

Coaching Seminar 11<sup>th</sup> April 2010 Holiday Inn, Taunton

The guest speaker was Graham Weller from Wales Archery at Crick, who gave an excellent talk on Compounds. Much information was imparted and the coaches remained engrossed throughout.

Ernie Chapman, manager of the SCAA team, gave a talk on how to qualify for the senior team.

Paul Maines, the recently elected junior rep, followed on to advise how juniors could qualify for the SCAA team.

After a buffet lunch, the topic was the new Level 1 and the upgrade for Level 2 coaches. This information was related by Doug Human, the recently elected RCO for GWAS, who attended the coaching development conference at Lilleshall March 2010.

The most controversial subject debated was about Beginners Courses and "Have a Go's"

This will happen within the next 18 months:-

If a club does not have a coach (level 1 onward), they will not be able to do "Beginners' courses" or "Have a go's."

This is because the club will not be insured, so if an accident does happen, the legal action will be taken against the Chairman, and then the committee.

Following the meeting Tim Swane from Archery GB was sent the following

Another Question for you.

At the development weekend it was mentioned about future beginner courses having to be run by Coaches, can you clarify whether that will include the helpers too! In other words, will a coach oversee the courses and head them helped by club members or will all course staff need to be coaches due to the need for CRB certification?

His reply, dated, 13 April 2010 is as follows

The mandatory use of coaches on beginners' courses has yet to be formalised but it is worth planning for it in the near future. The problem with using non-coaches after September is that they will need to be CRB checked and also have been through a child protection course to have satisfied the requirements of the ISA. If the club officials do not enforce this they would be guilty of a criminal offence and could be fined up to £5,000. On that basis, unless the law changes after the election it makes sense to only use coaches.

Coaches from the following SCAA Clubs attended (in no particular order)

Gordano Valley Archers,  
Bowmen of Ina,  
Burnham Co of Archers,  
Yeo Bowmen,  
Bowmen of Danesfield,  
Wells City Archers,  
West Somerset Co of Archers,  
Bowmen of Mendip,

Coastal Archers  
Frome Town Archers.

#### Guest List

DWAS, Brian Keen, CCO.  
GAS Steph Crang, CCO  
Coaches  
Bristol Bowmen,  
Tockington Archers  
Deer Park Archers.

The seminar finished at 4.00p.m.

#### Notes from Doug Human

The feedback I have received is very positive. The coaches that attended now feel part of a team. I hope that these meetings will continue to share information and good practise and promote the high level of commitment demanded of 2010 coaches. Only four clubs with coaches did not send anyone. For clubs without coaches then please look to the future. Clubs will only thrive with forward looking committees and, dare I say it, coaches!

There is to be a level 2 Course and a Level 1 Course starting this year, anyone wishing to be considered, please contact SCAA CCO

Regards

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