



LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

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NEWSLETTER - NO.3

Dear Member,

Welcome to another edition of the newsletter. There is even more this month, so down to business.

CLUB NEWS

EASTERN AREA TEAM TROPHY FOUND !!!

At the recent E. Area Championships we retained the team shield but it was not presented as it had gone missing (we were the holders). However, recent enquiries revealed that Watty had it all the time so I have now got it and I have had 2 years of engraving done to it (1995 and 1996).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At a recent committee meeting it was decided to have fixed times on Wednesdays and Sundays for announcements with regard to tournament dates and any other information. This will give you time to de-wax your ears and tune in your hearing-aids. The times chosen are:- Wednesdays at 8.30pm and Sundays at 11.00am. On Wednesdays as you know there is a lot of noise in the hall so before any announcements are made could you all please close in so that you can all hear what is being said. This will save me having to explain everything again to individual members afterwards. Remember, Field Marshal Montgomery used this method with the 8th Army during World War 2 so it should work with Lasswade Archery Club.

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CLASSIFICATIONS

Jim has recently produced a list of members indoor classifications and a copy is attached to this newsletter. Make sure he gets all your scores when you obtain them.

DONALD

FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

Also attached is the S.A.A. fixture list for the rest of the year. If you require extra copies or lose your own copy, please see me. If you wish to enter future shoots please see me as I am now Tournament Secretary. One simple rule - I must have your entry fee or you will not be entered.

DONALD

INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Saturday 16th March 1996 we will be holding our own Indoor Club Championships. Some of you in previous years have asked for a proper target list. I will do this. All I ask that if you want to shoot let me have your name by no later than Wednesday 13th March 1996.

It will be a Portsmouth round and dress will be optional with a presentation ceremony afterwards. Normal target fees will apply. Please be here for 6pm for a 6.30pm start and would all current holders please bring their trophies along with them.

RECENT CORPORATE SHOOTS

On the morning of Saturday 27th January 1996 another session was held at Dalhousie Castle. However, as I peered around the curtains of my room I could see that there was a blizzard blowing outside. My next priority was to get my prayer mat out and commence praying in the hope that the shoot would be cancelled. My prayers were answered when Bill (Carmichael) phoned to say that the shoot was indeed being cancelled. My feeling of euphoria was soon shattered when Bill phoned back to say that the guests wanted to shoot anyway. As if by magic the blizzard blew itself out so the morning looked more promising after all.

In addition to myself and Bill, we were also assisted by Brian, Graeme, George and John. As we began setting up, Brian asked me if I was game to do another shoot at Johnstounburn in the afternoon. My reply cannot be written here but it was not very polite ! There were about 16 residents to whom we taught the rudiments of archery. We then had a competition of one dozen arrows for them which they appeared to enjoy. As we were packing up it started to snow again but by then we had all the gear loaded into the trailer.

This shoot marked the first outing of the club's trailer in its new green livery. I would almost say it is in GNAS approved green ! On behalf of the club I would like to thank Andy Robertson for repainting it. At the time of writing a tarpaulin is being purchased and Athol has made up some laminates with the club's logo to go on the sides of the trailer.

PS. The shoot at Johnstounburn was cancelled due to blizzards. Perhaps somebody "up there" had heard my prayers after all !

Saturday 17th February 1996 saw Bill (Carmichael), Brian and myself at Johnstounburn again where we had 3 groups of five people doing archery.

We arrived in good time to find our potential toxophilites stuffing themselves with sandwiches and mulled wine. We were not offered anything. However, the archery went down well and we experienced no problems. The turnover between the groups was fairly rapid as the management wanted everything finished by 2.30pm so they could watch the Scotland/Wales rugby match on television.

PS. We were eventually offered the left-over sandwiches which were excellent.

The shoot on 25th February 1996 saw us "back down the road" at Dalhousie Castle for an early Sunday morning session for 10 guests. After receiving their basic training the guests then shot a round of 2 dozen arrows, the scoring being 5,4,3,2,1 and the overall winner scored 117 out of a possible 120. Watty suggested sending him through to the Scottish Championships at Linwood /....

Linwood which were being held on the same day ! Apart from Watty and myself we were aided by Bill (Bowman) and Brian. Brian arrived early, 24 hours early as he got the dates mixed up. When he came on the Sunday he was late ! Keep taking the tablets Brian !

TOURNAMENT REPORTS

WEST OF SCOTLAND INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, WISHAW - 4 FEBRUARY 1996

Another small contingent from Lasswade (5) attended this Scottish record status Portsmouth. Most of us shot fairly well but the competition was quite tough and the only achievement made was by Joe Grafen who took the 2nd Gentleman Visitor award with a score of 563.

INDOOR OPEN 18M FITA, LASSWADE - 11 FEBRUARY 1996

The above shoot was attended by 44 archers from 15 clubs (10 entries from Lasswade) over an afternoon session only as the morning session was cancelled due to a lack of entrants and a clash with a squad training day.

As with the Loreburn shoot in January, we lost most of the silverware to other clubs but all our members put in a good effort.

Our individual results were as follows :

<u>LADIES</u>	3rd Lady	-	Tina James	(513)
	5th Lady	-	Meg Wyse	(493)
	11th Lady	-	Kelly Hoy	(392)

GIRLS There were only 2 girls with Jill Rennie (358) runner up to last years winner, Tallah Brash from Penicuik.

<u>GENTS</u>	6th Gent	-	Graeme Mitchell	(511) D Class Award
	8th Gent	-	Bill Carmichael	(487)

<u>BOYS</u>	1st Boy	-	Peter Walker	(526)
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Peter won the Boys Trophy from last years winner, Findlay Haddow of Crieff. WELL DONE PETER !!!

LADIES/GENTS COMPOUND LTD

Morag Pirie (496) and Athol Pirie (498)
Unfortunately for the Piries their competition from Hamilton cancelled the previous evening due to ill-health and bad weather, or perhaps they had heard about the Piries fearsome reputation.
(Sorry Ath, I just had to get that in, HA! HA!)

GENTS COMPOUND U/LTD

	4th Gent	-	Alan Walker	(538)
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TEAM The final slap in the face !

1st Edinburgh University - 2067
2nd Penicuik - 2047
3rd Lasswade - 2043

I would like to thank the following :-

The Lord Paramount, Councillor Bill Geddes, the 2 judges Bill Carmichael (whoops, Bill McKay) and Derek Sangster. To Alan Walker for helping to compile the entry form and for collating results on the day. A big thank you is also due to my fellow club members for helping to get the range set up and/or helped Alan with the results, Bill (Carmichael), Meg, Peter, Morag, Athol, Kelly, Graeme and John. Oh! and Tina.

DONALD

S.A.A. UNDER 21 AND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, LASSWADE - 18 FEBRUARY 1996

Once again Lasswade hosted these championships and once again I think they can be counted a great success - despite rumours that someone forgot to bring the target faces .

42 young archers from 18 clubs competed, with the outstanding score of the day being 573 from Findlay Haddow of Crieff. Peter Walker won the Under 18 Trophy (if we can ever find it) with a score of 535 while our other two entrants, Barry Galbraith and Jill Rennie both notched up creditable scores. The team event was won as usual by Edinburgh University with a score of 1659.

My thanks to all those who set up the hall and cleared up afterwards - without these willing hands it would be quite impossible to run any sort of shoot.

ALAN WALKER

S.A.A. INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, LINWOOD - 25 FEBRUARY 1996

No report received by me.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

All shoots are at Lasswade.

MARCH

Saturday, 16th

Wednesday, 20th

Saturday, 23rd

Sunday, 31st

ROUND

Club Championships, Portsmouth

British Archer Postal

Lasswade v Penicuik (Intertown) Portsmouth

Lasswade v Penicuik (Intertown) Frostbite

ITEMS FOR SALE/WANTED

YAMAHA EOLLA RECURVE BOW (R/H)
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So endeth Newsletter 3. May I wish you every success for the forthcoming outdoor season.

DONALD

Target date for Newsletter No.4 is April 1996.