



LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

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**NEWSLETTER - NO.4**

Dear Member,

Welcome to the club's fourth newsletter. Without further ado, let's get stuck in.

**CLUB NEWS:**

**MEMBERS ONLY NIGHT - 28.2.96**

The "Lasswade Only" night was quite successful. The videoing of the members by Bill Mackay and Derek Sangster was beneficial and it was good of them to give up their own shooting time to do this. If I remember correctly, the use of the T.V. and bosses set aside for this purpose occupied 2 lanes, so had the number of archers not been restricted, there would have been a severe overcrowding problem. I may add that a suggestion by the coaching duo was put into practice on 3.3.96 when I shot a 327 for my Civil Service Postal League Frostbite (3 dozen arrows at 30 metres) which is my best score this season. Another bonus was the the target fees collected were equal to the cost of the hall let.

**BILL CARMICHAEL**

**CLUB EQUIPMENT:**

Some members may not be aware that the club has equipment available for use by them. For example, if you wish to renew your bowstring there is a jig which you can borrow together with Dacron or Fastflight string, serving thread and the necessary tools. The cost to you at the time of writing is £1.50 for Dacron and £2.50 for Fastflight. There are also fletching jigs (use your own glue and vanes), arrow straighteners and a grain scale for measuring individual weights of arrows, points and fletches.

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CLUB EQUIPMENT:

The club also has 2 metal detectors, one of which can be taken away to shoots in the summer. There is also an electric arrow cutter should you wish to shed a millimetre or two from your arrow shafts.

Most of this equipment can be had from me (though you may find I do not have your desired piece of equipment to hand, so I will mutter to myself as to who last borrowed it and probably the name I come up with will not be the right one anyway).

BILL CARMICHAEL

Bill, perhaps a good idea might be to keep a book and get the borrowers to sign for the piece of equipment they want.

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WINTER POSTAL SHOOTS:

By the time you receive this newsletter the British Archer, SAA and Glade Postals will be concluded for the 1995/96 season. It will be some time before the final placings are known but you will be notified in a future newsletter. I would also like to announce that I will be standing down as organiser for the British Archer and SAA Postals and Joan has also intimated that she wishes to give up the Glade Postal as well. While I cannot speak for Joan, I have found this season's postals have been sheer hell to fit into a busy indoor fixture list. As you know the B.A. Postal is a Portsmouth round and as most of the 1995/96 indoor shoots have been FITA or Vegas rounds most of you quite naturally want to practice on these faces.

For those of you who regularly shoot the Postals you will probably be aware that the scores obtained in the B.A. Postal are also used for the SAA and Glade Postals. All these are Portsmouth rounds but for the 1996/97 season the SAA have announced that their Postal will be an 18M FITA. If we attempt to do all the fixtures over different rounds, I envisage severe problems for the organiser (if we are lucky enough to get one .) so we may have to decide in advance what we intend to do, eg. B.A./Glade or SAA, all of them or none of them. I would like to state here that this is my own opinion and not that of the club as a whole. Please also bear in mind that we have to apply to enter the B.A. Postal a few months in advance of the first November round so if any of you have any thoughts on this matter or would like to organise these shoots, please see me.

WINTER POSTAL SHOTS - contd.

Remember, you are paying for these shoots through your membership fees and if you do enter them and do not shoot you are simply wasting your money.

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PS. I would like to thank all members who took part in the 1995/96 Postal season.

OUTDOOR SHOTS:

Now that the outdoor season is underway, if any member attending a shoot wishes to do a report I will gladly include them in future newsletters.

All that is required is a brief description of the shoot, weather conditions, the members who shot and the scores and awards they (hopefully) obtained.

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CHANGING YOUR ADDRESS ?

If any member who does not attend the club on a regular basis changes their address could they please notify the club so that we can continue to send them a newsletter. Should you decide to leave the club, please let us know as this will save us postage costs.

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COACHING:

You should by now all have received a questionnaire on the subject of coaching. If you have not already done so, could you please take a few minutes to fill it in and return it to me.

This is a subject which has been neglected for far too long and regular coaching is something which the club badly needs.

I would like to point out that the questionnaire is a chance for you to let the club know exactly what you want from coaching. I have to stress that the questionnaire is not a "ballot paper" and therefore means that a minority, not necessary a majority, will decide the issue of coaching.

I would like to thank Alan Walker for compiling the questionnaire and our 3 coaches who have checked and approved it.

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TOURNAMENT REPORTS:

**INDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS, LASSWADE - 16 MARCH 1996**

This annual shoot was attended by 16 members shooting a Portsmouth round. Two ladies shot this year with Meg finishing 3 points behind Tina. In the gents section, 2 points separated the winner, Jim from the runner-up, Paul. Joe finished in third.

Only 2 juniors entered this year with Jill ensuring that the surname Rennie remained on the junior shield. Paul, who has now joined the adult ranks held it from 1993 to 1995. Barry was the runner-up to Jill.

The final section as made up by 3 of our compound archers.

Athol won the compound shield for the third year running, (boo . hiss ., sorry Ath you know I just have to get my dig in, Ha . Ha .) with his other half, Morag runner-up. (sorry Morag, his better half)

Bill (McKay) was third and all credit to him for finishing despite injury problems.

The full results were as follows :-

<u>LADIES</u>	1st	Tina James	hits - 60	golds - 23	score - 547
	2nd	Meg Wyse	hits - 60	golds - 23	score - 544
<u>GENTS</u>	1st	Jim Seymour	hits - 60	golds - 33	score - 569
	2nd	Paul Rennie	hits - 60	golds - 33	score - 567
	3rd	Joe Grafen	hits - 60	golds - 22	score - 541
	4th	Bill Carmichael	hits - 60	golds - 15	score - 536
	5th	Graeme Mitchell	hits - 60	golds - 21	score - 533
	6th	Norrie Young	hits - 60	golds - 10	score - 488
	7th	Bill Bowman	hits - 60	golds - 9	score - 465
	8th	Andy Robertson	hits - 59	golds - 8	score - 455
	9th	Derek Sangster	hits - 36	golds - 7	score - 261
		(shot $\frac{1}{2}$ the round only)			
<u>JUNIORS</u>	1st	Jill Rennie	hits - 60	golds - 18	score - 505
	2nd	Barry Galbraith	hits - 53	golds - 0	score - 274
<u>COMPOUNDS</u>	1st	Athol Pirie	hits - 60	golds - 14	score - 551
	2nd	Morag Pirie	hits - 60	golds - 9	score - 522
	3rd	Bill McKay	hits - 60	golds - 3	score - 498

In addition to the usual trophies and medals, the following awards were also made :-

GENTS IMPROVER TROPHY - GRAEME MITCHELL  
THE JIM COULL TROPHY - WATTY WYSE  
SPECIAL ARROWHEAD TROPHY - BILL CARMICHAEL

Presented to Bill in recognition of his devoted service and Honorary Membership of the club.

I hope to see more members next year.

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LASSWADE v PENICUIK INTERTOWN - PORTSMOUTH, LASSWADE  
23 MARCH 1996

The above shoot was hosted by Lasswade this year with 12 members from each club shooting the usual Portsmouth round. After much discussion with my opposite number from Penicuik, the following members were selected to shoot for their respective clubs.

Their scores and the final result were as follows:-

<u>LASSWADE</u>			<u>PENICUIK</u>	
		<u>LADIES</u>		
Tina James	544		Elaine McLean	531
Meg Wyse	<u>532</u>		Lynne Morris	<u>508</u>
	1076			1039
		<u>GENTS</u>		
Paul Rennie	562		Keith Morris	572
George King	<u>560</u>		Dave Bowen	<u>547</u>
	1122			1119
		<u>JUNIORS</u>		
Jill Rennie	486		Tallah Brash	541
Barry Galbraith	<u>327</u>		Kirsti Buchan	<u>531</u>
	813			1072
		<u>COMPOUNDS</u>		
Bill McKay	532		Donald Cameron	512
		<u>TOTALS</u>		
LASSWADE	3543 (2nd)		PENICUIK	3742 (1st)

No folks, I have not defected to Penicuik yet (they could not afford me anyway).

As they had no compound archer, I elected to complete their team.

To add insult to injury, I shot a personal best based on the inner ten ring for compounds .

My thanks to all who attended and to Joan, Meg and Morag for organising the refreshments afterwards.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1996

MAY

ROUND

VENUE

Sunday 26th

Albion

Lasswade

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7th

S.A.A. FITA

Lasswade

Sunday 8th

Star (SRS)

T.B.A.

Lasswade outdoor club championships.

ITEMS FOR SALE/WANTED

YAMAHA EOLLA RECURVE BOW (R/H)

Carbon limbs                    66" length, 32/35lbs at 28"

£400 o.n.o.

BROLLY STORM TENT

£ 25

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That concludes newsletter 4 folks.

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Target date for newsletter No.5 will hopefully be May 1996.