

# THE ARROWHEAD

## THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

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Dear Members,

An even longer edition this month, partly due to a larger than normal tournament section.

### CLUB NEWS



#### Target Fees

A reminder to our senior members that the target fee indoors is £3.00.

#### SAA Postal League 2001/2002

An organiser is required for the new season. All that is involved is getting the monthly (November to March) scores shot, and sending the scores to the main organiser Al Jones of the SAA, who in turn sends out the monthly league positions to all the competing clubs, including ourselves. Bill C has performed this task well for us for several years now, so it would be appreciated if

someone else could come forward.  
See me if you are interested.

#### Club Badges



A small supply of club badges is still available at £1.00 each. See me if you would like one (or more).

#### Entering Tournaments

This item is mainly for our newer members but it does no harm to remind the rest of you.

Now that we are back indoors, when I receive entry forms I put them up on our notice board. Read the details and if you would like to enter a tournament then see me. I will also keep you informed verbally at club nights. If you do enter a shoot you will have to pay your entry fee to me. A cheque made payable to the tournament organiser is my preferred method of payment, if you use cash, please have the exact amount. If I have sent the entry form away and you

then change your mind, then see me at once. If you want a refund, please be aware that many tournament organisers will not return your fee after their closing date for entries, so please see me ASAP.

On the other hand, if you decide to enter a shoot after I have sent the entry form away then it will be your responsibility to arrange your own entry. Also, please be aware that you will only be allocated a place if one is available, it may be fully booked up. Please also remember that some organisers may also charge you a late entry fee above the normal entry fee. So, to sum up, read the notice board/newsletter and listen to announcements when I make them.

### TOURNAMENTS



National Championships  
for Archers with  
Disabilities 21/22 July 2001

About 60 archers with a whole spectrum of disabilities met at Rugby on the weekend of 21/22 July from all corners of Britain to demonstrate to themselves and others that ability is far more important than disability. Four archers went from Scotland, including Andy and myself, the others were Davie Cowieson and Mike Broderick from Fife. As usual we did our archery on a cricket pitch in Rugby. There was a lot of local interest and support from the local archery club, the Lions Club, and the Red Cross (who sat around all weekend, but it was good to see them 'just in case'). The event was organised by Disability Sport England, and the Lord Paramount was the Lord Mayor of Rugby. The shooting was at a fairly relaxed pace, the FITA starting at 11am on the Saturday after our tackle had been inspected. After lunch the Advanced metric started, this is like a FITA minus the 90 metres and is only used by archers with disabilities. After an 'early' start on Sunday at 9am, any hangovers were soon fixed, and archers who were doing the shorter distances joined us. I saw for the first time people shooting the Burntwood Metric. This is shot by visually impaired archers and is shot entirely at 30 metres. The size of the target face is changed to simulate different distances. I was doing my first ever FITA, having been entered 'by mistake'. After 90m I was about 15 points behind the top scorer, and pulled up to 5 behind after the 70m taking the distance award, by which time I was *very* tired. I blew it a bit at 50

and 30m, but managed to take the Silver for the FITA recurve with 916 points. Not bad for my first FITA? Andy meantime was doing well in the compound. He shot consistently well throughout and took and took the Bronze with 1177, just behind Davie Cowieson. Andy was even seen smiling several times. Three of the six FITA medallists were amputees, so it goes to prove that some of us can shoot while legless. The only real failure is not trying.

Richard

SAA Northern Area  
Double FITA Star (WRS)  
(2880) Banchoy  
14/15 July 2001



Muriel, Tina and Graeme were in attendance this year, with Bill M and Derek as 2 of the Judges and Bills cuddly half, Margaret, as Lady Paramount. Muriel was just outside the top 3 Ladies in fourth and Tina went for an early bath on day 2. Graeme finished as fifth Gent. Results as follows :-

LADIES

4<sup>th</sup> Muriel (2321) plus the 70m award (539)  
12<sup>th</sup> Tina (1808)  
retired at 20 dozen.

GENTS

5<sup>th</sup> Graeme (2309) plus the 90m award (547)

Scottish Open  
Championships Double  
FITA Star (BRS/WRS)  
(2880) 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> August 2001



Our usual 3 Ladies entered yet another FITA Star and "Mr Reliable", Derek, was judging. Although outside the medal placings, they all collected a distance award. Weatherwise, both days were a mixture of sunshine and showers with light winds. Final placings were as follows :-

6<sup>th</sup> Muriel (2282) plus the 60m medal (584)  
10<sup>th</sup> Tina (2197) plus the 30m medal (651)  
11<sup>th</sup> Elayne (2190) plus the 50m medal (567)

Glasgow Archers  
Scandinavian FITA  
(SRS/BRS/Thistle Status)  
(1440) Glasgow  
18<sup>th</sup> August 2001



Need I repeat myself? Tina, Muriel and Derek. Again, although outside the top positions, Tina collected another distance award, with Muriel just 15 points behind Tina. The weather was dry and overcast with light winds. Placings as follows :-

6<sup>th</sup> Tina (1149) plus the 50m award (293)  
7<sup>th</sup> Muriel (1134)

ps The usual reminder to our newer members. The difference between a Scandinavian FITA and a

normal FITA is that arrows are shot in ends of 3 as opposed to 6 in a normal FITA. Our resident reptile, Bill M, loves to wind people up by saying it is shot in the nude!



Besides Bill, reptiles need warmth!

Glasgow Open  
York/Hereford  
(SRS/BRS/Rose Status)  
(1296) 19<sup>th</sup> August 2001



Muriel contested Day 2 only and her score of 1047 earned her fifth Lady recurve. The weather was described as thoroughly miserable so I hope Derek was wearing waterproofs to protect his gleaming white trousers!

Lasswade Outdoor Club  
Champs Incorporating the  
Penicuik Outdoor Champs  
and the Lasswade v  
Penicuik Intertown Senior  
and Junior Shoots (810) 9<sup>th</sup>  
September 2001

Did you find the title of this shoot confusing? Then I shall explain! We had intended to hold our own championships at Lasswade, however, the Penicuik club who, as they were holding their own championships on the same day, invited us to join them approached Bill C. As we had not held the intertown shoots for some time, this also meant we could shoot for them as

well. The round shot was an American round, two and a half dozen arrows each at 60, 50 and 40 yards, (shorter distances for the juniors) 90 arrows in total, with a maximum score of 810. Eleven of us shot the round. Elayne was first Lady this year with Bill C taking the Gents shield to add to his previous wins in 1995 and 1996. Dean finished as first junior to add to his indoor title with Billy repeating the feat as first compound member. Well done to you all and the rest of us for providing some close competition. Positions as follows :-

LADIES

- 1<sup>st</sup> Elaine (700)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tina (678)

GENTS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bill C (539)

JUNIORS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dean (569)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Stewart (522)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Peter (506)

COMPOUNDS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Billy (754)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ross (734)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bill M (726)  
4<sup>th</sup> Muriel (716)  
5<sup>th</sup> Donald (368)

Lasswade v Penicuik  
Intertown Shoot (Senior)

Due to Penicuik having no compounds and us having only 2 recurves, the top 2 recurves from each club were chosen to decide the result of this shoot.

LASSWADE	PENICUIK
Tina (678)	Susan (715)
Bill C (539)	Elayne (700)
Total (1217)	Total (1415)

Penicuik retain the trophy.

Lasswade v Penicuik  
Intertown Shoot (Junior)

LASSWADE	PENICUIK
Dean (569)	Mathew (671)
Stewart (522)	Stephon (542)
Total (1091)	Total (1213)

Penicuik Juniors retain the trophy.

In addition to the above awards and by way of thanking our Penicuik hosts, we awarded club medals to the top scoring members with Susan, Jim and Susan's wee boy Mathew collecting another medal each. The weather changed from overcast to bright spells spoilt only by some gusty winds.

To sum up, congratulations to everybody above and thanks to our friends at Penicuik for providing the barbecue after the shoot.

PS The highlight of my day was Tina's chocolate cake.

PPS I shot with Muriel on target 3. I hope Bob does not read this. If you do Bob, I can assure you she behaved herself!

PPPS The eagle eyed amongst you may have noticed that Elayne appears for both clubs. This is not an optical allusion, she merely holds membership for both clubs.

DATES FOR YOUR  
DIARY



All events are at Lasswade unless indicated otherwise.

## **October**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> – Eastern Area AGM – South Gyle at 7.30pm.

## **November**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> – Lasswade Indoor Open (BRS) – Portsmouth.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> – SSD (Disabled Championships) – Portsmouth.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> – Lasswade AC AGM at 7.30pm.

Wednesdays TBA – SAA Postal League and Lasswade European Super League.

Issue 69 is duly terminated.

Donald

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## **And Finally**

Contributions for this section are starting to dry up again, so here are some scrapings from the bottom of the barrel.  
You have been warned!

Q. What's the penalty for bigamy?

A. Two mothers in law!

Q. Why do opticians rarely divorce?

A. They normally see eye to eye!

Q. What do you call a pig running around with no clothes on?

A. Streaky bacon!

Q. Why don't most cats bother to shave?

A. Because eight out of ten cats prefer whiskers!

Q. Why did the moth eat a hole in the carpet?

A. It wanted to see the floor show!

Q. What lies at the bottom of the sea, is brown and quivers?

A. Jack the kipper!

PS The club does not supply sick bags!