

# THE ARROWHEAD

## LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Dear Members,  
Greetings from your much loved Club President.....

### CLUB NEWS

#### AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2009/2010

As I have been reminding you for the last few months about the above fees it is now time to get your wallets and cheque- books out.

For those of you who have forgotten here are the new fees:

SENIOR - £63.00, JUNIOR £10.00, OAP £57.00 and Disabled (junior) £10.00 (senior) £20.50

I have now received the new GNAS cards for 2009/10 so you can pay your appropriate fee now. However, all, payments must be received by **NO LATER** than Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

You should give your payment to JOAN which can be by cash or a cheque made payable to Lasswade Archery Club. I will then issue you with your new card for 2009/10.

Remember to **SIGN** your new card and **DESTROY** your old card for 2008/09.

If you produce an old card at a tournament then you will not be permitted to shoot. If you lose your card please let me know ASAP so I can get you a new one. This will probably incur a small fee, which you would have to pay.

As always, if you do not pay by the closing date then as per GNAS rules your new card will be destroyed and you will have 3 options to consider: -

- 1 – You will not be able to shoot or this or any other club for the next year.
- 2 – You can join another club if they are prepared to re – affiliate you.
- 3 – You can apply to become an Ordinary Member of GNAS. This is a more expensive option and you would have to arrange this for yourself although I can advise you about this.

P S. The following juniors have now become 18 since the last round of affiliations and will now have to pay the full £63.00. They are Ryan Aitken and Jakub Srsen.

## **CLUB COLOURS**

For those of you who have been with us for some time will be aware of on-going saga with regard to this subject. At last month's committee meeting it was decided that we will now adopt Club Colours and Adelle has registered our intentions with GNAS.

Although a final design has yet to be decided the colours will be red and black. This was an idea from Derek as red and black are the colours of the Lasswade Rugby Club, the Lasswade High School and Lasswade itself. In addition, it has now been possible for clubs to register a colour for lower garments as well as upper garments and black has been chosen as many other clubs have done as it is easier to source and does not show the dirt so easily! No member would be obliged to wear club colours but they should remember that if they enter a record status tournament, as all the Lasswade shoots for 2009/10 are, then they would have to wear the regulation colours of white and/or plain dark green.

I will provide you with more details about the Club Colours when I have them.

## **INDOOR TOURNAMENTS**

Now that we are back indoors the majority of our members will come out of their summer/outdoor hibernation period and may decide to enter some tournaments providing they are at Lasswade and are 20 yard Portsmouth Rounds!

Whatever tournament any member decides to enter then Adelle is your point of contact for entries. You can of course go onto the SAA website and download your own entry form although tournament organisers usually prefer block entries as opposed to dozens of single entries, especially Tina!

Although they are probably all on our website here are the dates for Lasswade Indoor Tournaments for 2009/10: -

### **2009**

OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup> – COMBINED FITA

NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> – OPEN PORTSMOUTH

### **2010**

JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> – EASTERN AREA CHAMPIONSHIPS \*

FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> – SAA INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS \*

MARCH – 7<sup>TH</sup> – OPEN DOUBLE FITA 18M

MARCH – 13<sup>TH</sup> INDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (NON – RECORD STATUS)

Tournaments marked with an asterisk (\*) are not Lasswade AC tournaments. We are merely providing the venue and the use of our target bosses.

## **NEW BEGINNERS' CLASS**

A new beginners' class will be starting on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> of September through to Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

As usual the hall will be divided in two and your co – operation will be appreciated.

Please note that there will be no class on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October. The normal Club session will take place but it will finish early that night to allow us time to set up the hall for the Combined Fita on the following day.

## TOURNAMENT REPORT

### OUTDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS ( 864 ) – AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup> 2009-09-02

After a 3 -year break our Outdoor Club Championships took place once again with the Western and Short Junior Western rounds being shot. For once the weathermen were spot on so apart from a varying wind the weather kept dry for us.

Eleven members took part with 5 of them being from our most recent beginners class.

The shoot progressed without any major problems and after the first distances were shot we had a break for lunch. After completing the second distances members were allowed to continue shooting to gain some new sight marks while I prepared the results list.

This year Joan was our sole lady recurve and will be providing accommodation for the shield for another year.

The gent recurve group was one by Derek for the first time since 1984. It (almost) brought a tear to my eye!

There were some good first time scores from some of our newer juniors with our most experienced junior Gareth taking the junior shield to add to his indoor title back in March.

As I said there were some good scores from our other juniors who have only joined us earlier in the year so this was their first outdoor tournament. I am therefore hoping to see some good scores when we move back indoors.

David R opted to shoot on "The Dark Side" this year to give young (ish) Billy some competition on the compound bow. However, Billy managed to retain the compound shield, as due to other commitments David was not able to get much outdoor shooting this season.

The results were as follows: -

#### LADY RECURVE

1<sup>st</sup> - JOAN 645

#### GENT RECURVE

1<sup>ST</sup> - DEREK 510

2<sup>ND</sup> - GEOFF 468

3<sup>RD</sup> - EDDIE 383

#### JUNIOR RECURVE

1<sup>ST</sup> - GARETH 850

2<sup>ND</sup> - MATTHEW(S) 709

3<sup>RD</sup> - IAN 619

4<sup>TH</sup> - ROBBIE 514 – U16 BOY

5<sup>TH</sup> - MATTHEW(P) 362 – U14 BOY

#### COMPOUND

1<sup>ST</sup> – BILLY 806

2<sup>ND</sup> – DAVID R 748

#### **SEALED SCORE (650) SENIOR**

JOAN 645

#### **SEALED SCORE (550) JUNIOR**

ROBBIE 514

#### **MOST GOLDS**

GARETH

#### **MOST REDS**

GEOFF

#### **WORST WHITE**

GEOFF

## Tournament report cont.

As I have already stated the shoot went well with the exception of a minor point of etiquette from a nameless younger member!

Although this was not an open formal tournament it should be remembered that when an archer has finished shooting his/her end of arrows then he/she must move off the shooting – line and back to the waiting area without any un – due talking or exclamations as this can disturb the concentration of other archers. In a formal tournament this would earn a reprimand or even dismissal from the tournament itself by the judge. However, we learn by experience!

Should this happen again any member will be made to write out the GNAS Rules of Etiquette ten times in long – hand! HA! HA!

As I said at the presentation it was good to see some of our newest members who not only took part but have also shot outdoors for most of the outdoor season in varying weather conditions. I hope this bodes well for the future.

My thanks to those of you who took part and helped set up the range etc and to Joan who organised the barbeque and lastly to myself!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – 2009

### SEPTEMBER

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> New Beginners' Class commences.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Closing date for 2009/10 Affiliation Fees.

### OCTOBER

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Combined Fita (25m/18m ) UKRS.

### NOVEMBER

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Indoor Open (Portsmouth) UKRS.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting. NO ARCHERY THAT NIGHT.

So ends this month's lecture.

Donald