

"THE ARROWHEAD"
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Monthly Greetings to you all! 😊

CLUB NEWS

THE 2015 OUTDOOR SEASON

By the end of this month the remaining indoor Wednesday sessions will have ended for 2014/2015 with the indoor Saturday sessions already finished last month and already taking place outdoors at Grove Farm.

Therefore, from the beginning of May until the end of August we will be shooting outdoors at our Grove Farm venue on Saturdays between 2 and 4pm and Wednesdays between 7 and 9pm.

New members, if you have read the items on outdoor shooting you will be aware that it is a good idea to come prepared for all types of weather and, unless due to any problems you may have with your shooting, you will be shooting at a starting distance of 30 metres/yards initially until you have a bit more confidence to try longer distances. Later in the summer, we will have our Outdoor Club Championships at Grove with the round to be shot decided by the Committee.

I will not go into detail about outdoor shooting but as you have learnt indoors, you will be guided by us. If you don't know how to get to Grove Farm then ask one of us. I don't know if satnav will get scrambled up by the location, but once you pass through the entrance to Grove then you drive along past fields on your right, usually used to graze horses, then further down on the right you will see an area for car-parking indicated by an archery target symbol on a post built by Mike for last season.

Parking at the house is usually only for disabled members. We can arrange to meet you and show you the route to our outdoor range from the car-park. Un-like the indoor venue, we have to put the shooting range up ourselves and unless you have a valid reason for arriving late, we will expect you to assist in taking the range down when the session is coming to an end. Last year, we purchased a container for all our outdoor equipment and as with the indoor containers, only 4 of us have keys for it.

In addition, we will use the 122cm target face which covers the whole of the straw target boss and the 80cm target face.

Finally, last year, Rueben who owns the land, even provided toilet facilities that we can use if they are needed and at most sessions, tea and coffee may be available. As there are no chairs provided, you should bring a fold-down deck chair or something similar if you wish to. If you have any questions then please ask one of us.

Ps. En route to the range you may make the acquaintance of two pot-bellied pigs! 🐷🐷

AGB CARDS

This part of this item is for new members. I have been advised by some of you that your cards have arrived. If you have not already done so, then I need to know what the 7 digit numbers on your cards are.

If I don't have this information then I will not be able to re-affiliate you later in the year and you will not be able to shoot at this Club.

Expanding this item to all members, the usual reminder to you to the rest of you that should you lose your card then please advise me immediately so a replacement card can be ordered. This will cost you £3.50 to AGB plus an admin fee of £1.50 for the extra paperwork I will have to do. To cover you until your replacement card arrives I will issue you with a special receipt. Do not attempt to visit another club or enter a tournament unless you can produce it when requested. If you can't, then you will be refused entry whether it is a club or a tournament.

ARCHERY UK MAGAZINES

Most of you should be receiving your quarterly editions of the AUK magazines. When you have finished reading them do you -

(A) Treasure them lovingly? (B) - Make paper aeroplanes out of them? (C) - Pop them in a paper bank for disposal.

If your answer is C, then can you pass them over to me so they can be given out to new members and other interested parties? I am sure that many of you go for option C. I have asked you in the past about this and your usual response is nil.

However, you do have an option D. You can contact AGB and they can remove you from their mailing list if you no longer want to receive them.

Ps. The Spring edition of the 2015 AUK magazine has arrived. New members, please advise me if you have not received a copy. If not, then you should hopefully receive the summer edition.

CLUB EQUIPMENT

This item is for our newly joined members who are still using the Club bows.

When you dismantle your bow and put it in its bag, please ensure that the bow bag is completely zipped up.

One of you did not do this and when I took this bow bag out of the storage cabinet to reach another bow bag the riser (handle) of this bow fell out of the bag striking me on the foot. I was not a happy .

In addition, the riser could have been damaged, meaning the cost of purchasing a new bow would be the responsibility of the member involved.

I do not want to make an issue of this incident so we will skip the court-marshal!

However, a few days ago you were advised that you can take your Club equipment home with you and you have all signed a form to confirm that you are doing this. Remember, take

care of this equipment and ensure that it is stored in a secure location. Do not be tempted to shoot in your garden or anywhere else and juniors, do not take it to school with you! Should any of you be involved in an incident off Club premises then the Club can take no responsibility for this.

Ps. I hope the remainder of you will have your own equipment before we move back indoors at the beginning of September as your equipment will be needed for the next class.

CLUB TOURNAMENT NEWS

INDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – SATURDAY MARCH of 14TH 2015

ORGANISER - ME!

LADY PARAMOUNT* - SUSAN

The highlight of the Club's indoor season took place last month and was only attended by about 50% of the membership.

It's a pity, as it was your favourite Portsmouth Round. In addition, it is for Club members only, so there was no chance of any visitors winning all the medals and silverware!

It is pleasing to report however that some of our newly-joined members took part and all of them were paired up with an experienced Club member who helped to guide them through their first tournament, albeit a small scale tournament.

Taking each group in turn, the Ladies Recurve section was won by Adelle with Stephanie second and a very good first time score from Edith who took the bronze medal.

The winner in the Gents Recurve section was kept in the family by Gareth who once again was some way ahead of the competition! The Veteran's medal was won by old Grumpy, Ian H. He's not really grumpy, you should hear what he calls me!

At the other end of the spectrum was another newly joined member, Richard S, who was in competition with yet another newly-joined member, Gordon, for the Novice Gents award.

The Junior Recurve section, for the first time in a number of years, had more than one junior taking part and Jon, who had just finished his beginner's class three weeks previously took his first trophy and medal and was just ahead of Holly in second with Brandon and Abby completing the quartet.

The Compound section was retained again by Billy with David R not too far behind in the runners-up spot.

The full results were as follows:

LADIES RECURVE

1st Adelle (514) Medal and Trophy. 🏆

2nd Stephanie (464) Medal. 🐧

3rd Edith (405) Novice Lady and Medal. 🍸🏆🏆🏆 ← (See Edith for further details!)

GENTS RECURVE

1st Gareth (578) Medal and Trophy. 🏆

2nd Richard P (489) Medal. 🍷

3rd Ian L (485) Medal. 📺 (Still not available in burgundy!)

4th Ian H (476) Veteran and Medal. 🚗

5th Richard S (303) Novice Gent and Medal. 👤

6th Gordon (220) Novice Gent. 👤

JUNIOR RECURVE

1st Jon (358) Medal and trophy. 👤

2nd Holly (348) Medal. 👤

3rd Brandon (187) Medal. 👤

4th Abby (112) U12 Junior Lady Medal. 👤

COMPOUNDS

1st Billy (557) Medal and Trophy. 🍌

2nd David R (531) Medal. 👤

GENTS BAREBOW

1st Mike (501) Medal. 🏹🏹

The shoot went well with no major problems and a set of 4 new trophies, donated by me, and were awarded for the first time.

The four Quaich's awarded in previous years are now retired and I have discussed with the appropriate members that they can retain them. Just don't bring them back next year!

Thanks to those of you who took part and a big thank-you to Susan our Lady Paramount who was awarded a big Easter Egg but no medal!

*Some of you may not know about the title, that of the Lady Paramount. Until some time ago this title meant that the Lady Paramount presented the awards and was the ultimate person who decided on line-cutters/line-breakers if asked to do so. The line-cutter/line-

breaker decisions have now been dis-continued so the Lady Paramount only presents the awards now. You had a lucky escape Susan! What if Holly had any line-breakers to be decided! 😄😄😄😄

If a gentleman performs this task then he is addressed as The Lord Paramount or Gentleman Patron.

PS. If truth be told, we did have two minor issues. A lot of noise from the other half of the hall and all the lights going out! I don't think this usually happens on a Saturday afternoon so it must have had something to do with a projectile sport. Eh, em, oh yes, darts! 😄😄😄

INDOOR CLUB HANDICAP 2014/2015 - ROUND 7 - MARCH 2015

	Name	Score	Handicap	Total	Last Month
1 st	Billy	224	23	247	1 st
2 nd	David B	199	47	246	2 nd
3 rd	Donald	196	47	243	N/A
4 th	Andrew	206	35	241	3 rd
5 th	Ian H	205	35	240	6 th
6 th	Ian L	204	35	239	N/A
7 th =	Ann	174	59	233	4 th
7 th =	Richard P	198	35	233	5 th
9 th	Joan	175	23	198	7 th
10 th	Kris	188	N/A	188	N/A
11 th	Edith	171	N/A	171	N/A
12 th	Jon	140	N/A	140	N/A
13 th	Katie	135	N/A	135	N/A

A record-breaking entry for March with just 8 points between 1st and 6th places and a second successive win for Billy!

Now that they have submitted 2 scores, Kris will have a handicap of 83 to be added to his next score and Edith will have a handicap of 95 added to her next score.

So, we now move onto the final round for 2014/2015 this month and please note that all scores must be submitted to David R or myself by Wednesday the 22nd.

This will give David time to prepare the final results so that the award for this month can be presented on the 29th. After that, we will be outdoors on Wednesdays until the end of August.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY/STORAGE DEVICES - 2015

APRIL

Saturday 4th First Outdoor Saturday Session for 2015. No Wednesday sessions until May.

Wednesday 22nd Closing date for ALL HANDICAP SCORES.

Wednesday 29th Final Indoor Wednesday Session for 2014/2015.

MAY

From Saturday 2nd All Saturday and Wednesday Sessions will be outdoors and at the same times as for our Indoor Sessions.

The business for this month is hereby concluded.