

Club August 2023 Newsletter



Dear GVA Club Members

A bit later than normal so we could report on this year's AGM. And sorry there is a lot of information covered here but ask you to please read it. **There is also one action for anyone who helped at any of the clubs' events or training (see over).**

Clubs Annual General Meeting 3rd September 2023

Thanks to all who attended and contributed to this year's meeting. Minutes are available on the club's website- under Club/Governance. Thanks to the outgoing committee for their hard work and support over the last year which is very much appreciated. Welcome to our new committee who are listed at <http://gippingvalleyarchers.co.uk/club-activities/governance/> and take on their roles officially from 1st October but I am sure will start helping before that.

The club is holding the Vice Chair, Junior Rep and Senior Rep roles to next committee meeting to decide how best to represent members now we have a much larger club.

Vacant roles - two have not been filled for this year, please consider if you could help with these in any way, as it will allow the club to run events and manage competition. **You dont need any prior experience or knowledge, the club will provide guidance and support to take these roles on for as long as you need.**

- **Event's Organiser** – basically a project manager – dealing with requests made to the club, planning, and organising these for (Charity, Private and Public events). Managing the co-ordination of volunteers to support. That all aspects of the event are planned and coordinated. Ensure the club has an agreed arrangement in place for each event. Register events on the AGB portal.
- **Tournament Officer** - create and publish the clubs shooting programme on the club calendar. For Indoor Classification Rounds, 300 scheme in the winter and Outdoor Classification and 252 in the summer. Help run the Club Target Days on Sundays twice a month. Arrange club events with other local clubs and the club's participation in county and national competition. Maintain a stock of target faces (target and field) and order replacements as required.

AGM Decisions made 2023/24

Club Membership Fees 2023/24 – Adult Fees remain the same at £120 p/a or £10 p/m. Under 18 fees are reduced from £96 to £60 per year (£8 to £5 per month). Archery GB fees are in addition and are increasing by £3 a year for adults over 25 to £50. By £1 for Under 25/Disabled to £13.

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Total Membership 2023/2024

Membership Type	Yearly	Monthly	
Adults 25 and over	£170	£60 in October	11 months at £10.
Adults 18-24 or disabled	£133	£23 in October	11 months at £10
Under 18	£73	£18 in October	11 months at £5

No action is required at this point the club will contact you later in the month to request payment of Archery GB and Club fees, check if you wish to pay yearly or monthly and let you know how you can pay.

Training Fees – The meeting agreed it would no longer offset the cost of Training Fees against Club Membership Fees for courses run in 2024 onwards.

AGM Quorate – agreed to change the current $\frac{1}{3}$ of members in attendance to allow AGM to take place (i.e. to be quorate). And move to the number of committee members (minimum 6) times two plus one. Which prevents the committee taking control of the club.

Crossbows – the meeting agreed to remove the prohibition of crossbows from its constitution. This was previously a venue requirement at Claydon High school. The committee will now agree the rules and constraints for crossbows at the next committee meeting.

First Aiders Course – the meeting agreed to pay for a first aid course at the club for a number of members (numbers to be agreed) so the club has sufficient cover.

Safeguarding Course – the meeting agreed to pay for a safeguarding course at the club for a number of members (numbers to be agreed) so the club has sufficient cover. AGB policy requires all those helping to assist archers on the shooting line to have current safeguarding training. **The club will ask for volunteers for both of the above later in the year.**

Range End Speed – The meeting acknowledged that different shooting styles resulted in a different speed for shooting six arrows. To facilitate this, the meeting agreed that an archer who had a faster shooting style could, should they wish, use a different club range if available and use a larger boss on that range.

Training / Event Help – Membership Fee Reduction (ACTION REQUIRED**)**

The club agreed at the last years AGM to reduce Adult Club Fees for each event a member helped at by one week's membership (£2.50). The club has some records of who helped but not a complete one. Please let the Club Secretary – Trevor Benjamin – know by **20th September** the training / event dates you helped at – even if it was for just half an hour. Please don't be modest your help and support is essential to the club in running these activities. As a thank you this fee reduction is the club's acknowledgment of that help. And we cant run these activities without that help.

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Target Faces

The club introduced the use of waterproof target faces this year so that they can be left out in most weathers. But have noticed a deterioration of the larger 122cm waterproof faces compared to the nursery range 80cm faces. This might be usage but to understand this better we ask all members to only use bullet style arrows



points on them. And to use paper faces for points with “shoulders” and to remove them after use as they can’t tolerate getting wet. See picture – the club can then establish if it’s the arrows that have shoulders that are shortening the life of the waterproof targets. **Thanks for your cooperation on this.**

Equipment Sales – this month is 17th September – where the club makes a sale table available on behalf of members to sell no longer required equipment and for buyers to be able to pick up used items with the knowledge they can speak directly to the seller.

- Sellers to mark with price, sellers name and small description.
- Buyers to check directly with sellers regarding any questions.

Field Shoot (Date / Time change) 24th September 10am - An introduction to Field Archery followed by a chance to shoot both Field faces and 3d targets on the main range and field range. Nursery range available for members who don't want to participate.

Club Target Days - Sundays 10th October and 1st November.

Thanks, GVA Committee|