

Dear GVA Club Members

Emergency General Meeting – 11th December 2023 – 7:30pm (max 20 minutes) via Microsoft Teams. An EGM is to be held to propose a change to the club's constitution. This is because the donation of assets by St Edmunds Archers has restrictions that the GVA constitution does not currently meet.

Meeting login details <https://teams.live.com/joinmeeting/9426260777691?p=gczqP7b0qkrsQMka>

If you cannot attend the meeting, you can provide your vote by proxy. To do this email the club at gippingvalleyarchers@outlook.com and state **your name**, who you have **nominated to give your vote**, please feel free to nominate a committee member if easier. And if you are **'for'** or **'against'** the proposed change, as detailed below.

PROPOSITION – to change the current GVA dissolution clause in the club's constitution.

From: -

37. In the event of dissolution of the Club: -

(a) All Club assets would be offered for sale at an open auction, all monies being added to the funds of the Club.

(b) Following reimbursement of all outstanding creditors, each paid up member of the Club will be refunded a pro rata proportion of the remaining funds.

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37. In the event of dissolution of the Club: -

(a) All Club assets could be offered for sale at an open auction, all monies being added to the funds of the Club.

(b) Following reimbursement of all outstanding creditors, all assets will be offered as follows:

- An archery club with Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) registration.
- A registered charity.
- Or the sport's governing body – Archery GB.

Committee Vacancies – The club needs to fill the following roles on the committee, if interested please let Trevor Benjamin know via a message to gippingvalleyarchers@outlook.com by the **10th December 2023**.

- Junior Representative
- Senior Representative
- Disable Representative
- Event's Organiser
- Tournament Officer

A description of the roles is available at <http://gippingvalleyarchers.co.uk/club-activities/committee-202324/> Volunteers who take on a role will be provided assistance and guidance. If you would like to discuss any of the roles prior to deciding, please contact Trevor Benjamin.

Christmas Fun Shoot – Our regular festive fun shoot will be **Sunday 10th December**, setup at 10am, briefing 10:45 and shooting starts at 11:00. Medals for winners of each-bow type, gender, and age group.

Tournaments

Open Portsmouth Braintree - feedback Andres and Simon

As this was my first ever competition as a novice, I utterly enjoyed it and I would encourage anybody to do it no matter what ability they are at. It was awesome to be there, very welcoming, and easy to understand. Very well-done Braintree Bowmen to organise and welcome other clubs to be part of it. So, looking forwards I would be proud to represent our club GVA again. We are upcoming slowly, but we will be there no matter what.

Very enjoyable for first competition, friendly bunch of people with food and drink provided.

Blue Arrows - 28th January - WA 18 two sessions 9.00am and 1.00pm. Northgate Sports Centre, Sidegate Lane West, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 3DJ. Record Status, £15.

<http://www.bluearrows.org.uk/index.php/news-events/online-bookings>

Braintree Bowmen - 4th February - **Open Worcester** two sessions 8.45am and 12.15pm. Gosfield School Sports Hall, CO9 1PF. £10.

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/braintreebowmen/1055302>

Archer Development – the coaching team recently published its planned activities in an email to all on the 26th November, and will appear on the club programme. The first is our Coaching Clinic - Sunday 3rd December 2pm. Will be for groups of archers to be observed by coaches and receive advice on aspects of their technique they might like to improve.

Gift Voucher – Stuck for a gift idea – the club offer gift vouchers for both our training events.

Taster Session - For those wishing to experience archery, the three-hour session gives you a basic introduction. The session is 3 hours and costs £10 for under 18 and £15 Adults.

Beginners Course - Our four-session 12-hour Course for those interested in taking up archery and joining a club. Costs £40 for under 18 - and Adults - £60.

Safeguarding and Anti Bullying - There are a couple of free AGB eLearning courses that some members might like to have a look at. These are Safeguarding Scenarios and Respect in Archery.

To access you need to log on to the sports80 website. <https://agb.sport80.com/v/726339/home> Then “Access Learning Curve” left hand menu. This should take you to “Access Learning Curve”. Go to “Training Library” left hand menu. Then View Courses. If you have not logged on before, please e-mail ‘Activate’ to membership@archerygb.org.

Festive Season Closure – The Golf Centre and therefore the Archery Range will be closing early on the 24 and closed all day 25 and 26 December.

GVA Committee