

THE ARROWHEAD

THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB



Merry Christmas



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Dear members,
Welcome to a pre Christmas edition of "The Arrowhead" which contains all the events and gossip for the past month ...

CLUB NEWS



Lasswade Archery Club
23rd AGM Wednesday
28th November 2001



Thirteen members, just half the club, attended this year's AGM which was an improvement on last year. Yet again most of the old committee have agreed to serve your interests for another year. The line up for the next year is as follows :-

President – J. Smith
Vice President – A. Robertson (remained in office).
Secretary – D. Cameron (remained in office).
Treasurer – W. Carmichael (remained in office).
Records Officer – T. James (remained in office).
Trophy Officer – D. Cameron (remained in office).
Junior Rep – D. Gulland.
Ordinary Members – W. Stewart (remained in office), F. Boath and I. Stuart.
Co-opted Coaches – W. Mackay and D. Sangster.

As you can see we have 3 new faces this year, Dean who has filled the vacant junior post, plus Fiona and Ian who are ordinary members. On behalf of the committee I welcome them, and look forward to their input.

As always, various topics were discussed and yet again it must be brought to your attention that the club has more money going out than we are bringing in. At the meeting Bill M stated that about 24 of our bosses

will need to be replaced in the near future.

One boss alone with delivery costs comes to a total of nearly £100. You do not have to have a degree in accountancy to realise if we had to replace them now, most of our savings would be used up. In the old days, the club used to do a lot of corporate work, which in one year brought in £1000. However, income of that sort has now been lost. I need not remind some of you why!

Another subject discussed was the club fees. To help bring in some income for the club Bill M proposed that the fees be increased as follows :- Adults to £20 and juniors to £10 and this was agreed by the meeting. Before you reach for your heart pills, these fees will not come into effect until the next AGM (27-11-02). The current fees, which are due now, will remain at £15 for adults and £7.50 for juniors.

A proposal was also put forward to increase the target fees. A counter proposal was then put forward to charge a block fee and a third proposal was

to leave the fees as they are. A vote was then taken and a majority decided to leave them at their present levels. The next topic to be discussed was that of coaching and the non existing response to Derek's proposal at the 2000 AGM. Bill M suggested that each member should now ask themselves what their individual objectives are with regard to their shooting. If they have any then they should see Bill who would be happy to help but on the condition that if he is to give up his time then an equal commitment would be needed by the member. It is also our opinion that a structured coaching program is required. To that end a special meeting is to be held and all members will be expected to attend. In his financial report, Bill C suggested an amendment to Article 15 of the club's constitution with regard to the date of the club's balance sheet for the 12 months preceding the AGM. This was agreed by the meeting. I had hoped to suggest a few amendments as well, but there was not enough time left. Finally, before the meeting closed the Jim Coull Trophy was presented, and this year's recipient was Derek who was the first holder of the trophy way back in 1979. He hopes he will not have to wait another 22 years before he gets it again!

All members will receive a copy of the AGM minutes and an updated Club Constitution.

Club Committee Meeting



All members are reminded that the first meeting of the new committee will be on Thursday 10th of January 2002 at 7.30pm in room B4.

Christmas / New Year Holidays



Due to the above holidays, our last club session for 2001 will be on Wednesday 19th of December. We will recommence on Wednesday 9th of January 2002.

Tournament Fixture List

All members have received a copy of the tournament fixture list which takes things through to the end of the outdoor season for 2002. This is a provisional list only, but I will keep you updated on any amendments or additions.

Tournament Entries

Can I request all members who see me when they wish to enter tournaments that I must know their current classifications for the entry forms. If you do not know what your classification is (if you have one) then please see Tina. If you do not tell me what your classification is then you may miss a chance to win a medal.

Eastern Area Indoor Championships 20th January 2002

The 2002 Championships are being run on behalf of the Area by Tina. Instead of the usual Fita 18 round, a Portsmouth round will be shot, exactly the same as our shoot back in November. I hope like the November shoot that we see another good entry of Lasswade members.

The range itself will have to be set up on the evening of Saturday the 19th, so we would like some volunteers please. As always, a raffle will be held, so all contributions will be gratefully received.

GNAS Affiliation Stickers

By now you will have received your new stickers for 2001/2002. These should be affixed to the back of your GNAS cards. Newly joined members will of course receive their cards as well. The usual reminders now follow. If you enter a tournament remember to take your card. If a tournament organizer asks to see it and you cannot produce it then you will not be permitted to shoot. Even one of our former members who was to shoot for Scotland was disqualified from shooting for this very reason. Secondly, if you lose your card then see me immediately so a new one can be issued. It will be your responsibility to pay GNAS £3.00 for a replacement card.

Beginners Class

Our latest 6 week class ended in mid November.

Unlike previous classes, it was decided to charge all the participants a one off block fee up front. This had the effect of keeping the riff-raff out and prevented parents from using us as a crèche. All the pupils were given the usual tuition, and at the end of the sessions we still had 9 out of an original 10. All the pupils who completed the course were presented with attractive certificates produced by Derek, and information packs about the club from me. One of the juniors will probably be joining us and the rest have decided to have a think about joining. Thanks as always to our 2 coaches, Bill M and Derek, and also to the other members who helped out.

The Arrowhead

Some time ago I asked you all if anyone was interested in doing the newsletter on their computer, (after I have done the hand written copy for you) as Andy has done it for several years now and sometimes finds that he can be too busy. To that end, I have asked Andy to do the next issue (No. 73, January). If no-one can help then issue 73 will sadly be the last one.

TOURNAMENTS



Lasswade Indoor Open
Portsmouth (BRS) (600)
11th November 2001

This year 16 of us entered our annual Portsmouth round and it proved to be the most successful with several place and class medals and the team award won by us. Derek was also acting as senior judge. The ladies section was closely contested with the top 3 scores being 561, 560 and 559 which earned Muriel third place. Tina, Elayne and Joan also finished in the top 8 with Cheryl some way further back. The gents group was almost as close with Graeme finishing first with a 567, just 6 ahead of the third place gent on 561. Bill C did well to finish in 7th ahead of 25 other men. Ian broke the 500 barrier and Richard was further back. The gents C/Ltd. Was between Ross and myself with the usual result. Moving on to the gents U/Ltd. Group, our best placing was by Bill M with Billy 2 points further back. Andy had to retire due to an equipment failure (a broken string which couldn't be replaced in time). There were mixed fortunes for our two juniors, with Dean taking a medal as the U-16 boy. In the boys U-14 group Stuart finished in third place. Finally, we come to the team award and this was also a close run thing with Lasswade taking the trophy for the first time since 1995 with a combined score of 2211, just 2 points ahead of Edinburgh University. So well done to Graeme, Tina, Bill C and Joan. The shoot itself progressed well with no problems, and unlike last year was almost fully subscribed. It was also good to see many of the archers staying for the presentation which was preceded by the

raffle which this year raised an impressive £126.00. Thanks as always to those of you who helped get the range set up on Saturday and who also helped on the day of the shoot and to the "Big T" herself Tina, who was our organizer yet again. She also informed the AGM that she received 15 e-mails from archers who were very pleased to have attended the shoot.

I hope we can repeat this at the Area Championships in January 2002.

Our results were as follows :-

Ladies

3 rd	Muriel	(559)
5 th	Tina	(552)
7 th	Elayne	(547)
8 th	Joan	(545)
20 th	Cheryl	(285)

Gents

1 st	Graeme	(567)
7 th	Bill C	(547)
27 th	Ian	(505)
29 th	Richard	(486)

Gents C-Ltd

1 st	Ross	(537)
2 nd	Donald	(486)

Gents C-U-Ltd

6 th	Bill M	(552)
9 th	Billy	(550)

Boys U16

1 st	Dean	(406)
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Boys U14

3 rd	Stuart	(292)
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Team Recurve

1 st	Lasswade	
	Graeme	(567)
	Tina	(552)
	Bill C	(547)
	Joan	(545)
	Total	2211

Well done to you all.

**DATES FOR YOUR
DIARY 2001 / 2002**



All events are at Lasswade unless indicated otherwise.

December

Wednesday 19th – Indoor Super League – Fita 18

Wednesday 19th – Last club session for 2001

January

Wednesday 9th – First club session for 2002

Thursday 10th – Club Committee meeting at 7-30pm

Wednesday 16th – SAA Postal League – Portsmouth

Sunday 20th – Eastern Area Championships – Portsmouth

Sunday 27th – Northern Area Championships (BRS) – Portsmouth
Venue – Montrose

Wednesday 30th – Indoor Super League – Fita 18

February

Sunday 10th – Lasswade Open (BRS) – Worcester

Wednesday 13th – Indoor Super League – Fita 18

Sunday 17th – SAA Indoor Championships – Fita 18
Venue – Aberdeen

Wednesday 20th – SAA Postal League – Portsmouth

So ends another action packed edition of "The Arrowhead".

Can I wish you all the best for the festive season?

Remember; if you can't be good at least be careful!

Donald

And finally

Due to a lack of contributions, this section is now ended.

And finally, finally

Publishers note: No, it's still open because I am quite sure that the members will have lots of funny stories and jokes about the festive season to add to the newsletter next year. Anyway, it's no big deal to type "and finally" at the end of the newsletter.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.

And finally, finally, finally

