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NEWSLETTER - NO.5

Dear Member,

I would like to open the fifth newsletter with an apology. After newsletter four was circulated it was brought to my attention that there was an error in the Intertown Portsmouth report. The total score for the Penicuik gents should have been 1119 and not 1199 as was reported although the final total for the Penicuik team was correct. My thanks to Bill Carmichael and Athol Pirie for spotting this error. These two lucky gentlemen(?) will be entered into a special prize draw and the winner will have a night out with me at his expense! The loser will have two nights out with me at his expense! Just kidding gentlemen! Perhaps it is just as well as Athol has short arms and deep pockets anyway. (Sorry Ath, just getting the mandatory dig in, HA!HA!)

Now down to the serious business

CLUB NEWS:

COACHING QUESTIONNAIRE

Of the 34 questionnaires sent out, 18 were returned to me and my thanks to those of you who took the time to complete and return them. The other 16 of you must be top notch archers!

At the time of writing I am collating all the information received and I will then consult with our coaches as to what form the coaching sessions will take and the frequency that they will be held. I will update you in a future newsletter.

DONALD.

MEMBERS ONLY NIGHT - 24 APRIL 1996

Our second session proved to be even more popular with 23 members attending. Once again, Bill Mackay and Derek Sangster were on hand and in addition to helping archers with shooting problems they helped other archers on various aspects of equipment maintenance. Thanks again gentlemen.

I hope we can hold more evenings like this in the future.

DONALD.

TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

Now that we are shooting outdoors on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings, I will be putting up a portable noticeboard behind the shooting-line at club sessions. This means you will be able to see any new entry forms for future tournaments. I will of course continue to announce them verbally as well. This will save you having to walk down to the sports centre.

DONALD.

S.A.A. ANNUAL REPORT

I have copies of the 1995 annual report available for any member who wants one.

TOURNAMENT REPORTS

S.A.A. POSTAL LEAGUE 1995-96

I have just received the final results for the league:-

RECURVE DIVISION 1

LASSWADE 'A' were runners up to Aberdeen. The highest boys score for the whole season in this division was made by Paul Rennie with a score of 568.

RECURVE DIVISION 2

LASSWADE 'B' finished 6th in this division. As with division one we again had the highest boys' score, a 557 by Peter Walker.

RECURVE DIVISION 3

LASSWADE 'C' finished 10th. No individual highest scores were obtained by us.

COMPOUND DIVISION

Our compound team finished in 9th place and again we made the highest overall boys' score, a 341 by Barry Galbraith.

My congratulations to the above young gentlemen who will be receiving medals from me courtesy of the S.A.A.

We will also be receiving the division one runners-up trophy from last years runners-up, Aberdeen. They in turn will be sent the winners trophy from last years winners, Lasswade! Hope you followed all that!

DONALD.

LASSWADE v PENICUIK INTERTOWN - FROSTBITE, LASSWADE 31 MARCH 1996

As with this years' Intertown Portsmouth, Lasswade also hosted the annual outdoor Frostbite Round (3 dozen arrows at 30m on an 80cm face).

A contingent of 17 archers came from Penicuik as opposed to 7 from Lasswade. It was decided that the six highest scores from each club would decide the overall winning team. It was a dry day with sunny/overcast periods and a slight to moderate breeze. However, as with the Portsmouth shoot the previous Saturday we were not successful in winning the team shield from the holders, Penicuik.

The scores and the final result were as follows:-

LASSWADE	<u>PENICUIK</u>
327 320 304 303 262 205	314 300 294 291 290 286
<u>TOTAI</u> 1721 (2ND)	

DONALD.

KATE KENNEDY SILVER ARROW TOURNAMENT ST GEORGE/ALBION, ST ANDREWS - 14 APRIL 1996

Sunday the 14th April was St Andrews Day in archery circles when a few of us attended this, the first outdoors shoot of the new season and all credit goes to Dave Bowen of Penicuik for his assistance to the university in organising the event, a task previously undertaken by our own Watty Wyse. There was one slight hiccup in that for the first time we were unable to gain access to the toilets before noon when the shoot was due to start. So no "cross-bowmen" but quite a few "cross-legged" bowmen.

The shoot was ably judged by Bill MacKay and Derek Sangster. The targets themselves were shaded from the glaring sun by a hint of cloud cover from which a measure of rain descended for most of the day. How did our scoring go? Well, 5 of us managed a total of 3202 out of a possible 4860.

BILL CARMICHAEL.

FALKIRK FITA - GRANGEMOUTH. 21 APRIL 1996

Here we were at Grangemouth and where was the sun? It was somewhere above a cloud about a thousand feet up Sitting right on top of us and shedding a lot of rain.

Falkirk's genial Moira Taylor warned the assembled archers to take care when pulling their arrows lest they slipped, especially target 9 she said which rested in a pool of water (what else). Bill MacKay and Derek Sangster suitably attired in their stetsons once again did the honours as judges, squelching manfully

from call to call along the line of targets. There was scoring of course, but I just can't remember what mine was, but with the help of George King on 1131, the 5 Lasswade archers probably averaged between 800 and 1000. I have not mentioned anything about prizes because up to date we have not won any!

BILL CARMICHAEL.

Bill, thanks for the above two reports. Are Bill MacKay and Derek Sangster the only judges in Scotland? (HA!HA!)

DONALD.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

All shoots are at Lasswade.

1996

MAY ROUND

Sunday 26th Albion

<u>SEPTEMBER</u> ROUND

Sunday 1st Outdoor Club Championships, FITA

Saturday 7th S.A.A. FITA Star (SRS)

& Sunday 8th

Thats it for newsletter 5 people.

Target date for newsletter 6 is undecided yet!

DONALD.