

**"THE ARROWHEAD"**  
**THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB**

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Greetings to you all. Yes, it is that time of the year again when we return indoors and I expect to see some of you who have an aversion to shooting outdoors emerging from your summer hibernation period!

Oh! And get this. I have two contributions from two members for this issue. I can't remember when this last happened!

**CLUB NEWS**

**AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2014/2015**

Last month I gave you the first alert for the above fees but now it is that time of the year when you must have your purses, wallets and cheque books ready! Apart from a £1.00 increase for the AGB Fees, everything remains the same as last year.

Therefore, your fees are as follows:

<b><u>SENIORS</u></b>	AGB £40.00	SA £27.00	EASTERN AREA £1.00	TOTAL = £68.00.
<b><u>JUNIORS</u></b>	AGB £ 5.00	SA £ 5.00	EASTERN AREA £0.00	TOTAL = £10.00.
<b><u>OAPs</u></b>	AGB £40.00	SA £21.00	EASTERN AREA £1.00	TOTAL = £62.00.
<b><u>DIS-ABLED</u></b>	ABG £ 0.00	SA £TBA	EASTERN AREA £1.00	TOTAL = £TBA.

You have 2 ways of paying your fees, in cash or by a cheque for your total amount made payable to Lasswade Archery Club. Your appropriate fees should be given to Joan, or in her absence, myself.

When all your fees are collected there will be 2 Club cheques issued. One will go to AGB for their portion of your fees and a second cheque which will go to SA which also includes your £1.00 Area Fee.

The closing date for all your fees will be Wednesday the 1st of October 2014. No late fees will be accepted and please see Article 20f of the Club Constitution should you not pay the above fees that have been requested.

If you are definitely staying on, and the fees can all be in before the closing date, the quicker you will receive your new card. Remember, unlike your Club Fees, the Affiliation Fees cannot be made in instalments.

PS. If you have changed your address details then let me know ASAP. If you don't do this then you will not receive your Archery UK magazine or any other correspondence from AGB or SA. Oh! If your email address changes, then once again, please let me know. If you don't, this could have serious consequences for you. You will receive no Club up-dates and even more seriously, no newsletter! Doesn't bear thinking about, does it? 🙄 🙄 🙄

## THE OUTDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2014

Ok! Here are the full details and corrected details from last month for our Club shoot this year.

**VENUE:** OUR OUTDOOR RANGE AT GROVE FARM.

**DATE:** SUNDAY THE 21st OF SEPTEMBER.

**TIME:** 11.00 am.

**ROUND:** AMERICAN.

### INFORMATION FOR THIS ROUND:

This round is shot over three distances, 60, 50 and 40 yards with 30 arrows shot at each distance at a 122cm target face.

At each distance five, 6 arrow ends are shot. However, at the first distance you are allowed to shoot 6 non-scoring sighter arrows then the required number of scoring arrows. Sighter arrows are permitted for the **FIRST** distance only.

5 Zone scoring is used, **GOLD**=9, **RED**=7, **BLUE**=5, **BLACK**=3, **WHITE**=1.

The maximum score for this round is 810.

If you want to enter the shoot then please let me know by Wednesday the 17th of September so I can prepare a target list. You will have to phone or email me as the Club session for that night is cancelled. If you have forgotten why it has been cancelled then please read the next item.

### CANCELLED CLUB SESSION

There will be no archery on Wednesday the 17th of this month as the Centre will be used for the count for the Independence Vote and they need to prepare the hall for the count on the 18th/19th. 😞

Just think of it, by the time of our Club session on the 24th we could be independent! 😞

The last sentence does not necessary indicate how I will vote! I am still learning how to write an X, or is it a Y? 😊😊😊

## THE RULES FOR THE CLUB HANDICAP ROUND FOR 2014/2015

As a follow-up to last month's report our organiser, David R, has submitted all you need to know about the round as I pre-empted him just a bit! Over to you David.....

This competition will be run during each month of the indoor season with a prize awarded for each month for the winner.

You can shoot three/3 rounds (**maximum**) during each month using the score sheets provided.

You can only shoot one round per session with only four/4 practise arrows as you would find if you were shooting any other competition. Please **do not** shoot for half an hour or so and then decide to shoot the competition as this would not be the proper way to compete at any other competition. Any scores known to have been achieved this way will not be accepted.

All score sheets **must be named, dated and signed**. Any un-dated or un-signed score sheets will not be accepted.

Please don't use score sheets unnecessarily as any extra score sheets will not be accepted.

1) Four/4 practise arrows only.

2) Twenty four/24 arrows at a 60cm Portsmouth Target Face.

3) Six/6 ends and Four/4 arrows each end.

4) To get your handicap, shoot three/3 rounds at different sessions then give your scores to myself (👤) or Donald (👤). Your handicap will be based on your highest score for each month. Score higher, then the higher score will be used to calculate your handicap. Score lower, your handicap will remain at your highest score level.

The main purpose for running the handicap is to give learning archers and even experienced archers the opportunity to improve their scores and practise the rules of competitive archery e.g. how to score, observing rules, the do's and don'ts.

Should you have a bad spell and your scores are not improving or getting worse ask someone for assistance!!! **It's free!!!**

Remember, no member is obliged to give you help unless **YOU** ask for it!

David R

As an addition to David's article, and to make things easier for you, here are the members and their handicaps which will be carried over from the 2013/2014 round.

ANN - 59 BILLY - 23 DAVID H - 23 DEREK - 35 DONALD - 47 IAN H - 47 IAN L - 23

JOAN - 23 MIKE - 59 RICHARD P - 47 ROSEMARY - 155 STEPHANIE - 59 WILL - 47.

Do you see your name here? If not, then you have not taken part or handed your scores in from last season.

As I said last month, if you have not taken part then please try to make the effort. The beauty of a handicap round means you don't have to be a top-flight archer so those of you who enter for your first time can win this monthly round just as easily as a top-flight archer.

### THE NEW CLUB TARGET STANDS

An item from Mike next...

As many of you will know, I've been keeping myself entertained over the summer by building two sets of new target stands. Consequently, I need to thank my wife Diane for her patience while the house and garden have been filled with timber and sawdust, as well as for specific help, particularly with the ramp at Grove, which I could not possibly have built in one evening without her.

I need to thank B&Q for their help in chopping up the timber for the outdoor stands, and to Derek for lending me some of his tools, during the period when I had no access to my own. Lots of people also provided advice and assistance, in particular Adelle for letting me know about a stand design that I did not know about, which gradually morphed into the new indoor stands.

On that subject, when we go back indoors at Lasswade, we will be shooting on brand new target stands, as many of you will already know. These stands should be much more stable than the old A-frame stands, and we will no longer need to worry about screwing on a cross-bar every time.

On the other hand, the support arms are supposed to locate in notches on the front cross-bar. If they are not seated properly, then a "tell-tale" of red paint will be visible from the front and from the sides if you are close enough, and there isn't a boss in the way. As before, it is the responsibility of each and every archer to ensure that his/her own boss is safe, so if you see red, go and check the arms. This will all make a lot more sense once you have seen the stands, I promise.

For anyone that is interested, all of the parts required for a tenth stand are sitting in the container. If for some reason we ever need another stand, this can be assembled fairly quickly, but more likely is that the individual parts can be swapped over when a part of one of the main stands gets shot out. So, if you see anyone trying to throw them away, or abuse them in some way, please don't let them! None of the joints on the new stands have been glued, so all that is needed for a repair is a screwdriver and/or spanner, and a few minutes work. 🛠️🔧

Mike

PS. A nice round of applause please for Diane and Mike, by order of myself! 🙌🙌🙌🙌🙌🙌

## WORLD ARCHERY

I am sure many of you know that some time ago FITA changed its name to World Archery. So you will see in the Diary Section the new title for our first indoor shoot in October, formally the Combined FITA. 🤔

In addition, we will need some of you to call out on the Saturday to get the range set up and taken down on the Sunday after the shoot. I would also be grateful for any donations from yourselves for the raffle.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - 2014

### SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 3rd      First Indoor Session for 2014/2015.

Wednesday 17th      No Club session that night.

### OCTOBER

Wednesday 1st      Closing date for all 2014/2015 Affiliation Fees.

Sunday 12th      Lasswade Indoor Open (UKRS). Round: WA Combined 25 and 18m.

Thus ends Chapter 225.

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