

Committee Report – November 2017

The Judges Committee meets twice a year, in November and in March before the Conference. It gives us time to look back over what has happened and consider any changes to judging which may need to be applied.

All the committee members attended: Hannah Brown (Chair), Liz Garrigan, Tony Goad, Richard Pilkington, Robert Potts and Susan Richards

National Judge Examinations

National Judge Candidates who had passed their practical examination earlier this summer were required to complete the 1 hour 30-minute exam and then pass an interview. Of the nine candidates who attended five have passed and their new grade starts immediately on a one year probation.

Applications for next year were considered and the work records of the Candidates who were on probation were reviewed.

National Tournaments 2018

Once again, we had a good response with 63 judges indicating their preferences for the National Tournament appointments. The appointments will be sent out via the JLOs soon and will also be available on the web site.

Judges Pages of AGB Web Site

Given the change in the AGB Web site we lost the ability to update the pages. We have now resolved this issue and look forward to getting useful and up to date information for judges on there.

The J05 form is now correctly labelled as a J05 and not J06 (a small but important victory!) and there will be more coming soon.

Top tip:- use search at the top of the page or in the Resources search to find things as the new search is very good. You can now find things easily!

If anyone has any ideas of information that should be on there then just let the Committee know.

J-Form Updates

A number of simplified J forms will be added soon – (J07 and J08 Annual Returns initially) which should be easier for everyone to complete. These will be un-protected Word files so should be able to be edited by everyone whatever version of software you have.

We are also considering which of the forms we could take online – no decisions have been made on this but if you have a thought then let us know.

National Conference

This is the second time we have tried to move the National Conference in March away from Lilleshall and once again the numbers are not great.

The venue at Wyboston Lakes in Bedfordshire is very good and prices are competitive at £32 for an external venue (we were quoted £78 + VAT for a day rate from some places!)

We have some great sessions lined up (who can forget the Marsh and Wells Show from last year?) as well as practical sessions, rule updates and the perennial Triple Spot Scoring. When you get it right - we will stop doing it!

Seminars

The next Regional Seminar will also be held at Wyboston Lakes on Saturday 3rd March, the day before the National Conference. Booking is open now on Sport80 (<http://agb.sport80.com>)

We are looking at separating the Youth and County Seminars into separate sessions of one day each.

The next Youth Seminar will be on the 20th January, probably at Lilleshall.

The next County seminar will run on the 21st January, probably at Lilleshall. Full details will be sent to Youth Candidate and Candidate Judges as soon as they have been approved by AGB.

Re-accreditation Dates

Moving the examination from October to January has caused some confusion over the re-accreditation periods.

It is simple, the period for re-accreditation runs from last time it was done.

This means National re-accreditation runs from Oct 2014 to Jan 2019, Regional from Oct 2015 to Jan 2020 and County from Oct 2016 to Jan 2021.

After that the next re-accreditation period would be Jan 2019 to Jan 2023 for National, Jan 2020 to Jan for 2024 Regional and Jan 2021 to Jan 2025 for County.

Communications

The Committee has not been very good at getting information about what we have done out to the judges. We will try harder and this report is the first part of what we want to do.

There will also be more communication after our next meeting and the conference in March.

Remember judges work as a team and if you have any issues with another member of that team then you can raise these concerns with the Chair of Judges, your JLO or directly to the Chair of the Judges Committee.

JLO contacts: <http://www.archerygb.org/coaches-judges-volunteers/find-a-judge/judge-contacts/>

Chair of Judges: email to chairman.judges@archerygb.org

Happy shooting!

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