      **47**      Note: Number of shooting members as at 15th July is 161

### **Member Ratifications:**

			Date Subs Paid		
Octavius	Longcroft-Wheaton	Gent	14.6.22	Full	
Chris	Clark	Gent	24.6.22	Assoc	
Sam	Humphries	Gent	14.7.22	Assoc	

### **Probationary Members:**

			Date Started	Time lapse
Phil	Harding	Gent	10.7.22	Prob

### **New members from Beginners:**

26 beginners have joined since 1st October, having completed the course.

### **Notes:**

Current paid-up members:

Full	145
Associate	15
Probationary	2
	<b>162</b>

Secretary Report

2 beginners' courses currently running on Mondays and Wednesday, 9 in total enrolled,  
There has recently been an interest from more experienced archers to join our club as either full members or associate members this includes some university students during the summer and people transferring from other local clubs.  
We have recently ratified a number of probationary members, and have had a number of people from our previous beginners' course join over the past month.

Equipment Officer

There is currently no update on the change in condition of club equipment. There is potential to organise a place to put damaged club equipment and log of any broken equipment unable to be repaired.

Records officer

The dates for our indoor shooting have been set and organised with the venue and the programme will soon be released. After a vote it was decided to go ahead with no engravings on the medals and look to put ribbons in the medals.  
We have currently run out of the badges for the centre of the medals and it has been decided to order more on next years' accounts.

Pete – medals – by crookhorn

Tournaments

Longbow and team shoot, although down on numbers, was more successful than many other similar non record status shoots in the area. Most of this type of shoot locally has been cancelled. Both shoots were well received by those taking part and hopefully next year we will attract more competitors.  
The WA weekend, was clearly more successful in terms of attendance and revenue generated. We learnt a few things from the trial run in

	<p>September last year. Apart from the electronic scoring on the first day, it was a seamless event. The feedback during and since the weekend keeps coming and is consistently outstanding. Everything from our wonderful location to the relaxed friendly atmosphere and necessary formal structure to comply with the WRS was met with universal approval. So many have already expressed their intention to return next year. Apart from a couple of no shows on the day, the shoot was basically full with a waiting list. Thank you again to all the members that helped in any way to make this possible.</p> <p>I did send the Crookhorn entry form with the results for the WA weekend. We have 12 entries so far. I will send the entry form properly sometime in August.</p>	<p>Send Crookhorn entry form JT – Aug 2022</p>
Welfare Officer	<p>New title for the role has officially changed to Welfare officer. No other update currently</p>	
<b>Items for discussion:</b>		
2022 Accounts & Budget 22/23	<p>A draft of the year's budget report was shown. The equipment expense includes new bosses, contributing to the majority of the cost. This was deemed worthwhile as the club will recoup the cost from not having to rent the bosses for competitions and that wear on them will be more evenly distributed.</p> <p>The budget includes both 2021 and 2022 WA weekends in the financial year which will likely now not occur with the WA weekend being set for early July.</p> <p>Storage of all bosses, numbering bosses and reporting, Documents have been submitted for the predicted incomes of the club, including a prediction of under subscription and a larger deficit.</p>	<p>Final changes to be added – Vince AGM</p>
Subscriptions 2023	<p>The committee discussed the cost for the renewal of the membership including the potential increase by £2 for senior members, £1.5 for juniors. This is to be voted on at the AGM.</p>	<p>All - AGM</p>
Committee posts	<p>Currently there is only 1 name down for a position, there needs to be a push for more members to participate in the proposal and seconding of committee members and to engage with committee positions.</p> <p>There was also a proposal of new committee post 'Coaching Coordinator' with the proposal written by Vince. The committee agreed the post was a good idea with minor phrasing changes to the proposal and proposed changes to the constitution.</p>	<p>Vince – AGM – Review phrasing of changes.</p>
WA weekend mentor	<p>The committee discussed the potential to have a second person trained and qualified to organised specific record status competitions (WA weekend). This is due to the need for strict rules to be followed to run a record status shoot and the risk that our tournaments could be unable to go ahead due to unforeseen circumstances. This person would need to be recognised by AGB to be able to run the event as record status shoots require an organising club member present during the shoot.</p> <p>Questioned whether the person needs to be nominated by club as whole or if this role gets tied in with an existing post.</p>	<p>John Taylor to find out what criteria would need to be met. – By organisation of next WA shoot</p>
Jobs List	<p>Vince reported on the jobs that had been completed over the last few months and tabled the list still to be completed: To fill in holes on field or marking rabbit holes, perhaps a painting party for the bus shelter, longbow hut, benches and clubhouse, To get rid of the old mower, Storage of faces to dry – potentially a washing line to hang on. Moving the wheelie bin, containing the indoor shooting net, to the 50yd hut.</p>	<p>Committee to organise club members/volunteers. – Painting party</p>
AOB	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vince said he had some new pipes for the storage of targets on bosses, but more would be needed.</li> <li>To see about the removal of the bees' nest at the Gent toilet.</li> <li>Discussion about the possible inconsistencies of the '5 goes a year' for visitors in outdoor and indoor shooting arrangements. It was decided to continue with the current situation.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any, ASAP</li> <li>Vince/Jess etc. ASAP</li> <li>All</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. To source a gas urn for hot water estimated around £130-300 a choice of 3 is to be provided to the treasurer before purchase.</li> <li>5. Male toilet roofing is to be purchased either clear plastic or sheeting that is already at club to be put up with the addition of sensor lights.</li> <li>6. The potential for HAA funding for coaching was looked into but as it is means tested and the club has a stable reserve it is unlikely that we would be able to secure the funding.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Treasurer – next competition</li> <li>5. Wayne - unspecified</li> </ol>
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**Meeting Closed at 21:46**

Next meeting at AGM 17<sup>TH</sup> August