

Bracken Company of Archers
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Held on Sunday 21st September 2008 at Cranborne Village Hall

1. Minutes of Last Annual General Meeting

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23rd September 2007 were approved.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave his annual report. He reported that the Club was working towards achieving Clubmark and, as part of this, the Committee had organised for several members to undertake GNAS Level 1 coaching courses. The longbow members had done the Club proud by attending competitions throughout the year and he hoped that more competitions would be entered next year. The Club had held its first open shoot – the Ian McDonald shoot – and hoped to organise this again next year. He congratulated several members of the Club on their achievements during the year and expressed his best wishes to Ray Faultley, who was leaving the Club, thanking him for all the work he had done for the Club. He also thanked the Committee members and everyone who had helped at Ellingham Show.

4. Secretary's Report

The Secretary thanked Dave Harding, the previous Secretary who had left during the year, for all the work he had done for the Club. He reported that Club membership was up to 50 members and it was hoped this would grow in the coming year. It was expected that the Club would achieve Clubmark in the next 6 months – one coach had still to complete a Sports UK course and the school were required to sign a partnership agreement before the application could be submitted. GNAS had produced a new style membership card, which would be issued to all members.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the Club's Statement of Accounts for year ending 21st September 2008. He reported that there had been an increase in income from the Ellingham Show and the Ian McDonald shoot had broken even. The Statement of Accounts was APPROVED.

6. **Records Officer's Report**

The Records Officer thanked members for submitting their scores and encouraged them to continue to do so. He reported that he had received more than in previous years.

7. **Child Protection Officer's Report**

The Child Protection Officer reported that there had been no issues reported during the year. Several members had been CRB checked, including those who were attending the coaching course. Anyone wishing to help with juniors would be required to undertake a CRB check.

8. **Election of Officers**

The Chairman stood down and Bob Cox took the Chair for the election of officers. There were no new nominations for membership of the Committee and it was therefore AGREED by all that the current members continue to hold their positions for a further year:

Chairman	Andy Fisher
Secretary	Dan Stannard
Treasurer	Ralph Wood
Records Officer	Darren Evers
Child Protection Officer	Linda Harding

Other Members of the Committee are:

Carol Banyard
Jacquie Harris
Ray Harris
Claire Walsh
Malcolm Bennett
Richard Gosler
Darren Evers

9. **Club Fees**

It was noted that there was no need for any major expenditure in the foreseeable future and there was no need to raise any additional income. It was therefore AGREED to maintain the same fee structure as 2007/08:

Family £40
Senior £27
Junior £15

10. **Club Colours**

It was noted that the Club's shooting colours would change with effect from 1st October 2008. The colours, red and black, had been taken from the colours of the logo. Trousers and jumpers should be black. Details of where clothing could be obtained, with prices, would be posted in the Clubhouse.

11. **Indoor Shooting**

It was noted that indoor shooting would commence on 24th September. A fee of £25 was payable to book a place up until Christmas. A further £25 would be payable for January to the end of March. Members would be able to turn up and pay on the night at a cost of £2, but a place could not be guaranteed.

12. **Report on Shooting at Cranborne School**

Malcolm Bennett reported that Mr. Craig Watson had taken on the role of temporary Headteacher and a meeting had been arranged for the following week. Contact had been made with the PTA and it had been agreed that the Club would be advised of all activities taking place at the school.

13. **Any Other Business**

It was noted that there had been problems getting information onto the Club's website and it was therefore AGREED that the Club should seek to find an alternative website provider.

14. **Dates for the Diary**

A list of events for 2008/09 was circulated to members.