

## **Minutes of Panda Bowmen Committee Meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024, 8.00pm on Zoom**

Present: Rosemary, Sally, Duncan, Paul, Anthony, Keith

Apologies: Phil

The **minutes of the meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024** were proposed by Keith, seconded by Anthony and accepted by all as a true record of the meeting.

### **Matters arising**

Anthony proposed that we formally co-opt Duncan as club Welfare Officer, until the AGM when he can be voted in by the club membership. Rosemary seconded the proposal and everyone else agreed to it.

Duncan reported that the AGB Welfare Officer has put his safeguarding qualification on to Sport-80.

### **Insurance for club trophies**

Sally had contacted our insurers. Our policy is still in Mandy's name and cannot be changed. To change the details we would have to cancel the policy and take out a new one. We are not in a position to increase our premium for extra cover. Sally will double check if we would still be able to make a claim now that Mandy is not a member of the club.

Other committee members had enquired of their insurance firms:

Keith said that he has no extra items listed on his insurance and his company was vague about the cost of an add-on.

Anthony said that his insurance covers for £6,000 for valuables with a maximum of £1500 per item; he did not yet know the cost of any additional premium to cover the trophies.

Paul would need to take out personal cover in order to insure the trophies, and would need written authority to caretake them for the club, along with a professional valuation.

Duncan suggested that we insure them separately on a new policy; this would be easier to manage going forward. Keith was in favour of this, with the comment that if the cost is prohibitive we will have to think again.

Sally said she will do some digging this week and let the committee know what she finds out.

### **Timing of renewing Panda memberships**

As AGB are now operating an "anniversary" membership scheme, we discussed how and when to renew memberships of Panda, YAA, NCAS and the rugby club. We talked through the practicalities of keeping these renewals at the end of September when AGB memberships are renewed at other times of the year. We felt this would be awkward and would involve Panda members having to make 2 payments a year instead of 1; this could confuse members.

Keith wondered how it might affect the club accounts for the treasurer, if money comes to the club in dribs and drabs through the year; Sally said that with the online banking it is much easier now so it shouldn't be a problem.

As AGB have said that they are definitely introducing the change to the membership process, we decided that we would have to follow suit. When someone joins/rejoins Panda they will pay for a full year of everything; we will do our best to make it work!

### **Club records on our website**

Anthony asked if we want to put our club records up on our website as well as him circulating them periodically. Paul asked what the benefit would be – was it for ease of access? Yes, it would remove the need for people to save them and then have to hunt for them. Keith commented he finds it easy enough to archive the periodic emails on his phone.

Duncan asked why we would not want the records on our website, as other clubs generally do put theirs up. The answer was inertia and history, we just haven't done it before!

No-one objected to the idea, so we agreed to have a table of records on the website. A table of a suitable format could be more responsive to updates than occasional emails from Anthony.

Anthony said that he would send something to Mark that he would be able to put on the website, and that would be easy for him to edit when Anthony sends him any fresh information.

### **Winter shooting times**

We have traditionally started earlier through the winter in order to make the most of the daylight.

Sighters has been at 11.00am

Duncan cannot make it for 11am, neither can Paul, and it is not easy for some others either.

We are planning on shooting shorter rounds this winter in order to get maximum wear from our bosses.

We therefore agreed to keep shooting times as they are at present – arrive 12.15-ish to be ready for sighters at 1.00pm. This should give enough time to shoot the shorter rounds.

If anyone wants to shoot longer rounds, they are free to come and start shooting earlier in the day, so long as they are prepared to pause the round to allow others to set up for the 1.00pm start.

We will ask Mark to amend the information on the website.

### **Draft Agenda for the AGM**

The agenda suggested by Rosemary and read out by Anthony was agreed:

President's welcome

Minutes of previous AGM

Matters arising

Reports: Secretary, Treasurer, Equipment Officer, Coaching, (Welfare Officer)

Election of committee for 2024-25

Name of club (discussion only)

Ideas for 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary

Any Other Business

Rosemary informed the committee that the quorum this year would be 7 (senior) members, this being 33% of 20 senior members.

Rosemary agreed to send a reminder email to all members, asking them for their ideas to put on the agenda for discussion.

### **Any Other Business**

Paul asked if we are doing the New Year's Day clout shoot again, and if so is it open to archers from other clubs?

Anthony said Yes, it will take place and be open to others; he will see that it is advertised on the YAA website. There will be no entry fees and no prizes; the trophy will go to the Panda member with the highest score.

The start time will be 1.00pm.

Paul also said that he has received Peter Wild's bunker key back. He asked for a cheque for £10 to be sent to Peter to reimburse him.

Rosemary will send Peter's address to Sally and she will raise the cheque and send it to Peter.

### **Date of next meeting**

This was agreed as Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025, 8.00pm on Zoom.

