

THE

GRAND NATIONAL ARCHERY MEETINGS

Stout Arm, Strong Bow & Steady Eye,

Union True Heart and Courtesie

At a Meeting held at the Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, on the evening of the 19th July, 1861, present

C. M. CALDECOTT, ESQ., Chairman;

Colonel Clowes, T. L. Coulson, Esq., Rev. T. G. Golightly, Rev. O. Luard, H. C. Mules, Esq., H. Peckitt, Esq., F. Townsend, Esq., W. Swire, Esq., J. Spedding, Esq., and H. Walters, Esq.

It being considered that, inasmuch as the Grand National Archery Meetings (now established for 18 years) have been the cause of the great increase of Archery throughout the kingdom, and of the great improvement in the shooting, they are therefore deserving of more general support from the Archers, than they have hitherto received, and that the establishment of a National Archery Society would greatly conduce to this end.

It was resolved

1. - That a Society be established, to be called "The Grand National Archery Society".

2. – That the object of the Society shall be the promotion of Archery generally, throughout the kingdom, and especially by holding a Grand Meeting every year in different parts of the country.

3. – That each member shall pay an Annual Subscription of not less than 21s., which shall entitle him or her to receive admission Tickets for 3 persons on each day, and to compete for the Prizes on a further payment of 10s. 6d., as Target Entrance. The Annual Subscription shall be due on March 25th, and, if not paid to the Honorary Secretary by May 1st, the Member shall lose the privileges of Members.

4. – That relations of a Member, bona fide residing in the same house with the Member shall have the privileges of Members.

5. – Members wishing to retire shall give notice in writing to the Honorary Secretary before the 25th March, or shall be liable for Subscription for ensuing year.

6. – If any Archery Society shall subscribe not less than £5, the Members of that Society shall have the privileges of Members of this Society.

7. – Non Members may subscribe not less than 21s., for which they will be entitled to receive admission Tickets for 2 persons on each day, and may compete for the Prizes on a payment of 10s. 6d. more than Members. If Non Members become entitled to Prizes, a deduction of 10 per cent shall be made on the value of their prizes. The Target Ticket will in all cases admit the Competitor, whose name it bears.

8. – If the names of the Competitors are not sent to the Honorary Secretary (together with the amount due), 14 days before the Meeting, and additional 10s. 6d., shall be paid.

9. – That a Committee of management and one Honorary Secretary shall be appointed annually. The following shall be the Committee for the ensuing year, with power to add to their number:-

Rev. T Bramhall, Wallington Archers.	Hon. R. H. Hutchinson, Co. of Dublin Archers.
M. C. J. Betham, Esq., Co, of Dublin Archers.	G. A. Luard, Esq., Lincolnshire Archery Society.
C. M. Caldecott, Esq., Woodmen of Arden.	Rev. Octavius Luard, Woodmen of Arden, and Sherwood Archers.
Sir W. P. Carew, Bart., South Devon Archers.	E. Marr, Esq., Fraternity of St. George.
C. Croft, Esq., Richmond Archers.	Ponsonby A. Morre, Esq., Royal Toxophilite Society.
Rev. G. Eaton, Cheshire Bowmen.	H.C. Mules Esq. Royal Toxophilite Society.
H. A. Ford, Esq., Cheltenham Archery Society.	H. Peckitt, Esq., Thirsk Bowmen.
J. Finlay, Esq., St Mungo Archers.	Rev. J. C. Pigot, West Somerset Archers.
C. Garnett Esq. Lichfield Archers.	S. G. R. Strong, Esq., Royal Toxophilite Society.
B. Granville, Esq., Woodmen of Arden, and Wellesbourne Archers.	W. Swire, Esq., Vale of Mowbray Archers.
Rev. T. G. Golightly, Royal Toxophilite Society.	Secretaries of Edinburgh Archers.
W. W. Hargrove, Esq., York Archers.	F. Townsend, Esq., Woodmen of Arden.
Rev. J. Higginson, Thirsk Bowmen.	H. G. Watson, Esq., Royal Company of Archers.
Rev. H. B. Hare, West Somerset Archers.	H. Walters, Esq., Royal Toxophilite Society.
R. Huie, Esq., Junr.	

That the Rev. Octavius Luard shall be the Honorary Secretary for the ensuing year.

10. – That the rules and regulations hitherto adopted at the Meetings shall be continued, subject to such alterations as the Committee may from time to time think requisite.

(signed) C. M. CALDECOTT, Chairman

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