

THE ARROWHEAD

THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

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Dear Members,

After the excitement of the 100th edition of "The Arrowhead" it is back to normality once again.

Club News

LASSWADE OUTDOOR OPEN (ALBION)

I will once again be organiser for the above tournament, which will take place on Sunday 6th June.

As always I need some help to get the field marked out the day before and help to get the range set up on the day of the shoot. Any volunteers should be at the outside store by 9am for an 11 am start.

I would also like as many of you as possible to donate prizes for the raffle.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with this round you can obtain information from the GNAS Rounds Cards which some of you recently purchased.

For those of you with tight wallets here is a brief description of the Albion round.

This is a 9 dozen arrow round with seniors shooting 3 dozens arrows each at 80,60 and 50 yards. Juniors shoot shorter distances between 60 and 20 yards according to age or ability. The maximum score possible is 972 and 5 zone scoring is used e.g. GOLD = 9, RED = 7, BLUE = 5, BLACK = 3 and WHITE = 1 and a full size 122cm target face is used at all distances.

Six sighter arrows are shot at the first, longest distance only and don't forget to adjust your bow-sight at each new distance.

P.S.

Due to the Albion there will be no Club session that day unless the shoot is cancelled due to a lack of entries. I will notify you if this happens.

P.P.S.

I hope you will enter Frank, just tell Mrs Harrison she will have to do the shopping herself.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



A reminder to all of you especially juniors, that during the school holidays the Club continues to shoot as normal throughout the outdoor season.

CLUB AWARDS

At our last indoor session in April several awards were made.

The first award presented was the Apple Trophy which is presented to the winner of our Half Portsmouth Tournament and the winner for 2003/04 was John G.

David S tied with John but had fewer golds so he was runner up. Russell was third. A full report appears in the Tournament Reports section.



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The next awards made were the trophies for the Lady and Gent Improvers. Ann took the

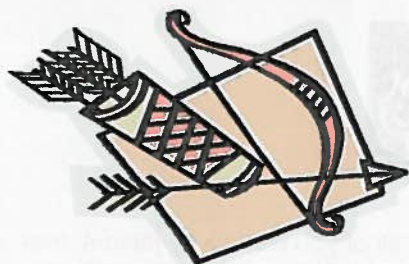
ladies award for 2003/04 and John G took another trophy as the most improved gent.

Finally, the **WRONG TARGET** award was presented and this time we had joint winners, Rosie and Pat who both shot at the wrong target during the indoor Club Championships although I am sure Rosie made a genuine error while Pat can hit the wrong target with very little effort! HA! HA!

P.S. Thanks to our Records Officer David R for working out the winners of the Apple and Improvers Trophies!

OUTDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

At the last committee meeting it was decided that we will hold our Outdoor Championships provisionally on Sunday, August 22nd. At the time of the meeting the round was not decided but a suggestion was made that nearer the time members would be given a choice of a round they would like to shoot or are capable of shooting. Watch this space.



ARCHERY UK

Jakub recently informed me that he is still not receiving his copy of Archery UK. I contacted GNAS and advised them of this. I hope that all of our new members receive the summer edition onwards. If you don't then please see me as your GNAS subscriptions are paying for this.

Some of our new members are also concerned that their temporary cards are about to expire. Due to staff shortages at GNAS there has been a delay in sending out the annual card stickers. In the event of any further delays and that some of you may wish to enter tournaments then a covering letter explaining the situation will usually be acceptable to a tournament organiser with the letter provided by Joan or myself.

AWARDS, MEDALS, ETC

Ambar approached me recently and asked why the Under 14 boys medal at our Indoor Club Championships was awarded to Jakub and not to him as he was the top scoring U14 boy ahead of Jakub. Well Ambar you will

remember that you won a place (3rd) medal so the age group medal was awarded to Jakub as the next highest scoring U-14 boy. To explain this situation further under GNAS Rules of Shooting, Article 316 paragraph A *"the allocation of any separate prize, medal, trophy or other award shall be a matter for each individual Tournament Organiser"*. In other words I decided who was awarded the U-14 Boys Award.

It is the policy of our Club and many others that place winners do not receive age, distance or classification awards they are normally awarded to the next highest scoring archer in the appropriate age group etc. This ensures that the medals are fairly distributed among a larger number of archers.

NEW CLUB MEDALS

It was recently decided after several years that we should purchase a new design for our Club medals.

A supply has now been received and we will start awarding them at our Outdoor Club Championships.

In the event of the Albion being cancelled then they will not be awarded until our Open Portsmouth round in November.

PROFILE ON A CLUB MEMBER

Subject: Andy Robertson - Gent Compound Unlimited (a.k.a. Randy Andy, Handy Andy, Andy Pandey, Po-face and God's gift to humanity, sorry Satan's gift to humanity)



This months profile is dedicated to one of our most admired and much loved members, Andy Robertson. (Pause to vomit). Andy joined us in about 1994 from the Balbardie Archery Club and originally shot recurve before moving on to the compound bow.

Andy has also dabbled as a tournament organiser and ran the Eastern Area Double FITA Star for 2 years in the 1990's.

He also has the distinction of sleeping in and arriving late on both the Sunday sessions in both years! Thankfully, he seems to be doing a decent job of running our Indoor and Outdoor European Leagues.

In addition Andy set up and maintains our Club Website and he also assisted me in putting "The Arrowhead" together for 2 years. Like myself he has served on the Club Committee for some time and really comes into his own in the summer when he provides a tow for our club trailer at outdoor sessions thus saving us much time and labour, excluding Sundays.

His list of achievements is as follows:

Lasswade Outdoor Open FITA - 1997
Outdoor Club Champion - 1997
Scottish Outdoor Disabled Champion - 1997
Scottish Indoor Disabled Champion - 1997,98
Gents Improver Trophy - 1998
Jim Coull (Club) Trophy - 1998
Holder of 1000 and 1100 FITA Stars, FITA Thistle (1000), 800, and 900 Rose Awards.
British Short Metric Record Holder - 1998
+ Too many other achievements to mention.

TOURNAMENT REPORTS

Junior and Novice Half Portsmouth Competition 2003/04

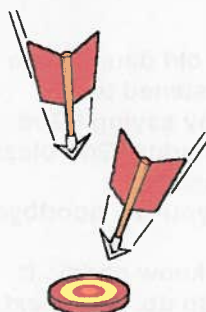
April saw the conclusion of the above competition and it was good to see most of our juniors and novices taking part. Due to other commitments our organiser Ian (St) was unable to continue so thanks to David R for taking over.

Not all of the members taking part shot every month so David based the final placings on the 3 scores shot in January, February and April so the maximum score possible was 900 (300x3).

The final placings were as follows: -

	Jan	Feb	April	Total	
1st John G (J)	253	260	258	771	21 G
2nd David S (N)	253	257	261	771	17 G
3rd Russell (N)	230	258	250	738	
4th Dean (J)	230	230	220	680	
5th Stefan (N)	206	227	226	659	
6th Ambar (J)	178	188	142	508	
7th Iain W (J)	180	107	144	431	
8th Jack (J)	143	134	111	388	
9th Jakub (J)	107	118	112	337	
10th Michael (J)	84	111	98	293	
11th Pat (N)	113	83	88	284	

12th Grigor (J) 89 105 80 274



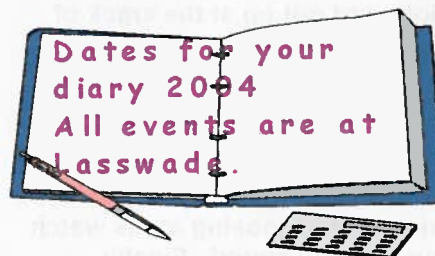
S.A.A. POSTAL LEAGUE 2003/04 Recurve Division 1 (9 teams)

Our Recurve team finished in 8th place.

Compound Division - 2 (8 teams)

Third was the final placing for our compound team with Billy taking the highest score for March, 565.

Thanks again to David R for organising the Lasswade results.



DATE	TOURNAMENT ROUND OR EVENT
All events are at Lasswade unless indicated otherwise.	
June	
Sun 6 th	Lasswade Outdoor Open Albion and Windsors No club session.
Wed 16 th	Round Two of the Lasswade European League/ Short Metric
July	
Wed 21 st	Round Three of the Lasswade European League/ Short Metric

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 the doorstep."

Contributions for this issue:
Billy Stewart

Issue 101 duly concluded.
DONALD.

COMPETITION

For younger members can you guess who the outstanding archer in the photo below is?

Give your answers to Donald for printing in the next issue.



Guess Who?