MINUTES OF THE 64th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held at Northgate Arena, Chester on 4th March 2018

CHAIRMAN: Steve Ash
PRESENT: 88 members representing 13 clubs.

1. APOLOGIES: Mike Shepherd, Ian Ashworth, Joyce Harrison, Linda Townsend, Gus Lavan, Joan Platt, Mark Dooley, Sean Allen, Katrina Horton.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST A.G.M.
   The minutes were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Alison Williams, seconded by Lord Ian Stowell. Proposal carried.

3. MATTERS ARISING. - None

4. CORRESPONDENCE. None.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Steve Ash. Report as follows:
   First of all can I thank all the members present for attending this Annual General Meeting. I am glad to be able to report that all the Cheshire County events were again run successfully. The organisers of the individual events will each present their own reports.

   I do not have a great deal to report this year so I shall keep what I do have to say brief. I would like to remind you as I have at previous A.G.M. that the business of running the county’s events and administration is carried out by volunteers. For a number of years we have been extremely lucky to have had very few changes to the committee and been able to fill the committee roles with capable and dedicated people. Their commitment in the roles allows the county to provide all the various things you as archers expect of your county. This year the county is faced with a number of changes to the committee. Mike Shepherd is standing down as Records Officer, Glen Small as Judge Liaison Officer, Joe Galbraith as Child Protection Officer, Peter Gregory as Field representative and myself as Chairman. Three people have put their names forward to take on the roles of Child Protection, Judge Liaison and Chairman. This still leaves two committee roles vacant that of Records Officer and Field Representative. Ann Shepherd has said she is willing to take on the role of Records Officer unless anyone else comes forward which leaves the Field representative role vacant. If there is anyone with experience of Field archery who feels they would like to take on this post to please let us know. I firmly believe that having an active committed Field representative is the only way we will increase participation by Cheshire archers in Field archery.

   As Chairman I have always known that the people filling the committee positions could be relied on to carry out their roles with dedication and with the best interests of the archers of Cheshire in mind. However I would like you to think about this, the majority of the committee have been in their roles for some time with several of them fulfilling more than one function. At some point, hopefully not too soon, some of the current committee may want to stand down from their positions. For the County organisations to continue in the way you as Cheshire Archers expect some of you will need to step forward and take on a role on the committee. If you have ever thought about supporting your county by taking on one of the committee positions please the Secretary know.
On behalf of the Archers of Cheshire I would like to thank the retiring committee members, Joe Galbraith, Glen Small and Mike Shepherd for their dedication and hard work for the county. Thanks also to Ann Shepherd, John Lewis, Joyce Harrison, Fiona German Lloyd, Peter Gregory, Keith Gardner and the teams of people that they themselves rely on for their hard work on behalf of the members of Cheshire Archery Association. Without your continued efforts as supporters and organisers Cheshire would not be able to run the coaching events and competitions which are as well attended and as successful as they are.

In conclusion I would like to thank all the Archers of Cheshire for their support and also for managing to not fall asleep during the various AGM’s I have been Chairman. I wish you all good weather and good shooting for the coming season.

(End of Report.)

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS:

**Complete Archer – Recurve**
Tracy Cross, Goldcrest Archers.

**Complete Archer – Compound**
Not awarded - no archer completed all rounds.

**Mackinder Trophy**
Tony Allan, North Cheshire Bowmen.

**Mike Denham Trophy**
Finlay Heydon, Goldcrest Archers.

COUNTY TEAM BARS

County Team Bars were presented to the following:

**Ladies:**
- Avril Bourke
- Amanda Biddulph
- Carol Bladen
- Ruth Breeze
- Hazel Chaisy
- Tracy Cross
- Sarah Davnall
- Katrina Horton
- Shelley Latham
- Megan Shaw
- Roisheen Sweeney
- Lin Tavlin
- Linda Townsend
- Sonya Watts
- Alison Williams
- Bev Wright

**Gentlemen:**
- Dave Alcock
- Shaun Allan
- Tony Allan
- Mike Christison
- Andy Davies
- Mark Disley
- Mark Dooley
- Ian Finlay
- Hugh Foster
- John Gardner
- Peter Gregory
- Steve Kelley
- Arfan Khan
- Daniel Labno
- Malcolm Lewis
- Jon Parris
- Steven Peake
- Liam Peake
- Andy Pollitt
- Ian Stowell
- Sam Thomas
- Matty Thomas
- Mick White
- Richard Worrell

The following **Juniors** won County Team Bars although some of these had already been presented at the Junior Indoor Championships:
- Debra Ashworth
- Rebecca Ashworth
- Joshua Borders
- Gina Gleeson
- Finlay Heydon
- Dylan Higgs
- Fearn Hinchliffe
- Rebecca Kellett
- Sam Kellett
- Harry Kelly
- Oliver Matthews
- Daniel Moreton
- Thomas Nairn
- Rebecca Roberts
- Daniel Thompson

6. OFFICERS REPORTS

a. **VICE CHAIRMAN: John Lewis.** Report attached.

b. **TREASURER: Keith Gardner.** Report and accounts attached.

c. **RECORDS OFFICER: Mike Shepherd.** Report as follows:

**Record Certificates to be presented today go to the following:**

The total number of Cheshire Records claimed since last year’s AGM is 57 which is an increase of 3 on last year’s figures.

This batch of Records consists of 31 Target scores, 23 Clout scores and 3 Field scores. The number of Target and Field scores are down on last year but there has been a substantial increase in the number of Clout Records.

The Records have been claimed by 14 different archers which is 6 individuals less than last year although between them they still represent 9 clubs, which is the same number as last year.

The highest number of Records claimed by a single archer this year is once again 11, closely followed by another with 10 and another with 9. However, our two highest achievers this year are seniors rather than juniors as in the previous couple of years.
Now to mention something odd about this year’s claims.
We would normally expect those wishing to claim County Records to do so fairly soon after the scores were
shot but this year seems to have brought us more late claims than ever.

Of the 57 Records claimed here: 6 of these were actually shot in 2016; 8 of them were shot in 2015 and one
was shot in 2012!
Late claims have been accepted in previous years but it was agreed at the last Committee meeting that this is
now becoming unworkable and the time has come to put a time limit on future Record claims. So, from the
date of this AGM all Records will need to be claimed within one year of the date of the shoot at which the
score was shot. The claim form will note this and it would be appreciated if those of you who are Club
Secretaries or Records Officers could circulate this information to your members please.

Having said all that, I would now like to congratulate all those Cheshire archers who have had record break-
ing success and wish everyone good shooting in 2018 with the hope of more Records to come.

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Total 57 Records claimed this year.
(End of report and presentation.)

d. & e.TOURNAMENT SECRETARY, SENIOR & JUNIOR: Fiona German Lloyd. Report as follows:

Indoor Championships 2017
67 Archers shot at the Cheshire Indoor Championships last year. This was the same as 2016. This was the first
time at the Ellesmere Port Catholic High School which has more parking space. Thanks to CCB for equipment
hire and Malcolm Lewis for sorting out and to John Wood for running the computer and Joyce Harrison for
support.

Numbers were up for the event with 28 targets on Saturday and 29 on Sunday. We incorporated the EAF Target
Championships on the Saturday with a target for each of the WA 1440 Cadet Lady (metric 2), a Metric 3, and
a Metric 4. On the Sunday we also had 16 people shooting the National as opposed to 5 last year.
Cheshire Lady Champion Recurve both days was Hazel Chaisty, Cheshire Gent Recurve Champion both days
was Anthony Allan, Cheshire Lady Champion Compound both days was Linda Townsend, Cheshire Gent
Compound Saturday was Steven Peake and Sunday was Daeron Meredith, Cheshire Lady Champion Longbow
both days was Katrina Horton, Cheshire Gent Longbow Champion both days was Brian Rosenberg, Cheshire
Gent Barebow Champion both days was Steve Newton.
Many thanks to Simon Woolam, Caldy Bowmen, Malcolm Lewis and Neston, Carol Gardner and the Judges
for all their support in running the event. This was the last year that David Page was able to judge and a
presentation was made to him.
Fortunately we were able to import judges from North Wales, Lancashire and Somerset to enable us to have
sufficient judges. There is a shortage of National and Regional judges and without them we would be unable
to run Record status events.
**County matches 2017**

The 4 Counties Match in April was hosted by Worcestershire. Cheshire came second overall with Ian Finlay and Jon Parris achieving 1st and 2nd Gent Recurve. The Ladies Compound Team came first. This year the shoot is to be held at North Cheshire Bowmen’s ground in Knutsford on 22nd April.

The 3 Counties Match was hosted by Warwickshire. Cheshire Recurve Team came third, Longbow Teams came second and Cheshire’s Compound Team came first. Linda Townsend was first Lady Compound. This year the shoot is to be held in Cheshire at CCB on 6th May.

The 5 Counties took place on 1st October at Norton, Sunderland. The match had to be postponed after 5 dozen due to dangerous winds. Hazel Chaisty was 1st Lady Recurve. This year the 5 Counties Match will be in Cumbria

There are application forms on the CAA website for archers interested in shooting for the County. Archers should be at least first class. There is a team selection shoot on Sunday April 8th at North Cheshire Bowmen’s ground, Knutsford (York/Hereford Record Status) Entry forms are on the CAA web site.

The 5 Counties Junior shoot 30th September in Norton, Sunderland.

Cheshire Junior Gent Recurve Team was 1st (Dan Thompson, Thomas Nairn and Finlay Heydon) and so was the Boys Longbow Team (Sam Kellett and Daniel Moreton.)

The Junior Girls Recurve team was second.

Daniel Thompson was overall Recurve boy and 1st in the Boys Recurve Bristol 2
Thomas Nairn was 1st Junior Boy Recurve Bristol 1
Daniel Moreton was overall Boys Longbow and 1st Junior Boy Longbow Bristol 3
Finlay Heydon was 1st Junior Boy Recurve Bristol 4
Dylan Higgs was 1st Junior Boy Longbow Bristol 4
Liam Peake was 1st Junior Boy Compound. Bristol 1

The Junior team is selected from the results of the CAA outdoor Championships held in September.

**Cheshire Junior Outdoor Championships 2017**

34 archers shot (8 down on last year). There were 23 Recurves, 3 Longbows, 2 Barebow and 6 Compounds.

17 archers were girls and 17 were boys. 23 came from Cheshire and 11 were visitors. 8 other archers entered but did not shoot.

There were no girls shooting the Ladies WA 1440.

Cheshire Archery Association Awards

Recurve Boy Champion    WA 1440 Gent  Thomas Nairn    (Alsager)
Section 1(Boys U18) Recurve  Oliver Matthews    (Bruntwood)
Section 2 (Girls U18) Compound  Rebecca Ashworth    (New Century)
Section 3 (Boys U16) Recurve  Oliver Brentville    (Alsager)
Section 4 (Girls U16) Recurve  Gina Gleeson    (Nelson)
Section 4 (Girls U16) Barebow  Nicole McCauley    (CCB)
Section 5 (Boys U14) Recurve  Thomas Susca    (Bruntwood)
Section 5 (Boys U14) Longbow  Sam Kellett    (Bruntwood)
Section 5 (Boys U14) Barebow  Dylan Fyfe    (Bruntwood)
Section 6 (Girls U14) Recurve  Rebecca Roberts    (Bruntwood)
Section 7 (Boys U12) Recurve  Finlay Heydon    (Goldcrest)
Section 7 (Boys U12) Longbow  Dylan Higgs    (Longbow Club)
Section 8 (Girls U12) Recurve  Fearn Hinchliffe    (Stalybridge)

Champion Team: Bruntwood: Thomas Susca, Rebecca Roberts, Rebecca Kellett, Oliver Matthews

Thanks to CCB members, parents, Judges, Lord Paramount Tyler Fyfe and those who helped run and score at the event. This year’s shoot will be on 2nd September, again on the school field at CCB. Please encourage junior archers from your clubs to take part.

CCB are hosting a Junior shoot on Saturday 19th May at 2pm based on National rounds to encourage juniors who do not yet shoot longer rounds to take part in tournaments. Please encourage and support any of your juniors in this.

Goldcrest hosted the 4th Indoor Junior Championships on 17th February. This was well organised by Peter Gregory. Some Juniors were awarded bars at this event.

*End of report.*
Cheshire Indoor Junior Championships 2018 (Report by Peter Gregory)
Cheshire held the 4th Junior Indoor Championships at Goldcrest Archers’ venue on 17th February 2018. 22 Juniors took part, from 6 Cheshire clubs, with some new names taking the awards. Quite a few who entered last year have now turned 18. Well done to everyone who took part. I’d like to thank those who helped with the organisation of the shoot and also the scorers who gave up their day for this event.

f. FIELD ARCHERY: Position vacant. - A report was given by Peter Gregory as follows:
The 2017 Field Championships were held as usual at Mouldsworth. Only 14 Cheshire archers took part in the event representing just 4 clubs. Those who entered had a great weekend, the weather was glorious and the course was set out, as always, to be challenging but very enjoyable. Thanks for this goes to Joyce Harrison, Fiona German Lloyd and the members of CCB.
As promised last year we ran a Winter Field League to give the Cheshire archers an insight to coming along and getting involved with Field archery. At a time when the calendar is pretty much empty of shooting events these events were held at Wrexham and Dearne Valley, both being very established Field courses. All the dates and information was kindly sent out by the County Secretary to all club secretaries but unfortunately only 24 archers from 2 clubs took part. From that, it would appear there is only a small number of Cheshire archers who enjoy this wonderful discipline of archery. I would urge those who have never tried it to give it a go, you don’t know what you are missing. If you want to chat to me later about Field I will gladly take your questions or, if you would like to see photos, and a short introduction written by Ann Shepherd, please check out the Cheshire website.

g. CLOUT: Peter Gregory. Written report as follows:
Starting with our own Cheshire Clout Championship held at Neston in May 2017. This is our WA Clout. Numbers were roughly the same as last year but with lots of new names taking silverware home this is still a fresh and exciting tournament to enter.

Our next Cheshire Clout Championships takes place on Day 2 of the Tri-Clout Weekend. For those who don’t know, or have never heard of it, it’s a chance for you to take part in all of the three different Clout types. Day 1 is a 2 Way Clout (Imperial), Day 2 is a One Way Clout (Imperial) and Day 3 is a WA Clout (Metric). The venue is Neston and camping is available with evening entertainment provided. Back to ‘Day 2’, entries were the same as last year but again we had some new names on the trophies. Well done to our Champions.

Away from Home events. The NCAS Clout Championships was held at the Archers of East Riding ground in North Yorkshire. This year saw the event turned into a weekend event of Clout, now including a WA Clout on the Saturday. Ladies Longbow saw Katrina Horton from the Longbow Club taking 1st place, Gents Longbow saw Lord Ian Stowell from CCB take 1st place and Gents Barebow saw Mick White and Tony Nordoff, both from Goldcrest Archers, take 1st and 2nd places respectively. The Regional Champion Club Team went to the Longbow Club for Longbow and Goldcrest Archers for Recurve. Cheshire won the County Longbow Team with archers Katrina Horton, Lord Ian Stowell and Alison Williams.
An Imperial One Way Clout was shot on the Sunday and this saw Lord Ian Stowell from CCB take 2nd place and Chris Eccles from the Longbow Club take 3rd place. Gents Barebow saw Mick White take 1st place and Andrew Davies take 2nd, both archers are from Goldcrest. Club team awards saw Goldcrest take 1st place Regional Recurve Team and the Longbow Club took the Longbow Regional Team title. Yorkshire won all the Regional County Team awards, Longbow, Recurve, Barebow and Compound.

I’ve stirred up a hornet’s nest by asking if the Regional Clout Championships could move around the counties like it does with Field and Target. It is always held in Yorkshire, and has been for as many years as I’ve been shooting Clout. This question didn’t go down well and for the next few years at least it will still take place in Yorkshire. There are a lot of things I want to happen in Clout but I feel I have run into a brick wall at this moment.

The National Clout Championships took place in Bradford in October. Finlay Heydon from Goldcrest Archers won the National Junior Recurve Boy title and Sam Kellett from Brunwood won the National Junior Boy Longbow. Goldcrest Archers won the National Club Recurve Team and the Longbow Club won the National Club Longbow Team.
Individual results included:
- Katrina Horton, 2nd Lady Longbow;
- Steven Williams, 2nd Gent Longbow;
- Anda Mayer, 3rd Lady Longbow;
- Mick White, 2nd Gent Barebow
Rebecca Kellett, 2nd Junior Girl Recurve; Aneka Mayer, 3rd Junior Girl Recurve;  
Jack Lear, 3rd Junior Bow Recurve; Dylan Higgs, 3rd Junior Boy Longbow;  
Freddie Lear, 2nd Junior Boy Barebow.

So, a massive well done to all those who have taken part in these competitions and dozens of others up and down the country.

The four Clouts that are run in Cheshire are going to be free for juniors to enter this year so encourage them to give it a go.

In 2018, I’m going to run a Ranking system for the Cheshire archers along the same lines as the National Clout Rankings. Do you think this is a good idea and worth trying? A full list of our archers is featured in the National Ranking list which can be found on the NCAS website.

I’d like to thank out Judges for allowing us to run these shoots to gain Record status and Tassel status. Please don’t take our Judges for granted. A great big thank you also goes to Malcom Lewis and his team from Neston. Without this ground I don’t know what we would do. Lastly, I would like to thank Tracy Cross for all her hard work in helping me organise and run these tournaments.

(End of Report.)

h. JUDGES: Ian Ashworth (Co-opted during 2018). Report as follows:

I will start with an apology for not being able to be with you in person this year due to the Regional Judge Seminar and National Judges Conference taking place this weekend.

2017 continued the trend seen in recent years with considerable changes occurring within the Judge line-up in Cheshire. Unfortunately, as some of you will know, the demands of travelling for work led Glen Small, our one Regional Judge, and Judge Liaison Officer to resign as a Judge. I’m sure you will join with me in thanking Glen for his work as a Judge across Cheshire, I for one will miss his guidance and support.

On a more positive note; two of our candidate Judges, Jason Lynch and I, completed our training and passed our practical assessments to become County Judges.

These changes put the county’s judging line up as

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For now the county is dependent upon Judges from other counties to be able to run any record status shoots. We simply don’t have the higher grade Judges required to run them. I would like to give special thanks to Colin Mudd and Lorraine and Phil Morris from Lancashire as we would not have been able to run many of 2017’s and most of 2018’s county shoots without their support.

At this stage I will continue the tradition started many years ago and continued by Glen Small at last year’s AGM and appeal to you, the archers of Cheshire, to consider becoming Judges. As Neil Foden often said, without judges we can not have tournaments, so I ask you all to consider this and contact me if you are interested. I personally have found becoming a Judge an excellent way to give something back to the sport I have enjoyed so much since my days as a student archer.

I will also thank the county’s Tournament Organisers for their hospitality and generosity to their Judges. Judging does come with many early starts and a well timed mug of something warm and the offer of a bacon sandwich can brighten the dampest day.

Finally I will finish by saying that I am willing to continue in the roll I was co-opted into and stand as Cheshire’s Judge Liaison Officer.

(End of report.)
It was also reported that Ian was sitting his Regional exam on the same day as the AGM and Jason Lynch had given up his place at the National Judges Conference as someone was needed to Judge the Indoor Championships. Jason was thanked for this.

i. **COACHING: Joyce Harrison. Report as follows:**
We’ve run two Level 1 Coach courses through the year. Congratulations to Aled Thomas (Alsager), Michael Lewis (Bebington), Sarah O’Connell and Paul Anderson (Kyujitsu), Martin Mycock (Bowmen of Lyme), Ray King and Chris Skipper (Greenbank), David Wright (CCA), Ralph Fernyhough (Chester Uni), Jason Lynch, Sam Hamlett and David Roberts (Caldy), Eleanor Ashworth (New Century), Adrian Bolton (Bowmen of Warrington), Joe Shaw and Megan Shaw (NCB), Neil Prowse (Wirral).

Thanks to Fiona German Lloyd for tutoring these courses and to Graham for the course administration. Also thanks to NCB and the Longbow Club for the use of their venues.

Congratulations to Peter Gregory on attaining his County Coach qualification.

We have one Level 2 course running at Goldcrest with assessment in May 2018 and another one starting in Chester in April 2018.

Archery GB (AGB) held a coaching seminar at Goldcrest with regard to the development of coaching within the AGB Performance Unit. Workshops were also held with several coaches attending.

The NCAS Coach Conference will be held in Cheshire in 2018. Last year this was held in Durham and Northumberland and 2 Cheshire coaches attended.

Squad coaching continues throughout the indoor season. Thanks to Jim and Brenda Longman for video recordings and to Malcolm Lewis for bringing the Hooter Shooter for Compound archers. This is open to all levels of coaches if they wish to attend and is an opportunity for coach development. Thanks to all the coaches who have helped at the coaching sessions and who have also helped as mentors.

*(End of report.)*

j. **CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER: Jo Galbraith. No report.**

k. **N.C.A.S. REPRESENTATIVES.**

The Secretary again reported that all clubs continue to receive minutes from the NCAS meetings so information will have been available throughout the year.

7. **PROPOSALS.**

1. The title of ‘Child Protection Officer’ is to be changed to ‘Safeguarding Officer’ to reflect the fact that the role covers more than just children.

   Proposed by Carol Bladen, seconded by Fiona German Lloyd.

   The proposal was carried with a unanimous vote.

8. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The following officers were willing to stand again:

**VICE-CHAIRMAN:** John Lewis  
**SECRETARY:** Ann Shepherd  
**TREASURER:** Keith Gardner  
**CLOUT REP:** Peter Gregory  
**SENIOR & JUNIOR TOURNAMENT SECRETARY:** Fiona German Lloyd  
**COUNTY COACHING ORGANISER:** Joyce Harrison  
**N.C.A.S. REPRESENTATIVES (2):** Steve Ash, Peter Gregory, Mike Shepherd.

There were no objections to an en bloc vote and the above were duly elected.

In addition, the following were nominated for election:

**CHAIRMAN:** Peter Gregory  
**RECORDS OFFICER:** Ann Shepherd  

Proposed by Carol Bladen, seconded by Lord Ian Stowell.

Proposed by Steve Ash, seconded by Peter Morris.
SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Carol Bladen
JUDGES: Ian Ashworth

Proposed by Alison Williams, seconded by Fiona G-Lloyd.

There were no objections and the above were duly elected.

There were no nominations for the role of Field Archery Representative and this position remains vacant.

9. ELECTION OF SELECTION COMMITTEE
   Fiona German Lloyd and Carol Morris Lewis were confirmed as the Selection Committee.

10. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR
    Albert Conroy was appointed as Auditor.

At the conclusion of the meeting thanks were given and a presentation was made to Steve Ash on his retirement after 15 years as Cheshire Archery Association’s Chairman.

The Meeting closed at 11.10 a.m.
Treasurer’s Report.

The sheet handed out shows the income and expenditure consolidated into the main activities of the Association.

- Net income from affiliations was up from last year by £352 to £7,482,50.
- Tournaments provided a deficit of £1,477.73 compared to the deficit of £176.71 in 2016. The main reason for this unfavourable variance is again due to the funding of shoots outside Cheshire. The 5 Counties shoot last year was local enough that no expenses were claimed whereas this year, £1,270 was claimed. A breakdown by competition is provided on the hand out with a comparison to 2016 below. Again, the competitions hosted by Cheshire, overall, generated income.
- The Association maintained funding for coaching at £2,500.
- 6 fewer bosses were purchased in 2017. 14 were ordered compared to 20 in 2016. However, we were able to take advantage of a promotion where 2 extra bosses were purchased for free and were subsequently sold. There was again extra revenue generated from hiring bosses to Bebington. Overall effect was that boss expenditure was £260 compared to £520 in 2016.
- Two grants were given in 2017 as well as the previous year.
- Trophies and medals expenditure amounted to £3,487.68 compared to previous year expenditure of £1,363.4. The increase in expenditure is largely due to the restock of medals. It should be noted here that future years will benefit from the £1,920 cost.
- Miscellaneous expenses amounted to £1,312.79 in 2017. This category includes the sundry income and interest and the room hire costs, website, committee expenses, administration, bank fees and notional costs of depreciation for the container. The expenditure in 2016 was £758.60.

The net result of all activities for 2017 was a deficit of £1,655.70 compared to a surplus of £1,711.79 in 2016.

Keith Gardner
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The balance sheet at 31 December 2017 shows the assets and liabilities balanced against how they are financed.

- The container which was purchased for £1,692 was further depreciated for the year.
- The deposit account increased by the interest earned of £1 to £6,323.69.
- The current account decreased by £2,381.88 from £12,305.13 on 1 January 2017 to £9,923.25 at 31 December 2017. The numbers in the balance sheet reflect the unpresented cheques and the true balance of the bank account when they are cleared.
- Receivables balance reflects affiliation underpayments that are due to the Association.
- Prepaid expenses are items paid in 2017 which will not be charged to income/expenditure statement until 2018. These include up-front payments for room hire and record status for tournaments.
- Payables are items that the Association owes to NCAS and includes affiliation over-payments by clubs and an accrual for the county medals/bars.
- Prepaid income is money received for items that will not appear in the income/expenditure statement until 2018. These items are income from boss orders and the income received for the Cheshire Winter League.

Given the status of the balance sheet, there will be no increase in membership fees in the coming year.
## Income/Expenditure statement

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### Notes
1. Medals/Trophies includes a £1,920 purchase of medal stock. Future years will benefit from this cost.

## Balance sheet

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**Financed by:**
- Capital account at beginning of year: 15,754.68 14,042.89
- Surplus/deficit for period: 1,655.70 1,711.79

**Balance sheet statements**

- Affiliations up slightly.
- Tournament funding increased.
- Coaching funding maintained.
- Bosses uptake slightly higher and additional income from hire.
- Grants maintained.
- Medals restocked
- Miscellaneous expenses up.
### Tournament breakdown

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#### Grand Total

| Total                        | 61.74 | 136.15 | 349.31 | 224.29 | 27.38 | 194.66 | 180.00 | 1,270.00 | 304.20 | 180.00 | 35.00 | 1,477.73 |

2016 Comparison: 50.00 - 176.71
Vice-Chairman’s Report – CAA Annual General Meeting 4th March 2018

Just 2 things to report on....

First,

**Cheshire Winter Leagues 2017/2018**

I am just about to process the 4th round of scores and with March matches still to take place I am not able to give, obviously, any results of this season’s Leagues.

I can say it appears that the Cheshire Winter Leagues are as popular as when the were first restarted back in 2004 as part of the Association’s 50th Anniversary going by the continued interest from the Clubs each year.

2017/2018 is no different. Leagues has 17 Clubs affiliated to the Cheshire Archery Association competing with 18 Compound Teams in 3 Divisions, 18 Longbow Teams competing in 3 Divisions, 35 Recurve Teams competing 6 Divisions and 11 Barebow Teams competing in 2 Divisions. A total of 82 teams.

I would like to make a special mention and thank you to of the Club League Secretaries. Their help and hard work gathering scores, sorting them and submitting to me each month is vital to the smooth running of the leagues.

The final results of this season’s Leagues should be announced, as usual, towards the end of April and the Medals will be presented at the May Bi-Monthly County Committee meeting held at Winnington Park Recreational Club on the 14th May.

The Club League Secretaries will be invited to receive any medals due to them for winning their respective Divisions. Please can you make sure if your Club League Secretaries are unable to attend then send a representative to take their medals back to the Winning Teams.

**County Website:**

As some of you may be aware the County Website has had problems being located through the various Browsers. I believe that this was due to myself trying out new software early last year.

The new software being looked out was to carry out a re-vamp of the website.

I had been using Microsoft Frontpage to carry the maintenance but since upgrading to Windows 10 Frontpage ceased to work so I had been trying to suitable alternatives.

I did try several times to correct the situation but unfortunately without success. I came to the conclusion that I would have to completely delete the entire website and then reload it from my working files on my laptop.

However, before I got around to carrying this out I was trailing other software to maintain the Website and came across a new version of software called Xara Web Designer. The new version appeared to have many additional features and functionality which I believe would prove useful in maintaining the website. One key feature was to be able to produce websites that are Mobile friendly.

The Leagues website and also the Latest News page on the County Website Home page has been re-designed using this new software. Obviously, I am still learning about how to use the software but with my experience on the there 2 initial projects I was gaining confidence it using the software so I started to convert the current website in the New Year thinking to be have the website up and running ready for this AGM.

I am nearly there, but it will be probably need another week or two to be able to launch the new website.

Once it has gone live I have no doubt there will be some missing links and pages so it would be helpful for anyone to report any omissions or errors to me as soon as you find them.

Also if anyone has suggests for additional pages or information then please let me know.

Hopefully you will find the new website much improved and helpful providing you with information about the Cheshire Archery Association and its activities.

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