

# The Phoenix Flyer



## Dates for your Diary:

Hello all - and welcome to the October edition of the newsletter.

Hopefully everyone is ok and staying safe (and sane...)

There's not much to talk about in terms of archery events and obviously there's nothing in the diary as yet. However, I thought this issue would be a good place for a club update on various things. Not exactly a riveting issue, but there we are!

**Firstly a BIG welcome to new members: Paul & Carol !**



**25 October 2020**  
**NOTICE OF AGM**



As per the recent email from Jan, kindly note that the AGM will not be able to be held at the club ground as usual, due to the current COVID-19 situation.

Please refer to the recent email for details.

## Work Day - 24 May (yes, it was a long time ago...)

Firstly a HUGE thank you to all those who came down to the field on the work day to help move all the cut grass.

It had built up a fair amount in all those weeks from lockdown (as you could imagine) and there was loads of it! We had a great turnout of people helping and it was most appreciated, so thank you. That along with the sterling efforts of Rosie and Kev, the field is getting back to normal now - let's hope we can follow soon!



### **A GENTLE REMINDER IN CASE YOU'D FORGOTTEN.**

Dear all,

AGB (GNAS), EMAS & LRCAA fees for the year to 30 September, 2021 are due by 30th September 2020 and are as follows for existing members :

Seniors (over 25 as at 1st October 2020) £47

Seniors ( 18-24 as at 1st October 2020 ) £12

Juniors (under 18 as at 1st October 2020 ) £12

Archers with disabilities – all ages £12

PLEASE NOTE THAT PAYMENT MUST BE MADE TO THE CLUB BY 15 OCTOBER AT THE VERY LATEST.

IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID BY THAT DATE YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO JOIN AGB ( and also EMAS & LRCAA ) AS A DIRECT MEMBER YOURSELF. THIS WILL NOT ONLY WORK OUT MORE EXPENSIVE FOR YOU BUT WASTE YOUR VALUABLE TIME

As part of the renewal process and we will need to declare your GNAS communication preferences & we will assume that these remain unchanged unless you advise otherwise; please note that you can check your current preferences & change them at <https://agb.Sport80.com> at any time.

Methods of payment:

Bank Transfer using the following bank details – please make sure you put your name in the payment reference

Bank: NatWest Bank

Account name: Phoenix Archers

Sort code: 54-21-50

Account number: 30181399

Cheque – please make payable to “Phoenix Archers” & post or drop in to:  
14, Sawbrook, Fleckney, Leicester LE8 8TR or pass to Alan or Jan at the Club

Cash – if you want to pay by cash please see Alan, or Jan at the club, or contact Alan on 07340 590111 to arrange a convenient time.

**\*\*\*\*\* DO NOT LEAVE CASH OR CHEQUES AT THE CLUB HOUSE \*\*\*\*\***

## Clubhouse Roof



Just FYI - the clubhouse roof is in the process of being repaired.

At some point, we will be asking for help to paint the clubhouse please - look out for details soon.

Thank you.



## 6 Month Membership Fees



Just a reminder that if you paid your membership fees for just 6 months, the second half of the fees are due will be due by the 31st October 2020 please.

## Field Shoots

There is no news at the moment regarding when the field shoots down the woods at Mowsley will be starting back up again. Obviously, we need to be careful as the layout and space available to shoot here is more restricted.

Please keep an eye out for emails regarding this once we know how to proceed.





# Committee Meeting Minutes re COVID-19

Minutes re: Covid-19 situation 2020

Committee meetings being held either by phone, email or at field when there for the time being.  
Jan

- Enq recd 8 Mar from Fleckney's Beavers for HAG. Date agreed Fri 12 June, 6-7pm. Still to be reg'd online. Advised 19 Mar on hold ftb due to Covid-19 situation. Advised 1 June unable to do, maybe Fri 4 Sept instead. Emailed again 24 Aug to advise unable to offer 4 Sep now, but maybe consider us again next year
- All members emailed 18 Mar following AGB email postponing all archery in UK at least until 30 April. No shooting allowed at all as not covered by insurance
- AGB postponed Big Weekend ftb. All members emailed. Sam S (Media) emailed and asked to cancel publicity accordingly for HAG 17 May
- All on waiting list for Begs courses and HAG 17 May emailed to advise cancelled ufn ● EMAS Email recd 10 Apr, will waive 2020/21 fees due 30 Sept for existing members (paid as part of members AGB renewal), ie Snr £5, Jnr & Dis £2.50. New members joining before 30 Sep 2021 will still have to pay
- Several emails recd from LRCAA regarding options to help Clubs out financially. They made a decision on 27 Apr to refund Club fees paid at last renewal 30 Sept. refund of £193.75 paid direct into Bk account 28 Apr. Paid up Club members emailed on 1 May & asked whether it should stay in Club refunds or not. Majority vote said yes, no objections recd.
- Email recd by all from AGB 14 May Phase 1, outlining phased return to archery if Club feels able to do so. Strict guidelines recd by Jan for Clubs to follow. Risk Assmt to be done. To resume archery 1 June if all guidelines able to be implemented
- Contacted Marcus 14 May to explain situation so far
- Risk Assmt done by Jan. Signed off by Jan & Alan 24 May. Mick agreed by email ● Email recd from AGB 25 July Phase 2 return to archery.
- Conf recd from AGB 5 Aug, fees due 30 Sept will not increase for existing members. EMAS will waive fees for existing members. LRCAA fees have been suspended until such time as the county committee agrees that the business of the county can resume. All current members emailed. All current AGB members who did not renew Club m/ship also emailed to advise.
- Email recd from County Sec & sent to all 11 sept. Gvt guidelines re meeting in groups of no more than 6 do not affect us & we can continue. Also, if area is in lockdown & unless specifically stated otherwise, we can continue as it is sport & exercise & we do not disobey any restrictions imposed Jan's report since committee meeting held 24 Feb 2020
- Dave removed from the following: AGB Sec, LRCAA sec, Bank account sig, Online Banking, Email account, Google Business, Website host.
- Access to following is now : AGB & LRCAA is Jan, Bank sig is Mick, Alan & Jan, Online Banking is Alan & Jan, Email is Mick, Alan & Jan, Google Business is Mick, Sam S & Jan, Website is now Mick as Webmaster with Sam S & Jan also able to access.
- Dave asked for pyt of 2 bills relating to Website ( from Oct 2019 & Jan 2020 ) to be paid. Paid 9 Mar & Alan has collected Sec stuff from him

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- Downloaded manual for ride on mower
- Farmer asked 24 Apr to roll field ( shooting range only) when he can. Unable to roll as roller won't fit thro gate. Another person has mower but grass is too long to roll. Ground now too hard.
- Farmer asked to top grass 16 or 17 May. All emailed to advise & ask for help, if able, to remove grass cuttings. Alan has charged mower battery & will meet Jan at field after grass topped to see if mower will start.
- Range regn x 2 due 15 Jun extended 4 mths to 15 Oct by AGB. Regn can be done no earlier than 2m before due date. Both ranges ( Smeeton and woods) regd 15 Aug, expiry 15 Feb 2024. New range regn certs printed & displayed in Clubhouse
- Workday 24 May to rake grass off, range mowed twice since then. Thanks to all
- 31 May went and marked out shooting lanes, 10 bosses max to comply with AGB & Govt Social distancing rules. Antiseptic wipes & sanitiser available. Target pins sanitised and put 4 pins in individual bags. 20 lge & 20 sm faces left in Clubhouse for lone archers (or a family unit) to take & keep ftb.
- Padlock code changed. All paid up members advised. Rang Marcus & farmer to advise. Mick changing website members only section. New email list sent to current Committee, Stuart & Sam S
- All paid up members emailed 1 June to advise official WhatsApp group run by Jon & Stuart. Also, ignore diary ftb and to slow down when going in gate as lady at stables complained
- Stuart emailed 12 Jun to ask if he could organise Covid-19 fun shoot, based on trust, & email results only. After discussion, all agreed subject to a few amendments. Emailed Stuart reply. He will now email members.
- Problems with groups of youths started early June, littering and then escalated to vandalism. Reported to Police on 14 June, following call from lady at stables to come over right away on evening of 13 June as group of about 25 jumping on roof of both Clubhouse & container & using trolley to give rides up and down field. Did so but they had gone. Cane furniture smashed up, pergola broken down. Litter cleared, tables & chairs put in Clubhouse, BBQ put in shed as fires were lit. Met with Police at field 15 Jun & advice given. Signage put in Clubhouse windows, all tables, chairs etc to be kept in Clubhouse ufn. On arrival at field 20 Jun there were bottles,cans,takeaway meals & evidence of drug use all over. Smeeton resident came over whilst clearing up & said it started at 10.30pm, with loud music as well, p until rain drove group of about 30 away at 2am. He had reported it to Police also. Contacted Police again 21 Jun who said couldn't do anymore as it was on a public footpath. Now posted on as many Social Media pages as poss, also contacted by email Kib PC, Kib School, Smeeton PC.
- Insurance renewed £329 wef 18 Jul. Policy wording 'business interruption ' checked prior to this in June & we're not covered for loss of rent due to not being able to shoot.
- After liaising with Alan, Mick & Frank 12 July decision taken not to hold any beginners courses or Corporate events yet due to AGB restrictions on running. It also looks unlikely that we will do Fleckney Festival in Sept.
- All agreed that field shoot in Aug & Roving shoot in Sept are not workable this year due to AGB & Govt restrictions

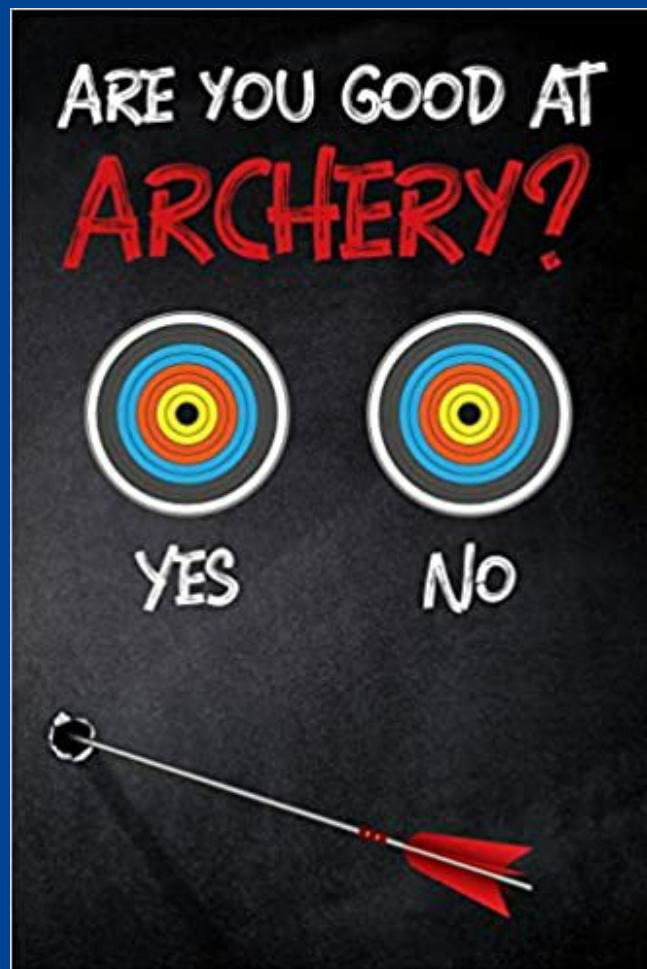
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- Fleckney Festival 19 Sept. Committee decision is not viable due to ongoing restrictions. Emailed organiser 24 Aug to advise & explain. Ack rec'd 31 Aug, understand the situation & asked us to do next year again on 18 Sept 2021. Fleckney Festival officially cancelled by them 10 Sept.
- Emailed all 15 Sept to see if enough interest to do shirt order. Min 7 garments needed before we can place order.
- Still hopeful that we'll be able to start woods shoots in Nov, subject to social distancing and gvt guidelines. Will be limited to 12 targets & diff layout. No. of Archers may also be restricted & booking system might have to be implemented on first come, first served basis. Visited woods last week, some targets really tatty & in need of repair. Frank making 2 new targets. We can get by for this season though.
- All emailed 30 Aug re AGB fees due by 30 Sept. Pyt to be made to Club by 15 Oct else members will need to join as a direct member for themselves. Reminder sent 21 sept, with 20 paid up members still to pay their GNAS as of 25 sept
- Mick sorting out renewal of domain for 12m due 13 Oct £7.19
- Alan pricing up materials for Club roof to be fixed as matter of urgency. Now costed & ordered 23 Sept, delivery 25 Sept. Not using felt but corrugated bitumen sheets. Heavy duty, lighter than felt, guaranteed weatherproof 15 yrs. Roof will need battens inside before outside is done.
- Lease renewed for 12m at £1825. Slight increase but landowner has kindly offered to pay up to £200 towards repairs/improvements upon sight of invoice paid. Invoice emailed to him 23 Sept, will send us chq
- M/ship as at 25 Sept Snr 33 Jnr 4

## Other things to mention

1. The Clubs official WhatsApp group is run by Jon and Stuart. If you wish to be included in the group please contact Stuart direct on [stumilsom@hotmail.com](mailto:stumilsom@hotmail.com)
2. Ignore any shoots etc in the 2020 diary for the time being. We are not normal !! (well... we knew that already...)
3. Please drive slowly as you turn into our gateway. One of the ladies from the stables has complained that she was nearly "wiped out" recently.

### Jan's Joke Corner





# Barter Town

A chance to sell and buy any unwanted items, or make requests for things you require. Preferably archery related but I will post anything people ask me to. Submissions to [samantha.stooke@gmail.com](mailto:samantha.stooke@gmail.com)



## **FOR SALE - perfect for all you beginners out there!**

**26-28lb re-curve bow set.** Comprising of :-

SF Axiom metal riser in orange, Samick vision fiber limbs, Cartel adjustable sights, bow stand and arrow puller. All contained within a Cartel hard plastic bow case with wheels. Barely used and in excellent condition. Ideal first bow.

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# Phoenix Trade Directory

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