

Cambridge University Bowmen Committee Meeting

Minutes taken by: Liam Pattinson

Wednesday 30th October, 2019

Attending

- Robert Spencer (Captain)
- Liam Pattinson (Secretary/Tournaments)
- Lukas Cincikas (Treasurer)
- Alexander Kent (Equipment)
- Abigail Pearce (Women's)
- Andrew Browne (Novice)
- Mohammed Daudali (Webmaster)
- Sam Kitson-Platt (Publicity)

Apologies

- Kimberley Callghan (Development)
- Yuhang Xie (Social)
- Zhengao Di (Equipment)

Agenda

- Welcome and apologies.
- Sports Centre grant.
- Stash decision.
- Date for annual dinner.
- Committee communication.
- Halloween shoot.
- Morning range sessions.
- Captain's Report.
 - Blues.
- Treasurer's Report.
 - Beginners' Course and Have-a-Go Fees.
 - Tournaments account closure.
- Equipment report.
 - Boss rotation in the range.
- Tournaments/records report.
 - Club ladder.
 - BUTTS Field report.
 - Competition coach hire.
- Any remaining business.

Minutes

Welcome and apologies.

The meeting started at 19:00 at the Elizabeth Way Rifle Range. The previous minutes were proposed by AB and seconded by AP.

Sports Centre grant.

We've been given a grant of £900 this year, significantly lower than the £3000 we asked for (around £2000 was expected). The reasons given include the poor quality of the application and the large amount of money we have in the bank. Committee members were urged to spend the money we have as, somewhat paradoxically, the more we're willing to spend to improve the club and the sport, the more grant money we'll receive to continue making improvements.

Stash decision.

Following a vote by the committee, we will be making a custom stash order with PlayerLayer, and buying in bulk rather than making a specific order. This is expected to take around 12 weeks to arrive after an order is placed, so this won't be available until half-way through Lent term at the earliest. In the meantime, the standard PlayerLayer stash is available from the website.

ACTION, LP: Advertise stash to the club.

ACTION, RS: Talk to PlayerLayer about stash design.

Date for annual dinner.

After a short discussion, committee members present indicated that January 18th would be the best time to hold annual dinner.

Committee communication.

There have been multiple incidents within the last few weeks in which poor communication in the committee has caused problems for our club members. The main cause of this is emails not going to the people they directly affect. RS strongly urged committee members to CC each other in any committee emails, and to err on the side of caution when they do so (if unsure, CC the whole committee). If an event is moved/cancelled or changes location, an email must be sent to the club and/or committee.

Halloween shoot.

We will be running a Halloween themed shoot on November 1st. Both RS and AB offered to help run the shoot.

ACTION, YX: Email shoot details to the club.

Morning range sessions.

ZD has offered to open up for morning shoots at the range at around 7:30am. These sessions will be organised on an ad-hoc basis, similar to the outdoor season. This can be managed by ensuring members are properly subscribed to the range list.

ACTION, LP: Set up range list.

ACTION, RS: Inform club of early range sessions.

Captain's Report.

Blues.

The Men's Blues Committee meets this week, and we're hoping to get a Full Blue for Jack Atkinson. AB has had issues convincing them that Jack meets the criteria. The Blues criteria on the website is incorrect and needs to be updated.

Treasurer's Report.

Beginners' Course and Have-a-Go Fees.

The club currently has £10879.15 in the bank, and around £12314 counting cash and uncashed cheques. We received £200 more than expected from have-a-go sessions, and so far have earned £3830 in beginners' fees compared to the £3600 expected.

Tournaments account closure.

LC is close to transferring money out of our tournaments account and into our main account (roughly £700). This has eluded treasurers for around the last 5 years.

Equipment report.

Boss rotation in the range.

ZD and AK will be rotating bosses in the range at the rate of one per session. One has been rotated already.

Tournaments/records report.

Club ladder.

The club ladder hasn't yet been started, and LP asked for another committee member to take over.

ACTION, RS: Start club ladder.

BUTTS Field report.

The club performed exceptionally well at BUTTS Field, taking gold medals in gents compound (Jack Atkinson) and gents barebow (Liam Pattinson) by significant margins, and taking the silver in ladies barebow (Kimberley Callaghan). The team also took away the trophy, coming in first place with more than a 100 point lead (Jack Atkinson, Liam Pattinson, Robert Spencer). All participants also set new county records.

A report has been posted on Facebook, but a write-up for the website still needs to be written.

ACTION, LP: Finish write-up.

Competition coach hire.

Due to a lack of drivers, we may need to start hiring coaches, especially for significant competitions such as BUCS. For 20 competitors, this would cost the club between £400 to £600 (though £200 would be earned back from travel fees). We should have enough cars for BUTTS Leg 1 and BUTTS Non-Recurve, but in future we may have to decide between hiring a coach or booking train tickets.

ACTION, RS: Forward BUTTS info to committee

Any remaining business.

We have recently purchased new target faces (60cm, 40cm, and triple spots), long arrows for the beginners course, and red stickers and address labels for quarantined equipment. There are plans to buy 12 new strings, 12 new quivers, 12 clickers, and some ACCs for the novice team. We are also hoping to buy bow stands for the beginners course and some new ILF risers.

The WheelPower Sports Camp will not be using our equipment for their archery session, and the Sports Centre has agreed to not allow its use.

MD asked committee members to contact him if their new emails are not set up yet. They must be in use by Friday.

We received a half-blue certificate for Cassandra Lim. LP will deliver it.

AP requested the purchase of a foot locator and tactile sight for visually impaired archers, and requested the purchase of chest guards for our novice team.

The novices were not asked to pay a bow loan deposit. This should be corrected as soon as possible.

YX has invited the club to a bonfire night social, though this clashes with a novice training session. They will be told not to attend.

The E-League has started again. LP plans to input scores manually following BUTTS legs and target days.

The Oxford BUTTS leg clashes with our beginners course. It was decided to cancel that week and move the teaching material back. The open-shooting session at the end of the course will now no longer take place.

The meeting finished at 20:00.