

**“THE ARROWHEAD”**  
**THE NEWSLETTER OF LASSWADE ARCHERY CLUB**

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Dear All,

We will waste no time on the preliminaries this month and head straight to the news which, as for last month’s newsletter, may incur a reduction in brain power!

**CLUB NEWS**

**YOUR AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2016/2017**

As I have already advised you, we have now come to the time of the year when you will all have to pay the mandatory fees to Archery GB, Scottish Archery and the Eastern Area. For some of you there will be changes to your Archery GB Fees from this season onwards. However, your fees to Scottish Archery and the Eastern Area will remain un-changed. As always, myself or Joan will collect your fees and I will do the necessary affiliation paperwork which will be sent to the appropriate governing bodies along with your fees.

So, who pays what? Simple, five fee categories are listed below.

You select your appropriate category and then you pay us the appropriate amount.

	Archery GB	Scottish Archery	Eastern Area	Total
<b>Senior (Age 25 to 59)</b>	£42.00	£27.00	£1.00	£70.00
Senior (Age 18-24)	£10.50	£27.00	£1.00	£38.50
<b>Junior (Under 18)</b>	£10.50	£27.00	£1.00	£38.50
OAP (Age 60 and over)	£42.00	£21.00	£1.00	£64.00
<b>Disabled</b>	£10.50	£49.00*	£1.00	£52.00*

**\*Disabled members should note the following:**

As there are currently 3 of you, you will all pay £13.00 each.

This is based on each of you paying your share of the combined Scottish Archery and Eastern Area Fees.

However, please remember on top of this you will each have the £10.50 for AGB to add as well. This takes your total payment to £23.50 each. If all 3 of you renew, any new disabled member who joins us later will pay still pay £13.00 and the appropriate AGB fee depending on when they join us.

Currently, un-like the abolished free AGB Disabled Club Fee, Scottish Archery retain their current fee.

As they do not appear to have the old AGB policy of at least 3 members to form a Disabled Club, in the event we drop to fewer than 3 members, then the remainder will pay an increased share of the total fee if they are remaining after the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2016.

Two members would equal £25.50 each or one member £50.00.

So, once you have selected your appropriate category, you can make your total payment in cash or by a cheque made payable to Lasswade Archery Club.

The usual reminder for you all, the above fees are NOT your Club Fees and they CANNOT be paid by instalments.

If you do not pay them by the closing date, then I will assume that you are not re-affiliating.

Please read your copy of the Club Constitution for the penalties imposed on you by the Club in the event you have not paid your fees by the closing date of **Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of this month**. No late payments will be accepted.

One last thing to remember. The affiliation paperwork has arrived and it has your current address details. If any of them have changed then notify me immediately.

You can pay your fees as of now. The quicker we get them in, the quicker you will receive your new card. Please note, your new card will be delivered to your current address on the Affiliation Paperwork.

### A NEW MEMBER

A warm welcome to our latest junior member, William, the son of James and brother of Emily.

### CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Members are requested and required to attend the next meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> of this month. A 7.00pm start at the usual venue. Joan to provide the popcorn!

### LASSWADE INDOOR OPEN – SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> OF OCTOBER 2016

This tournament will be the first of five being held at Lasswade for the 2016/2017 Indoor Season and it is a World Archery Combined 25/18 metre round. What does that involve? Simple, for the morning session you will shoot 5 dozen arrows from 25 metres at a 60cm Portsmouth target face.

Now for the juicy bit! For the afternoon session you will shoot another 5 dozen arrows, but this time from 18 metres at a 40cm target face. It's that easy! I know many of you just love the 40cm target face and with the indoor season upon us, you will all be counting the days to October the 9<sup>th</sup>!

As we can only take 52 archers for this round, make sure you get your entries in PDQ!!

As with all our tournaments, the Club sessions on the Saturdays preceding the tournaments on the Sundays will finish at 4.45pm to allow us time to get the range set up as it is not possible to do this on the day.

To that end, it will be expected that some of you will stay behind on the Saturdays as we must have the range set up and be out of the hall by 6pm.

In addition, we would like some donations from you for the raffle that is held before the presentations on the day of the shoot. For the benefit of newer members, these tournaments and raffles bring in income for the Club to allow us to continue shooting at the centre and to keep the Club Fees down where possible.

## INDOOR CLUB HANDICAP ROUND FOR 2016/2017

A reminder that from this month the Indoor Handicap will start and below are the rules which should be read by anyone who has not tried this before or a reminder for established members.

I now hand you over to David R our organiser.....

This competition will run each month during the indoor season with a monthly prize.

You can shoot 3 rounds (**MAXIMUM**) each month using the score sheets provided.

You can only shoot one round per session with 4 practise arrows as you would find if you were shooting any other competition.

Your best score from the three will be the one used for the competition.

Please, **DO NOT SHOOT** for half an hour or so then decide to shoot the competition as this would not be the proper way to shoot at any other competition.

Any scores known to have been achieved this way will **NOT** be accepted.

All score sheets must have the **full name, dated – day, month and year and properly signed.**

Any un-dated or un-signed score sheets will **NOT** be accepted.

Please **DO NOT** use score sheets unnecessarily as any extra scores will **NOT** be accepted plus the fact it just wastes score sheets that have been painstakingly typed out and printed by a Club member.

### THE FORMAT:

- 1: Four/4 practise arrows **ONLY**.
- 2: Twenty four/24 arrows at a 60cm Portsmouth Face.
- 3: Six/6 ends, four arrows at each end.
- 4: To get your handicap, shoot three/3 rounds at different sessions then hand your scores to me or Donald. Your handicap will be based on your average of three/3 scores for that month.
- 5: Thereafter, your handicap will be based on your highest score from each month. Score higher, the higher score will be used to calculate your handicap. Score lower, your handicap will remain at your previous highest score level until you shoot a higher score.

The main purpose for running the handicap is to give learning archers and even experienced archers the opportunity to improve their scores and practice the rules of competitive archery such as how to score, observing the rules and the do's and don'ts. Should you have a bad spell and your scores are not improving or getting worse, then ask someone for assistance, it's free!

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

However, most members will oblige or guide you to someone with more experience.

This is just a slightly enhanced version of the previous rules.

Thanks David.

Now, one last thing on the subject of the Handicap.

Below, you will see the current handicaps some of you have. From now onwards, your current handicap **MUST** be added to your scores. If this is not done then any scores will be rejected. Of course, David will advise you if your handicap has changed.

Here are your current handicaps in descending order:

**ANDY – N/A (1<sup>ST</sup> SCORE 207) / MOIRA – 107 / RYAN – 95 / BEN M and BRUCE – 83 /  
ARRAN and KATIE – 65**

ANN, DAVID B, DONALD and MIKE B – 47.

**ANDREW F, DEREK, EMILY, IAN H, IAN L, JACOB, JAMES and RICHARD P – 35.**

EDITH and STEPH – 29 / JOAN 23 / BILLY 17.

## TOURNAMENT REPORTS

### OUTDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS, SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> OF AUGUST 2016

ORGAINSER: Donald

LADY PARAMOUNT: Diane

This year's rounds were the Short National Round which was shot by our senior members and consists of 4 dozen arrows shot at 50 yards and 2 dozen arrows shot at 40 yards at a 122cm target face.

Our junior members shot the Junior Short National Round with their distances of 30 yards and 20 yards.

648 is the maximum score possible.

A good turn-out this year with 18 members taking part and the weather was warm and dry. Everyone had arrived in good time with the range set up when I arrived.

There was a delay however, I forgot to bring the scoresheets!

Thanks to Mike B who was able to get some new sheets for me and I was able to fill in the names and the target numbers while the sighting arrows were being shot.

Oh! I just remembered. Gail did not bring any extra cups!

Joan, you must get out of this habit of doing other things when your Club needs you as you are the un-official Club Tea Lady! This new post will be ratified at the AGM! You have been nominated, proposed and seconded so you don't have to wait until November!

Moving on, there were some interesting results this year:

We only had one Lady Recurve.

In the Gents Recurve group, two of our Novice Gents took second and third with just a three point gap between them, and Gareth retained the Club Shield for another year with a near perfect score.

Last year we had no juniors taking part but this year we had five with some of them shooting their first outdoor round.

We also had two members shooting Recurve Barebow and Adelle who is giving the Longbow a try!

For the second year running no compound members took part, so that Shield stays at the Club.

In addition, I was also able to award two of the Outdoor Handicap awards for this season, one which went to Sam for the month of May and the other for the month of July to Steph.

Moving on to the full results:

#### LADIES RECURVE

1<sup>st</sup> Katie (391)

#### GENTS RECURVE

1<sup>st</sup> Gareth (638)  
2<sup>nd</sup> David (DR) (Nov) (463)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Colin (Nov) (460)  
4<sup>th</sup> David D (1) (Vet) (438) Veteran's Medal  
5<sup>th</sup> David R (Vet) (434)  
6<sup>th</sup> Derek (Vet) (424)  
7<sup>th</sup> Ben (Nov) (402) Novice Medal  
8<sup>th</sup> Mike (O) (Nov) (191)  
James Retired

#### JUNIOR LADIES

1<sup>st</sup> Emily (445)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Holly (342)

#### JUNIOR GENTS

1<sup>st</sup> Jacob (536) Overall Junior who shot the Short National Round  
2<sup>nd</sup> Arran (487)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sam (298)

### LADIES RECURVE BAREBOW

1<sup>st</sup> Steph (369)

### GENTS RECURVE BAREBOW

1<sup>st</sup> Mike (B) (361)

AND FINALLY, (Extended Drumroll followed by a Clash of Symbols!)

### LADY LONGBOW

1<sup>st</sup> Adelle (160)

I would like to thank those members who took part and to Mike B's superior half Diane, who was our Lady Paramount and brought one of her home-baked chocolate cakes! I am trying to persuade her to join the Club on that basis!

### OUTDOOR CLUB HANDICAP – ROUND 4 – AUGUST 2016

The Veterans' Revenge! After being edged out at the Club Championships by the Novices, two of our "mature" members have gone and done it. They have taken equal first place! I am currently in conference with Joan as to how we are going to reward them! The breath-taking results were as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Derek	363	=6 <sup>th</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	David D (1)	363	=6 <sup>th</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Joan	362	=4 <sup>th</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup> =	David DR	360	N/A
4 <sup>th</sup> =	Moira	360	N/A
Visitor:			
	Jack	362	N/A

\*Sorry Jack. I forgot to ask what club you are shooting with now!

A welcome return for Edith, who last night was presented with another archer figurine for the month of June to add to her ever expanding collection!

A reminder to all interested parties, there will be a fifth and final round on the 24<sup>th</sup>. I can almost sense the static!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES AND STORAGE DEVICES – 2016

### SEPTEMBER

- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>      First Indoor Session and the start of the Indoor Handicap Round for 2016/2017.
- Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>      The next Beginners' Class commences.
- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>      Outdoor Club Handicap – Round 5.  
Final Outdoor Club Session for 2016.
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>      Closing date for the 2016/2017 Affiliation Fees.
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>      Club Committee Meeting.
- Reminder!**      We are indoors on Wednesdays evenings **ONLY** for this month.

### OCTOBER

- Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>      First Indoor Saturday Session for 2016/2017.
- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>      The latest Beginners' Class ends.
- Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>      Lasswade Indoor Open (UKRS). Round: WA COMBINED 25/18m.
- Reminder!**      From this month we are indoors for Wednesdays **AND** Saturdays until the end of March 2017.

### NOVEMBER

- Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>      Lasswade Indoor Open (UKRS). Round: PORTSMOUTH.

Well folks, that concludes Chapter 249.

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