

"THE ARROWHEAD"
THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB

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Dear Members,

So begins the second half of the 2014/2015 Indoor Season. With the Festive Season almost over I am sure there has been much over indulgence with one thing or another. So, for this month, I offer you an almost monochrome edition of your much loved newsletter! 😊

CLUB NEWS

THE CLUB RE-STARTS

Just a reminder for you all that we will re-commence shooting on Saturday the 3rd from 2pm to 4pm. If you cannot make it then the next session will be on Wednesday the 7th from 7.00/7.15pm until 9pm. As always, I will keep you up-dated on any cancelled sessions etc.

EASTERN AREA INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – SUNDAY 11TH of JANUARY 2015

A final reminder that we will need some of you to stay behind or come along after the Saturday session on the 10th so we can get the range set up for the shoot on Sunday. I don't know if the entry for the shoot is full yet but some of you should think about it. Why? Three reasons.

1 - It's at Lasswade! 2 - It's a Portsmouth Round! 3 - What's not to like?

SCOTTISH ARCHERY INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – SUNDAY 1ST of FEBRUARY 2015

As with the Area shoot, help will be needed to get the range set up on the 31st of this month. Do you want to think about this shoot as well? Three reasons again.

1 - It's at Lasswade! 2 - It's not a Portsmouth Round! 3 - Don't tell anyone about this! You shoot at a 40cm face! 😬

COMMITTEE MEETING

All committee members are requested and required to attend the first meeting for 2015. As with the AGM, the Community Room has been booked for Thursday the 15th of this month with a start time of 7.00pm.

A MATTER OF SAFETY

An incident came to my attention recently when, due to certain circumstances, an archer was shooting on their own. A reminder to you all that under no circumstances are any of you permitted to shoot if you are on your own.

What if you were on your own and had caused an incident? The consequences would be serious for a lot of people.

So, should you find yourself in this situation, then do not shoot unless you have an experienced archer who will act as your look-out while you are shooting.

However, I can quote a near similar incident which could have happened to me. This took place several years ago when our first indoor session at the old Centre took place that year. I arrived first and the only other member who turned up for that session was Ian H. If he had not come along then I would have to have packed up and gone home. But as there were two of us the following procedure was used.

I would shoot and he would be my look-out. After I had shot, he would shoot with me as the look-out. So, at all times, any potential non-archers getting on to the range for example would probably not have been shot!

On this recent occasion however, and due to a lack of communication, the centre staff had set up our range despite the fact I had cancelled our session many weeks previously, so in effect, the centre have to take a measure of the blame as well.

I don't want to make this a major issue however as no harm was done but please take on board what I have just told you.

NEW BEGINNERS' CLASSES

Next month, and also in March, there will be 2 new classes so we can hopefully clear up our current waiting list. They will consist of 3 two hour sessions and they will run from 4pm until 6pm.

The observant amongst you will be aware that they will follow the normal Club sessions on the dates that they will be run. I have had to select the dates listed in the Diary Section as they must not clash with tournament set-up times.

To that end, unless you are prepared to assist us, then you will have to finish the Club session by no later than 3.45pm. Although the range will be already be set up, all 40 and 60 cm target faces will have to be removed so we can get the other target faces onto the bosses. Especially for a first beginner's session, we will need time to get them fitted up with Club equipment. To that end, I will appreciate your cooperation when we are running the classes.

CLUB TOURNAMENT NEWS

INDOOR CLUB HANDICAP 2014/2015 - ROUND 4 - DECEMBER 2014

With the Club closing down early due to the Festive Season all scores had to be in by the 17th of December.

However, our organiser David R, was able to get the placings sorted out on the night so the winner for

December would not have to wait until this month.

Yet again we had another new winner for last month but it was not quite so straight forward!

This round, as was predicted, is becoming tighter now so we had 2 members who tied for December. In order of beauty, not age, they were David B and Ian H!
In order to separate them they were asked to do a head-to-head with 4 additional arrows to decide the overall winner and on this occasion beauty prevailed, or more politely, David B 32 - Ian H 30!

1 st	David B	185	71	256+(32)*	10 th
2 nd	Ian H	209	47	256+(30)*	2 nd
3 rd	Billy	227	23	250	3 rd
4 th	Ann	188	59	247	4 th
5 th	Richard P	209	35	244	7 th
6 th	Andrew	190	47	237	1 st
7 th	Joan	203	23	226	9 th
8 th	Edith	160	N/A	N/A	N/A
9 th	Kris	135	N/A	N/A	N/A

*Additional scores for this round only.

The new handicaps for the January round will be: David B - 59 and Ian H - 35.
All the handicaps for other members will remain un-changed.
Edith and Kris will have handicaps when they have submitted a score for this month.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY/STORAGE DEVICES - 2015

JANUARY

Saturday 3rd First Club Session for 2015.

Sunday 11th Eastern Area Indoor Championships (UKRS). Round: PORTSMOUTH.

FEBRUARY

Sunday 1st Scottish Archery Indoor Championships (WRS). Round: WA 18M.

Saturday First Beginners Class for 2015.

7th/14th/21st

Saturday 21st **NO** Club Session due to another event taking place.

MARCH

Sunday 1st Lasswade Indoor Open (UKRS). Round: WA DOUBLE 18M.

Saturday
7th/14th/21st Second Beginners Class for 2015.

Saturday 28th Indoor Club Championships. Round: **GUESS WHAT ?** 🙄

Saturday 28th This will also be the final Saturday Session for 2014/2015.
The Committee will decide if we are to continue Saturdays for 2015/2016 and beyond.

So my followers, that wraps up the first issue for 2015.