Minutes from EACR Training and Recruitment Sub-Committee Special Meeting

Venue:ZoomDate:19th February 2024Time:20.00 hours

Apologies: Sharon lacey

Attendees: Beth Johnson, Helen Bridgman, Sarah Knights, David Sparling, Yvonne Towler, Roy Threadgold, Richard Wilson, Anne Bray, Adam Sloman, Andrew Brewster, Christina Brewster, Vicky Richards, Sarah Scannell, Zoe Purdle-Wood

CC Andrew Kelso (EACR Master), Sarah Chin-a-Loy, EACR Secretary, Roy Threadgold, Clare & Andrew Beech

This meeting was convened at the request of Sarah Knights (Essex Course administrator) to discuss the allocation of places for the Essex Course as there had been 215 applications for the 72 places.

Торіс	Content	Action who	Action by when
1. Essex Course	 SK presented her spreadsheets and ideas as the applications had far outweighed the number of places available. Relating to the changes in the types and number of courses being run, the members present were in full agreement with SK's recommendations. Relating to prioritizing the allocation of places it was agreed that all young ringers under 25 years who applied should be allocated a place. Any applicant who had previously attended the Essex Course in the last 2 years would not be allocated a place. Married/Partner application would be treated as individually unique applications who may or may not be allocated a place dependent on if they had attended a course in the past 2 years. Applications from other counties and other countries was discussed at length and the consensus was that this year Essex ringers and those in neighboring counties should be offered places before offering outside of these. Applicant abilities – it was suggested that next year there is a greater explanation of what the applicant should be able to competently achieve as there is no system of vetting at present. This also applies to helpers. Those members who were not offered a course should be listed and sent to districts for inclusion 	N/A	

	 in other potential association/district training. DS and CB congratulated SK on her handling of the issues that the applications from learners have present this year. 		
2. Funding for Universities Initiative	 AB presented her budget request for 2024 freshers' week for the Universities initiative. There was a majority approval that the £700.00 request should be presented to the next Trustees meeting. 	BJ	
3. Meeting closed	• 21.00 hours		