

**Meeting of Somerset County Coaching Group held at the
Taunton Civil Service Club
on 2nd October 2004**

In attendance:

Mr	Graham	Bunting	Mr	Andy	Rees
Mr	Hilary	Collins	Mr	Roger	Sedgbeer
Mr	Richard	Hill	Ms	Pauline	Tyrrell
Mr	Doug	Human	Mr	Peter	Wiltshire
Mr	Damian	Le Gresley	Mrs	April	Thornton

Apologies:

Mrs	Royette	Chapman	Mr	Jim	Wiles
Mrs	Pauline	Wiles	Mr	Paul	Wilkins

The meeting commenced at 10.30 with Doug Human in the chair. He mentioned that, as this was an open forum it was not essential that minutes be taken, but it was a means of advising the SCAA council of the items under discussion.

Correction to the previous Minutes:

Although there are 16 Clubs in the County, Coaches are not evenly distributed and there are 7 Clubs without Coaches

A new Club called "Bowmen of Dunkery" has started (making it 17 clubs) of which Tim and Alison Pattermore are members. 14 – Open, 2 – Closed, plus new club.

Miss Tyrrell asked who **has** a Coach.

With: Danesfield, Mendip, Ina, Puriton, Bath, Ballands, Wellington, WSCA, Yeo

Without: Bowmen of Hatch, Burnham, Coastal, Dunkery, Mid Somerset, Wansdyke, Wells, University of Bath

Coaching Courses:

Class 1 or Leaders Course, can now be run locally without a Senior or County Coach. However, a County or Senior Coach is needed to do the final assessment. Child protection and first aid is covered (although First Aid is now not required). Log into diary, and apply to points system.

Gordon Lindley has been running Leaders Courses. Doug asked him to continue, as he does not have time to organise them himself. Should you

have someone who wishes to become a Leader now, Doug will forward their names to a Coach in the Midlands who will be running a course at Simonsbath in April next year at a cost of £180).

Considerable discussion was given to current Leaders' Courses, which do teach safety.

Doug, Graham Bunting and Gordon Lindley did Assessors/Mentors Course at Exmouth run by RCO Richard Jones and CCO Devon & Cornwall Jan Martin. A second Course is being run at Thornbury later this month where six Somerset Coaches are attending (Hilary Collins, Damian Le Gresley, Pauline Tyrrell, Jim & Pauline Wiles, Paul Wilkins). That means there are nine coaches in Somerset trained as trainers out of approximately 28 in GWAS.

Child Protection Course:

Somerset County will advise later in the year. Doug to get extra copies. and neither Pauline Tyrrell nor Roger Sedgbeer has attended. Doug reminded the meeting this is for **their** protection as well as the children.

The question was asked whether Judges need to have CRB (Criminal Records Bureau) check. It was agreed that it was advisable.

Level 3 Course:

This is being run later this year by Jan Martin in Exmouth. 2 days per month November, January, February, and March. So far Graham Bunting, Hilary Collins, Paul Wilkins and Doug Human have their names down.

Beginners Courses:

Hilary said he has had telephone calls from people wanting to try archery, but he only does a course during the summer, should we indicate on the web site clubs running courses during the winter? Jim Wiles is running one on consecutive Fridays at a cost of £20.00. Few clubs have good indoor facilities. A check round the table showed that most clubs run 2 beginners courses per year April to August. This information is to be added to the coaching page on the web site.

AOB:

Doug has "Health Check" for clubs that came under discussion. This is for the benefit of all clubs in Archery (aka Sports for All) hard copy for those without computer. Also under discussion was "How to run a Tournament" written by Tim Pattermore which all found very informative.

Doug mentioned issue between GNAS/Somerset and BLBS rules on scoring for Longbow (hits, score, gold or what). Need a vote at the next County Meeting to bring everyone in line. This prompted a discussion on longbow scores and updated information from GNAS regarding longbow classifications.

The correspondence with Mr Jagers on the website was raised and explained.

Andy raised the question of coaching for Junior Championships.

Doug said his trips to Lilleshall had impressed him. The variability of equipment was amazing with standard of shooting extremely high. World Championship Juniors can be 18 years and 10 months old when shooting.

Looking to the future with this forum, would the group like an occasional guest speaker, and on what subjects? One suggestion was "Field"; another was to ask someone from GNAS. Andy Rees suggested Massimo the Sports Psychologist and all agreed that this was a great idea.

Long discussion regarding the expense of continued training. The Coaching Group felt the onus was on the candidate to pay for Level 1. It was agreed unanimously by the Coaching Group that those going on Level 2 and above would get a minimum of 50% contribution towards fees from the Coaching Fund.

Should not GWAS finance Level 2 to Level 4? Andy Rees will raise it at the Wellington meeting later this morning. Agreed unanimously (during Doug's short absence).

Somerset Senior Squad did well this year, and has won inter-Counties three times in the last 4 years. Winter coaching squad is built by invitation.

Part of the remit for a Grade 3 Coach is that coaching should be at county level and those going for Grade 3 would like to ask permission to work along side whoever does the coaching of the County Squad. Doug will ask SCAA at their next meeting

At Coaches Next Meeting

Pauline to be asked to outline Senior Squad coaching and Junior Squad coaching – we don't have a Junior squad.

Next Meeting

Date: 13th February 2005

Venue: Hutton Moor

Time: 10.30.am

TO BE CONFIRMED

On behalf of the Coaching Group, Damian to get permission from Ann and Leslie for the Coaching Group to have a meeting in the morning, and for the coaches who attend the meeting to be able to shoot in the afternoon. Doug to see if a room is available at Hutton Moor for meeting.

Thanks to Hilary for arranging the use of the Civil Service Club, and to April, who is not a Coach, for taking notes.