

THE ARROWHEAD

THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

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Dear Members,
It seems to have gone quiet again so we have another short newsletter this month. I have also decided to add a new section at the end of each newsletter, when possible, which will be headed "And Finally", not an original idea, I must admit, I stole it from the ITN news! This will give any of you a chance to submit any humorous items you may come across which do not have to have an archery theme. See the items at the end of issues 48 and 49 for inspiration.
Now, on to the news....

CLUB NEWS



Improvers Trophies

At a recent indoor club session the above trophies were awarded as follows: -

LADIES - Joan Smith
GENTS - Donald
Cameron

Well done to the both of you.

Outdoor Shooting Fees

Now that we are shooting outdoors all members should be aware that only a fee of £1.00 is payable.

An Apology

In my report in last months issue on the Indoor Club Championships, I said that Billy, who won the compound trophy for the third time equalled

that of Athol Pirie, B.O.F. who also one it three times. However, I was trawling through the old Club Trophy Book and found that Brian is also a three times winner in 1989/92/93. Sorry auld yin!
P.S. Get a haircut!

Committee Meeting

All committee members are cordially invited to attend the next meeting on Thursday, 11th May at 7.30pm, at the usual venue.

A Question of Safety

All members are reminded that they must not shoot until the whistle has been blown or a verbal command has been given by the

Target Captain. I am aware you were just following a bad example set by one of our members. Mentioning no names she comes from the Giffnock Club. Ha! Ha!

Lasswade Albion
Shoot – Sunday 21st
May

Just a reminder to as many of you as possible for your help in getting the range set up on the above date at 9.00am. All help will be much appreciated, as would any donations for a raffle.

TOURNAMENTS



Links and Lochside
Annual Open (600)
Montrose – 19 March
2000

This Portsmouth round has brought the current indoor season to an end and Graeme took first gents recurve. In addition Elayne and

Tina also shot with both of them finishing in the top six in their group. The results were as follows: -

Ladies
3rd Elayne (560)
6th Tina (531)

Gents
1st Graeme (568)

Falkirk Archers
Millennium Fita
(1440), Grangemouth
– 16 April 2000

The curtain-raiser to the 2000 outdoor season began as it always does with the first Fita round held by Falkirk Archers. It was also a promising start to the season for our members with a runners-up place for Tina and distance awards for Elayne and Graeme. Derek was also there as one of the judges and lets hope he has invested in a new pair of white trousers! (Yes Derek, that trousers joke just won't lie down!)



Weatherwise, things were not too bad with the cold breezy conditions carrying on

into the afternoon with a light shower and bright spells. The final placings were as follows: -

Ladies
2nd Tina (1090)
5th Elaine (1013) plus
the 60m award (242)

Gents
6th Graeme (1065) plus
the 90m award (242)

Kate Kennedy Silver
Arrow Shoot (972), St
Andrews – 23 April
2000

Another good effort saw Graeme take third place with a score of 736. A score of 773 earned Tina the Bowman Class medal. No individual results were given by the organisers.

S.A.A. Indoor Postal
League 1999-2000

Organiser Al Jones has given out his final results for the above league and his covering letter is as follows: -
“Dear fellow archers, hello once more and for the last time this season. Some clubs have had problems this last couple of months, such as not being able to field full teams or in some cases not managed a score at all.

This is a great pity, but it does emphasise the problems we are having all over these days. We can only hope things will have improved for next season. Anyway, I have enjoyed running the league and I hope you have all enjoyed taking part. Thanks very much for all the stamps and congratulations to all Trophy and Medal winners. Good luck and good shooting. Al Jones."

Lasswade did furnish full scores from their 4 member recurve teams and the two 2 member compound teams. We did not win any trophies, but Tina James has won a medal for highest scoring lady in Division One, the score being an excellent 571. I also sent Al a fair number of used postage stamps for his charitable project.

I am now looking ahead to indoor season 2000-2001 Postal League entries. The S.A.A. one is no problem. The first round is in November and both compound and recurve teams are resolved from that months postal shoot and entry money and results go off together

to Al to reach him by the end of the month.

Entry to the British Archer Indoor Leagues is more problematic. Intention to participate is notified to the organisers in August, and in September team entries have to be submitted together with the fees. The club did not take part in B.A.'s 1999-2000 Indoor League, but on 4th Sept 1998, entry fee of £43.50 was sent off for the 1998-1999 indoor Portsmouth League, whereas the S.A.A. one for the same number of teams cost the club £4.75. My message to recurve and compound members is this: - If you want to compete in the massive British Archer Indoor League 2000-2001 then action has to be taken in the next couple of months. Recurve are teams of 5, and compound teams of 2. Members keen to take part should let me know by mid July and also supply me with their average Portsmouth score from season 1999-2000, or your estimated one if you have no such average score. Any team entry from us must be accompanied by an estimated team score to permit the organisers to place our

teams in the Divisions at a level on a par with our team skills. If I don't hear from you in sufficient numbers then the B.A. Postal League 2000-2001 will not be graced by the presence of our club-over to you. Bill C.

DATES FOR YOU DIARY 2000

All events are at Lasswade unless indicated otherwise.

MAY

Thursday 11th – Club Committee Meeting at 7.30pm.

Sunday 21st – Lasswade Outdoor Open Shoot / Albion and Windsors (BRS)

AND FINALLY

GOD BLESS DADDY
A father put his three year old daughter to bed, told her a story and listened to her prayers which she ended by saying "God bless mummy, God bless daddy, God bless grandma and goodbye grandpa."
The father said, "Why did you say goodbye grandpa."
The little girl said "I don't know daddy, it just seemed like the

thing to do." The next day grandpa died. Father thought it was a strange coincidence. A few months later the father put the girl to bed and listened to her prayers which went like this. "God bless mummy, God bless daddy and goodbye grandma."

Next day the grandmother died. My gosh, thought the father, this kid is in contact with the other side. Several weeks later when the girl was going to bed the dad heard her say "God bless mummy and goodbye daddy." He practically went into shock. Couldn't sleep all night and got up at the crack of dawn to go to his office. He was as nervous as a cat all day, had lunch sent in and watched the clock. He figured if he could get by until midnight he would be OK. He felt safe in the office, so instead of going home at the end of the day he stayed there drinking coffee, looking at his watch and jumping at every sound. Finally midnight arrived; he breathed a sigh of relief and went home. When he got home his wife said, "I've never seen you work so late, what's the matter?"

He said, "I don't want to talk about it. I've just spent the worst day of my life."

She said "You think you've had a bad day, you'll never believe what happened to me. This morning the postman dropped dead on our doorstep."

That wraps up this edition of the newsletter.

Donald

*Publishers note: -
Apologies for this months newsletter not being up to standard due to technical difficulties. The temporary publisher requests some Bacardi Breezers to help relieve some of the stress!!
We should be back to normal next month.
Andy.*