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#### NEWSLETTER NO. 24 - DECEMBER 1997

Dear Members,

Welcome to a festive edition of the newsletter. ingredients in this month's "cake" include a dollop of "Athol-bashing" with a small dig at Joan. Read on .......

#### CLUB NEWS

# LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 1997

The above meeting was attended by 17 members, just under half of the total membership. The following members were elected to serve on the committee for the next year:-

B. Galbraith -Snr

CHAIRMAN: VICE-CHAIRMAN: TREASURER:

TOURNAMENT SECRETARY:

RECORDS OFFICER:

ORDINARY MEMBERS:

JUNIOR MEMBER:

SECRETARY:

G. Mitchell

(to be assisted by B Carmichael) J. Smith

D. Cameron A. Robertson

W. Wyse

B. Galbraith -Jnr

B. Carmichael, J. Rennie, T. James,

(remained in office)

K. Hoy and N. Fraser

All members will receive a copy of the minutes of the 1997 AGM.

All members can also see the minutes of the club committee, Eastern Area and S.A.A. meetings as well. Just ask Joan. Can I also remind you that non-committee members can at any time come forward with any suggestions or help on the running of the club. Do not assume that the committee does everything!

# CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

Due to the above holidays it has been decided that our last club session for 1997 will be Wednesday, 17th December, the night of our Christmas Fun Shoot. Our first session for 1998 will be Wednesday the 7th January 1998.

#### THE NEWSLETTER

At the AGM I informed those of you who attended that one of our members does not read their newsletter and does not wish to continue receiving a copy. I am not offended in anyway! However, I can appreciate that some of our new members, especially juniors, may find much of the content of the newsletter a bit strange until they get to know things better. I compile the newsletter during my own free time for the benefit of all members. In other words, if any member does not wish to receive a copy them please let me know.

#### TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEES

As you may have read, I have yet again agreed to continue as your Tournament Secretary. Can I remind you of my two main rules?-

RULE 1 No fee, no entry!

RULE 2

If you wish to enter a tournament then please see me after any announcements have been made and not while I am trying to run the club! Whoops.

Sorry Watty. I meant to say while I am trying to shoot!

Entry fees are given to me by a cheque made payable to the organiser of the tournament you are entering. If you must use cash then please have the exact amount. You will be notified of all future tournaments both verbally and in the newsletter itself plus details will be posted on our notice-board during the indoor season.

### GNAS MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR NEW MEMBERS

Last month all you new members received your membership cards. As I reminded you when I handed them out, if you lose your card then please let us know immediately. It is a requirement that when you (eventually) enter tournaments, that if a tournament organiser asks to see your card you must show it. If you cannot produce it you will not be allowed to shoot. When you re-affiliate each year you normally only receive your details on a sticker which you then stick on to the back of your card. In other words unless you lose your card you will not normally be issued with a new one.

#### OTHER NEWS

On behalf of the club, may I offer our congratulations (or commiserations) to our chairman, Watty Wyse, on his election as president of the S.A.A. I suppose this makes Meg his first lady! Never a man for half measures, he has also been promoted from candidate to county judge. Well done wee man!

#### TOURNAMENT REPORTS

### LASSWADE INDOOR OPEN PORTSMOUTH (BRS) LASSWADE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS CENTRE - 9 NOVEMBER 1997

Sunday morning saw 48 archers taking part in our Indoor Open Competition with another 65 archers booked in for the afternoon session. There were no major problems throughout the day and everything just sailed along. The change over at lunch time was very smooth and efficient. I made a few small mistakes with the results but nothing that was unrepairable. A number of competitors thanked Lasswade for a great shoot and are looking forward to next year. My thanks go to everyone who assisted on Saturday night and Sunday. Next year Tina will be organising the shoot and I hope that she will get as much assistance as I have.

#### Watty Wyse

Our results were as follows:-

<u>LADIES</u>	6th	Meg Wyse	(551)
	9th	Tina James	(546)
	17th	Joan Smith	(500)
	25th	Diane Armstrong	(296)
	26th	Jade Hunter	RET. ( 50)
<u>GENTS</u>	13th	Graeme Mitchell	(538)
	18th	George King	(533)
	23rd	Bill Carmichael	(526)
	37th	Ian Hunter	(434)
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GIRLS U-18		Jill Rennie	(482)
BOYS U-16 COMPOUND LTD	1st	Barry Galbraith -	New PB(365)
GENTS COMPOUND LTD	2nd	Athol Pirie	(548)
	4th	<b>Neil Fraser</b>	(506)
	5th	Donald Cameron	(478)
GENTS COMPOUND U LTD	8th (SHOT	Andy Robertson IN THE AFTERNOON!)	(549)
	9th	Bill MacKay	(540)

TEAM 4th Lasswade (2168)

Meg Wyse Tina James Graeme Mitchell and George King

In addition to the above, after the main awards were made, Watty took the opportunity to award the Jim Coull trophy. This unique trophy is awarded to the Lasswade club member who, in the opinion of the club chairman, has done the most for the club in the past year. It was awarded to some bloke called Donald Cameron. (Never heard of him!) Moving swiftly on now to the P.S's:-

PS The raffle made a total of £107.50

PPS. It was not very warm in the hall during the day.

Just as well Joan wore trousers this time!

PPPS Unlike this tournament last year Athol remembered where the 20 yard line was!

PPPPS You know it is now the indoor season when Athol joins us again! Being self-employed he does not get to the club as often as he would like. He told me in strict confidence that during his summer recess from the club he under-took an unsuccessful treatment to lengthen his arms. This means that they (his arms) can still not reach his (very) deep pockets!

# LOREBURN ARCHERS OPEN SHOOT, DUMFRIES - 7 DECEMBER 1997

Five of us made our annual pilgrimage for this Portsmouth round.

As in previous years, there was an afternoon session only, attended by 40 archers.

The journey down proved to be un-eventful and we actually managed to find the venue quite easily this year.

The shoot itself progressed well and we were half-way through the round within an hour. The judge then decided to give us a 10 minute break. That's a new one on me. Another hour saw the round completed.

After packing up our gear we then made our way to the cafeteria for the raffle and presentation. We continued our lucky run on the raffle prizes as follows:-

Bill C - A bottle of sherry

Tina - A bottle of pina colada

Muriel - A bottle of wine

Me - A christmas selection pack

Four of us won medals with Tina taking the first Lady Recurve winning a trophy and a small plaque.

#### RESULTS: -

LADIES	1st	Tina James	(543)
<u>GENTS</u>		Bill Carmichael	(548)
GENTS COMPOUND LTD	1st 2nd	Athol Pirie Donald Cameron	(540) (459)
GENTS COMPOUND U LTD	2nd	Bill MacKay	(539)

Our 2 un-affiliated club members did well with Muriel Kirkwood (Lauriston) taking 3rd Lady Recurve and Paul Rennie (Edinburgh University) as 2nd Gent Recurve. We were also joined by Bill M's superior half, Margaret, but I do not know what her score was. I'm sure it was better than Bill's! After the proceedings were over we made our way back up the road. It proved to be very wet, windy and misty so I was glad Athol's younger half, Morag, was there to navigate for me.

Yes Tina, we did miss the turn-off but after passing back through Dumfries via Carlisle, Birmingham, Bognor, Lockerbie, Dumfries and Moffat we finally found the right road (HA!HA!)

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

# 1998

JANUARY	TOURNAMENT/ROUND (OR EVENT)
Wednesday, 7th	First indoor session for 1998
Sunday, 18th	Eastern Area Indoor Championships/FITA 18 Lasswade
Wednesday, 21st	Postal Shoot/PORTSMOUTH

#### **FEBRUARY**

Sunday,	8th	Indoor Open/FITA 18 (BRS) Lasswade	
Sunday,	15th	WoS Indoor Championships, PORTSMOUTH, Wishaw	

So ends year 2 of the newsletter. May I take this opportunity to wish you all the best for Christmas and the New Year. As Al Jones would say, keep them scores going up!

Actually folks, this is not quite the end. As you will have read, our chairman Watty Wyse has gone up in the world so I would like to dedicate this little ditty to him.

#### THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS (The archers version)

On the first day of Christmas Watty said to me, a carbon in a pear tree

On the second day of Christmas Watty said to me, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the third day of Christmas Watty said to me, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the fourth day of Christmas Watty said to me, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the fifth day of Christmas Watty said to me, five Fita Stars (pause for breath), four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the sixth day of Christmas Watty said to me, six Chek-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the seventh day of Christmas Watty said to me, seven Sherwood longreds, six Chek-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the eighth day of Christmas Watty said to me, eight Gent Compounds, seven Sherwood longreds, six Chek-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the ninth day of Christmas Watty said to me, nine Lady Recurves, eight Gent Compounds, seven Sherwood longreds, six Chek-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the tenth day of Christmas Watty said to me, ten Lord Paramounts, nine Lady Recurves, eight Gent Compounds, seven Sherwood longreds, six Chek-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree On the eleventh day of Christmas Watty said to me, eleven Target Captains, ten Lord Paramounts, nine Lady Recurves, eight Gent Compounds, seven Sherwood longreds, six Check-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree

On the twelvth day of Christmas Watty said to me, twelve double malt whiskies\*, eleven Target Captains, ten Lord Paramounts, nine Lady Recurves, eight Gent Compounds, seven Sherwood longreds, six Chek-It bowsights, five Fita Stars, four broadheads, three plastinocks, two arrow quivers and a carbon in a pear tree.

\* Watty's favourite tipple.