

Cambridge University Bowmen Committee Meeting

Minutes taken by: Liam Pattinson

Wednesday 13th November, 2019

Attending

- Robert Spencer (Captain)
- Liam Pattinson (Secretary/Tournaments)
- Kimberley Callaghan (Development)
- Sam Kitson-Platt (Publicity)
- Yuhang Xie (Social Secretary)
- Andrew Browne (Novice Officer)
- Abigail Pearce (Women's Officer)
- Mohammed Daudali (Webmaster)

Apologies

- Zhengao Di (Equipment)
- Alexander Kent (Equipment)

Agenda

- Welcome and apologies.
- Enterprise Car Hire
- DMU BUTTS
- The Mystery Bow
- Secretary's Report.
 - List cleaning.
 - Chasing fees.
- Publicity Report.
 - New CUB logo.
 - Clickers sale or return order.
 - Sponsorship for novice strings.
- Development report.
 - Upcoming equipment seminars.
 - Development coaching.
 - Mentor scheme update.
 - Badges for blues recipients.
 - CUB library
- Tournaments/records report.
 - BUTTS Non-Recurve report.
 - BUTTS Leg 1 report.
 - Indoor classification query.
- Any remaining business.

Minutes

Welcome and apologies.

The meeting started at 19:00. AP proposed the previous minutes and AB seconded.

Enterprise Car Hire

RS offered feedback on Enterprise Car Hire. Compared to Cambridge Car and Van Rental (CCVR), they may be cheaper, though this can only be confirmed after the Sports Centre bill us for the term. However, they have been difficult to work with, as it is hard to find temporary parking for rented cars and staff have been disorganised. This has resulted in increased waiting times at the lot. After seeing the bill for the term, RS will make a decision regarding which company we would prefer to use in future.

DMU BUTTS

Our second BUTTS leg will be held at DMU next Sunday (November 24th). We should be able to run the beginners course and travel to Leicester in time for the competition, but this is not ideal. In addition, there are only spaces for 11 archers, though we've had 14 sign-ups so far. Some committee members will meet before the next Friday session to decide who will attend. We will need 3 cars for this competition.

ACTION, LP: Send list of sign-ups to interested committee members.

The Mystery Bow

An old yellow Win&Win riser was found in the range, along with a set of limbs and several accessories (sights, etc). Its original owner is unknown, but it has clearly been around for some time. The committee recommended that the alumni list should be notified in case its owner recognises it. If the original owner is not found, it should be included in the club's inventory.

ACTION, LP: Email mystery bow to alumni list.

Secretary's Report.

List cleaning.

Having reached week 5 of Michaelmas term, it is time to clean the lists of non-members. LP will give a week's notice to those who are on the members list but haven't yet handed in forms.

ACTION, LP: Clean membership list

Chasing fees.

We should begin chasing up any outstanding fees. According to the membership spreadsheet, we have 40 members but are awaiting fees from 14. We are also awaiting range fees from 15 (many of these are novices).

ACTION, LC: Chase up members who haven't paid fees.

Publicity Report.

New CUB logo.

SK has been asked to create a new logo for the club. The club used to use a stylised centaur, so it was suggested that we may use a new version of that or some variation on the red lion. The logo must not change the lion in any way for legal reasons. SK will create some mock-ups and present these to the committee.

Clickers sale or return order.

SK will get in contact with Clickers to organise a sale or return order. It was decided to make the order after Christmas.

Sponsorship for novice strings.

We are in need of new strings for the novices, and SK brought up the possibility of having these sponsored by a string maker. We could buy in bulk at a reduced price in exchange for social media publicity for the seller.

Development report.

Upcoming equipment seminars.

KC has sent an email about the upcoming seminar on bow maintenance. This will include a discussion on replacing rests, measuring bracing height/tiller/nock height, and maintaining strings. The remaining sessions will be used to discuss bow types, mental strategies, and drills for the holidays.

Development coaching.

Development coaching will begin next week, with the first session focusing on alignment. There will be room for about 10 people, though it will not be open to novices. Entry requirements will be somewhat reduced for this session.

Mentor scheme update.

The mentor scheme started last Friday and was generally successful. It is hoped that this will translate into an improved culture of cooperation within the club.

Badges for blues recipients.

KC suggested that we could purchase a set of CUB badges in Cambridge blue, to be given to any members who achieve at least 'colours' after our Varsity match. There will be a minimum order requirement, so we will have to top up supplies for other badges.

CUB library

There are some books belonging to the club (kept in the range) that members can borrow. KC suggested adding to this collection and advertising it to the club.

ACTION, ZD/AK: Locate library and add contents to inventory.

Tournaments/records report.

BUTTS Non-Recurve report.

We sent 5 archers to BUTTS Non-Recurve, and claimed silver medals in the ranking rounds for gents longbow and ladies barebow. We also achieved a bronze medal in the head-to-head rounds for ladies barebow.

BUTTS Leg 1 report.

We sent 18 archers to Oxford BUTTS, including 10 novices. We took the gold medal in novice gents recurve, the bronze in novice ladies recurve, and the silver and bronze medals in experienced barebow. We came last overall, with three barebow archers and one recurve archer making up the team.

Indoor classification query.

An archer from an external club has queried the methodology used to produce our indoor barebow classification scores. These were produced by Jack Atkinson.

ACTION, LP: Put in contact with Jack Atkinson

Any remaining business.

KC has made up more resistance bands, which we will sell to beginners for £1.

We will hold a Christmas shoot on December 6th. We have received mixed messages from the Sports Centre regarding whether we have a hall booking at this time, so this should be chased up. We will also hold a beginners formal before the end of November, and a Christmas Dinner in the last week.

ACTION, RS: Determine if we have the Sports Centre on December 6th.

LP expressed concern about keeping club funds in separate boxes alongside badges, and about keeping the badges himself. It was suggested that they could be stored at the range or Sports Centre, and that payments could be invoiced at the end of term rather than keeping money in the boxes.

ACTION, LP: Provide inventory of badges.

Though Archr.net has been used to keep track of scores for all those who have attended competitions and target days, it has not yet been advertised to the club.

ACTION, LP: Advertise Archr on bulletin.

The Sports Centre is unhappy with our constitution, code of conduct and equipment inventory, and as a result are planning to demote us to a probationary club on the 18th. The senior committee will meet on Friday to ensure they are happy with our revised documents. RS will call an EGM 14 days after this meeting to set a new constitution.

The meeting finished at 20:09.