

THE ARROWHEAD

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Dear Members,

It's getting close to next month when we will reach issue number 200 of "The Arrowhead" and I will be making a monumental announcement in that edition!
Until then you will have to make do with the meagre amount of news for this month!

CLUB NEWS

I am sure since last month's newsletter that most of you will have forgotten the name replacing GNAS. Do you really care? Probably not! The Scottish Archery Association (SAA) also changed some time ago to Scottish Archery (SA). I wanted to bring this to your attention as these will be the titles and abbreviations I will use in the future.

Oh! And for good measure Fita (I don't have enough room to type out their full title!) have also changed their name and they will now be known as World Archery. I do not know at this time if they will change their tournaments titles as well. A World Archery Star does not have the same ring to it as a Fita Star or Combined Fita for example!

Perhaps it has come to their attention that their previous abbreviation can be interpreted as Foreign Intervention in Target Archery as one wise old field archer brought to my attention many years ago!

OUTDOOR SHOOTING FOR 2012

The proposed outdoor venue at the Loanhead Leisure Centre has been checked out for safety and other issues and has been passed as suitable for our needs although at the time of doing this item it had not been confirmed in writing.

As we are now into the second half of the 2012 outdoor season we may not go there this year as in addition to taking our equipment there we would have to take it back at the end of the season to Lasswade. This would mean that next summer we would not be shooting indoors as we have done this year. There is also the possibility that this could be our permanent outdoor home as we could potentially have problems for the 2014 outdoor season onwards at the new playing fields at Lasswade. We won't really know what will happen until nearer the time.

It is however interesting to report that our indoor sessions for May and June have almost been on a par with our normal Wednesday evening sessions. Are you trying to tell me something? From this month until the end of August we will shoot from 6.30pm to 8.30pm as this period coincides with the school holidays it will be of interest to see how well attended these sessions will be.

NEW MEMBERS

Our latest Beginners' Class ended last month and it was without doubt one of the worst classes I have ever been involved with. Some of the learners seemed to arrive at a time that suited them and 3 did not even bother to attend the final session to receive their certificates. At most of the sessions there were more of us than there were of them! However, it is with great relief that two of them have pledged their allegiance to the Club so a warm welcome to two new senior members, Charles Gamble and Ian Lindsay. This means that we now have 3 Ian's in the Club so if they please me enough to get a mention in future newsletters I will use their first names followed by their first initial of their surnames! Mind you, at least we don't have a third Richard yet. Ha! Ha!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – 2012

JULY

Nothing happening!

AUGUST

Wednesday 29th

Last "Indoor Summer Session" for 2012.

So until next month, BYEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE!!!!!!

Donald