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Wow, what a summer! It’s been non-stop. And if the number of stories received over the past few weeks is anything to go by, it looks like it’s been the same for all of us!

Because of that, some stories and regular features have been held over until the next issue – but don’t worry, they will be back.

So what do we have in this issue? There is full coverage of the Nottingham Building Society National Series Grand Finals at Wollaton Hall, including exclusive interviews with Paralympians John Stubbs and Matt Stutzman. And, as many of our young archers head off to university, we take a look at their options.

We have important – and possibly unexpected – news for tournament organisers, plus details about Archery GB’s new Nominations Committee.

There have been some fantastic results at every level, both at home and abroad. We have full coverage of domestic successes as well the hoard of international medals won by our field, para and Performance archers.

And of course we have all your latest news. All that left for me to do is to wish you the best of luck for the indoor season and good shooting.
Every club has to do a risk assessment... but how could anyone have predicted this? After all, it’s not like the usual balloon shoot, is it?

Bristol Bowmen and Golden Phoenix Archers were making the most of the evening sunshine at their range at Keynsham Rugby Football Club when the unexpected visitor dropped in.

It was one of hundreds of balloons taking part in the Bristol International Balloon Festival mass flight – but things did not quite go to plan.

But it was a case of carry on regardless and, once the recovery team had done its work and moved the balloon to a safe distance, members got back to the serious business of shooting.

There was another bonus. One of the recovery team was a longbow archer and has been invited to shoot with the club.

A BIRD ON THE ARROW IS WORTH... A PICTURE

Sometimes you just wouldn’t believe it. That’s when you need proof – just like this picture of a baby blue tit that landed on an arrow being held by Steve Trinder during a have-a-go session.

Steve’s club, Havant and Hayling Bowmen, was hosting the session at a Fit Beat Event at Emsworth Recreation Ground, Hampshire, when the bird was spotted walking a few feet from the targets.

Steve had just been collecting arrows and pointed it out to the young girl who had been shooting. It flew up and landed on one of the arrows and, luckily, a quick-thinking member of the public was on hand to record the event and give Steve the proof he needed – just in case.
OPEN SPRINGBOARD
Stunning scenery – and great results

Ballyvally Archers hosted this year’s spectacular British Open – and it proved a great springboard for the season. As a result of their performance in this and other events, nine Northern Irish archers were selected to shoot for Great Britain at the World Field Championships in Croatia – and six of those were from Ballyvally.

They were:
**Seniors:** Mark Nesbitt, Robert Mallon.
**Juniors:** Rebecca Lennon, Dean Hamilton, Craig McCrery, Morgan Russell-Cowan. The other three juniors were Patrick Huston (East Belfast), Jordan Mitchell (Muckamore) and Sophie Benton (Lough Cuan).

And the results were not too bad either! Craig came home with team gold and individual silver medals and there was an individual bronze for Rebecca.

There has been lots of other good news from Ballyvally. Damien Lennon and Andrea Hamilton did the double, winning the British Open traditional team trophy for the second time. Andrea also claimed the women’s traditional trophy with an outstanding performance.

Craig McCrery, Neil Gordon and Orla O’Connor won British barebow honours and Ashley Russell-Cowan took the women’s title at the Northern Ireland Archery Society Combined Championships. And nine-year-old Eleanor Walsh was determined to make her mark at the UK Junior Field archery championships in Kendal where she tackled one of the steepest courses in England and even shot across a river.

This year’s summer school proved a big success for the club but, with the nights drawing in, the indoor season is now under way – and the club is hoping for great things when it plays host to the Northern Ireland Indoor Championships.

**SMILE PLEASE!**

There was fun for all the Middlesex County Championships and Open – and some of the broadest smiles were on the faces of Aquarius Archery Club juniors who won several categories. Recurve honours went to Kam Poon, Mei Lan Poon, Alex Ferdenzi and Hannah Dembina. It was Hannah and Alex’s first outdoor county event and they, along with Mei Lan, also took the Brisols junior county team trophy as well as gaining black and blue rose awards. Fellow debutant Joseph Dembina gained a white rose award.

Kam Poon, Mei Lan Poon, Lord Paramount Eric Murray, Hannah Dembina, Joseph Dembina and Alex Ferdenzi
The course for the English National Field Championships was a little unusual this year. Instead of wooded glades and rough terrain, entrants had to cope with the challenges of shooting in a Victorian fort. It was hosted by Fort Purbrook Company of Bowmen at the club’s base just outside Plymouth and was part of its annual open tournament.

The club uses the parade ground or dry moats for target archery but used the entire fort for the field tournament, creating a unique shooting experience. Archers had to explore underground tunnels and shoot at targets on gun emplacements and musket galleries. They also had to make a steep downhill shot from the top of the ramparts. And they had to cope with the weather as sunshine and breezes gave way to gale force winds, torrential rain and a lightning storm. Judges quickly redesigned the course to keep the archers safe in the soggy and slippery conditions and the entrants were rewarded by late sunshine that helped to dry them out.

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Twenty members of Foresters Friendly Society, Archery GB’s Performance Partner, visited Derbyshire Archery Club to find out more about the sport and try it for themselves. It was third time the club had hosted the event at its Milford headquarters and, as always, the competition was keen. There was sunshine, smiles, plenty of club badges for worthy winners – and a generous donation to the club from Foresters.

Plymouth University Archery Club held its first open competition and members made sure they did it in style while raising cash for charity.

They shot either a single or double Portsmouth and raised a total of £600 through entry fees, selling cakes and a raffle. The money will go to Cancer Research UK – and the event was such a success, members hope to do it again next year.

COMPETITORS DEMONSTRATE FORT-ITUDE!

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Third time’s the charm
HARD WORK...BUT FUN!
Smiles and inspiration at British Transplant Games

Hundreds of people took part in this year’s multi-sport British Transplant Games – including 118 archers. And only 25 of those had any experience!

That left sports manager Kath Fitzpatrick, 25 coaches and eight volunteers from across the country only five hours to teach the rest how to shoot and get them ready to compete.

The Games were held in Bolton and featured athletes aged between 15 and 70-plus. And there were some fantastic results in the archery competition, including gold for David Poyner, a blind tactile archer and kidney transplant patient who shoots for Blind Veterans UK Bowmen (formerly St Dunstans) and Bowmen of Bruntwood.

Kath, who thanked everyone who helped and all the sponsors, said: “At the end of the day all the medals were awarded to cheers, applause and some good-humoured banter.

“...and positive. It was really inspirational and it was amazing to think that without the generosity of people who signed up to be donors many of those taking part would not have been with us. So please – take the hint – register on the national donor database.”

Next year the games move to Gateshead and Newcastle and then on to Liverpool in 2016.

WE’RE LISTENING...

When Killingworth juniors at Killingworth Archers asked for their own competition, just like the one at nearby Cleadon Archers, the club listened – and then organised a highly successful tournament.

First it gained record status and then it worked with Cleadon to offer a trophy for the best combined handicap adjusted score to the young person who shot at both competitions.

The aim was to encourage as many young people as possible to shoot in competition without feeling intimidated or under pressure.

The result was 33 young archers from across Durham and Northumberland – and one from Archery GB – competing, including many who were taking part in their first tournament.

The first winner of the joint trophy for the best handicap adjusted score for 2014 was Niamh Bews of Killingworth Archers with an impressive 3,247.

WORTH THE WAIT!

It might have taken 20 years but Dave Biles of Chichester Bowmen has finally done it. Dave, who took up archery in 1994, was all smiles after shooting a six-gold end from 70 metres.
70 YEARS
And White Rose is still going strong

Back when Bing Crosby was topping the charts and the world was gripped by war, a farmer called Ted Hurling decided to set up an archery club near his home in West Yorkshire.

It was 1944 and Ted, a keen archer and bowyer, set up some targets in one of Grange Farm’s fields. He invited some friends to shoot and the group became White Rose Archers.

Since then the club has had several homes along the Calder Valley but, in 1987, settled at Salem Fields in Hebden Bridge. It now has 67 members, including 20 juniors and one of the founders, Frank Lister, who still shoots regularly.

The club prides itself on being at the heart of the community with regular have-a-go and school events, plus an annual fun day. And there has been lots of success over the years with members winning the British women’s longbow champion title, Yorkshire compound championship and Captain of the Ilkley Arrow, the Ascham Arrow and the Scorton Arrow.

WI ON TARGET

It’s not all jam and Jerusalem at Biggleswade’s Women’s Institute, especially when members get the chance to try something new.

So when the club was invited to have a go by Hinxworthy Archery Club, nine took up the challenge.

And they got the best possible instruction from Neil Bridgewater, fresh from winning the UK Masters National Tournament compound title, while his nine-year-old daughter, Evie, kept the scores.

They must have done something right because the WI women shot two dozen arrows and one of them scored 178. She was presented with a trophy by club secretary David Osmond.

The club also hosted a have a go for Hinxworth village’s Big Event.

RECORD BREAKING FORM!

She might have been the smallest archer on the field at Surrey Archery Weekend but Louisa Piper of Woking Archers was in record-breaking form. She turned in a score of 1,346 to put in her second claim on the UK under-12 girls’ recurve record at the Metric 5 distance in a week.

But that was not the only excitement. Surrey was hosting the English Archery Federation Target Championship for the second time and more than 100 archers were there to shoot.

There was a cheer when tournament organiser Andrew Trimble told the archers that there would be no running slips to collect copies of scores. Instead a scoring team used tablet computers on the waiting line to enter the dozen scores directly into a shared sheet. It meant that the leader board could be updated quickly and there was not long to wait for the results.

The second day of competition at the event, held at Kingston University Sports ground in Tolworth, was the Surrey Outdoor Target Championships. It attracted lots of local archers keen to shoot a 1440 round at a world record status event on their doorstep.

But some were there for the duration. Among those shooting over two days was Jacqui Gould of Crown Archers in Kent. She broke the UK barebow record at this event two years ago but was shooting recurve this year and completed a double WA1440 round.

All the results can be found at surreyarcheryweekend.org.uk.
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MAKING HISTORY!

The Wenlock Olympian Games has a proud history – it inspired the modern Olympics. But that does not mean it is not as keenly contested. And one of the main events is archery.

This year’s competition was a UK record status Western at 60 and 50 yards, hosted by Bowbrook Archers, Telford. It attracted over 80 archers, including juniors – and there were some stunning results. One recurver missed the national record by only two points and a 12-year-old girl achieved a six-gold end at 60 yards.

But you do not have to be a record-breaker to compete in the Games. This year 10 novices took part and it is open to all ages, abilities and bowstyles (except crossbow). And anyone who does compete will be continuing a history that began in 1850.

They were set up by Dr William Penny Brookes “for the promotion of the moral, physical and intellectual improvement of the inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Wenlock and especially of the working classes, by the encouragement of outdoor recreation, and by the award of prizes annually at public meetings for skill in athletic exercise and proficiency in intellectual and industrial attainments.”

He co-founded the National Olympian Society which ran its first Games in 1866 and the idea was taken up by Baron Pierre de Coubertin, who went on to found the International Olympic Committee. He visited Much Wenlock and said: “If the Olympic Games that modern Greece has not yet been able to revive still survives today, it is due, not to a Greek, but to Dr W P Brookes.”

For more information about the Wenlock Olympian Games go to www.wenlock-olympian-society.org.uk

SO PROUD...

It’s always great to win something – and when it’s a national award from Archery GB, it makes it even better. So perhaps that is why members of Bracken Company of Archers are looking so proud. The club was awarded the Toxophilus Trophy at this year’s AGM for its newsletter. In fact some of the members and contributors were so pleased that they could not resist having a picture taken to mark the event.

They are, from the left: coaching co-ordinator Adam Brown, John Borland; prolific contributor Eric Bell, Club Chairman and editor Arthur Budd, Vice-Chairman Andy Fisher, Saskia Kenworthy, Richard Took, Chandler Kenworthy, Neil Lambton, Patricia Taylor, Club Secretary Nick Kenworthy and Treasurer Ralph Wood.

TOP TIPS!

More than 30 archers got top tips from champions and Commonwealth Games team members as well as expert advice during a Scottish Archery Eastern area coaching day.

One said: “Thank you. It certainly put a number of things into context and sorted out a fair number of problems.”

Organiser Moira Taylor said: “This coaching day is aimed at helping grass roots archers improve and we are delighted that so many came from around Scotland. Those attending had access to international level archers and experienced coaches and they all seemed to take something valuable away from it. I think we need more of these days during the year.”
TAKING THE REINS

Marion Saville has taken over from Graham Sibley as County Secretary of Essex County Archery Association. Graham, who was awarded the Hartwell Trophy for archer of the year at the AGM in April, has stepped down after 60 years.

The new County Secretary and her husband, Dennis, are members of Colchester and District Archery Club and were part of Bowmen of Ardleigh for more than 40 years. She shoots target, clout and is a keen member of Panther Bowhunters Field Archery Club in Chelmsford.

She is also the County Field Organiser and Records Officer and the Minutes Secretary and helps Dennis with the Bray I Indoor League and Southern Counties Junior World Archery round.

Marion, who shot for Essex and gained her target and field colours, said: “I know I have a hard job in front of me following in Graham’s footsteps but I will strive and do my best for the Essex County Archery Association.

“I am very honoured to have been elected as your new Secretary to take his place and I will be only too happy to help with any enquiries that you may have. You can contact Marion at ecaassecretary@btinternet.com.”

THANKS A MILLION!

Alan Lake and Maggie Woolf were among the special guests at a House of Commons reception to celebrate a landmark – the millionth competitor in the London Youth Games.

More than 200 coaches and team managers who have been involved in the games for more than 10 years were invited. The games were created in 1977 to celebrate the Queen’s silver jubilee.

The reception was hosted by Shadow Sports Minister Clive Efford and attended by four-time Winter Olympian Chemmy Alcott, England women’s rugby sevens captain Abi Chamberlain and Paralympic rowing gold medallist Naomi Riches, all former London Youth Games participants.

Growth and development are key elements in the sustained success and health of sporting organisations and, although there are still areas that need attention, Archery GB is meeting the challenge.

Changes to the governance of the organisation are ongoing. Work is being done on incorporating changes to the Board following the AGM and considering the delivery structure and associated business plan needed to deliver our Strategic Plan. We are also working with external agencies to make sure that governance is in line with requirements for National Governing Bodies.

Membership of Archery GB continues to be strong. The figures are higher than last year and that reflects good work being carried out at local level to attract new members.

But more still needs to be done. Equality is an important area and National Governing Bodies are increasingly required to demonstrate that they work in an equitable way. Surveys play an important part in this. That is why we are asking all members to make sure they complete the ethnicity and disability sections in the personal details held in the Members’ Portal on the Archery GB website and to respond to any survey requests.

As with any organisation, there will be occasional complaints. The number of complaints received about Archery GB members is small but each one takes a significant amount of time to resolve.

It is important to meet the evolving needs of Archery GB. That includes encouraging increasing participation and talent development. We need to ensure tournament organisers and archers can run and take part in enjoyable events that provide the right levels of competition. To help with this, a competition review has been carried out and work on a new strategy is ongoing.

Relationships need work too. That is why chairman Dave Harrison, judges’ chairman Hannah Brown and I took part in the World Archery Europe Congress in Echmiadzin, Armenia. The next congress will be held in Nottingham in 2016, when the city hosts the European Outdoor Championships.

It has been a wonderful, if busy, summer but we now have the indoor season to look forward to. May I wish you good shooting.

David Sherratt
Chief Executive

Alan Lake and Maggie Woolf with Chemmy Alcott
**DON’T FORGET!**

Just to remind you that you can claim an English Cross award for scores shot in England at a World or UK Record Status WA 1440 round. Juniors can claim by shooting the appropriate Metric round at UK Record Status events in England according to age group.

These are the scores you need:

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**ANSWERING THE CALL**

When the honour of Hampshire is at stake, Overton Black Arrows members are happy to answer the call. And when longbow archers Genni Elliot and Ian Boreham did, they helped the county to victory over Sussex.

With Debbie Lodge, they took part in the Southern Counties Archery Society Longbow Championships. Debbie finished third and won the Rhodes Plaque for highest unrewarded while Ian came tenth against some of the country’s best longbow archers.

There have been other successes too. Bill Jones took the barebow title at the Hampshire County Field Championships. Recurve Richard Tungate-Thorn has been building quite a reputation as a field archer and Richard Buckner has been doing well at target competitions.

And David Backers has been presented with the prestigious Grey Edwards Trophy for services to Hampshire Archery.

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**THE PERFECT MATCH!**

Congratulations to Greg Hill and Tracey Anderson who tied the knot at St Pierre Church in Chepstow after 23 years together.

The occasion was marked by a longbow guard of honour by friends from St Kingsmark Bowmen and good wishes from throughout the archery community.
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countryside, sunshine and a new
archery challenge? Not a lot, according
to Stephen Havranek, following his first field
archery experience.

“I competed in my first field archery competition at
Argyll Field Archers’ course in Inverawe Forest,” he said.
“Although a lot more challenging than target archery
it was so much more relaxing.

“It was brilliant fun and would urge anyone who
hasn’t tried it yet to do so. You will be hooked.”

And there were some stunning performances at the
Scottish Archery Annual Field Championships, hosted by
Argyll Field Archers.

Winners were: women’s recurve, Migle Petruskeviciute;
women’s compound, Hope Greenwood; women’s
traditional, Muriel Kupris; men’s recurve, Stuart Barby; men’s
compound, Alistair Whittingham; men’s traditional, John Tait;
men’s barebow, Alex Gilliland.

Can You Keep A Secret?

Ask yourself a question: when your club sends out target list or
tournament information, can everybody see all the email addresses?
Do you copy (cc) people into emails instead of blind copying (bcc)
them in?

In this age of data protection there are a few simple steps that will go
a long way to keeping people’s details secret:

• Only gather the information you need to complete the task
• Make sure people know what you are going to collect – and why
• Ask yourself “do I really need that piece of information?” It could
  make your life simpler!
• Keep the information up to date
• Keep the information secure, whether it’s on paper or electronic
• When using the information, use things like blind copies to
  protect recipients’ email addresses if doing a group mail out
• If displaying tournament results, be careful what information
  you publish
• Only keep the data for the minimum amount of time and
  dispose of it securely
• Treat other people’s details as you would want them to
  treat yours.

If you want help or guidance, contact Archery GB.

Obituaries

Claire Stanford

Claire Stanford, a member of
Pilgrim Archers and former
Vice-President of Essex
County Archery Association, has
passed away after a long illness.

Both she and her late husband,
Doug, were County Coaches. She
had been trophy steward for the
county, treasurer on the executive of
the Essex Guild of Archery Coaches
and had been awarded the
prestigious Red Tassel for her services
to the county.

Iris Major of Pilgrim Archers said the
club sent their sincere condolences
to her family and partner, Ron, and
that she would be missed by many
archers throughout the county.

Dennis Pritchard

Dennis Pritchard, an 82-year-old member of Selby
Archers, has passed away.

He was a skilled archer and respected
throughout the club for his enduring support and
encouragement of junior archers.

Dennis had a quiet and unassuming manner
and was always willing to help. He will be greatly
missed by his family and friends.

Stan Chandler

Stan Chandler, a Master Bowman for more than
20 years and mainstay of the Middlesex County
team has passed away.

He won more than 800 trophies in his career,
was an enthusiastic member of the Royal
Toxophilite Society and helped set up the
It later became part of Greenwood Osterley.

He was a lighterman on the Thames and, in
his youth, rowed at Henley where, in 1949, he
met his wife Lena. The couple took up archery
and became well known at shoots, particularly
in the Southern Counties region.

He was known as a modest and helpful man who supported local tournaments,
competed well into his 80s and will be sadly missed.
WELCOME TO YOUR JUNIOR PAGES!

These are your pages – for you and written by you. SO if you have a report, a story, jokes (the worse they are – the better) pictures, cartoons, challenges or ideas, send them in.

IT PAYS TO WAIT

HOW HIS LONGBOW HAS GIVEN SAMUEL A NEW GOAL

They say good things come to those who wait – and 10 year-old Samuel Kellett is more than happy to agree with that.

Here Samuel, who recently joined Rochdale Company of Archers, tells us why patience can be a virtue. This is his story:

"I recently decided to take up longbow. For the few years I have been shooting I have always watched avidly the longbow archers. Mum and dad both said that I needed to focus on my recurve and later on it might be a possibility.

I waited!

I saved, and then...

I BOUGHT!!

I saved up for over a year and my parents both said that if I saved and could pay for half then I could have it. I love Lego but having my longbow meant more. I eventually had enough and we had Adrian Hayes make my bow. It is truly AMAZING and I have named it Arashi, which means storm.

I wrote to the Queen to tell her about my longbow and ask her some questions and I got a reply. I love my sport and to receive a brilliant letter that told me that while in Scotland she is accompanied by the Royal Company Of Archers who are her official bodyguards. Maybe one day that could be me.

I have shot my bow in a few competitions and already know that this is definitely my style and love it!

MAKING A SPLASH!

There was serious shooting – and an awful lot of water – at the Bowmen of Warfield Junior Club’s summer fun day.

Club co-ordinator Tracy Devlin said: “We always have a fun shooting day once the summer holidays start. This year we decided to shoot short metrics to encourage our juniors into the Archery GB Summer Metrics scheme. Word got around and we ended up with 22 juniors on the line including two from neighbouring clubs, a judge and a tent line. It was an instant mini competition.”

But there was a difference. Archers in the head to heads had to concentrate on their shooting – and a soaking from water pistols and spray guns!

“We didn’t announce the scores on the day,” said Tracy. “It wasn’t about who had won or not and every archer received a lot of cakes and chocolate for turning up and making it a lovely day. We already have plans to do it again next year!”
There was sunshine, smiles, shoot-offs and twice as many competitors as last year at the 2014 Junior Masters. Recurveurs Lewis Slater and Kieran Shirley needed two single arrow shoot-offs to decide the quarter-finals (Lewis eventually came fourth) as 72 archers battled for glory at the event, which was hosted at the University of Nottingham.

The top three in each category were:

- **Compound junior women:** gold, Layla Annison; silver, Hollie Smith; bronze, Maddison Codling
- **Compound junior men:** gold, Jon Bull; silver, Alex Taylor; bronze, Adam Carpenter
- **Recurve junior women:** gold, Hannah Rawley; silver, Thea Rogers; bronze, Louisa Piper
- **Recurve junior men:** gold, Griff Jones; silver, Daniel Thompson; bronze, Joseph Matthews
- **Junior women’s barebow:** Rebekah Lowe (the only one to have also won last year)
- **Junior men’s barebow:** Oliver Smith

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Christina McGouran likes to compete and keep things simple – including her bow. The East Durham Archer started shooting in 2011 and set a county record in her first major competition, the Tyne Tees Tournament. But one thing was bothering her – the sight on her bow. So she took it off, started shooting barebow and she has never regretted it. She set another county record at the 2012 Indoor National Barebow Championship and last year set county records in Metric 2, Bristol 3, Windsor and Short Windsor as well as Short Western. In November she beat her own WA18 by almost double her previous and, in March this year set a new county record for Portsmouth. Since then she has set records for an American and WA900 and has been busy all summer trying to break the rest of her records!

Louisa Piper has a very good reason to smile. She has just completed her hat-trick of under-12, under-14 and under-16 Junior Master Bowman awards. And she is 11. She also won at the Junior National Outdoor Championships, setting UK records each day and bringing her tally to 10 this year. And she won bronze at the Academies Cup! Her elder sister Eleanor isn’t doing too badly either. She came second both days in her JNOC category, was called up to represent England in the Junior Commonwealth Championships for Europe/Euronations, winning team gold and individual silver and won gold at the Academies Cup. She also made an appearance at the Nottingham Building Society National Series finals, shooting in the Academy mixed trio team matches.

Eleven-year-old Caitlin Stanley took an 18-month break from training but it doesn’t seem to have done her much harm! The Osprey Archer got back into the swing of things during her first competition at Waterside Archery Club in Hampshire. She shot a Short Junior Western, got the highest girls’ score, a trophy and is claiming a club, county and regional record. She also shot a six-gold end, resulting in a final score of 696 and a very proud dad. And now she has been invited to join the Dorset and Wiltshire county team. The result? An even prouder dad!
There was fun, laughter and some really impressive shooting as archery’s young stars of the future competed at the Junior National Outdoor Championships.

And they put on quite a show as records tumbled at Lilleshall. Around 250 shot in Saturday’s Junior FITA Star and Metric tournament. Among them was Bayley Sargeant of Canterbury Archers. She has been shooting for less than a year – but it did not stop her taking the Metric 3 junior women’s Compound up with a score of 1380.

There was even a repeat of last year’s family rivalry in the Metric 4 junior barebow competition. Jakob Barrett-Rhys of Blandy-Jenkins Archers beat his twin Finnlay 1047-1019 to take the trophy and set a national record at 30 metres while having to get around on crutches after an accident!

Both Mia Agar of Melton Mowbray Archers and Hollie Smith of Derwent Bowmen broke through the 1400 barrier in the Metric 4 junior compound, as did Adam Carpenter of Barnsley Archery Club who set a new national 30-metres record.

England took the honours in the home nations competition while junior recurve regional honours went to West Midlands and Northern Counties.

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And there was praise too for all those involved in making the event such a success. “There were 15 volunteers in the work party,” said Bob Tonkin, “eight judges and an army of parents and friends helping with the targets and scores. And there was praise too for all those involved in making the event such a success.”

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The highest scoring recurve archer was England cadet Ryan Holden with 1,270 while Eleri Farr of Wales took her cadet recurve title. Junior recurve honours went to Scotland’s Hannah Worthington and Gareth Fleming. England’s Lucy Mason and Luke Rails took the junior compound titles while Scotland’s Fraser Chape was the cadet champion.

County mixed recurve team honours went to Essex and Suffolk while Gloucestershire took the compound title. West Midlands took the regional recurve cup and compound honours went to East Midlands.

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Tournament secretary Chrissie Mortlock said: “They are all unpaid volunteers, who give up their time to work at this and every other National Event. In addition, the National Junior Committee was present throughout the weekend. Special thanks to the parents and friends who brought the archers, scored, moved targets and supported. We look forward to seeing you at the Junior National Indoor Championships in December.”

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Time to talk
...and find out what’s on offer

Want to get together with other clubs and have the time to discuss issues that are relevant to your region as well as what’s happening nationally and how you can develop? Then the Club Network Roadshow could be the answer.

Next year the Development Team will be hitting the road and running workshops in Leeds, Leicester and Reading. The meetings will cover topics such as facility development, competition, coaching and judge development as well as being a great opportunity for clubs to get together to share ideas and experiences.

David Reader, Head of Development, said “Having listened to feedback after the workshops the Development Team held earlier this year, this is a completely new format and will hopefully allow more clubs to get involved in some of new development activity.”

The workshops will run from 10am until 5pm, and further details about the venues can be found in the Development section of the Archery GB website. It costs £15 per person, including lunch, refreshments and resources and every on-target club is being offered one free place.

“Everyone is welcome to come to listen and talk about the opportunities available to archery clubs,” said Arran Coggan, Development Manager (Participation). “We have a range of speakers lined up to give the most-up-to-date information on a variety of topics and there is the chance to talk to the Development Team and other clubs about issues that are affecting your club.”

Subjects being covered include:

- Facility Development: A new strategy is being launched in November and delegates will look into what this means for the sport. Sport England representatives will be attending to highlight funding opportunities.
- Competition as a key factor in participation. We will outline the ways clubs can provide different formats to keep the sport interesting to new and existing members.
- Coaching and judging. Properly planned development and recruitment of coaches and judges is vital to the growth of the sport. This session will outline how clubs can help their coaches and judges to develop.
- “Opportunity Knocks.” The session outlines the ways clubs, coaches and volunteers can promote archery. For further details visit www.archerygb.org/support/dev_workshops. Book today to make sure you don’t miss out and watch the website for updates.

Club Network Meetings
Leeds: 14 February 2015
Leicester: 28 February 2015
Reading: 1 March 2015

Who coaches the coaches?

Signing up for a coaching course can seem a bit daunting. Before it starts, the big questions can include: Who else will be there? Will they know more than me? What will the tutor be like?

Pauline Pillans is a dedicated Coach Educator and might be able to help. She started coaching in 1986 when a coach at her son’s club did not turn up to a session. It was so much fun – and so satisfying – that she enrolled on a coaching course and has never looked back. She now delivers all levels of courses to help people develop their coaching skills.

“I get a great kick out of seeing anyone I work with attaining something new and achieving their personal potential,” she said. “I have always been a people-person and coaching is not just about improving performance, it’s about building relationships.

“You must hear what they are saying without putting your own interpretation on it. To be an effective coach, you must be able to listen,” she says. That applies to coaches too and, for Pauline, becoming a Coach Educator was simply an extension of that work.

She said the very best coaches give archers the knowledge and skills they need and are always there to motivate and encourage. That said, it’s not all a one-way street. “I suppose all coaches are, too a degree, selfish because we all like our own archers to excel so we can bask in their glory!”

If you are inspired by Pauline and are interested in coaching, visit www.archerygb.org/coach.
Are you an active coach but a bit worried that you might lack the confidence or expertise to work with disabled people? Archery GB, in partnership with the British Wheelchair Archery Association, have organised a Pass it On course that should help push your coaching abilities just that bit further.

The course includes practical sessions and classroom discussion, led by a friendly team of experienced coaches including former Paralympic Coach Helen George. You will learn:

- More about disability and how it affects archery
- How disability fits within World Archery and Archery GB’s rules of shooting
- How to create an inclusive environment that fully involves disabled people with a range of impairments
- Understand personal experiences of how a disability can affect archery
- How clubs can adapt archery equipment to suit disabled people with a range of impairments

Date: Saturday 1 November 2014
Venue: Stoke Mandeville Stadium, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP21 9PP
Time: 9am to 5pm
Cost: £25
How to book: Please complete the booking form which can be found here: www.archerygb.org/support/operations/coaches/2376

Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Fueling ambitions

Archery GB has recently launched a three-year Disability Plan. The ambition is to get disabled people from all impairment groups involved in the sport at community level and provide the opportunities and pathways they need to progress.

The scheme, backed by the Worshipful Company of Fletchers, has recently awarded disability small grant funding totalling £5,408.54 to eight projects that drive that ambition. They are:

- British Wheelchair Archery Association and Club: £500
- CEDAK (Centre of Excellence for Disability Archery in Kent): £250
- OOBAC (Old Oundle Bowman Archery Club): £482
- Havering Disabled Sports Association: £351
- Rayleigh Town Archery Club: £1,000
- Dame Hannah Rogers Trust: £865
- NRG Disability Sport for all Club: £1,000
- Redhill Archers: £960

CEDAK’s coaches and leaders have extensive experience of working with adults and juniors with a wide range of impairments. The club delivers archery in a number of special schools and has received funding for additional adapted equipment so it can reach a wider range of pupils.

Development Manager for Young People, Chris Turner said: “With the benefit of funding from Sport England and the Worshipful Company of Fletchers, Archery GB now has the resources to initiate purposeful development in grassroots disability archery. The Disability Plan will ensure that more disabled people have the opportunity to participate in archery. “The Worshipful Company of Fletchers’ donations and continued generosity are truly appreciated by all at Archery GB and it’s a pleasure to have the organisation supporting us.”

That extra push

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The key to the future
Give young the support they deserve

Young people are fundamental to the future of archery. And, for many reasons including London 2012, movies, school clubs, the Arrows kit and the fantastic work done by volunteers, more and more are coming into the sport.

So how do we keep them and help them reach their full potential?

One way is to recognise the contribution they can make to clubs and involve them at every level. The key is to understand their needs – and that they are not “mini-adults.”

Archery GB wants to make sure clubs, members and coaches are getting the support they need to help young archers to develop.

The on target programme provides an effective support network and the chance to become a young people specialist club offering a high quality archery experience with excellent social, training and competitive opportunities.

The idea is not to turn clubs into créches. It is to provide coaching sessions that engage young people and provide a rewarding experience for the club, coaches and the young archers.

Insurance and safeguarding are often seen as “barriers” to young people-only sessions. But they are covered by Archery GB rules, policies and insurance and involving young people will make clubs stronger and put them into a position to exploit opportunities to grow, develop and improve.

And the main reward? Creating a better club that provides a thriving environment and opportunities – and attracts people into the sport.

Clubs can still work towards Sport England Clubmark accreditation but any applying to become young people specialist clubs will be asked to complete a written self-assessment. This will include evidence of how it demonstrates the characteristics of a young people club and how it operates on a weekly and daily basis.

“Clubs can use on target to reflect on their strengths and weaknesses. Each club can find its own way of solving the issues at hand,” said Arran Coggan, Development Manager (Participation).

Clubs can also work towards Community and Performance on target specialisms.

You can get further information from the website under the Club section, by contacting the Development Team on 01952 602795, or by email: arran.coggan@archerygb.org.

Sport England’s Active People Survey results (APS8) have been released and they show that the number of archers shooting once a week has risen to 38,500 – an increase of 2,200 over six months. For more information about the Active People Survey, please go to sportengland.org>research>who-plays-sport.
We all need a little advice sometimes, particularly when it comes to business and financial planning, marketing, governance and facilities management.

Club Leaders is part of Sport England’s Places People Play Olympic legacy programme and provides support on key business aspects of club management. And the good news is it’s free!

Its Better Business Skills for Sport programme is delivered in a number of ways:

Website
Provides information and updates regarding the Club Leaders programme, access to discussion forums, Q&As, news and more.

Online modules
Interactive and informative online learning with toolkits and templates.
- Simpler finance
- Managing capital projects
- Organisation structure
- Evaluating marketing options

Seminars
Face-to-face training led by members of the Club Leaders team across the country. Seminars include case studies, topical issues, exercises and discussion about the following:
- Understanding your club’s finances
- Budgeting and cashflow
- Financial policies and procedures
- Developing a business plan
- Developing a marketing strategy
- PAYE and employment status
- Organisation structures

A little extra...

Eight clubs have shared in £5,100 awarded in the fifth round of Archery GB’s on target small grants programme.

The funding helps clubs overcome barriers to growth and the successful bids came from:
- Bowmen of Minchinhampton: £1,000
- Neston Company of Archers: £400
- Gingerbread Archers: £500
- Six Towns Company of Archers: £750
- West Essex Bowmen: £500
- Tyndale Archers: £700
- Bride Valley Junior Archers: £750
- Goldcrest Archers: £500

The clubs identified ways to increase the number of archers shooting at least weekly or retain members.

Tyndale Archers, Gloucestershire, will use its grant to buy more bosses. That will create opportunities for more coaching, extra capacity at tournaments and longer practice periods.

Build your skills
Get business advice...for free!

- Get your cash flowing
- Budgeting, get on track, stay on track
- Effective facilities management
- Developing a marketing strategy
- Good governance
- VAT and Sports clubs

Mentoring offers a one-to-one relationship with an experienced business professional to deliver a more intense and personalised form of learning over an extended period. It is available to any club that needs help with business skills or is focusing on a particular area or project.

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Stay informed
The Development team has put together a newsletter to keep everyone up to date with what it has been up to and some of the things coming up in the next few months. If you want to see the newsletter go to the Archery GB website and click on Support>Development – and don’t forget to get in touch if you have any feedback on the work that’s being done.

It is the club’s second grant. Its first – £1,125 – helped the club expand its membership from 16 to 70. It now has more indoor sessions and has become an on target Community specialism club.

Arran Coggan, Development Manager (Participation), said: “Being able to provide funding to clubs is a task I relish and enjoy. It allows me to give something back, albeit small.

“However on target is not just about the funding. Ultimately, it is about having a healthy club that can identify realistic goals and future ambitions. It is about planning for the future and being proactive in opening up the sport to more people. Any club can sign up.”

Further information about on target and funding is available in the Clubs section of the Archery GB website at www.archerygb.org/support or contact Arran Coggan on 07525 233592 or email arran.coggan@archerygb.org.
Satire and comedy

Arthur Credland is Archery GB’s official historian – and he wants to hear from you. Contact him at historian@archerygb.org. Here he looks at how satirists and cartoonists have used archery

In the 19th century, cartoons were highly satirical and aimed at deflating the egos of politicians and those with social pretensions. Archery was growing in popularity and did not escape. Celebrated satirist George Cruikshank (1792-1878) used archery to take aim at the “middling” classes but by the Victorian era, the biting wit had become more of a gentle social commentary.

John Leech, who illustrated the first edition of A Christmas Carol, drew a number of cartoons for Punch, one of them alluding to the archery’s association with imbibing, which dated back to the Middle Ages, Sunday practice at the butts and the growth of the archery club as a place for young men and women to meet in less stiffly formal surroundings than usual. Like tennis clubs in the 20s and 30s, the club had become a marriage mart.

Satirists also targeted attempts to introduce “rational dress” for women in the 1850s. Attempts by women to free themselves from the restrictions of ankle length skirts led to the advent of “the bloomer girl” wearing something akin to harem pants. A modified form, the knickerbocker, found favour at the end of the century among keen young female cyclists. Leech shows a bevy of knickerbocker-clad archers being reviewed by Mr Punch in bicorn hat, resembling the Duke of Wellington.

Another shows a charming image of young children improvising a target from their aunt’s straw hat.

Archery does sometimes still appear in modern cartoons but tend to use the characters and stories of Robin Hood and William Tell rather than being based on the current modes of archery.
Just some of the extensive range of brands that you’ll find in store
Field of glory
Huge medal haul at World Champs

Great Britain took a squad of 24 archers to the World Archery Field Championships in Zagreb – and it was worth it as they came home laden with medals, a title and fantastic memories.

It was team gold for Jordan Mitchell, Patrick Huston and Craig McCreery. They made a faltering start in their junior team showdown with Italy but turned things around at the halfway point to win a decisive victory – and the gold medal.

And there was silver for compounders Chris White, Jordan Mitchell barebow archers Craig McCreery as well as bronze for Naomi Folkard, the women’s team and Rebecca Lennon.

Chris White came oh-so-close to securing the gold. He tied with the USA’s Jesse Broadwater in the final, but was just edged out in the shoot-off. And there was another shoot-off drama in the junior barebow final. Sophie Benton went head-to-head with Italy’s Anna Carrasco and they each scored 42 but the Italian was just that bit closer to the centre in the shoot-off.

Team manager Gloria Mead said: “What a star Sophie’s been. She did not show any sign of nerves. A silver medal and she has only been shooting for two years!”

Jordan Mitchell put in a gritty performance in his gold medal match but just could not break down local hero Mario Vavro. And a miss by Craig McCreery cost him dear, handing the gold to Italian rival Alessio Noceti and ending his dream of adding a second gold to his tally.

It was a nail-biting finale for Naomi Folkard, Christie Ravenscroft and Victoria Williams in the women’s team bronze medal match.

In the final end it looked like one of their Italian opponents had scored a five, which would have forced a shoot-off for the medal. But on closer inspection the judges decided that the arrow was in the four – and that gave Great Britain the medal.

And Naomi added another bronze, cruising to a 57-53 victory over Italy’s Anna Botto. But there were mixed emotions in the compound junior women’s bronze match. Rebecca Lennon took the medal – but only by beating teammate Daisy Clark 61-58.

Gloria said: “Overall it was a great performance from all the archers. I am so proud of them.”

Team bronze medallists
Naomi Folkard, Christie Ravenscroft and Victoria Williams

Bronze for
Rebecca Lennon

Sophie Benton takes silver

Gold for Jordan Mitchell, Patrick Huston and Craig McCreery

Chris White adds silver to the medals haul

Team bronze medallists
Naomi Folkard, Christie Ravenscroft and Victoria Williams

Tricky shooting conditions
Do you have what it takes?

With Rio 2016 now less than two years away, the big question is, could you be a part of it? Could you see yourself on a Paralympic podium? If you like the idea, read on.

Archery GB is looking for male archers with a disability as part of its Chasing the Dream campaign. They need to be focused, motivated individuals who think they have what it takes to represent Great Britain and reach the Paralympic Podium.

The main aim is to identify archers with the potential to fast-track their development and compete at the 2016 Paralympic Games. But we are also looking for archers who can be developed for the 2020 Games.

It’s a great opportunity for existing archers who want to take their performance to the next level – and for recurvers willing to switch to the compound. Either way, you will receive world class coaching support.

If you think you have what it takes to become an elite compound para archer, get in touch with Katy Cumming at katy.cumming@archerygb.org for more information and an application form.

Applications need to be in by with the Friday 10 October and, if you’re successful, you will be invited to Lilleshall on 1 and 2 November for an assessment event.

There is another way to get involved too. And it is open to all disabled archers! A Paralympic open day is being held on Saturday 18 October at Lilleshall for anyone who thinks they have the potential to reach the Paralympic podium at Rio. It does not matter whether you are male or female, senior or junior, compound or recurve.

And you don’t even have to be an archer already, absolutely anyone can apply. All you need is the ambition. For more information and an application form, contact Katy at katy.cumming@archerygb.org by Friday 3 October.

From Russia with love

Nine medal haul in Moscow

Moscow and the European World Cup proved a rich hunting ground as Great Britain’s young stars claimed a total of nine medals – gold, five silvers and three bronzes.

Bradley Denny, Joe Ground and Jack Masefield powered past Italy and Russia to land a cadet recurve gold medal clash with Germany – and they took the honours in fine style, winning 6-2.

There was silver for both the recurve junior women and the compound cadet men. Sally Gilder, Pip Taylor and Caitlin McCarthy swept past Mexico and Italy but could not quite get the better of Russia in the final. It was a similar story for compounders James Howse, Sam Jeram and James Passingham. They beat Mexico convincingly but could not quite keep up the momentum against Italy.

There was compound silver too for juniors Jordan Mitchell, James Howell and Thomas Taylor and cadets Kirsten George, Rebecca Lennon and Lucy Mason and bronze for juniors Aalin George, Daisy Clark and Erin Prior.

And the mixed teams were not going to be left out. Compound juniors Aalin George and Jordan Mitchell took silver, beaten by only one point, while compound cadets Kirsten George and James Howse won bronze. Jordan Mitchell took the total to nine by beating number one seed Adolfo Medina of Mexico. It was neck and neck all the way but Jordan managed to edge it, winning 139-138 to take his third medal of the tournament.
Richard Hennahane reclassified

Paralympian Richard Hennahane has become the third British archer to be affected by major changes to the way Para archers are classified in the run-up to Rio 2016.

Archery GB’s Performance Director Sara Symington said: “We are tremendously saddened to say that Richard has been de-classified, which means that he is no longer able to compete at Paralympic archery events on behalf of Great Britain. We are very proud of everything he has achieved during his career as a Paralympic archer, which spans 22 years as an archer and four years within the world-class performance programme. Everyone at Archery GB would like to wish Richard all the very best for the future.”

World Archery has publicly stated that at no time should any of the affected athletes be challenged in a negative way. They obeyed the rules and won their medals fairly as a result of hard work over many years.

Other British archers who have been affected by the changes are double Paralympic champion Danielle Brown and Paralympian Kenny Allen.

Fitting end
To a fantastic weekend

Britain’s recurvers provided the grand finale at the European Para Archery Championships in Nottwil, Switzerland – and did us proud, adding even more medals to their haul.

David Phillips, Simon Powell and Paul Browne beat Russia 6-2 to take the recurve team gold, after first seeing off Georgia 6-0 and Turkey 6-0. The British team led the way, although Russia pulled one set back, winning by a single point. But David, Simon and Paul kept their composure, taking the next set by a single point to clinch the title.

And Hazel Chaisty and David Phillips took recurve mixed team bronze in a tense match that really tested their mettle. They took an early lead but then France pulled back and seized the advantage. That spurred Hazel and David on and a couple of perfect 10s drew the match. That forced a shoot-off and while France put in a fine 10 and 9, the GB pair edged it with two 10s to take the glory.

It was the perfect end to a weekend that has seen Great Britain clinch a total of three golds, three silvers and four bronze medals.

Performance Director Sara Symington described it as a “class act” and said: “What a great weekend. We are super proud of all the athletes and staff that turned every medal opportunity into a medal. Congratulations to all and thank you, all for your support. Can I also thank UK Sport, the English Institute of Sport talent team, the Worshipful Company of Fletchers and the National Lottery. Without their support since 2012, we could not have achieved all that we have this week.”

Jo Frith won two golds, beating international debutante Vicky Jenkins into individual W1 silver spot and taking W1 mixed team gold with John Cavanagh. John added silver to Britain’s haul in his final, losing out by a single point to Finland’s Jean Pierre Antonios. And the final silver went to compounder Mel Clarke who also lost by a single point to Zandra Reppe of Sweden.

Chloe Ball made it a full house for Great Britain in the W1 women’s category by beating Russia’s Elena Krutova 126-114 to take bronze. And John Stubbs did the bronze double, beating Italy’s Alberto Simonelli 141-138 in his individual compound final and taking mixed team bronze with Mel, seeing off Italy 146-142.

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Ready for the world champs?

World Archery has decided next year’s international competition calendar and Archery GB is setting its 2015 selection shoot dates. If you want to be a part of it, this is what you have to do.

Get your scores to Stephanie Kelly (stephanie.kelly@archerygb.org) by Friday 14 November.

Quite a show
Jordan shines in World Cup debut

Compounder Jordan Mitchell put on quite a show while making his Archery World Cup debut during its fourth leg in Wroclaw.

He was given a bye into the last 48 but then had to face Switzerland’s highly experienced Patrizio Hoffer. He was trailing by one point going into the fourth end and, while Jordan shot 27, Hoffer could only manage 20 after missing with his third arrow. Jordan smelled blood and won 142-135.

That brought him head-to-head with the sixth seed, America’s Bridger Deaton. And he fought all the way, losing by only two points 145-147.

In the recurve competition, Naomi Folkard beat Egypt’s Nada Kamel 6-0 but was denied a place in the last 16 by Guendalina Sartori of Italy.

Amy Oliver defeated Celine Schobinger of Switzerland 7-1 but was kept out of the last 16 by Yulia Lobzhenidze of Georgia, beaten 6-2.

Jeanetta Braun triumphed in a shoot-off with Alexandra Mirca of Moldova. But her next match against Veronika Marchenko was a different proposition and the Ukrainian took the match 6-0. And Nicky Hunt narrowly lost to Beatriz Gomez of Spain 6-4.

And while there were some solid individual results during the third leg in Antalya, it was the teams that came to the fore. The highlight was fourth place for our mixed compound team.

Adam Ravenscroft and Rikki Bingham finished only one point behind the highly experienced Slovenians in the bronze medal match. And the recurve mixed team of Larry Godfrey and Naomi Folkard came agonisingly close to beating top-ranked Korea. They tied in their shoot-off but the Koreans were marginally closer to the centre.

The women’s recurve team saw off Chinese Taipei but were denied a semi final place by Korea. And the recurve men fell foul of the Koreans too – but it could not have been closer.

The final result was 5-1 but the score sheet read: Korea 56, 56, 56, Great Britain 55, 55, 56 and Korea went on to take gold. The women’s compound team was denied a quarter final place by Mexico and the men were beaten by the eventual gold medallists, the Netherlands.

Junior: 25 and 26 April
Senior: 25-26 April and 27-28 June
Para: 25-26 April and 27-28 June

To find the selection documents and score levels, go to the Archery GB website Documents>Performance>Current Selection Procedures.
What a way to learn!
Brad and Bryony’s Youth Olympics adventure

Bryony Pitman and Bradley Denny got a taste of what the future might hold when they represented Great Britain at the Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing.

Brad made it to the quarter finals of the individual competition after beating Bangladesh’s Prennoy Murong 6-0 and Thomas Koenig of France 6-2. But then he came up against the Brazilian number three seed Marcus D’Almeida who went on to take the silver medal.

He also found out what it is like to shoot with someone from another nation when he was partnered with Japan’s Miasa Koike in the international mixed team competition. They were denied a place in the semi finals by a shoot-off.

Bryony was teamed with Belarusian Aliaksei Dubrava. She said hand signals were essential while miming a conversation to decide who shoots first and second. And that it gave her a whole new viewpoint. “You are working with someone you normally want to lose,” she said. “And you want the people you normally shoot with to lose, so you can win.”

Archery GB’s Performance Coach Songi Woo was in Nanjing with Brad and Bryony.
She said: “It’s been really good experience for Brad and Bryony. The Youth Games are very like the Olympics with competition schedules, the village, lots of different nations’ athletes.

“Some things were bit hard for them, such as different weather, food and languages. But most of it they really enjoyed!”}

Seoul silver for Tom

Tom Howse won individual silver at the Seoul International Archery Festa – and came within a whisker of causing a major upset.

He was facing number one seed Yong-Hwi Lee of Korea and fought back from an early deficit to take the lead at 4-2. It was tight but, eventually, the Korean wore him down and took the title 6-4.

In the team events, Tom, Struan Caughey and Robert Gray beat Vietnam 5-3 but then fell foul of France, losing 0-6. Pip Taylor, Eva Henderson-Hirst and Sally Gilder beat the USA 5-1 but could not get past the number two seeds from China, losing 0-6.

But they were on form for Korean TV cameras. They were asked to shoot an end against Taipei at the start of the finals as a “warm up act” to enable the TV cameras to get used to the format of a final. They turned in an impressive performance – so impressive, in fact, that they wanted to go on and complete the match!
Ashe Morgan, George Harding and Kieran Slater won recurve team bronze for Great Britain at the World University Archery Championships in Legnica, Poland.

They were ranked tenth after qualification but powered past seventh seed Slovenia, to take a 5-3 victory and beat second seeds Mexico in a quarter-final shoot-off. Italy secured its spot in the gold medal match, beating Great Britain 6-2.

But our boys were in no mood to come away empty-handed and fought top-seeded Korea all the way, forcing a shoot-off and both archers hit the nine. After much measuring it was decided that the result was too close to call and there had to be another shoot-off. Drahoninsky just squeezed into the nine but John’s arrow fell just the wrong side of the line, scoring eight to take silver.

Completing the medal haul, our recurve open mixed team of David Phillips and Kate Murray kept up the momentum, beating Ukraine 5-3 to claim bronze.

Compounder Hope Greenwood beat Italy’s Carlotta Febo 139-135 but was denied a quarter finals place by Mexico’s Alexis Madrid Rosales. Erin Prior beat Sazatul Nadhirah Zakaria of Malaysia 129-128 but then came up against top seeded Natalia Aydeeva of Russia. Amyce Aurora-Smith fell to Ming-Chia Pan of Chinese Taipei.

Both of Britain’s compound men were denied a place in the last 16 – but neither went down without a fight. Jordan Mitchell came closest, taking Evren Cagiran to a shoot-off. Both shot nine but the Turk just edged it. Thomas Taylor beat Mykhailo Moroz of Ukraine 134-126 but then fell foul of Mexico’s number three seed, Angel Ramirez Caballero.

Ashe Morgan beat Finland’s Jaakko Hepola 7-3 but was denied a place in the last 16 by Daniel Lucas of France. George Harding lost 4-6 after a tough match against Juraj Duchon of Slovakia while Kieran Slater was beaten 6-2 by Norway’s Jari Aleksander Loekkeberg.
Testing yourself against your peers is always a good idea. And it certainly was for members of the senior squad who took part in a combined training camp/competition with the German, Dutch and Turkish teams at the Kienbaum Olympic training centre near Berlin.

There were some great results. Amy Oliver was the star performer, taking the best overall female title based on the eliminations, ranking and average score. She won all her eliminations, beat Karina Winter of Germany 6-4 in the women’s recurve final and, with Naomi Folkard and Nicky Hunt, took gold in the team event after a shoot-off with Germany.

There was a medal too for recurvers Bradley Denny, Richard White and Sean Evans. They beat Turkey 6-0 to take team bronze.

Silver medallists Lucy O’Sullivan, Andrea Gales and Rikki Bingham

Lucy O’Sullivan, Andrea Gales and Rikki Bingham headed home from the European Archery Championships in Echmiadzin, Armenia, with a little extra luggage – compound team silver medals!

And they came so close to taking gold in a thrilling performance, only a single point separating them from top seeds Russia.

Duncan Busby put up a determined fight against Sebastien Peineau in the individual compound bronze medal match but in the end the Frenchman proved too much.

There were some really strong performances but shoot-offs played a large part in determining out athletes’ fates. Compound men Duncan, Adam Ravenscroft and Chris White were denied a bronze medal by a shoot-off and recurvers Naomi Folkard, Amy Oliver and Nicky Hunt fell victim too.

Be in at the start

Want to test yourself against the whole of Europe? Then a new competition starting next year could be just what you need.

The Baku 2015 European Games is the first multi-sports event for the whole continent. It runs from 12-28 June and there will be more than 6,000 competitors taking part in 19 sports – including archery.

It is open to recurve archers only and if you want to be part of it you have to get your scores to Stephanie Kelly (stephanie.kelly@archerygb.org) by Friday 14 November. Be warned, NO late entries will be accepted.

All you have to do is:
1. Request an entry form from Steph
2. Submit your entry form, your scores and a £30 entry fee by the deadline

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Around 80 clubs around the UK have done something remarkable. They introduced thousands of people to archery despite everything British Bank Holiday weather could throw at them.

In the last issue we highlighted a few of the clubs that took part. Here we look at some of the rest. St George’s Archery Club of Harrogate showed some true Yorkshire grit as it bagged a spot at one of the biggest showcases in the north of England – the Yorkshire Game Fair in Ripon. “We introduced more than 300 people to archery,” said proud member Steve Trimmins.

Celtic Harmony Archery welcomed more than 50 families to its event in Brickendon, Hertfordshire, and had a traditional longbow maker on site to give visitors even more of an insight into the sport.

It was the first time Devizes Bowmen had been part of the Big Weekend which, this year, was supported by Archery GB’s Performance partner...
Foresters Friendly Society. And the club did it in style. It got lots of pre-publicity on local radio and put posters up everywhere to make sure people knew about the event. It also made sure it was in a prime location, on the Green in the middle of Devizes.

Other clubs around the country had just as much success, including Stafford Archers and Bannockburn Bowmen. Some, including the Valley Bowmen of Huddersfield and Tockington Archers, used the occasion to mark the opening of their new grant-funded facilities. Others used it simply to introduce people to archery in a fun way and give something back to the community.

People who squelched through the rain to get to the Bowmen of Rutland’s event were rewarded with cake, while 150 queued up for the Andalus Archers’ have-a-go. The amount of interest in beginner’s courses gave Great Rissington Archers a pleasant surprise and it was a great way to promote one of our newest clubs, Irvine Toxophilites.

Volunteers with Bitton Archers spent most of their day replacing balloons on targets – but the excited smiles on people’s faces as they popped them made it all worthwhile. There was even a barbecue at the Bowmen of Wadebridge’s event – even though everybody got soaked!
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(We should point out here that this is a highly unscientific quiz designed to get you thinking about your attitude to risk, and should not be used to base any financial decisions on!

1. You arrive at the station without a ticket, with just a few minutes to go before your train is due to leave, and there are long queues at the ticket office. What do you do?
   a) Squeeze through a barrier, hop on to the train and hope that you won’t get caught or that there’s an understanding ticket inspector on board.
   b) Explain the situation to the people at the front of the queue and ask if they’ll let you go first.
   c) Sigh in a resigned way and join the queue.

2. Have you ever done something without knowing what the end result would be?
   a) Yes, that’s what life’s all about isn’t it?
   b) Yes but I’d looked into it and felt pretty confident about the result.
   c) No, never.

3. When you’re filling out an important form – say a passport or job application – which of the following best describes your approach?
   a) You complete it as quickly as possible.
   b) You take your time and give it a quick read through at the end to check your answers.
   c) You take hours, double-checking every piece of information you include and asking someone else to read it through afterwards.

4. You get a great horse racing tip from someone you know to be an expert. Do you:
   a) Bet a significant chunk of your savings on it – it’s a sure thing.
   b) You don’t go mad, but you place a more substantial bet than you would normally be inclined to do.
   c) You never bet, it’s too much of a risk.

5. You’re lucky enough to have a financial windfall, what would you do with your savings?
   a) Put them in a high-risk fund that could do brilliantly.
   b) Invest them in a lower-risk fund that has potential for solid but not startling results.
   c) Keep them in an interest-earning savings account.

As you’ve probably guessed, if your answers were:

- Most a) then you’re not afraid to take a risk
- Mostly b) then you’re not averse to a little risk, as long as you’ve done a bit of research
- Mostly c) then you’re pretty risk-averse.

It’s a question of balance

Wherever you sit on this scale, you’ll probably admit that it sometimes pays to take a little risk, whether you’re looking for a new job, enhancing your skills and qualifications or choosing savings and investments.

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Joe’s guide
...to field archery

My name is Joe Fairburn and I am 12 years old. I started shooting when I was five and won the under-nines national title when I was eight. Then I went on holiday to Scotland and took my archery equipment with me.

I got the chance to shoot at Argyll Field Archers, which had just started up. It was the first time I had ever had a go at field archery and I loved it! When I got home my dad and I decided to join a field archery club. I continued to shoot target for a while but, the more I shot field, the more I enjoyed it. Eventually I got rid of my sights and my metal arrows and was shooting wooden arrows off an American flat bow.

I competed as a field archer for almost four years and won national competitions. Then I decided to have a go at Archery GB field archery.

You shoot at round targets with six zone scoring – four black and two gold rings. The target faces vary in size, 80cm, 60cm, 40cm and 20cm, and they are shot at varying distances depending upon how old you are, what size target it is and what bow style you shoot.

You follow a course (usually in woodland) which is made up of six of each size face (24 targets in total). You shoot three arrows from your age related peg at each target and each scores one to six, depending upon where you hit the target.

A typical competition is over two days. On the first day you shoot unmarked distances and have to work out how far the targets are. This is not as difficult as it sounds, as there is a guide to the distance depending upon what size target face it is. But it can be tricky. Targets can be made to look closer or further away than you think they are! Some shots can be uphill, some downhill, some are in a dark part of the wood and some can be cleverly disguised as different sized faces (by putting an 80cm face on a supersized backstop to make it look smaller!).

The second day you shoot marked distances. This is easier for novice field archers or those trying it for the first time. If you are under 12 the distances you shoot are between five and 30 metres. If you are under 15 it is five to 50 metres and for under 18s it could be 60 metres, depending upon bow style. To be honest though, most field archery clubs will allow anyone to shoot at any distance they feel comfortable with. I’ve seen adults shooting the under 12 distances in competition just to get their confidence.

A lot of people who don’t do field archery tell me that they are afraid of losing or breaking their arrows. If you have good sight marks this really isn’t a problem. Give field archery a go – but just shoot the
marked distance round until you get used to it.
What I like about field archery is that every course is different. That means you never get bored!
I have won national championships in traditional, barebow and recurve and have now started to shoot target archery again. I was selected on to the Archery GB Academy programme last year and won the 2014 Junior National Outdoor Championships in both metric and imperial distances.
I honestly believe that my field archery has made me a far better archer than I would otherwise have been. A lot of our top target archers are also field archers. Naomi Folkard, Amy Oliver, Alan Wills, Jon Shales, Chris White, Patrick Huston, Jordan Mitchell, Daisy Clark, Bryony Pitman and many more. Is that a coincidence? I don’t think so!

Established stars – and many newer archers – flocked to Daventry to support the John Hartfield Memorial Fund and Field Tournament.
The fund was set up in memory of John, an avid field archery fan and course setter – and is supported by clubs and events around the nation. Its aim is to support upcoming field archers and to help others into the sport. And it has had some notable successes, including Joe Fairburn who this year set new under-15 and under-18 national records.
The tournament attracted competitors from all over Great Britain and Northern Ireland including former world champions Jon Shales and Louise Rees as well as top field archers Vic Williams and Robert Mallon.
It was organised by Ann Hartfield and her son, John, set the course. They were helped by Long Buckby Archery Club.
For more information and the results, go to www.gnosfield.co.uk.
Pictures by Tony Underlin.
But Chris White eventually edged it, winning 146-144. The recurve competition was just as tight. Larry Godfrey eased to a 6-0 victory over last year’s silver medallist Michael Judd in front of an enthusiastic – and appreciative – crowd. And George Harding beat Sean Evans 6-2 to take bronze. Two perfect last ends gave last year’s champion Amy Oliver the edge over three-times Olympian Naomi Folkard – but Amy was quick to pay tribute. “It was a real privilege to shoot in a gold medal match with Naomi,” she said. “I won last year when I really didn’t expect to, so I wanted to do it again. I was much more nervous this year, though!” Lizzy Cantopher beat Ruth Welsh 6-2 to take bronze and was absolutely delighted with the result. “It’s brilliant,” she said. “I didn’t think I could do it and it just shows that archery is not just for young people.”

After thanking her coach, Maggie Squires, she said: “It just shows what you can do when you break out of your comfort zone. It doesn’t matter how old you are, anything is achievable!” And Ruth was equally delighted to have made the finals. “It’s so nerve wracking but so exciting! I did my first ever head to head at Penicuik (stages 1 and 2) so I’m over the moon to be here!”

The build up to the Nottingham Building Society National Series was pretty special this year. And the public got in on the act very quickly. All six of the qualification stages – hosted by Penicuik Archers, Clophill Archery Club and Exmouth Archers – were open to the public and free.

The action stepped up a gear as crowds flocked into the centre of Nottingham for the chance to meet Olympian and eventual champion Amy Oliver and to try the sport for themselves. Amy was at the Nottingham Riviera, Old Market Square, with Olympic hopeful George Harding, who went on to take bronze, to celebrate the countdown to the grand finals.

And it was well worth the effort. The architecture might have been classical but the atmosphere was distinctly carnival as members of the public – and press – revelled in glorious sunshine and the chance to get tips from two of Britain’s top archers.
Fun, sun...
And so much more to enjoy!

More than 8,000 people streamed through the gates of Wollaton Hall during the National Series weekend. So what was on offer?

Apart from watching the cream of British archery battling for national glory, there was plenty to do. Many took the chance to explore acres of deer park or the stunning Elizabethan hall and museum that doubled as Bruce Wayne’s mansion in the recent Batman trilogy.

And there was the chance for everyone to try archery. The start of a have-a-go run by Nottinghamshire County Archery Society may have been slow but the pace soon picked up with hundreds eager to find out if they could be the next Robin Hood.

Speaking of Robin, he and the evil Sheriff of Nottingham were on hand to keep everyone entertained. (Don’t worry the good one, Councillor Jackie Morris, was there too.)

Stalls offering food, archery gear, face painting and offering information and advice were kept busy throughout the day - and even press and TV reporters were spotted getting into the spirit!

It was the second time the finals have been staged at Wollaton Hall as part of a three-year deal with Nottingham Building Society. The Society’s Sponsorship and Events Manager Vicky Hall said: “We are very proud to be involved in such an iconic sport that is directly related to Nottinghamshire.”

Archery GB Chairman Dave Harrison said: “It just gets better every year. What an event! What a setting! It’s brilliant and my thanks go to everyone involved.”

Not everybody could be there, of course, so the event was streamed live and still be seen on YouTube. It has been viewed more than 11,000 times and the number is still growing.

So much to savour

Thirty-two archers battled for glory at Wollaton Hall. But that was not all that was going on. There was so much more to experience over the two-day extravaganza.

On the Saturday some of Britain’s best young talent was on show in an Academies mixed trios tournament. And it was drama all the way with a shoot-off deciding the gold medal match.

Struan Caughey, Eva-Henderson-Hirst and Jack Masefield piped Caitlin McCarthy, Joe Ground and Andrew Brookes to the title. The bronze medal went to Eleanor Piper, Harrison Waterworth and Jonathan Tate, who just managed to get the edge over Jessie Slater, Tom Howse and Blain Nicholson.

And our Para archers were not to be outdone. Simon Powell and Kate Murray beat David Phillips and Hazel Chaisly 6-0 in an open mixed team challenge.

On Sunday, Paras John Walker and Jo Frith went head to head with John Cavanagh and Vicky Jenkins in W1 mixed team match. Victory went to John and Jo who beat John and Vicky 135-130.

And there was a battle of the Paralympians. Beijing gold medallist John Stubbs and Rebecca Griffin took on Matt Stutzman and Jodie Grinham in a compound open challenge.

Military precision

If things ran with military precision it might have been due, in part, to the presence of Army cadets playing key roles.

Members of the Bullwall Detachment, C Battery Army Cadet Force were drafted in to man the perimeter of the shooting areas and collect arrows throughout the two days.

Most had never seen an archery tournament before, so what did they think?

Twenty-year-old Rebecca Wix said: “I’ve really enjoyed watching it and it looks like fun. I can’t wait to have a go.”

ABOVE: Nottingham Building Society Chief Executive David Marlow and Sponsorship and Events Manager Vicky Hall (right) get into the spirit with staff
Head to head
And Paralympians John and Matt could not be happier...

Who says I can’t? Matt Stutzman

Struggling to feed his family on disability pay-outs, Matt Stutzman picked up a bow for the first time in years. He could never have imagined that only two years later he would be picking up a Paralympic medal.

“It was the start of the hunting season in Iowa in 2010,” said the irrepressible American, who was born without arms. “Collecting disability is okay but it doesn’t pay the bills. I talked to my wife and said that if I could go hunting we wouldn’t have to spend so much on food. I convinced her to let me buy a bow – I had done some hunting when I was little – but I still didn’t know how I was going to shoot it.”

“It was trial and error and kind of developed in steps. I quickly learned not to hold the string in my mouth – I like my teeth too much! And practice. Lots of practice.”

Matt’s first tournament was in January 2011. “I didn’t do that well but I didn’t come last,” he said. “Two days later Matthews called and wanted to sponsor me and I thought ‘hey, who doesn’t want free stuff?’ I took the bow to a friend’s house and he gently said that the only reason they wanted to sponsor me was because I was the only archer without arms who shoots accurately. He said it was about sales and drawing attention to the product.

“I thought I don’t want to be a sideshow. I want to be sponsored because I’m good. I started watching videos of top archers and I would try to mimic as much as I could with what I had.

“So when I pull the bow with my right foot I pretend it’s the left arm of whatever archer I’m studying. That’s how I taught myself to shoot. Well that and a lot of hard work. I used to practice eight hours a day. Now it’s about quality and perfecting techniques.”

So how does an archer shoot without arms? It is, as Matt said, trial and error. And it is all done with standard equipment. His Freestyle bow might have been customised by Hoyt but that’s a different matter. It has not been specially adapted. In fact, the only thing he has that an able-bodied archer doesn’t is a belt to hold his release aid in place. And that’s only because it kept falling off his shoulder.

There is very little that fazes Matt. “I was told by a lot of people that I was never going to shoot a bow. So I started shooting a bow. Then they said ‘well you’re never going to be any good at it.’ So I started getting good. And then they said that I would never win anything...

“Now those guys don’t talk to me really. They don’t know what to say because it’s amazing what people can do when they have the desire to succeed. It’s not just me. It’s not just archery. Anyone can think of any number of ways to be successful.

“You have to really figure out what you want in life, disabled or not. Make sure you are passionate about it and make sure you surround yourself with people who are going to be willing to push you to be the best. With all their help, the sky’s the limit and you can go anywhere.”
Saved by a reality check
John Stubbs

John Stubbs was convinced things could get no worse. He was 24, had lost a leg in a motorcycle accident and was in a wheelchair for life. Then he did something stupid; he tried to commit suicide.

He was saved, went into social rehab in a disabled unit – and that’s where he got the reality check that would determine the course of his life.

“I was in a wheelchair but I was with people who had been disabled since birth and who could not communicate or feed themselves. I thought what have I got to complain about? Let’s just get on with it.

“The suicide attempt had been a cry for help and I got it. The big question then was, what’s next?”

Sport played a crucial role. It had always been a major part of his life. Before his accident he had been involved in his work’s cricket, badminton, football and cycling teams.

He got involved in English cricket while volunteering with a disabled group. He played in a match and, two days later, was on the England disabled cricket team. It did not take long for him to be named its captain and become involved in the sport’s administration. And to play, he needed a sports-specific wheelchair. He approached a specialist company for help and it was so impressed, it offered him a job as a wheelchair designer. He later became a board member.

By this time he was talking about cricket more than he was playing it – it was time to get a hobby.

By 2012 John – and the rest of Team GB – were feeling the weight of expectation. It was a home Paralympics and John was the defending champion.

“I don’t exactly know what happened,” he said. “It just didn’t feel right. I can’t explain it but I wasn’t happy and didn’t like being in the village. I don’t know what it was but...”

Two gold medals and silver at the World Archery Para Championships in Bangkok was a definite statement of intent. He was back and hungry for success. There have been more medals since – and there are more to come for the reigning world champion.

“If I could give any advice to anyone in a similar situation to mine, it would be this,” he said. “Try everything. Have a go at everything. It doesn’t have to be archery – although it is a brilliant sport. It can be anything you fancy. Just give it a go. It might change your life!”

He tried archery and soon found he was beating able-bodied competitors. His life would never be the same again.

“The thing about archery,” he said, “is that it is the ultimate sport. It doesn’t matter if you are disabled. You can compete as an equal with able-bodied athletes. It is the only sport where you can do that with unmodified equipment. You use the same bows, the same arrows... you are absolutely equal and it comes down to talent, skill and the amount of work you have put in.

“I have shot with the best in the world – both para and able bodied – and disability is not a factor.”

John went on to take national, European and world titles and, in 2008, gold at the Beijing Paralympics.

“Everything came together in Beijing,” he said. “It was such a happy time.”

He even picked up an MBE from the Queen for his services to disabled sport and archery.

One of the highlights of the finals was a compound mixed team match featuring Paralympic gold medallist and world champion John Stubbs and London 2012 silver medallist Matt Stutzman, who was born without arms.

Both John, who shot with Rebecca Griffin, and Matt, who was teamed with Jodie Grinham, are an inspiration. Both are at the top of their game – but they each arrived there by very different routes.

In exclusive interviews with Archery UK they talk about their journeys and how archery has changed their lives.
What do you get when 350 Scouts converge on a campsite and are challenged to compete in three types of archery? The answer is a lot of fun – and some very satisfied customers!

The ninth National Scout Archery Competition was held at Phasels Wood Scout Campsite in Hertfordshire and the challenge was to compete in target, field and clout events.

Shropshire Scouts’ archery adviser Jonathan Walton said the weekend was exhausting – and exhilarating! “It’s a logistical nightmare,” he said. “There were seven archery ranges set up around the site, all requiring a full complement of line captains and scorers. It is truly an inclusive event with the youngest archers around nine years old and the oldest in their 70s – yes, scout leaders took part as well as the younger ones!

“A full range of archery kit was provided by the organisers, Hampshire Scout Archery Club, with most participants using supplied equipment and shooting barebow. More experienced archers did target and field archery with their own equipment and sights with the really keen ones tackling the Scout round – five dozen arrows at 40 yards to an 80cm face.

“The field archery consisted of three courses, for three different ages groups and each range had six targets. In line with Scout rules, we could only shoot at roundel faces – but for many this was their first taste of field archery – and everyone came away full of enthusiasm for this ‘new’ form of the sport.”

If field archery was unfamiliar, clout archery was a revelation. “Everybody shot supplied fibreglass bows at either 60 yards or 100 yards range, depending on their age,” said Jonathan, a member of Bowbrook Archers. “Some quickly got the hang of it and some did not – but everyone had a great time. All the clout shooting is done on command and it produced some spectacular volleys.

“The officials really had their work cut out in taking a group of clout novices, teaching them the basics, then doing two practice ends and three scoring ends – all in 60 minutes. Then a theoretical 15-minute break before repeating the whole exercise. We did it nine times during the weekend... exhausting!

“The end result of all this was a vast number of different shooting classes and a very large table full of medals and trophies. There were individual medals for each form of archery, in each age group, plus medals for the overall best archers. The prize giving was a lengthy affair but there were many beaming faces by the end – and that has to be good for the sport.

“I have to thank Hampshire Scout Archers who give so much of their time, year after year, to run such a great event. And if any clubs are interested in finding out how to organise a truly inclusive multi-activity archery event, they are welcome to come along to Phasels Wood next year to see how it is done.”
No worries
You don’t have to give up archery at uni

Ruth Walton started shooting when she was 11 and became a Level 1 coach at 17 – but was not quite sure what would happen when she went away to university. She need not have worried. Here the former Bowbrook Archer, who is studying maths with Spanish at Southampton, gives some handy hints to all archers who are heading off to university.

Are you an archer? Going to university soon? You may be pleasantly surprised...
Archery was really important to me when I was applying to universities but, not surprisingly, there were other things on my mind. That meant I was happily surprised when I arrived at Southampton University in 2011 to find an active archery club. I was also amazed at how much interest the archery club generated at the Freshers’ fair at the start of my first term.

It became clear very quickly that most members had only started archery at university. The club runs beginners’ courses at the beginning of every year and more than 100 people did the course in both my first and second years. Many of them learned extremely quickly and, by the end of the first term, there were a lot of talented archers emerging. But it’s not all shooting. The social side also plays a big part in what we do. From Robin Hood-themed pub crawls, afternoon tea in Winchester and Laser Quest, we really have done it all – and it’s fair to say that finding a group of like-minded people certainly gave me a new love of the sport.

Shooting at university extends far beyond the club environment, with a whole host of competitions for people of all levels. There are both regional and national competitions, as well as an e-league (like a postal league) with separate classes for seniors and novices, who started shooting in the same academic year. And it’s not unusual for novices to outshoot the seniors!

For many, the highlights of the year are the British Universities and College Sport competitions (known as BUCS). The indoor competition is usually held in February, and the outdoor one in June. This year there were more than 40 university clubs competing and that makes for an experience like no other. BUCS Outdoors is a particularly exciting weekend, with a full WA shoot on the Saturday, followed by a head to head on the Sunday and, despite the competitive setting, it never fails to be an extremely friendly event. There’s endless enthusiasm for the sport and post-exam exuberance, which all amounts to a wonderful weekend camping in the grounds of Lilleshall National Sports Centre.

By my second year I was firmly involved in the archery club’s organisation as club treasurer. That’s when you find out just what good value Archery GB
membership is if you are a student. Much like school clubs, a university club pays a block fee to Archery GB regardless of how many members it has, which means club membership becomes much more affordable. In 2012-2013, my membership cost me just £30, a fraction of what you would pay in a normal club – and this includes individual Archery GB membership, so you can still take part in competitions anywhere in the country.

Once you graduate, you can return to a non-student club but it is definitely worthwhile taking advantage of student membership while you can. And many clubs, including my own, have a wide range of equipment which can be loaned out to members making it very possible to enjoy archery and make good progress without breaking the bank (or the overdraft!)

The moral of this story is simple. If you are about to head off to uni, look out for its archery club - there is very likely to be one - and enjoy everything it has to offer. And if you are not already an archer, give our sport some consideration when you start your university career. It might take you places you never imagined.

And now, after a year in Spain as part of my degree course where, much to my sadness, the advertised university archery club did not actually exist, I am about to head back for my final year in Southampton. I can’t wait to see my friends and fellow archers again – and I’m quite looking forward to the studying, too!

Oxford goes one better

Oxford University took the honours as 272 students competed in the BUCS Archery Outdoor Championships. Its team won non-compound gold, improving on last year’s silver. Second place went to Warwick, with Nottingham in third.

And there was some great shooting in the novice event too. Edinburgh University took gold with Nottingham second and London third.

Archery GB podium potential archer Kieran Slater, a second year student at Leicester University, took the men’s World Archery 1440 round recurve title, while compound honours went to Matthew Dale of Warwick. Luke Rieman, also of Warwick, won longbow gold while Edinburgh University’s Huw Vaughan-Jackson took the barebow title.

In the women’s competition, recurve honours went to Hannah Ruth Beasley-Suffolk of Imperial College, London, while Edinburgh’s Stephanie Clason took the compound title. The top female longbow archer was Emily Williams of South Wales, Pontypridd and Cardiff and Jennifer Makin of Edinburgh took barebow honours.

London 2012 silver medallist Mel Clarke was the special guest and said: “I was impressed with the event and the strength of university archery.”

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The rail mounted rule was a helpful guide but inconsistent. Marking out the shaft on the workbench made it easier to double check.

The brushes provided were of reasonable quality but it was difficult to prevent the acrylic paints running. After switching to enamel colours this was no longer an issue.

Overall, it is a good piece of kit. It will allow you to create longbow arrows that are only limited by your imagination and will suit a trained craftsmen or novice. It retails at £167.

Lee Delo testing the crester

The finished arrows

In the last issue of Archery UK we asked for your help. We needed someone to give an expert review of Bohning’s Professional Cresting Kit. Many answered the call – and thanks to all who did – but Lee Delo of Canterbury Archers was chosen. This is what he thought:

Lee Delo
Question Time:
Do you need compound advice?

Archery GB compound squad member Duncan Busby is here to help with queries on form, equipment and technique. If you need advice, email magazine@archerygb.org and mark your email for Duncan’s attention.

Q. I’m getting back into compound archery after a four-year break and I have just bought a 2013 Hoyt Alpha Elite. I have a 27-inch draw and shoot with a draw weight of 57lbs. I plan to compete at World Archery distances but I can’t afford Easton X10s at the moment. I’ve been looking at The Carbon One range of arrows or the Lightspeed and Light speed 3D range as alternatives. Can you recommend an arrow to suit both my set-up and my price range?

A. Finding your ideal arrow is difficult, particularly on a budget. If you are using your arrows to shoot World Archery rounds you’ll need an arrow that gives good balance between weight and diameter. If it is too light or has a large diameter there might be problems with long distance grouping and excessive wind drift. This is why the X10 range is the most popular choice of arrow for the target discipline. But there are alternatives. Easton offers several options:

- The Easton ACG is a parallel shaft all-carbon arrow. It’s similar in diameter and weight to the ACG, making it ideal for target shooting, but the Carbon One does not have quite as tight a tolerance as the other two models, meaning that each arrow batch may not be as closely matched; this has the potential to cause wider groups as well as create some difficulty in tuning, but they are a bit cheaper at around £80 a dozen plus components.

Then there is Carbon Express. The Carbon Express Medallion Pro is a parallel shaft all-carbon arrow that is an ideal weight and diameter for target archery. This arrow is extremely tough and has a range of components to choose from. It is made from super strong 30-ton carbon which helps it recover faster out of the bow. The Medallions are priced at around £170 a dozen plus components.

- The Carbon Express Medallion XR is made from a 24-ton carbon making it a little cheaper. This doesn’t make it any less a contender though as it retains the Medallion ranges’ slim diameter and target friendly weight, but it also has a good range of components. The Medallion XR comes in at around £85 a dozen plus components.

There are, of course, other brands available but due to their large diameter or weight they are considered unsuitable for longer distance target shooting. And you can buy top-end second-hand. The Easton X10 or The Carbon Express Nano Pro and Nano XR ranges are all great choices. It does pay to be cautious though as some second-hand arrows may no longer be in a shootable condition.

Don’t blame your age

People sometimes say of their weight, lack of energy and ailments, “Well what can I expect at my age?” I think it’s a shame that we’ve been conditioned to expect so little. Our bodies have a remarkable capacity for renewal if we look after them and provide them with the raw materials they need, such as good food. We don’t have to buy into the common pattern of junk food, inactivity and physical deterioration as if it was inevitable. We have a choice. It’s great that archery is a sport we can do for many years. You probably know people who are still sprightly in their older years – and also young people who look and move as if they were decades older than they are. Find a good role model and emulate them.

In my early 30s I was in a sorry state. Overweight, unhealthy and miserable, I felt lousy most of the time. Ten years ago I learned to eat well and transformed my life. I recently turned 50 (yes I’ll be shooting as a veteran now!) but feel 19. Being 20 years older doesn’t matter to me, I feel young. It’s always worth looking after yourself and never too late to get into good habits. Exercise, keep flexible and improve the way you eat. You’re worth it!

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GROWING FAST!

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“It has been fantastic to see so many young athletes coming forward again this year to engage in this programme from all corners of Great Britain, different backgrounds and a balance of males and females," she said. “They will return every three months for centralised benchmarking and coaching sessions at Lilleshall National Sports Centre.

“Having a talent programme that is open to any archer under the age of 20 to self-select in and out is something we are proud of. As well as this, the strength in the programme is an encouragement for participants to craft and drive their own personalised journey to suit their individual needs. This is designed to support the development of athlete autonomy, individuality and creativity through a growth mindset.”

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This is really addressed to the organisers of Archery GB events and judges. I have attended many of these events organised by committees and work parties. For many years it has been the same faces, working away year after year. Nowadays there are a few different people joining in – but not too many. The same applies to judges.

This year is the last year I intend to take part in the Masters, even though I have already qualified Master Bowman this year. I am leaving it to the next generation to show the way. For the other events, I will decide nearer the time.

But the reason I am writing is to say a great big thank you to everyone who has been a worker, giving up your time so I can take part in Archery GB events. Some are traditional, some modern and I have enjoyed them all. But without the work parties and judges we would not have all the traditional, inspiring and new events to take part in.

I have been and still am shooting competitively and have enjoyed nearly all of it, with only the weather occasionally spoiling things.

Thank you everyone, let’s hope that we still have the workers and judging team in the years to come, because without them, we archers have nothing.

You will see me on the shooting line for a good few years yet – causing trouble as usual. And I might even turn to the longbow!

Sheila Harris
Redhill Archers

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I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the extremely kind members of Tudor Archers in Suffolk, Terry in particular.

A fete was to be arranged in June in the village where I work and, being an archer myself, I knew an archery have-a-go would be something to entice people so suggested it. Me and my big mouth!

People loved the idea but there was only one snag. I am a direct member and have no club to call my own anymore. So I reached out to the local clubs. To be honest I thought it was a bit of a long shot as they did not know me at all.

But I was wrong, Tudor Archers responded and ran a stand for us. It was a lovely afternoon and it was great to see people enjoying awesome archery in the sunshine, many for the first time. It’s fair to say the archery was the main attraction and I’m very grateful to the club.

Sam French
Dressed for the occasion?

I have enjoyed archery for many years and have become involved in organising shoots, including some record status shoots. I recently organised the junior championships for Southern Counties and Grand Western Archery Societies and was delighted to have a full line and a waiting list of committed enthusiastic junior archers.

However, being “old school” I was disappointed that although the dress code stipulated Archery GB or club colours, the line was dotted with children wearing all sorts of apparel. I am trying to seek a balance between enjoying the sport and occasion and the traditions of archery.

I would like some feedback on whether the majority feels, as I do, that dress code should be adhered to, or that participation is the main concern.

On the day of the most recent shoot I did not want to cast a shadow on the tournament and, as the judges did not seek to challenge some of the improper dress, the day passed well. Many county and regional records were broken, so it could be judged a success.

I am still left, however, with this niggling feeling that dress code is an issue, both from archers who refuse to conform and from junior archers who take great care to appear smart in club colours or in traditional green and white. Children are just as critical as adults and their opinions could be felt by the mutterings along the line.

Archers – and Archery GB especially – please help me. I am seeking the views of the majority in order to find away forward.

Please feel free to bombard me with emails at doug.human@bowmenofdanesfield.co.uk

Doug Human

Sales and wants?

Has Archery UK ever had a sales and wants page? I think this would be a very good idea, as many members like myself, have items they no longer need, and would like to purchase other items. I am looking for a pair of limbs for a 23in riser.

It can take forever looking online but if we had a page specially for sales and wants, we would know that when the magazine came out there would be a fresh lot of adverts.

I’m sure if needed you could make a small charge for the advert appearing for a certain length of time.

Elaine Laurie
Black Stag and the Woodford Archers

Editor writes: Many thanks for your suggestion. There is an awful lot of pressure on space in Archery UK so I am not sure it is feasible at the moment. But we will certainly consider it for the future.
Meeting the challenges

Your Nominations Committee has been busy

When Archery GB asked for your support for change so that it could meet the challenges of the future, you answered the call.

A convincing majority backed a change to a special resolution allowing a change in Archery GB’s Articles of Association so that the board could become more flexible and include up to three Independent Directors. They will work with up to eight Directors elected by the membership and Chief Executive David Sherratt. That process is now well under way. The Nominations Committee is made up of Chairman Bob McGonigle (Director Marketing), Muriel Kirkwood (Director Scotland) and Alan Willsher (Director Northern Ireland). And it has been busy.

The first Independent Director has been appointed to the Board. He is Chris Mortlock and will attend his first Board meeting in October. There will be a chance to find out more about Chris in the winter edition of Archery UK.

There are changes to the voting process for Elected Directors, as outlined below:

### Voting process for Elected Directors

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**Important changes – voting for Elected Directors happens before the AGM, the result is announced at the AGM.**

### An Independent Director is appointed by the Board from outside the membership. There are up to three Independent Directors

### An Elected Director is elected by the membership from within the membership. There are up to eight Elected Directors

In accordance with Article 39, notice is given that the AGM in 2015 will be on 18 April at Cirencester and job descriptions and application details will be available at the website from early September (look in documents, then governance, and then elected director vacancies). Interviews will take place on 10 January at Lilleshall.
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Sporting icon
And archery still plays crucial role

Stoke Mandeville has an iconic place in sporting history. It was the birthplace of the Paralympics and still holds a key role in helping disabled people fulfill their true potential.

One of the most important tournaments held at the hospital’s stadium is the British Wheelchair Archery Association National Championships. This year 70 archers took part and carried on a proud tradition that started in the 1940s.

Disabilities Committee Chairman Helen George said: “This shoot provides an excellent opportunity to show newer archers what they could achieve in the future. For them to be able to shoot and compete against archers like John Cavanagh, Paul Browne and Peter Higgins enables them to gain more knowledge and experience.

“It has also encouraged more archers to express interest in attending the BWAA training weekends, which are held during winter. Many of our best Paralympic archers have started their careers in archery at Stoke Mandeville.”

The tournament was sponsored by WheelPower and the Worshipful Company of Fletchers. Helen said that their funding was crucial to its success and that the support they gave to disability sport was much appreciated by athletes, staff and coaches.

Chris Brown from the Worshipful Company of Fletchers and Martin McElhatton of WheelPower were on hand to present the medals.

And, as the International Paralympic Committee celebrates its silver jubilee, it was a chance to look back and reflect on how para sport has developed over the years – and to drag out some old photographs! Times have changed. 

A time for heroes

As Archery UK was going to press, new sporting heroes were emerging from the Invictus Games for wounded, injured and sick former service men and women.

Representatives from 14 countries competed across several sporting disciplines – and they included a GB team featuring, among others, Steve Gill and Leigh Bland from Melton Mowbray Archers and retired Major Samantha Livy, who trained with Bath Archers.

There will be a full report of archery at the Games in the winter issue of Archery UK. 

The big attraction

Archery proved to be one of the main attractions at the recent Amputee Games, with more than 70 of the 89 people who took part determined to have a go.

The games, which are organised by Limb Power, give recent amputees the chance to try a range of 20 sports.

Disabilities Committee Chairman Helen George said: “Most of the people trying archery had never done it before and I was pleased at the number of females taking part.

“We allowed some time for practice and instruction and this was followed by a competition of sighters and then 12 scoring arrows. In total 56 people competed. Scores from both male and female competitors were very high and very close with several scoring more than 100 points.”

Games organiser Keita Roche was so inspired by the results that she wants to organise another weekend, concentrating on the in-demand sports of archery and shooting.

Helen said: “The fact that the sports are more geared to individuals and are inclusive seems to give them greater appeal.”

She thanked the Limb Power staff and volunteers for their hard work, along with the archery specialists Fred Stevens, Tony George, Roger Wright and Jane Cooper. 
What is... Visually impaired archery? David Poyner explains

Visually impaired archery is the same as sighted archery. Everyone uses bows and arrows and shoots at a target. The difference is that because some of the archers cannot see the target, a different type of sight called a “tactile sight” is used.

The archers also use a foot board to line up to the target and a “spotter,” someone to help them shoot safely and tell them where the arrows are hitting the target.

VI archers shoot in the same competitions and use the same rounds as sighted archers. But there is a whole suite of rounds known as “Burntwood” rounds to help VI archers to integrate into club life. These are always shot at 30 metres.

Most visually impaired archers enter the sport via conventional routes but then take advantage of specialist advice and assistance.

Visually impaired archers normally hold two memberships. They normally affiliate to Archery GB so they can shoot in clubs – and Archery GB offers substantial discounts on membership fees to clubs that have a specific disability focus. The other is British Blind Sport. This is so that the archer can obtain a sight classification and enter specific BBS archery competitions. If they are not members, the BBS makes a charge for sight classification.

Further information can be found at www.bbsarchery.org.uk

Burntwood rounds

Burntwood rounds are shot at 30 metres for adults and 15 metres for juniors. To simulate the normal change of distance, the target face is changed so scoring becomes “easier” as the target moves “closer”. There is an equivalent Burntwood round for all of the imperial rounds listed in the rules, as shown in the table.

There is no grading of difficulty via the distance shot and women shoot the same round as men. It’s the number of arrows shot at each target face that defines the equivalent round. Five-zone scoring applies.

These rounds are included in Archery GB’s Rules of Shooting, so anyone can shoot them. And they can be shot alongside the equivalent round, you just have a boss at 30 metres and you don’t have to move it!

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When VI archers shoot these rounds their position board and tactile sight will be set up on the line and they will be using a “spotter” to provide information. Arrows are normally shot in ends of six. However, the archers can only have assistance for sight adjustment during sighters and between ends. No additional sighters are allowed when the target face is changed. Full details are in Section 12 of the rules.

These rounds are also useful for anyone who cannot shoot a high poundage bow, as it is another way of changing the level of difficulty. You can have the challenge of shooting a York type round without having to reach longer distances.

In due course we would hope to see handicap tables developed for these rounds so they can be fully integrated into the normal activities of an archery club.

Celebrating 25 years

Words: Billie Marshall

Memories have been created, aspirations achieved and history made as the International Paralympic Committee celebrates its silver jubilee.

And archery has been at the centre of those achievements. The sport has incredibly strong ties with the organisation and was one of the original sports in the Stoke Mandeville games - which led to the birth of the Paralympic movement.

Disabilities Committee Chairman Helen George said: “Para Archery has gone from strength to strength with the IPC, which has been instrumental in our sport being as successful as it is. People like former Paralympic team manager David Hilton, Pauline Betteridge, chairman of the British Wheelchair Archery Association and Ann Webb, who helped oversee Para Archery’s transfer from the remit of the International Paralympic Committee to the International Archery Federation, have worked with the IPC over the past 25 years”.

Further information can be found at www.bbsarchery.org.uk
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Can you help?
Mentors needed for young recruits

The first recruits have joined Archery GB’s youth and junior judge programmes. They are keen, eager – and that is why Hannah Brown has a favour to ask her fellow judges.

Hannah, who chairs the Judges Committee, said: “Next season they may be on a field near you… and they will need mentoring.

“Have you got the skills and the knowledge to pass on to the next generation of enthusiastic judges? If you would like to be involved and mentor the future, then email me at chairman.judges@archerygb.org and we will get you involved.

“Or perhaps you know the next generation of judges? Get them to email me!”

And under-30s interested in judging international events will be descending on Lilleshall soon for a World Archery seminar and accreditation session. Its aim? To train them to judge at Youth Olympics, World Archery Youth Championships, World Archery University Championships and competitions for younger archers.

It starts on 24 October and will cover the philosophies and duties of judging, shooting rules and procedure, practical observations, case studies and general rules. It will be followed by a final exam.

Get that diary out…

The hottest date in the judges’ diary has been released. The 2015 conference will be held on 7 and 8 March and the Chapters meal will be on the Saturday night.

The conference will be held at Lilleshall – but the committee is exploring the possibility of moving it around the country, much like the Archery GB AGM. The idea is to make it more accessible.

Judges Committee Chairman Hannah Brown said: “As it is part of your re-accreditation requirement we are conscious that cost is an issue and travel to Lilleshall can be expensive.

“So, we need your thoughts. Do you want to keep it at Lilleshall? Move it about? Do you know anywhere we could host it? Please email me at chairman.judges@archerygb.org and tell me what you think!”
A question of insurance

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Before you raise that glass... there’s something you need to know

Archery is a very social sport – with everything that implies. But before you down a drop of sherry or beer at a tournament, there’s something you need to know. You are breaking anti-doping laws.

The World Anti-Doping Agency names archery as one of six named sports where alcohol is prohibited in competition. The others are air sports, automobile, karate, motor-cycling and powerboating.

The agency says: “Alcohol (ethanol) is prohibited In-Competition only. Detection will be conducted by analysis of breath and/or blood. The doping violation threshold is equivalent to a blood alcohol concentration of 0.10 g/L.”

And that means taking a tipple at a competition breaks rule number one of Archery GB. That includes the words: “Archery GB is committed to informing and educating its members in support of the policy of drug free sport. It undertakes to control the misuse of drugs in the sport of archery, recognises and is committed to independent testing and will manage any drug misuse issues through a fair, accountable and independent decision making process thereby ensuring that its archers perform to the highest standards without the misuse of drugs or doping.”

Approved rule changes

The Operations Committee has approved the following rule changes as proposed in the Spring 2014 Archery UK.

Rules 202(g), 207(g), 202(e), 208(d), 502(e).

There is also the addition of new rule 201(e). These rules are published in full below:

201(e) It is the archer's responsibility to use equipment which complies with the rules. Any archer found to be using equipment contravening these Rules may have his scores disqualified.

Following feedback from members, proposals regarding smoking were withdrawn for further consideration.

SAP Changes

The Rules Committee have received agreement to make the following changes to the SAP's:

SAP 3, 1(c)(ii) – It has been agreed to shorten the time period for submission of Record Status applications for all events other than Field Tournaments (where a 3 month period applies) to 4 months. The SAP will be amended to reflect this change from six to four months.

SAP 7 – Classification tables - An error has been seen within the tables that allows men shooting certain disciplines to claim first class classification with a WA 60m round. This is not within the principles of our classification rules, and as such will be amended to remove this possibility.

To summarise the SAP changes: See Table 1

Other matters

The Rules Committee will shortly be reviewing the Archery GB dress regulations to see if they remain fit for purpose. We would welcome any comments members may have, which can be sent to: chairman.rules@archerygb.org

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Rettendon Raydon
Gusts, gales... and the records tumbled

Sun, gusty wind, rain and the remains of a hurricane. The weather threw all it had at the British Target Championships – but it could not prevent records falling and some spectacular shooting.

More than 200 archers took part in the Championships and Scotland won the Home Nations honours in both the recurve and compound categories with England second and Wales third.

Two-day individual awards based on scores went to:
- **Recurve**: Vlada Priestman and Larry Godfrey
- **Longbow**: Mandy Linn and Martin Bale
- **Compound**: Naomi Jones and Chris Bell
- **Barebow**: Karen Atkins and Phil Reay

For all the results go to the Archery GB website and look under Support> Operations>Tournaments>British Target Championships.

Three days of fun

Three days of fine shooting, good company and typical summer weather were a fitting reward for those who took part in one of Britain’s most historic tournaments, the Grand National Archery Meeting.

The tournament, which began in York in 1844, was held at Lilleshall. It began in sunshine on Wednesday 25 June but, by Friday, the rain had arrived. It cleared up quickly giving the archers enough time to dry off and vote the whole event a success.

And new national records were set. Barebow archer Karen Atkins of Bowflights Archery Club claimed a record with her Long National score of 368 while Martin Bale of Rivernook scored 383 to take Long National longbow honours.

Tournament Secretary Pam Tonkin said she hoped everyone had enjoyed the event and thanked all involved.

You can find the full results on the Archery GB website. Go to Support> Operations>Tournaments>GNAM.

Masters at work!

John Stubbs set a new world record as more than 160 archers competed at the UK Masters in Lilleshall.

The Beijing Paralympics champion smashed the existing compound World Archery 50m open record by scoring a stunning 702. The other highest ranked archers were recurvers Paulette Mills and Malcolm Alexander and double Paralympic compound champion Danielle Brown.

Other records tumbled during a weekend that included a fly past by the Red Arrows but the overall titles went to:
- **Recurve**: David Phillips and Paulette Mills
- **Compound**: Neil Bridgewater and Danielle Brown
- **Longbow**: Cliff Gaal and Jude Lane
- **Barebow**: Michael Simpson and Jacqueline Gould

For all the results go to the Archery GB website and look under Support> Operations> Tournaments> UK Masters.

Counties go head to head

It was a question of who was Britain’s best. So a total of 260 archers took part in the Archery GB County Team Tournament at Lilleshall, representing 19 counties – and competition was intense.

The format was a 70/50m qualification round followed by a team head-to-head with winners decided on a cumulative score. On Sunday everyone shot a World Archery 1440 round for a cumulative score.

The overall team positions were:
- **Women’s recurve**: 1, Warwickshire; 2, Essex and Suffolk; 3, Somerset.
- **Women’s longbow**: 1, Leicestershire and Rutland; 2, Durham and Northumberland; 3, Dorset and Wiltshire.
- **Women’s compound**: 1, Surrey; 2, Essex and Suffolk; 3, Durham and Northumberland.
- **Men’s recurve**: 1, Essex and Suffolk; 2, Gloucestershire A; 3, Lancashire.
- **Men’s longbow**: 1, Dorset and Wiltshire; 2, Yorkshire; 3, Devon and Cornwall.
- **Men’s compound**: 1, Essex and Suffolk; 2, Hampshire; 3, Gloucestershire A.

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BA Postal League – 2013 / 2014 Results

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BOWMEN OF BIRSTALL ‘A’

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This long-established winter postal competition is designed to attract clubs to enter teams including juniors in any or all of four leagues – Portsmouth ( recurve and compound) and Frostbite ( recurve and compound). At the end of the season trophies are awarded to the team with the overall highest score in each of the four Leagues. Winning teams receive medals and league medallions are awarded to the highest overall scoring Lady, Gentleman and Junior Boy and Girl in each League.

Further information and entry forms for the 2014-2015 competition can be obtained from BA Winter Postal League 2 Highdown Hill Road, Reading RG4 8QP. www.bapostalleague.co.uk. Final requests to be received by 1st October 2014.
TOURNAMENT DIARY

KEY TO SYMBOLS

TARGET

11/10/2014
UKRS Greenwood Osterley Flooidit Western
Round: All Western Rounds
Venue: Grasshoppers RFC, MacFarlane Lane, Osterley, Middlesex
Contact: Bryan Sweetman
Tel: 07815 100487
Email: bryan.sweetman@outlook.com
Web: www.guarchers.org.uk

11/10/2014 – 12/10/2014
WRS The Mauritian
Round: WA 70, 60m, 50m, Olympic Venue: Benfield School, Newcastle Upon Tyne
Contact: Dave Harland Tel: 0191 262 8260/07973 81862 Email: nrbthdave@aad.co.uk
Web: www.bowmenofwalker.org

12/10/2014
Kestrels 10th Portsmouth
Round: Single & Double Portsmouth Venue: Sandy Sport & Community Centre, Empyre Avenue, Sandy, Bedfordshire Contact: Sue Draper Tel: 01234 824821
Email: susan_draper@tiscal.co.uk

11/10/2014
UKRS Lasswade UKRS Combined Indoor
Round: WA 25m, WA 18m Venue: Lasswade Sports Centre Contact: Tina James Tel: 0131 665 4986
Email: tinacores@tiscal.co.uk

11/10/2014
UKRS Royal Matthews Memorial Inter Country
Round: WA 1440 (FITA) Venue: Liddesdale National Sports & Conference Centre Contact: Geoff Besston Tel: 02476 388562 or 07804 017999
Email: geoffbesston@sky.com
Web: www.aim4sport.com

18/10/2014
Crawley Memorial Soup Shoot
Round: Winter & Junior Windsor Venue: Hazewick School, Mill Lane, Crawley, West Sussex
Contact: Trevor Strudwick Tel: 07805 52328/01932 052348 Email: captain@crawleyarcheryclub.co.uk
Web: www.crawleyarcheryclub.co.uk

25/10/2014 – 26/10/2014
WRS Hawks WA 18m (FITA) & Indoor Match
Round: WA 18m (FITA), Olympic (Head to Head) Venue: Redborne Community College, Flitwick Road, Ampthill, Bedfordshire Contact: Tom O’Neill Tel: 01234 765547
Email: hawksac@btinternet.com

26/10/2014
UKRS Lasswade UKRS Combined Indoor
Round: WA 1440 (FITA) Venue: Liddesdale National Sports & Conference Centre Contact: Geoff Besston Tel: 02476 388562 or 07804 017999
Email: geoffbesston@sky.com
Web: www.aim4sport.com

11/10/2014 – 02/11/2014
UKRS Aim4Sport Vegas Shoot
Round: Vegas Venue: Princess Helena College, Preston nr Hitchin
Contact: Mark Gill Tel: 0844 3306 813
Email: mark.gill24@ntlworld.com
Web: www.hinchleyarcheryclub.co.uk

12/10/2014
UKRS Droitwich Winter Tournament
Round: Double Worcester Venue: Royal Grammar School, Worcester Contact: Mark Pattison Tel: 0844 3306 813
Email: tournaments@drwtcharchery.co.uk

01/11/2014
UKRS Aim4Sport Vegas Shoot
Round: Vegas Venue: Princess Helena College, Preston nr Hitchin
Contact: Mark Gill Tel: 0844 3306 813
Email: mark.gill24@ntlworld.com
Web: www.hinchleyarcheryclub.co.uk

02/11/2014
Archers of Bridlington & Burton Aigines (A.B.B.A.)
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Bridlington Sports Hall, Gypsy Road, Bridlington Contact: Ivan Read Tel: 01262 602908
Email: suetved76@yahoo.co.uk

Forest of Bere 36th “Crookhorn”
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Mountsallon Centre, Portsmouth Contact: G Merrett Tel: 02392 595738
Email: formatcommittee@yahoo.co.uk
Web: www.forestofforever.co.uk
Notes: closing date for entries 11.10.14

UKRS Glanmorgan Junior Indoor Championships
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Llandaf City Bowmen, Castle Hill, St Fagans, Cardiff Contact: Tracey Reece Tel: 07947 079682
Email: traceyreece@uk.com
Web: www.glamorganarcheryassoc.org.uk

UKRS GWAS 41st Indoor Championships
Round: WA 18m Venue: Hutton Moor Leisure Centre, Weston-Super-Mare Contact: Robin Leveridge Tel: 01934 750865 or 07864 074096
Email: robin@glamorganbowmen.co.uk
Web: www.gwas.org.uk

UKRS Lancashire 38th Indoor & Open
Round: Portsmouth Venue: South Ribble Tennis & Fitness Centre, Bambrer Bridge, Preston Contact: Angela Fox Tel: 07957 300808
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UKRS Melton Mowbray 2nd WA 18m
Round: WA 18m Venue: Winkle Valley Acary, Parkstone Road, Syston, Leicester
Contact: Paul Agar Tel: 07703 651340 Email: paulag67@gmail.com Web: www.mmac.co.uk Notes: Change of Email Address

08/11/2014
UKRS Clophill 20th Open Junior
Portsmouth Round: Double Portsmouth Venue: Alameda Sports Hall, Amphi, Bedfordshire Contact: Suli Bredin Tel: 07919 137065 Email: suli148@hotmail.co.uk Web: www.clophill.ac.uk

08/11/2014
UKRS 34th Ashfield Archers & 26th Kent Indoor Championship
Round: Single & Double Portsmouth Venue: Homewood School, Ashford Road, Tenterden Contact: Tony Harris Tel: 01233 466755 Email: ashfordtournaments@hotmail.co.uk Web: www.ashfordarcheryclub.co.uk

UKRS Castle Archers Remembrance Day Shoot
Round: WA 25m Venue: Leisure Centre, Newcastle Emlyn, Cardiganshire Contact: Mike Richardson Tel: 01233 646755 or 07531 757261 Email: barry@hawksarchery.co.uk Notes: Date Change

Caddy Bowmen’s 34th Indoor
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Leisure Recreation Centre, Tickenham Drive, Leasowe, Wirral Contact: Carol Gardner Tel: 0151 677 1218 (evenings) Email: carol2b@yahoo@talktalk.net Web: www.caddybowmen.org.uk

UKRS Fareham Bowmen FFA 18
Round: WA 18m Venue: Fareham Sports Centre Contact: Jamie Fisher Tel: 01263 584228 or 07531 757261 Email: jamie@isil.ch.co.uk Web: www.farehambowmen.org.uk

UKRS NCAS/Whitburn Combined WA 18m & WA 25m
Round: Combined WA 18m, WA 25m Venue: Temple Park, South Shields Contact: Katherine Daley Tel: 07989 007344 Email: katherine_daley@yahoo.co.uk Notes: Date Change

Slipbridge Annual Worcester
Round: Worcester Venue: Waseley Hills High School, School Road, Redditch, Birmingham Contact: Peter Langmaid Tel: 01521 361373 Email: tournaments@sscorg.co.uk Web: www.scoa.org.uk

UKRS Surrey 36th Open Indoor
Round: Single & Double Portsmouth Venue: Sandhurst Sports Centre Contact: Shirley Nicol Tel: 0118 973 3470 Email: shirley.nicolson@bogtenworld.com Web: www.crowtheathorquemarch.org.uk

UKRS Berkshire County Indoor Championship
Round: Single & Double Portsmouth Venue: Ascot Sports Centre Contact: Shirley Nicol Tel: 0118 973 3470 Email: shirley.nicolson@bogtenworld.com Web: www.crowtheathorquemarch.org.uk

18/11/2014
UKRS EMAS & Open Indoor
Round: WA 18m (ITRA) Venue: Montague Academy, Greening Road, Rothwell, Northamptonshire Contact: Colin Truways Tel: 01536 736036/07523 238102 Email: colin@1c.org.uk Web: www.targetcraft.org

UKRS Hertfordshire Indoor Team Championships
Round: WA 25m Venue: HECC Sport Centre for Cricket, Thistle Farm, Rick End Contact: Carol Clark Tel: 01279 857177 Email: bd@lancar@lancoworld.com

30/11/2014
UKRS 32nd Tony Greenhill Memorial Stafford Round: Stafford Venue: Kingsley College, Redditch Contact: Stuart Heddernick Tel: 07740 736772 Email: stuart@henchfind@lancoworld.com

30/11/2014
UKRS NCAS Indoor Championships
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Penrhir Leisure Centre Contact: Chris Butterby Tel: 01768 866670 Email: saysgartharcher@hotmail.com Web: www.cumbriaarchery.com

WRS Silver Spoon WA 18m
Round: WA 18m Venue: Spalding Grammar School, Spalding, Lincolnshire Contact: Emily Must Tel: 07399 106129 Email: emilymust@yahoo.co.uk

UKRS Somerset Indoor Junior Championships
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Somerset College of Art & Technology, Wellington Road, Tiverton, Somerset Contact: Doug Hulman Tel: 01984 634471 or 07936 505509 Email: doug.hulman@thebowmenofdanesfield.co.uk Web: www.bowmenofdanesfield.co.uk

23/11/2014
UKRS Bedfordshire & Open Indoor Championships
Round: Bedford Venue: Redborne Community College, Ampthill, Bedfordshire Contact: Barry Wiseman Tel: 01525 634615 or 07935 356966 Email: barry@hawksarchery.co.uk

UKRS Gloucestershire Junior & Open
Round: Gloucester Venue: Jackdaws School, East End Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham Contact: Roger Cran Tel: 01452 489752 Email: rscgg@ao.5.com Web: www.glosarchery.co.uk

07/12/2014
UKRS Durham City Archers WA 18m
Round: WA 18m Venue: Frome College, College Lane, Durham Contact: Christine Lowden Tel: 07902 876762 Email: cal-browser@live.com Web: www.durhamarchers.co.uk

UKRS Targetcraft 80th Open
Round: Montsaye Academy Sports Hall, Greening Road, Rothwell Contact: Colin Truways Tel: 01536 736036/07531 238612 Email: colin@1c.org.uk Web: www.targetcraft.org

14/12/2014
UKRS The Foxes Worcester Round: Worcester Venue: Winstanley College, Kingsway North Contact: Brian Brooks Tel: 0116 225 0384/07779 942915 Email: brianbrooks@live.com

04/01/2015
UKRS 18th Open Annual WA 18
Round: WA 18m Venue: Harborough Leisure Centre, Market Harborough Contact: Paul Gash Tel: 01858 525188/07961 403304 Email: wa.18a@fita.com Web: www.wellandvalleyarchers.com

UKRS Cumbria Combined FITA
Round: WA 18m & WA 25m Venue: Penrhir Leisure Centre Contact: Chris Butterby Tel: 01768 866670 Email: saysgartharcher@hotmail.com Web: www.cumbriaarchery.com

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08/01/2015
UKRS Eastern Area Championships
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Wasseley High School, Pit Lane, Durham Contact: Catherine Lowden Tel: 07902 876762 Email: cal-browser@live.com Web: www.durhamarchers.co.uk

WRS Sherwood Archers WA 18
Round: WA 18m Venue: Joseph Whitaker School Contact: Linda Telford Tel: 01636 892255 Email: pa18a@ao.5.com Web: www.sherwoodarchers.org.uk

09/01/2015
UKRS St Kingsington WA 18m
Round: WA 18m Venue: Banbridge, Benfleet, Boldon, Blyth, Hunsdon, Wallasey Contact: Andrew Rees Tel: 07718 805734 Email: brent@eagleחר@lancoworld.com

UKRS NCAS/Whitburn Combined WA 18m, WA 25m
Round: WA 18m & WA 25m Venue: Penrhir Leisure Centre Contact: Chris Butterby Tel: 01768 866670 Email: saysgartharcher@hotmail.com Web: www.cumbriaarchery.com

WRS Targetcraft Annual WA 25
Round: WA 25m Venue: Wasseley High School Contact: Peter Langmaid Tel: 01521 361373 Email: tournaments@sscorg.co.uk Web: www.scoa.org.uk

UKRS The Foxes Worcester Round: Worcester Venue: Winstanley College, Kingsway North Contact: Brian Brooks Tel: 0116 225 0384/07779 942915 Email: brianbrooks@live.com

04/01/2015
UKRS The Wakefield Archers Portsmouth Round: Double Portsmouth Venue: Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield Contact: Tony Rollin Tel: 01924 223895/07778 623310 Email: york@1c.org.uk

16/01/2015
UKRS Clothills 1st Open Triple
Round: Portsmouth, Vegas, Worcestershire Venue: Alameda Sports Hall, Amphi, Bedfordshire Contact: Suli Bredin Tel: 01542 412481/07919 133705 Email: suli148@hotmail.co.uk

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UKRS Targetcraft WA 18m & Match
Round: WA 18m Venue: Frome College, College Lane, Durham Contact: Christine Lowden Tel: 07902 876762 Email: cal-browser@live.com Web: www.durhamarchers.co.uk

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Web: www.droitwicharchery.co.uk

WRS Guildford AC Indoor Open 
Round: WA 25m, WA 18m, Guildford Spectrum, Parkway, Guildford 
Contact: Kevin Motley Tel: 07748 571122 Email: tournaments@guildfordarcheryclub.co.uk 
Web: www.guildfordarcheryclub.co.uk

UKRS Somerset Indoor Senior Championships 
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Somerset College of Art & Technology, Wellington Road, Taunton 
Contact: Doug Human Tel: 01892 634471 or 07788 500619 
Email: doug.human@hewemodnet.dalesfield.co.uk 
Web: www.bowandgardenarchers.co.uk

UKRS Welsh Open Senior Championships 
Round: WA 18m Venue: Sport Wales National Centre, Sophia Gardens, Cardiff 
Contact: David Evans Tel: 01194 419015 or 07793 373756 
Email: dcvans@iol.co.uk 
Web: welsharcheryassociation.co.uk

WRS Warwick Senior/Junior, West Midlands Junior Champs & Open 
Round: Warwick Venue: King Edward VI Handsworth School, Rose Hill Road, Birmingham 
Contact: Derek Kelly Tel: 0121 551 9133/07706 774704 Email: maryzen@aol.com 
Web: www.quantumarchers.com

UKRS BUCS Indoor Championships 
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Telford, International Centre 
Contact: Kieran Dexter Tel: 0116 289 1084/07688 617896 Email: kierandexter@gmail.com 
Web: www.bucs.org.uk

WRS Bowmen of Rutland Combined FITA 
Round: WA 25m, WA 18m, WA Combined Venue: Castlebar & Enterprise Business 
Contact: Pam & Bob Thornton Tel: 01780 755474/07780 690772 
Email: twistedlimb@hotmail.co.uk 
Web: www.b-o-r.org.uk

UKRS Hampshire Indoor Inv County Championships 
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Fleming Park Leisure, Eastleigh, Hampshire 
Contact: Carla Piper Tel: 01722 712292 Email: carlansells@iott.co.uk 
Web: haa.org.uk

UKRS Kestrel Worcester 
Round: Single & Double Worcester Venue: Sandy Sports & Community Centre, Sandy 
Contact: Tina Horley Tel: 01767 681991 
Email: twiz.horley@btinternet.com 
Web: www.kestrelarchery.org.uk

UKRS Middlesex Indoor Championship 
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Meadowhurst Club, Sunbury on Thames, Middlesex 
Contact: Joyce Denny Tel: 01932 718005/07802 864562 
Email: joyce.denny@btinternet.com 
Web: www.middlesexarcheryclub.co.uk

UKRS Cumbria Indoor Open 
Round: Portsmouth Venue: Perthshire Leisure Centre, Perth 
Contact: Chris Batterby Tel: 01768 866670/07805 507886 
Email: aysgartharcher@gmail.com 
Web: www.cumbriarchery.com

UKRS Selby Bowmen 23rd Indoor 
Round: Double Portsmouth Venue: Spens Valley High School, Spens Valley, Selby 
Contact: Rachel & Elayne McLean Tel: 01968 671169 Email: e.coyte@tinyworld.co.uk

WRS Scottish Archery Indoor Championships 
Round: WA 18m Venue: Lasswade High School Sports Centre, Eskdale Drive, Bonnyrigg 
Contact: Nairn & Elayne McLean Tel: 01968 671169 Email: combat1k@btinternet.com 
Web: www.scottisharchery.org.uk

22/02/2015 
UKRS Balbirdee Archers Double Portsmouth Round: Single & Double Portsmouth Venue: Ambridge Academy, West Main Street, Amadale, West Latham Contact: BT Chapelton 
Venue: Telephone 01372 826770/07073 238812 Email: colin@lexct.org.uk 
Web: www.targetcraftarchers.com

OGC Targetcraft Archers 7th WA 18 Indoor Round: WA 18m Venue: Mourkay Academy, Greengrass Road, Rothwell, Northamptonshire 
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Email: colintwaddle@gmail.com 
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UKRS Lasswade WA18 Round: WA 18m Venue: Lasswade Centre Contact: Tina James Tel: 0131 665 4986 
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WRS WIMAS Senior & CWAA Senior & Junior Indoor Round: WA 18m Venue: Cricket Centre, Prince Henry’s School, Victoria Avenue, Evesham 
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07/03/2015 
UKRS NICS AC Stafford & Portsmouth Round: Stafford & Portsmouth Venue: Balfast 
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09/03/2015 
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14/03/2015 – 15/03/2015 
Vectis Open Inv Comp 5 Spot Championships Round: Warwick Venue: Smallbrook Stadium, Ryde, Isle of Wight 
Contact: Rick Davidson Tel: 01983 819275 Email: vectisopen@gmail.com 
Web: www.wightbowmen.org.uk

12/04/2015 
UKRS Cheshire Trials Round: York & Hereford Venue: 
Knutsford Sports Centre, Mereheath Lane, Knutsford, Cheshire Contact: Fiona German-Lloyd 
Tel: 0151 356 4132 Email: pandfgl@ntlworld.com Notes: CLOSED EVENT

UKRS CWAA County Trials Round: WA 1440 (FITA), Metrics I-V Venue: Wyre Forest Co of Archers Contact: Mark Pattison Tel: 0645 3861034 Email: tournaments@warwickshirearchery.co.uk Notes: CLOSED EVENT

UKRS Papago Shoot Round: Abington/Windermere Venue: Old Deer Park, 187 Kew Road, Richmond, Surrey 
Contact: Alan Want Tel: 020 8847 8574 Email: alanwant@blueyonder.co.uk

18/04/2015 – 19/04/2015 
UKRS Chippenham FITA 2000 Round: WA 1440 Venue: Chippenham Archers Home Ground Contact: Adam Shaw Tel: 01249 655103/07780 864330 Email: abadamberthshaw@aol.com Web: www.chippenhamarchers.org.uk

19/04/2015 
UKRS Crystal Palace Bowmen 43rd Open Round: York, Hereford, Bristols IV-V 
Venue: Old Dunstonians’ Sports Club, St David’s Parade, Eden Park, West Middlesbrough 
Contact: Michael Higgins Tel: 0208 402 5683 Email: michael.higgins70@ntlworld.com Web: www.crystalpalacebowmen.org.uk

20/04/2015 
WRS Droitwich Spring Tournament Round: All Warwick Venues: Royal Grammar School, The Grange, Hemel Heath Contact: Tournament Organiser Tel: 0844 3306 813 Email: tournaments@droitwicharchery.co.uk Web: www.droitwicharchery.co.uk

03/05/2015 
UKRS Cheshire v Staffordshire v Worcester Match Round: York, Hereford, Knutsford, Stockport, Chester, Mereheath Lane, Knutsford, Cheshire Contact: Fiona German-Lloyd 
Tel: 0151 356 4132 Email: pandfgl@ntlworld.com Notes: CLOSED EVENT

03/05/2015 
UKRS Sussex v Hampshire Match Round: Ladies & Gents WA 1440, Metrics I-V Venue: Hailsham School, Hailsham Avenue, Hailsham Mill Lane, Three Bridges, Crawley Contact: Doreen Cannon Tel: 01803 397855/07753 055123 Email: doreen@carnac4.fs.freeserve.co.uk Web: www.sussexarchery-archery.co.uk Notes: CLOSED EVENT

03/05/2015 – 04/05/2015 
UKRS Fakenham May Day Weekend Round: Abbot, All Windsors, All Warwick Venues, Fakenham Sports Centre Contact: Elaine Bubbidge Tel: 01328 851848 Email: mayday@fakenhambowmen.org.uk Web: www.fakenhambowmen.org.uk

09/05/2015 – 10/05/2015 
WRS City of Cambridge WA 70m x Four Round: WA 70m, WA 50m, Venues: Downing College Sports Field, Grantchester Road, Cambridge Contact: Doreen Cannon Tel: 01223 871995/07773 134668 Email: ccbtournaments@ao.com Web: www.cityofcambridgebowmen.org.uk Notes: CLOSED EVENT

WRS SAA Eastern Area Double FITA Star Round: Double WA 1440, Metrics IV-V Venue: Pinicuk High School Playing Field, Penicuk Contact: Lance Hawker (Supported by Ellie McLean) Tel: 01968 679420/07841 361453 Email: penicuk@penicukbowmen.org.uk Web: www.penicukarchers.co.uk

18/05/2015 
WRS Andover Spring FITA Round: Ladies & Gents WA 1440 Venue: Andover Archers, Fossebridge Park, Andover 
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Round: Metric & Imperial One Way Double Clouts (All Distances)
Venue: Holton Heath, East Holton, Poole, Dorset
Contact: Phil Taylor
Tel: 01202 624302 or 07790 229056
Email: pk.taylor9@gmail.com

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26/10/2014
UKRS Shropshire & Open Clout
Round: Imperial Two Way Double Clout
Venue: Longford Hall, Newport, Shropshire
Contact: Des Parkinson
Tel: 07833 229290
Email: des.parkinson49@gmail.com
Web: www.bowbrook-archers.co.uk

01/03/2015
UKRS Kettering & Open Clout
Round: FITA Clout & Junior Metric Double One Way Clout
Venue: Kettering Sports Club, Northampton Road, Kettering, Northamptonshire
Contact: Angela Bray
Tel: 01536 519119/07767 676001
Email: ketteringarchers@btinternet.com
Web: www.ketteringarchers.co.uk

01/06/2014
UKRS NCAS & EMAS Annual Clout
Round: FITA & Metric Double One Way Clout
Venue: Kettering Sports Club, Northampton Road, Kettering, Northamptonshire
Contact: Angela Bray
Tel: 01536 519119/07767 676001
Email: ketteringarchers@btinternet.com
Web: www.ncasarchery.org.uk

04/05/2015
UKRS 11th Cheshire & Open FITA/Metric Clout
Round: Single & Double FITA/Metric Clout
Venue: Neston Rugby Ground, Wirral
Contact: Peter Gregory
Tel: 0161 351 0013/07587 143608
Email: mah63@btinternet.com
Web: www.yorkshirearchery.co.uk

10/10/2014
UKRS Rutland Open Clout (Tassel)
Round: One Way Double FITA Clout
Venue: Castleoak Business & Enterprise College, Great Casterton, Stamford, Lincolnshire
Contact: Chrisse Mortlock
Tel: 01780 450305 or 07790 957177
Email: purplemania@ukarchery.net
Web: www.b-o-r.org

13/06/2015 – 14/06/2015
UKRS Eagle Bowmen Weekend of Clout
Round: Double 1 Way Imperial & Metric & Double 2 Way Metric Clout
Venue: Frenchfield Playing Fields, Penrith, Cumbria
Contact: Chris Battersby
Tel: 01768 866670/07805 507886
Email: aysgartherarcher@gmail.com
Web: www.cumbriaarchery.com

11/07/2015 – 12/07/2015
UKRS Cumbria FITA Clout Weekend
Round: Double 1 Way FITA Clout
Venue: Frenchfield Playing Fields, Penrith, Cumbria
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Wilcock S
Ballyvally Jnrs
Senior Gentleman – Gold
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Mayflower Jnrs
Senior Gentleman – 900
Dawes M
Cleve Jnrs
Senior Gentleman – 800
Burden V
Lytchett Jnrs
Senior Gentleman – 1000
Bowes J
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Maxwell D
Maidenhead
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Senior Gentleman – 1000
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ACHIEVEMENTS

Senior Lady - 1000

Birch C Oxford Uni 1099
Dunnigan K Clevedon 1069
Gilbert L Norton 1062
Oakes V Tenter Valley 1345
Miller S Southampton 1345
Jascol Suche M Clevedon 1030
Burnett C Seaford 1041
Dave R Uni of Warwick 1012
Gray V Malvern 1010
Chowdhry N Southampton Uni 1007

Senior Lady - 900

Owen L Ashtead 986
Warzensiew B Royal Richmond 988
Miller C Southampton 968
Young P Sevenoaks 962
Woodcock B Huddersfield Uni 957
Edo H Bath 942
Smith A Tewkesbury 942
Jascol Suche M Clevedon 937
Broth K Bingham 926
Cole M Newport Sping 918
Knight G Malvern 915
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Hannion K Rochdale 904
Levi A Colchester 904
Howard K Nock Hill 903

Senior Lady - 800

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Lowie D Malvern 1132
Davies V Rayleigh Town 1114

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Tate S Loughborough Uni 1006
Turner J Phoenix Essex 1002
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Calder E Tenter Valley 994
Ashton A North Chesire 990
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Charlesworth S Minchinhampton 988
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Sutton P Wigan & Oreal 976
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Collins S Southampton Uni 923
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Bridge A Belvoir 903
Moore H Oxford 893

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Willcos N Blandy Jerkins 900

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Davies A Ave Valley 894
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Trott M East Riding 400

Senior Lady - 550

Message D Ashtead 552
Gold C Range 528

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Revel P M. North Chesire 458

Senior Lady - 450

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Niven J Cheadle 404
Senior Lady - 350

Troy R Darenteford 375

Senior Lady - 300

Bennett A Allington Castle 331
Senior Lady - 250

Brown J Leicester AOF 279
Farrell F East Riding 277
Ginnigan DJ Archery GB 271

Senior Lady - 200

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Yeates M Lytchett 1166

Junior Lady - 1000

Murphy A Newmarket Jnr 1116

Junior Lady - 900

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Pattison D Durham City 1254
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Junior Gentleman - 225

Booher D White Rose 279
Farrell F East Riding 277
Ginnigan DJ Archery GB 271

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And finally

Summer has sadly drawn to a close at last – but the memories will linger for a long time to come. Wasn’t it fantastic? So much happened that it’s almost impossible to believe we managed to pack so much into such a short period.

There were successes at every level. We have had really positive feedback from our first Talent Festival and our young archers put in some excellent performances at their Junior Nationals and Masters. They didn’t do too badly internationally either, coming home laden with World Cup, European and World Field medals. We are all so proud of them.

Conditions in Zagreb might have been testing but a large British squad proved we are a force to be reckoned with in the World Field Championships. And our para stars – both established and new – have been busy too, adding yet more medals to this summer’s haul and boosting Britain’s reputation.

It was good to catch up with old friends at our domestic tournaments – and to make lots of new ones this summer. I never fail to be impressed by the standard of shooting at the GNAM, British Target Championships, Masters and the new inter-counties tournament, among others. Sadly for me I was not able to attend them all.

And there have been a couple of events that have turned into real headline grabbers. This year’s Nottingham Building Society National Series Grand final was a fitting finale for a campaign that started in Penicuik and, via Clophill and Exmouth, ended against the stunning backdrop of Wollaton Hall. More than 8,000 people attended the event – and many of them got their first real taste of the sport thanks to Nottinghamshire County Archery Society which ran a highly successful have-a-go. It’s also good to know that more than 11,000 people who could not be there have since watched the finals online.

Archery has also been at the heart of the Invictus Games for wounded, injured or sick active or former servicemen and women. I had the honour of witnessing some of the competitors in action as well as being asked to present the archery medals. It was truly inspiring and I cannot tell you how proud I was of Archery GB volunteers who helped make it such a success.

Thank you to all volunteers, judges, coaches and archers who have made this summer such a success. I often say it but I really mean it, we could not do it without you.

Good luck for the indoor season – and frostbites – and I hope to see many of you at the combined championships at the Ricoh in Coventry.

Dave Harrison, Chairman, Archery GB
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