

THE ARROWHEAD

LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Dear Members,

I hope you have all survived the excesses of the Festive Season and are itching to get back to your shooting once more.



CLUB NEWS.

25TH ANNIVERSARY PEN

By the time you receive this issue most of you will have received a special pen, which is a small gift to all of you. Although it was not intended to do anything else for our 25TH anniversary shortly before Christmas I received a flyer and a sample of the pen from a company and after consulting with some of my fellow committee members we decided to order a supply as they were on a special limited offer. If you wish to purchase any additional pens then they will cost you £1.50p each.

TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

I noticed when I was taking entries for the Eastern Area Championships that some bad habits are creeping back in again. Most of you know my rules for taking entries but on this occasion some of you were leaving your entries beyond my closing date but luckily spaces were still available. However from now on I will need your entry fee before I put your name on the entry form. If you miss my closing date then it will be your responsibility to do your own entry. If you are late entering a tournament then there may not be any spaces left if there are spaces then some

organisers may charge you a late entry fee in addition to the normal entry fee.

Many entry forms now appear on the S.A.A. Website so you could do me a favour and do your own entry form you can then enter as late as you like!

ARCHERY U.K.

All established Club members should be receiving Archery U.K. every 3 months.

What do you do when you are finished with your copy? Do you keep it or throw it away?

If you do neither of these you could pass any of your unwanted copies to me and I can give them to newer members who are not yet receiving their own copies.

SCORING

Some of our less experienced members are confused as to what area of the target face scores 10 on gold. Put simply the outer gold ring scores 9 and the inner gold ring scores 10 which should be marked on your score-sheet appropriately. To confuse this slightly there is also a smaller X ring within the inner gold area.

When shooting a recurve bow indoors this X ring also scores a 10. However, those of you who may decide to shoot a compound bow in the future will only score a ten if your arrows penetrate the X ring on an indoor round.

All new members who joined us after the last beginner's class will have received two laminated cards in their new members information pack. These cards will give you information on our sport and a visual depiction on scoring if you have not understood my explanation in this item.

Any established members can purchase a set of cards from G.N.A.S. or I have small supply and you can get them from me for £1-00p.

OTHER NEWS

Most of you will have noticed that Richard has not been with us recently. What do you mean you hadn't noticed! Ha! Ha!

Shortly before Christmas Richard informed me that he had been away on a short holiday courtesy of the NHS. Without going into any detail he had something removed but rest assured it was not his remaining leg!

On behalf of the Club we hope to see you soon Richard but don't hurry the out-door season will be soon enough as the smoke from your pipe is good at keeping the midges at bay!

Well after that happy news we now have some nappy news!

Some of you will have known one of our Lady members, Diane Armstrong. Diane left us some time ago as she was expecting a delivery from a large white bird. The package was due about the time I was putting this edition together but the delivery took place about five weeks early (I didn't know the Royal Mail was that efficient!) and arrived in good working order. Owen is Diane's second son and congratulations once again from the Club.

P.S. Diane will this mean we will be seeing less of Elise? Ha! Ha!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

All events are at Lasswade unless indicated otherwise.

**JANUARY TOURNAMENT
ROUND /
OR EVENT**

**SUNDAY 16TH Eastern Area Indoor
Championships / Portsmouth. (SRS)**

**WEDNESDAY 19TH Round 3 of the
Lasswade Euro Postal League / FITA 18**

**THURSDAY 20TH Club Committee
Meeting at 7.30pm.**

FEBRUARY

**SUNDAY 6TH S.A.A. EGM.
Venue : Cluny Clays, FIFE**

**SUNDAY 13TH West of Scotland
Indoor Championships / Portsmouth (SRS)
Venue : Wishaw**

**WEDNESDAY 16TH Final Round of
the Lasswade Euro Postal League / FITA
18**

MARCH

**SUNDAY 6TH Lasswade Indoor
Open Worcester (BRS)**

**SATURDAY T/B/A Indoor Club
Championships
/ Portsmouth**

AND FINALLY

This item has appeared several times over the years but it will be informative for our new members.

From Issue ?
V for Victory.

I read the enclosed clipping in the Readers Digest - sorry it's in such a sad state - I have a bad habit of reading in the bath yes it fell in. It may be old news to everyone else but I had never heard of this, so if you don't include it in Scottish Archery I won't go in the huff. Keep up the good work.

Joan Smith, Lasswade Archery Club.

Editor Scottish Archery.

You can trust me not to share your personal habits with the rest of the archery community in Scotland – you may however now be inundated with offers from people offering to read you in the bath.

'In the United States it signifies 'Victory', or 'Peace', but here in Britain if the palm faces inwards, it's a taunt especially if the gesture is executed with an upward jerk of the fingers.

More than 650 years ago the French are said to have disabled English archers they captured in battle by cutting off their middle and forefingers. In the aftermath of Agincourt and Crecy, where the French were heavily defeated triumphant English soldiers gloated over the French prisoners by holding up their hands, first two fingers upright, palm inwards, to show both fingers fully intact.

Editor The Arrowhead

As President, I will be taking entries from anyone in the Club who would like to read Joan in the bath! (rubber ducks not provided)

P.S. Scottish Archery is long defunct.

Editor, Seattle Tribune

You are right to say that our
country is not the best of the
best. However, it is not the worst
of the worst. It is a country
that is still a great place to live
and work in.

In the United States, we are
a country of immigrants. We are
a country of people who have
come from all over the world
to build a better life for
themselves and their families.
We are a country that has
achieved many great things
in the past and will continue
to do so in the future.

Editor, The Northwest

As President, I will be using
my voice to help the people
of the Northwest. I will be
working to improve the
economy and the quality of
life in the region.