



## NOTES OF THE CLUBS MEETING

1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 18.30

Location: remote video conference

<b>Present:</b>	Marc Scott	MSc	Chairman
	Hazel Campbell	HC	Coaching Director
	Mike Henry	MH	Performance Director
	Neil Armitage	NA	AGB Appointed Director – not attending
	Andrew Partridge	AP	AGB Appointed Director – not attending
	Eilish Ward	EW	Independent Director
	Kim Pegrum	KP	Company Secretary
	...plus 17 members from 8 clubs and academy		

Action items assigned to Board members shown as bold initials, e.g. **(KP)**.

- 1. Apologies** – received from (AP) and (RMcC)
- (MSc) welcomed everybody to the meeting and explained the etiquette of muted microphones and signalling visually and using the chat facility.

Prime subject of the meeting is the **planning the return to archery**.

- 3.** Questions received prior to the meeting?

Membership fees: possibility of reduced fees next year?

Ans.: will need to refer to AGB **(MSc)**

AGB guidelines not specific and open to interpretation by different clubs?

Ans.: Sport NI guidance document indicates archery as a non-contact low risk sport and sport in NI is now at Step 1 of the five step return to normality.

One-pager summary of AGB guidelines was read through. Copy to be circulated **(KP)**

Insurance: is this still valid?

Ans.: need to contact club's own insurance companies for this. For AGB insurance, will need to check with AGB **(MSc)**

Shoots and Competitions: for example, an indoor shoot in November – should this be cancelled?

Ans.: no definite answer on this, but should probably hold off for now. Step 1 only allows limited outdoor shooting, indoor will not be permissible for some while yet.

Awaiting Sport NI and local government Department to respond to request for archery to re-start based on AGB guidelines; hopefully this will be possible from June 8<sup>th</sup> but to be confirmed.

PPE: this is an additional expense and may be difficult to obtain. Before making an announcement to restart, clubs may not be ready and some members will not abide by the guidelines.

Ans.: Step 1 is only an extension of training and is restricted shooting only, only outdoors, no competitions. PPE required will include sanitizer, gloves and possibly masks (similar to retail shops)

Setting up bosses – how can this be done? Depends on each club whether bosses can be left out, or who can be nominated boss erectors.

Concern raised over volunteers who may not to work to the rules. Do you really want these people at the club if they will not abide by the rules? It's a challenge for everybody!

Renting of property by clubs: an additional cost at this time; this comes into the discussion about overall costs to clubs.

Shooting indoors and the greater risk from spray from release etc.: not even talking about starting indoor shooting now, that's a matter for a later date.

Each club must determine when they are ready to start shooting, based on their risk assessment.

Field archery: outdoor is OK for distancing but changing faces is an issue?

Suggested answers: everybody brings their own faces. No moving around course, just stay at one target. Have sanitizer at each boss to wipe down face. Use waterproof faces.

If date comes and club is ready to start, do we need to inform/get approval from ANI or AGB or Sport NI?

Ans.: no, not necessary; all depends on clubs own risk assessment and approval of landowner.

No further questions or discussion.

4. (MSc) concluded saying that ANI would continue to provide as much guidance as possible. Any other questions may be sent to ANI by email. Request to clubs to be cautious, as do not want a 'spike' in outbreaks.  
ANI will confirm if 8<sup>th</sup> June is Step 1 re-start date when gov. Dept. responds **(MSc)**

Meeting closed at 7.45pm