

Minutes of the 67th Annual General Meeting of the Yorkshire Archery Association held at Barnsley Archery Club on Saturday 11th March 2017

Introduction to the AGM 2017 – President Andrew Neal

Welcome to the 2017 AGM.

Just a few words from me as President before the main meeting, some of which I am sure will get mentioned in the various reports we have.

If you were here last year I mentioned the difficult year we had in 2015 with work parties for the 2 YAA weekends in Wetherby. It is pleasing to say that 2016 saw an increased number of volunteers to assist at the weekends and I only hope that continues for this year.

I would personally like to thank those members on the committee that have assisted throughout the year in the various activities run.

AGM2017/1/1 Attendance:

Adwalton Moor; D Walsh
Aardwolf Archers; M Groves, C Marshall;
Archers of East Riding; P Jones
Barnsley AC; G Smith, K Winsett
Bowmen of Leeds; A Wilkinson; S Haigh
Bowmen of St Mary's; M Holtby
Chantry; N Lawrence
Dearne Valley Archers; A Kiddy, J Sedden
DeLacey; K Fitzpatrick, M Fitzpatrick
Nova Bowmen; S Slater
Pennine; B Woodcock, H Woodcock, G Beeby
Saville Bowmen; M Hayes
Selby Archers; A Neal, D Phillips;
Valley Bowmen of Huddersfield; P McGuire
Wakefield; C Heap
YAA; P Castle
York Archers; L Smith, R Ford
[26 Archers]

AGM2017/1/2 Apologies for Absence:

Arrowflight; G Rhodes
Cobra; M Hannan
Dearne Valley Archers; M Kiddy
Hull Kingston; A Ward
St Georges; D Norman
Selby; C Byde
White Rose Archery Club; N Smethurst
Direct; Sean Gleeson

AGM2017/2 **Minutes of the AGM 12th March 2016**

AGM2017/2/1 **Points of Accuracy**

Page 1 2005 should be 2015

Page 9 Corrections made and issued to AGM 2017

AGM2017/2/2 **Approval of minutes.**

Resolved

With the above corrections the minutes of the 65th AGM were accepted as a true record.

Proposed by Martin Holtby

Seconded by Mick Groves

AGM2017/3 **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

There were no matters arising.

AGM2017/4 **Chairman's Report - Mark Hayes**

I would like to welcome everyone to this year's AGM and I would like to thank Barnsley AC for making the arrangements for the AGM and for the use of the room throughout the year.

As you will hear from the committee reports archery in Yorkshire continues to be in a healthy position which is entirely due to the dedication of a small number of volunteers in relation to the counties membership, who have ensured that there is;

- An increased number of coaches across the county which benefits our clubs.
- Additional judges available for the clubs who run tournaments.
- Successful competitions held by the county in Target, Field & Clout disciplines.
- Good management of our finances so that we can continue to invest in equipment and grants to archers, coaches and judges.
- Successful archers of all ages who have represented both our country and county over the past 12 months.

Therefore it is important that we continue to get help from our membership so that we can continue this successful management of our sport, so if you would like to volunteer and stand as a committee member or to even if it is to help out for a few hours at one of our tournaments at Wetherby you are very welcome.

Lastly I would like to thank the members of this committee for their time and efforts in the last 12 months.

AGM2017/5 **Secretary's Report - Andy Wilkinson**

I get enquiries from schools and would like to be aware of anyone working in schools, commercially or through clubs. The other main enquiry I get is can you put me on one of your beginners courses; I respond that the county does not run beginners courses and that they will need to contact a local club.

AGM2017/6 **Treasurer's Report - Dave Phillips**

My thanks again to Mick Groves of Aardwolf Archers who carried out the validation exercise. I am pleased to report no issues were reported.

For 2016 the Association made a surplus of £665.60.

We again financially supported County teams in the GNAS Mid-summer Team Tournament at Lilleshall and at the Inter Counties event in Lancashire.-

Membership, as reported by GNAS for their year to October 2016, dropped slightly by 1% (3712 to 3670), but membership remains above the 2014 figure (3632). YAA received a total of 3389 affiliation payments during 2016 compared to 3627 in 2015. We received 315 individual affiliation transactions, through the year.

We issued 3 archer grants during 2016, once again all to juniors.

The claims process for coach achievement grants continued to receive requests in 2016, 16 in total, with 6 Level 1 and two County Coach award being presented. Eight further applications were received under the September 2015 policy, 7 Level 2 and 1 Level 1, which were ultimately presented in February 2017. The grant policy was again reviewed in January 2017 and during 2017, all applications will be processed as they are received.

We issued 3 grants for Judge Achievement, 2 at Regional Level and 1 at National Level.

We sold on 8 of our second hand tournament bosses from Wetherby to Yorkshire clubs.

The fund (£325) collected at the raffle at the single WA 1440/Lez Newsome Memorial in June were presented to Wheatfields Hospice, in memory of Lez.

The accounts from the 2015 Field Championships were received in January 2015 and the surplus amounted to £333. This is included in the sundries figure in these accounts. Also included under sundries is the cost of the Honda Generator we purchased after the first weekend at Wetherby, when we identified that the 240v/13A power supply we require to run the Danage time and light system had been removed. Thankfully it was reinstalled in the few days before the Double WA 144 weekend, and the generator was not after all put into service.

The changes to the affiliation fees introduced by GNAS, i.e. the removal of block fees for junior and disabled clubs, which we agreed to follow for our junior and disabled clubs, results in 23 junior and 8 disabled clubs electing to amalgamate. We currently have 9 junior clubs and 6 disabled clubs registered. The requirement introduced by GNAS for all clubs and direct members, that they must affiliate to County & Region has resulted in a surge in direct members to 22 from 5 in 2015. Two new schools also affiliated under this requirement. We also had 3 new clubs join the YAA during the year.

For 2016/17 we allowed an option for juniors and disabled clubs to pay either the block fee or an individual fee, which has caused a little confusion. We are looking to introduce an individual per capita fee of 30p for junior and disabled archers for 2017/18, and to reduce the University fee from £50 to £25, and we will be asking the AGM to consider and hopefully approve these changes later.

For 2017 we agreed to increase the Honorarium payments to the YAA Tournament hosts, from £50 to £75 and from £100 to £150, in recognition of the work they do in putting on the tournaments.

Thank you for listening to me and I would now be very happy to answer any questions you may have.

Resolved

The accounts as presented were approved.

Proposed by Gareth Beeby

Seconded by Martin Holtby

Affiliation Fees for 2017/18

The Treasurer recommends, and the Committee supports the recommendation, that:-

The YAA Affiliation fees, payable from September 2017, should be:-

Senior archers (25+)	£3.00	per person
Senior Archers (18 to 24)	£3.00	per person
Junior Archers (under 18)	£0.30	per person
Archers with Disabilities (senior or Junior)	£0.30	per person
Juniors in School Club	£5.00	Club block fee
Archers in University club	£25.00	Club block fee

AGREED to adopt the new fees

Discussed options for investment; the deposit account receives a low interest rate. Options were suggested including "Funding Circle" a peer to peer lending organisation. Committee will take the recommendations and consider options.

Andrew Neal identified that if the capital reserves are increased then what should the YAA do with the money in order to invest in grass roots archery within the county?

Approved Mick Groves to conduct validation on 2017 accounts in January 2018.

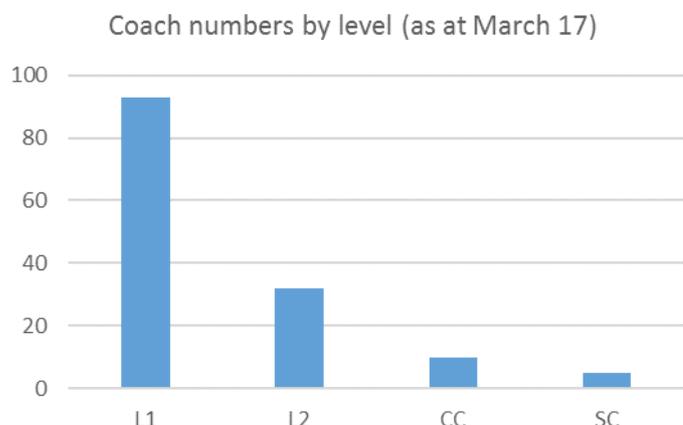
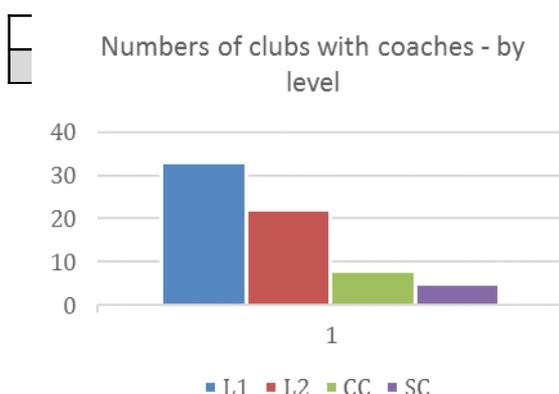
AGM2017/7 Officers Reports

AGM 2017/7/1 CCO Kath Fitzpatrick

YAA Coaching numbers

As at the latest report from the Archery GB database, we have a total of 140 coaches within the county, including direct members. These are broken down as follows:

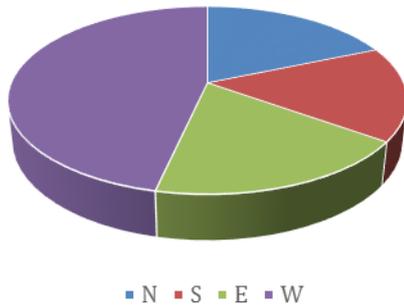
This does not include those going through renewal in March nor any awaiting DBS who are temporarily not on the list .



In total, 38 clubs with a broad geographical spread now have qualified coaches. This includes three University clubs.

N	S	E	W
8	7	8	20

Number of clubs with coaches in each Yorkshire area



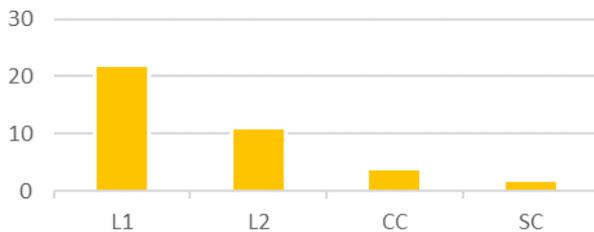
This reflects broadly the concentration of clubs in each area. A notable success has been the expansion of coach numbers in clubs along the East coast area and in North Yorkshire, which was a target area for the county's development.

N	S	E	W	direct	total
27	28	23	58	4	140

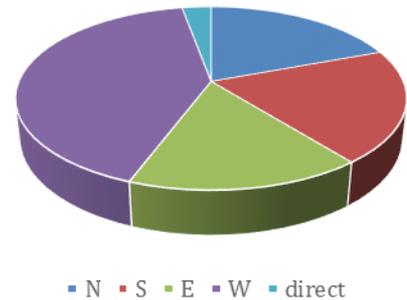
Of the coaching workforce, 39 are female,

which represents 28% of the total. Of these, 22 are L1, 12 are L2, 4 are County Coach and 2 are Senior Coach.

Numbers of female coaches by grade



Number of coaches in each Yorkshire area plus Direct



Coaching Activities

Coach education continues to throughout the county over the – Haxby, Keighley, Doncaster. successfully completed this



be strong with courses running at several venues past year – Huddersfield area, York University, York Both Level 1 and level 2 courses have been year.



Our available at Leeds and Huddersfield. (Pictures show coaching at York University)

universities are well supported with coaching York, Hull, Bradford,

All universities are active and supported in their local leagues (NEUAL) and BUCS in what is a thriving archery scene; increasingly universities are asking for coaches usually at a minimum L2.



Junior archery is once again thriving too. Our Junior / Youth squad has 22 attending regularly and we are stretched for space at times. The coaching team continues to develop and grow with visitors from other regions and counties attending for their own CPD. The AGB programme for Talent Development is used as a basis for training which includes band and bow drills, technique development, fitness for archery, nutrition,

competitive shooting and mental control. The group covers recurve and compound with ages from 10 to 18. Several of our juniors attend Talent Development workshops at Lilleshall on a quarterly basis with some of the coaching being provided



by YAA coaches.

photos left and right – training at YAA squad in Haxby, York; below left and right – Niamh and Megan training at the AGB academy)



We also have three juniors on the AGB National Academy; Niamh Titchener and Megan Tinker are part of the National Age Group Academy and Joe Fairburn the Talent Confirmation Academy.

Izzy and Adam Carpenter are stalwarts of the Compound Squad and both have turned in excellent performances at international level. I was privileged to be a team coach in Hungary last year to witness their success at the European Cup.



Our juniors have been successful in domestic competitions too and performed well in the YAA team and the National Championships

Left – YAA archer Catherine Dales receiving her silver medal at the Junior Nationals; right – Joe Fairburn receiving his silver medal after winning gold on the Saturday



Senior squad

As well as our juniors we also provide a training programme for senior archers, which is led by county coach Ian Foster at Haxby. This has seen a regular attendance from both recurve and compound archers who have individual development plans to support their performance improvements. Ian is well supported by a number of coaches all of whom provide their time and expertise free, as with the junior squad.

My thanks go to all those coaches – Jean Clarkson, Karen Dales, Bev Detoef, Mick Fitzpatrick, Ian Foster, Mary Hannan, Steve Jones, Lesley Wallace and Andy Wilkinson.

Coaching development

Karen Dales, one of our squad coaches, has completed the Talent Coach development programme at Lilleshall, receiving her certificate of graduation from Lloyd Brown, and as well as the YAA junior squad now coaches on the Talent Development workshops and more recently with the Invictus programme for injured servicemen.

It is good this year to hear about so much coaching activity in clubs around the county, and our more senior coaches at Senior and County coach levels have been active across a number of clubs with ongoing coaching to support club coaches and CPD workshops.



Yorkshire also hosted the **NCAS coaching conference** this year. The morning session was devoted to recurve technique development, ably demonstrated by archers from the AGB Northern Academy as unfortunately Lloyd Brown had to drop out at short notice. The afternoon saw another excellent workshop on compounds from



Ben Jones of Merlin Archery. 43 coaches attended the day from around the region and beyond.

YAA coaches were also well represented once again at the British Transplant Games, held in 2016 in Liverpool on a very wet day- as the photo shows. As always the event was well attended by participants and coaches alike – 2017 in Scotland!



National Developments

The past year saw the demise of the National Coaching Committee as the new Board structure took shape and Operations moves more under direct control of the Board and CEO.

The review of coaching starts this month with workshops around the country with the development of a new technical model for both recurve and compound that will inform the review and restructuring of coach education courses. The aim is to ensure we have an aligned coaching pathway with the same technical model providing the basis for archer development.

All in all it seems that coaching is healthy in the county, with growth in the areas where we had identified a need.

NCAS Coaching Conference is in Chester-Le-Street on 23rd April and is being organised by Kath Hall.

AGM2017/7/2 Judges Liaison - Karen Winsett

Dear Chairman and Committee Members

Can I start my report by informing the Committee that all our Judges who were up for assessment last year all passed their assessments, which now means that Yorkshire has 3 National Judges/5 Regional Judges/2 County Judges and 1 Candidate Judge.

This includes Regional Judge Kieran Dexter who is up for National Assessment this year who has come under the YAA umbrella from another area, and Sarah Dickenson who has also come under the YAA from the Youth Judges Scheme, Welcome to them both, may I also welcome Viv Oxley who is the YAA new Candidate Judge.

Although Yorkshire is looking a lot healthier for Judges for many years and also better than lots of other Counties, we are still struggling for Judges as some of you may know in requesting attending Judges for your competitions. This is due to lots more Clubs wanting to put shoots on, and also requests from outside the County to borrow YAA Judges to help out with their shoots.

So that question is still around, if you know of anyone being interested in becoming a YAA Judge please ask them if they would contact me.

I do have some bad news which I purposely left till the AGM, Steve Howard Regional Judge has passed on his resignation as Judge, I'm sure lots of you have met Steve over the years he has been Judging. Steve originally was a YAA Judge but due to moving home moved out of the YAA area but we always called on Steve to the YAA shoots and also Club shoots in Yorkshire and used Steve as a guest Judge. May I say Steve had been unhappy with the Judging system for quite some years; we were able to discuss most things and help him when we could, but the last Regional Assessment was the last straw for Steve. Unable to change his mind to keep on Judging I had no option but to accept and also the Regional JLO accepted his resignation, I wish him well from the YAA Judges Team he will be missed.

The YAA Judges Voucher scheme went well again this year, the only change was that only 2 options for vouchers were given to the Judges, all Judges were happy with this.

The 2016 YAA shoots all went well, the 2017 YAA Judges request went out in September and all the Competitions now have attending Judges, this includes the YAA Clout shoot going to a 2 day shoot and also the NCAS Clout shoot also being 2 days.

There are problems with attending Judges for some Club shoots at this time; I have informed the

Regional JLO who has sent out requests for Judges from other Counties, we are trying our best to cover all Club shoots.

AGM2017/7/3 Junior Officer - Mary Hannan

No report received

AGM2017/7/4 PRO – Vacant

No report

AGM2017/7/5 Target Tournaments - Andrew Neal

The year started with the 2016 Indoor Championships which again was full and was again full by the middle of January.

The 2017 Indoor Championships is to take place tomorrow, again with a full entry, again full by the middle of January.

The annual YAA weekend shoots took place in June and July at the Wetherby Grange Park venue.

2016 saw the first Lez Newsome Memorial Metric Day which also hosted the Northern Counties Junior representative match with East Midlands. 42 targets lined the field on a cloudy cool day. A raffle was held on the day with the £325 proceeds being donated to the hospice that looked after Lez in his last few weeks.

The Championships saw better warm weather and again a healthy entry of 37 targets.

The Double WA1440 again was hit by poor weather with the Wetherby wind taking centre stage.

The outlook for the 2017 outdoor weekends is very good with entries coming in at a healthy rate. It is not known whether we will be hosting the usual NCAS v EMAS Junior Representative match this year as talk has been on possible rotation. I will hopefully find out next week. .

I would again like to thank all those that have been involved in the shoots, and make the usual plea for more helpers to ensure these weekends run smoothly.

AGM2017/7/5/2 Clout - Mark Hayes

The Yorkshire Archery Association Clout championships took place on Sunday 17th April 2016 at Hutton Cranswick Sports Field near Driffild the home of Archers of East Riding who were excellent hosts as always. The weather was cool, clear and breezy making for challenging shooting conditions.

There was an increased entry of 99 archers with 98 shooting across all classes, Shelley Hurst acted as Lady Paramount with Stephen Howard, Allan Shuker and Martin Middleton judging, shooting commenced at 11am and continued after lunch with a 3.30pm finish.

The trophies and medals were awarded in the clubhouse shortly after shooting finished and 4 tassel awards were claimed on the day everyone way on their way home by 4.30pm.

The results were emailed to those requesting a copy the following day along with a report to Tim for

publication in the next YAA newsletter and on the YAA website.

I would like to thank Shelley for being Lady Paramount, Stephen, Allan and Martin for judging, the members of Archers of East Riding for the use of their excellent venue and for providing hot drinks and food all day as well as running the raffle.

The 2017 shoot will be on Sunday 16th April (Easter Weekend) at Driffield again, record status and tassel status have been applied for and this year will include an open Fita Clout on Saturday 15th.

AGM2017/7/5/3 Field – Michelle Kiddy

The 2016 YAA Field Championships took place on the 23rd October 2016 at Savin Royd Wood at Haigh. The championships were part of a bigger two day selection status FITA Combined tournament with overcast, cold but calm conditions.

The Yorkshire Champions were determined by the second day scores only. There were 21 entries for the YAA Championships over 11 categories and an additional 52 visitors who competed in the 2 day open competition.

Thanks to Dearne Valley AC again for the use of their excellent field and catering facilities.

Hope to see even more people there this year when the date has been confirmed.

AGM2017/7/5/4 Longbow

Organised for the 5th August 2017

AGM2017/7/6 County Team Coordinator – Gareth Beeby

In 2016 the Yorkshire Archery Association sent full complement teams to three events. The National County Team Tournament, the 5-Counties juniors match and the 5-Counties match. The NCTT was held at Lilleshall on the weekend of the 25th and 26th of June. There were a total of 25 applicants for the 18 places available with is encouraging for the team in future. Many of the scores submitted were from last year which is a by-product of the selection process and the cut-off date for score submission. The weekend itself was a marathon effort by all with multiple weather conditions experienced throughout the event. There was tremendous team spirit displayed amongst all of the archers and strong support for the teams when they were shooting the head-to-head matches. The Gents longbow team finished 2nd and the Ladies recurve team finished 3rd in the combined results for the weekend. Additionally the ladies longbow team were 2nd although this was not awarded due to the lack of entries in this category. The full team was:

Michelle Kiddy
Shelley Hurst
Jessie Slater

Isabelle Carpenter
Marina Rose
Viv Oxley

Penny Mowforth

Sheila Hudson
Deborah Waterhouse

Steve Shipley
Thomas Mowforth
Neil Crickmore

Will Kempf
Adam Carpenter

Jez Clarke

Brendan Bourke

Richard Allan

Patrick Revell

The weekend of the 1st and 2nd of October saw the annual Northern Counties Inter-Counties event. This year's event was held at the Bowmen of Pendle and Samlesbury in Lancashire. Saturday was the junior event and Yorkshires 15 strong team put in a strong performance on a chilly and overcast day, with several members of the team representing Yorkshire for the first time. This event also incorporates the Regional Junior championship. Individual honours went to:

Millie Bartrop 1st place Girls Longbow on the Bristol 5
Rosie Elliott 1st place Girls Longbow on the Bristol 4
Alyssa Barraclough 3rd place Girls Recurve on the Bristol 3
Luca Jaques 2nd place Boys Recurve on the Bristol 3
Jessica Howden 3rd place Girls Recurve on the Bristol 2
Megan Tinker 1st place Girls Recurve on the Bristol 2
Izzy Carpenter 1st place Girls Compound on the Bristol 2
Lewis Slater 3rd place Boys Recurve on the Bristol 2
Ben Daniel 2nd place Boys Recurve on the Bristol 2
Luke Stocks 1st place Boys Recurve on the Bristol 2
Adam Carpenter 1st place Boys Compound on the Bristol 2

Overall Champions titles went to:

Rosie Elliott for Girls Longbow
Izzy Carpenter for Girls Compound
Adam Carpenter for Boys compound with a new National Record and maximum score 1296
Rosie Elliott and Millie Bartrop also won the Longbow Girls Team trophy

Other members of the team were:

Hannah Stocks
Lauren Rogers
Niamh Titchener
Emma-Rose Culshaw

Sunday was the Senior event with a full complement 16-person team making the trip to Lancashire. On a bright sunny day, there were many top performances with many Personal best shot on the day. Yorkshire returned with many trophies from the event:

The Wilkinson Sword for the overall Compound Team
The Wooden Love Spoon for the overall Longbow Team
The Durham Lamp Trophy for the Ladies Recurve Team
The Cumbria Glass Trophy for the Ladies Compound Team
The Cumbria Glass Trophy for the Gentleman's Compound Team
The Claret Jug for the Overall County Team Champions

There were highest score medals for:

Sheila Hudson – Ladies Longbow
Izzy Carpenter – Ladies Compound
Mark Franklin – Gents Compound

The full team was

Jessie Slater
Shelley Hurst
Sarah Monteith

Mark Franklin
Adam Carpenter
Jez Clarke

Gemma Breese
Izzy Carpenter
Marina Rose

Pete Bargewell
Simon Adams
Neil Crickmore

Helen Woodcock
Sheila Hudson

Patrick Revell
Richard Allan

Yorkshire representative bars and medals have been awarded to all those archers that have represented Yorkshire in 2016 in either target or clout disciplines.

AGM2017/7/7 CPO – Martin Holtby

Provided advice and guidance throughout the year.

AGM 2017/8 Proposals to Change YAA Constitution at 2017 AGM

New changes and insertions are in **bold and underlined**. Deletions are shown with strikethrough.

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Constitution

This constitution, amended ~~March 2015~~ **March 2017**, shall in no way contravene the Constitution of the Grand National Archery Society **trading as ArcheryGB**, except in respect of Clause 14 (Proxy Voting). All shooting organised by the Y.A.A. or any of its members, must conform with the Rules of Shooting laid down by the Grand National Archery Society. **The Y.A.A. shall follow policies and procedures required by the G.N.A.S.**

Passed unanimously

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Clause 27 - ~~Child Protection~~ Safeguarding Officer

The Association shall appoint, from among its membership, a ~~Child Protection~~ **Safeguarding** Officer and a Deputy ~~Child Protection~~ **Safeguarding** Officer, with powers to carry out the roles and duties of such officers as described in the GNAS ~~“Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy”~~ **“Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy”** in force at the time. These officers shall be appointed at such time as to ensure that both posts are filled continuously as far as is practical.

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Passed unanimously

AGM2017/9 Election of Officers & General Committee

No posts were contested.

The officers and committee members were elected as follows:

The new committee list is attached as an appendix.

This concluded the official business of the 67th AGM and the meeting closed at 11.56

YORKSHIRE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION
AGM 2017
TERMS OF OFFICE AND RE-ELECTION DATES OF OFFICERS and GENERAL
COMMITTEE
As AGM March 2017

		To AGM 2018	To AGM 2019
President	Andrew Neal		X
Vice Presidents	Karen Winsett		X
	Albert Kiddy	X	
Chairman	Mark Hayes		X
Secretary	Andy Wilkinson	X	
Treasurer	Dave Phillips	X	
Target Tournament Organiser	Andrew Neal		X
Coaching Organiser (Deputy CPO)	Kath Fitzpatrick		X
Public Relations Officer	Simon Slater		X
Clout Officer	Mark Hayes	X	
Field Officer	Michelle Kiddy		X
Junior Officer	Helen Woodcock	X	
Judge Liaison Officer	Karen Winsett	X	
Minutes Secretary	Louise Smith		X
County Teams Co-ordinator	Gareth Beeby	X	
General Committee	Trish Castle		X
	Mick Fitzpatrick	X	
	Mick Groves		X
	Adrian Hayes	X	
	Christine Heap		X
	Carole Marshall		X
	Carole Reaney	X	
	David Reaney	X	
	Patrick Revell	X	
	Sharon Revell	X	
	Richard Ford		X
	Gwen Smith	X	
	Danny Walsh		X
(Child Protection Officer)	Martin Holtby		X

25 Individuals on the committee