

THE ARROWHEAD

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Dear Members,

Welcome to a bumper edition of "The Arrowhead" which amongst other things contains some personal achievements by some of our members and a few playful digs at a few others including our "Reptile in Residence", Bill M.....

Club News

Commonwealth Archery Championships - Australia, 2003

Some of you are probably still asking yourselves why archery was omitted from the Commonwealth Games in Manchester this year.

An explanation was given in the latest edition of Archery U.K. (Autumn) on page 2 the "Chairman's Comments".

I have been informed that if this tournament is to go ahead then to send a team from Scotland could cost in the region of £18,000. I suppose team members would have to pay some of their own expenses unless some well off benefactor was to come forward.

How about you Ann? You have a wealthy look about you! Seriously, it looks like any potential funding may have to come from various sources.

To that end I am sure clubs will be asked to come up with some ideas for raising funds. This

subject was discussed at our committee meeting back in September and a few suggestions were put forward but it would be appreciated if any of you have some ideas. Come On! Your Country Needs You!

Goodbyeeee!

Now that we have all re-affiliated for another year we have said goodbye to Cheryl who amongst other things is now training to qualify as a teacher and on behalf of the club we wish her every success as this will take up much of her time. Before you rush to get your hankies she does hope to return next year so we will not have time to have a collection this time. Ha! Ha!

If that was not enough the "Lady in Black", Fiona, will also be parting company with us at the end of the year to travel the world.

So this item is by way of a premature goodbye and she will hopefully return some time in the future.



LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

LASSWADE INDOOR OPEN (BRS) 10 NOVEMBER 2002

Once again Tina will organise our annual Portsmouth round and as usual we will need volunteers to help get the range set-up on the evening of Saturday 9th Nov, 2002 between 8-30pm and 9.30pm. I would like to see a good number of you entering this year as most of you are now more than capable of shooting a 20 yard, five dozen arrow round.

As always, we will be holding a raffle on the day of the shoot so any donations for prizes will be most welcome.

Finally, the following Lasswade members hold trophies for this shoot: - Gents Recurve - Graeme Gents Compound Ltd - Ross And the

Recurve Team Trophy won by Graeme, Tina, Bill C and Joan.

S.D.S. DISABLED CHAMPIONSHIPS 16 NOVEMBER 2002

Yet again Lasswade are hosting this event with Andy as organiser and most of the grafting done by me! Due to the nature of some of the archers it would be appreciated if some of you would come forward to act as arrow pullers and scorers.

As with our own shoot this is also a Portsmouth round and as there is only a small entry it may also be possible for any helpers to shoot as well. So this would be an extra chance to improve your indoor classifications and GNAS dress rules do not apply either! The shoot is normally an afternoon session only. If you can assist then please see me.

CLUB NOTICE BOARD

Now that we are back indoors please remember to take a look at the club notice-board when you arrive or before you leave, as there is a constant flow of news from the Area, S.A.A. and GNAS, coming in. Do not assume I pass all the news on!

LITTER

It has been noticed that a few of you are still leaving soft drink cans in the hall. Can I



remind you that there are

litterbins in the changing rooms and the hallway, for the disposal of these items. Food and drink is not allowed in the hall, although usually nobody minds. However, it may just take a member of the centre staff to make a complaint to the management then we could all suffer. **YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!**

RULES OF SHOOTING (UPDATE)

In editions 78-80 of "The Arrowhead", your editor has re-run the Rules of Shooting for the benefit of our newer members. I thought it would be helpful to update these with the latest offerings from the revised Rules of Shooting recently issued. A copy of this book is available for perusal from the Club Secretary or you can buy your own one from the

GNAS Shop. One of the first points to mention relates to the **Pass Through Rule**. When shooting an Imperial Round, there has been a change for **rounds shot indoors**. Should this happen, the archer still needs to let the Judge(s) know what has happened, the difference now is that provided the Judge is satisfied with your claim, you will be permitted to shoot another arrow. [Rule 404c]. That's why it's necessary to make sure you have spare(s) available, in your quiver preferably, not your tackle case. Should you have an Equipment Failure, again let the Judge(s) know and you will be permitted time to correct the problem. You may be permitted up to a maximum time of 15 minutes to do this. Any arrows, which you have missed because of this, can be made up at the earliest opportunity under the supervision of a Judge. Perhaps a word or three about Etiquette may be of help. This is covered in more detail in the Rules of Shooting. When calling out the scores of your arrows, point to them but do not touch them. Call the scores in groups of three starting with the highest and going down to the lowest, e.g. 10;10;9- 8;7;7 for a six arrow end or 10;10;9 for a three arrow end. Score all the arrows on the target first, then look for any missing ones afterwards. Make sure you have all your arrows, 3 or 6 before you leave the target. Should you have lost an arrow, look for it, but if its not immediately found let the Judge(s) know so that they can arrange for further searches to be made. They will also attach a coloured card to the back of the boss with details of the arrow and when it was lost. **Remember, it is the Archer's responsibility to find the arrow.** The best way not to lose arrows however is to make sure you can hit the target with all of them.

On another point, should you damage another archers arrow by treading on it either when walking to the target or whilst searching for a lost one, you must pay for the replacement there and then. So either watch where you tread or have a wallet full of cash! Only Judges are permitted to search for arrows by jumping up and down on the ground!!!! Most other people use metal detectors or other implements which can also do extreme damage to arrows. You have been told .

For those of you who use spotting telescopes on the shooting line. Once you have shot your last arrow of the end, retire from the line taking your scope with you. If you don't Mr MacKay will have some not so quiet words in your ear. (Funny how many similarities there are with the TV series "Porridge" Mr MacKay, who resembles Callum Miller and Fletcher the main character, not that he was involved in making arrows you know) Remember also that only archers with disabilities are permitted to leave their telescopes on the line between ends, everyone else please remove them. OK I've rambled on enough for one Newsletter, however, I hope that the words are of some benefit. I would recommend that you obtain a copy of the rules of shooting, that way you will know your responsibilities and not have to rely on second hand information which may be out of date or incorrectly understood or related to you. Should you get a copy keep it safe, if you don't understand any of the rules, don't ask me I've only been a National Judge for a year and get my white stick next month.

**Derek Sangster
National Judge**

As a follow up to Derek's item all new members who join the Club receive an item on scoring and etiquette as part of

their "New Member,
Information Pack"
Donald Cameron GNAS
Leader and "The
Arrowhead" editor
Rasp.....!
P.S. I have a spare copy of
the "Rules of Shooting"



S.A.A. POSTAL LEAGUE- 2002/03

I have been sent a reminder that the new league begins in November. As I mentioned in last month's "Arrowhead" the intention is to shoot these rounds on Sunday mornings and since then some members have expressed an interest. As always the round will be the Portsmouth, 5 dozen arrows at 20 yards on a 60cm target face and preceded by 3 sighter arrows.

At the time of writing I do not know the exact number of members who will shoot but the team formats are as follows.

The 4 highest recurve scores will form the 'A' team and the next 4 highest the 'B' team etc.. The same details apply to the compound teams except that these teams consist of 2 archers per team. It is intended that the scores from our Portsmouth Tournament next month will be used for the November teams. The remaining months from December to March will be shot on Sunday mornings.

P.S. We will also need a club member to volunteer to collect our monthly scores and send them to the overall organiser, Al Jones.

LASSWADE INDOOR EUROPEAN SUPER LEAGUE -2002/03

November will also see the start of our European League. This round will be a FITA 18, 5 dozen arrows at 18metres on a 40cm target face preceded by 6 sighter arrows.

This round will be shot once a month on Wednesday evenings from November to February and team formats will be the same as for the S.A.A. League. Andy will once again be our organiser and please arrive in good time.

TOURNAMENT REPORTS

GLASGOW ARCHERS THISTLE TOURNAMENT (SRS ANDBRS) (1440), GLASGOW - 17TH AUGUST 2002

Unlike a normal FITA round this shoot is a Scandinavian FITA meaning that is shot in the nude!

Bill M had entered this shoot but the judges took one look at his flabby body, ordered him to get dressed and go home! This is why Bill M always wears a tight-fitting top at club sessions as it holds everything in place! Only 2 of our ladies entered this year with Tina taking fifth place with a score of 1173 and she also took the 60m distance award with a score of 300 out of 360.

Muriel shooting compound was first in her section with a score of 1199.

Oh! I almost forget to say this round is not really shot in a state of undress. You must wear rubber or PVC! Just kidding! Could you really imagine Bill M in a PVC catsuit? YUK!

Seriously, the major difference between these 2 rounds is that 3 arrow ends are shot in the Scandinavian FITA as opposed to 6 arrow ends in a normal FITA. I could tell you about the frostbite round but perhaps I should leave that for another time!

S.A.A. AND NORTHERN AREA FLIGHT AND CLOUT CHAMPIONSHIPS (SRS), CASTLE FRASER - 15TH SEPTEMBER 2002

Only Bill C and Ian (St) entered this year with Bill M (suitably dressed) judging. The first part of the shoot was the Flight round and for the second time in 4 years Bill C is the new Scottish Champion in the 35 to 50lbs recurve group. His winning distance of 361yds, 2ft and 8¼ ins also broke the current Scottish record by 19 yds, 2ft and ¾ ins. It proves yet again that there is still life in the old gentleman! Ian (St) also did well to take fifth place with a distance of 309 yds, 1ft and 2ins.

The second part of the shoot was the Clout. It was well done to Ian (St) whose double score of 156 earned him the runner-up spot in his section behind Simon Needham of Links Archers who amongst other things just happens to be a Grand Master Bowman and a British Olympic archer. Bill C took 6th place.

I am sure most of you do not know what Flight and Clout involves so please ask the above named gentlemen if you have any questions.



**LASSWADE v PENICUIK
SENIOR AND JUNIOR
INTERTOWN
TOURNAMENTS
INCORPORATING THE
LASSWADE AND
PENICUIK INDIVIDUAL
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS
(810), PENICUIK
29 SEPTEMBER 2002**

This year 6 of us and 2 of our juniors contested this American round to determine the destination of the Intertown and our own Club Championship trophies. Our senior team which comprised of Ross, David, Bill C and Richard had a combined total of 2651 to Penicuik's total of 2871. Stuart and Jack also lost to Penicuik in the junior section, 807 to 1199, although Jack had never shot the bigger distances before and the 2 Penicuik boys regularly enter tournaments. Juniors take note!

Moving on to our own club championships David is the new gents' champion with last year's winner Bill C in second and Richard in third. Stuart is the new junior champion and Jack took a silver medal. David and Stuart have also made a piece of club history by becoming the first father and son to shoot a Lasswade Championship and to both win trophies. Well done! I am sure by now David's head will be swelling up so let's move on to the compounds!

Last year's winner, Billy was unable to attend this year so it is pleasing to report that Billy's (not so) wee boy Ross kept up the family tradition by taking the compound trophy. Bill M was second. HA! HA! HAIHA! FOOOEEY!

I was last. But like Jack I had no sight marks due to my new bow. So that's my excuse!

Scores are as follows:-

Ladies

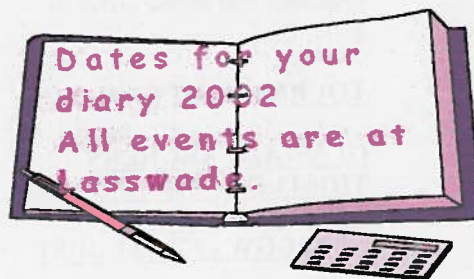
No entries.

Gents

1 st David	696
2 nd Bill C	643
3 rd Richard	570

Juniors	
1 st Stuart	539
2 nd Jack	268
Compounds	
1 st Ross	742
2 nd Bill M	710
3 rd Donald	557

In concluding this report I would like to thank our friends of Penicuik AC for hosting the event and providing the barbecue, after the shoot. Although I thought the sausages were a bit overdone!



DATE	TOURNAMENT/ ROUND OR EVENT
NOVEMBER	
Sun 10 th	Lasswade Indoor Open (BRS) Portsmouth
Wed 13 th	Lasswade European Postal/FITA 18
Sat 16 th	Indoor Disabled Championships Portsmouth
Wed 27 th	24 th AGM at 7.30pm NO CLUB SESSION
DECEMBER	
Sun 8 th	S.A.A. AGM at 1pm Venue: Cluny Clays, Fife
Wed 11 th	Lasswade European Postal/FITA 18

AND FINALLY

David has submitted the following Tommy Cooperisms. For those of you who do not know who Tommy Cooper was please see David.

Two Aerials meet on a roof - fall in love- get married
The ceremony was rubbish but the Reception was Brilliant.

Man goes to the doc, with a strawberry growing out of his head.

Doc says "I'll give you some cream to put on it."

A man takes his Rottweiler to the vet.
"My dog's cross-eyed, is there anything you can do for him?"

"Well," says the vet, "lets have a look at him"
So he picks the dog up and examines his eyes, then checks his teeth.
Finally, he says, "I'm going to have to put him down."
"What, Because he's cross-eyed?"
"No, because he's really heavy."

Two elephants walk off a cliff boom boom!

So I went to the dentist.
He said "Say Aaah."
I said "Why?"
He said " My dog's died."

Now, most dentists' chairs go up and down, don't they?
The one I was in went back and forwards. I thought "This is unusual."
And the dentist said to me 'Mr Vine, get out of the filing cabinet.'

Two cannibals eating a clown. One says to the other "Does this taste funny to you?"

I had a ploughman's lunch the other day. He wasn't very happy.

My dog was barking at everyone the other day. Still, what can you expect from a cross breed.

I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.

This issue is now terminated.
Donald

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