

JUDGES' COMMISSION MEETING 6 JANUARY 2014

Present: Logan Andrew, Anne Mitchell, Elizabeth Ellery-Siaosi, Les Jones, Colin Tucker, Carole Hicks.

Apologies: Richard Schieb, Graeme Williams.

Logan welcomed members to the meeting which opened at 5.05pm.

He noted the list of Judges in The Archer needed to be updated.

1 Bow scales

Les noted the problem with the Easton digital equipment was mostly the non-standard method of archers drawing the string and thus significantly altering the reading. Carole noted that the WA has swung back to the "old" spring loaded measuring device but this needed to be regularly tested and calibrated. In NZL the Weights and Measures division declined to carry out the task which means we have no guaranteed accurate means of weighing compound bows. A hung weight of 60lb would be ideal but difficult to transport and many clubs would not have appropriate facilities. Elizabeth will check what happens in Field shooting and Carole will seek advice from the International Judges' Committee.

2 Recruitment

Logan noted we were down to 12 Judges/Candidates, not all of whom are active. There is an urgent need for more Judges in the lower North Island where there is only Graeme and sometimes Carole.

There are several likely candidates in the Auckland area including two from AAC, possible one from Mt Green with a response awaited from Shore. Logan will convey to Elizabeth Andrew our thanks for her successful recruitment drive.

There is likely to be two candidates from AimTru in Christchurch. To date no nominations have been received from any club.

Les initiated discussion about the possibility of having two tiers - regional Judges who work just in their immediate area for small tournaments and national Judges trained to a higher level and who would officiate at Nationals and other important

tournaments. Carole suggested that all Judges be trained as National Judges but have additional level of training for Chief Judges. This the group felt was more appropriate.

There needs to be a regular article in the Archer and on the web site to encourage more people to apply.

It is important to train Technical Delegates and Directors of Shooting. Carole noted she had been DoS of the National Outdoors for more than 25 years and "the novelty had worn off".

3 Administrator

Graeme Williams had indicated he would be happy to undertake the role. Moved Carole/Anne **Carried**

Carole and Anne will work with him to set up the system.

4 Uniform/Umbrellas

Uniforms are provided as is accommodation and lunches at national tournaments. It would be good to have LOCs give some form of acknowledgement of the work done like a banquet ticket, at local tournaments petrol vouchers, etc. Umbrellas are not what everyone wants to use. Judges who have left need to return their uniforms to Graeme. Hats – it was agreed we retain the red hat but the style is a matter of personal preference.

5 Inclement weather

This exists in WA rules and ours but is not necessarily well known or understood domestically. The NZL tournament rules need to be updated. CH to do.

6 Seminar

It was agreed we need to hold a training seminar in 2014, preferably in July and in Auckland. Logan will arrange the same venue as the last time (St Joseph's??) with accommodation probably at Epsom Motel or closer to the venue. Anne will work with Graeme on accommodation and flights. Les and Carole will provide the content for the seminar. There will be an emphasis on Indoor and Field as well as the WA rule changes on Para-Archery. Anne will circulate notes from the previous seminar. A notice to all Judges needs to be sent soon with the expectation they will attend. It is part of the on-going education and accreditation

process of Judges that they attend a seminar at least once every three years. This year will be "it" for several people.

7 WA rules vis a vis ANZ rules

Les noted it was not always possible for ANZ to follow/apply WA rules. He will circulate details to all Judges for information/comment.

8 Minutes of the last meeting

Ann Powley had circulated the minutes and the pictures of the badges to be won in ANZ tournaments. Moved Anne/Logan the minutes be accepted as a correct record. **Carried**

9 Convener

Logan noted the pressure of university work had meant he had not covered as much as he would have liked and that 2014 would be even busier. As a consequence he resigned effective immediately. Anne, Les and Carole all thanked him for undertaking the role when no-one else was prepared to do it, congratulated him on his contributions to Board matters and wished him well in his studies.

Moved Anne/Elizabeth Carole be elected to complete the term of office. **Carried**

Anne will send Carole the list of whose turn it is to provide Archer articles.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm