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This does seem to have been a partially busy summer and on the whole we have enjoyed some quite reasonable weather - at least in this part of the county, although other people seem to have been less fortunate. Now for some Club news.

Winter Postal Shoots

Although a very brief mention was made of last year's British Archer postal league, we feel that a little more information should have been forthcoming in the last newsletter. There are both Frostbite and Portsmouth leagues and Woking enter as many teams as possible. Peter and Brenda tried to explain to me how the system works, and it does seem somewhat complex, but basically aggregate scores are submitted for the various levels of expertise in our club, and teams are placed in divisions composed of six clubs according to their expected prowess. Teams are not designated as being composed of a rigid group of people, but can vary throughout the winter season. In actual fact although Woking only came top of one division, we did pretty well in most of the other divisions, so this information is given below.

Compound Frostbite	Division 14	2nd Place
	Division 20	4th Place
Jonathan Down top boy in both February and March		
Compound Portsmouth	Division 16	2nd Place
Paul Hood was top gent in February and John Wilkins in March		
	Division 34	2nd Place
Frostbite	Division 17	2nd Place
Sue Cooles came top Lady in February		
	Division 28	2nd Place
Portsmouth	Division 21	2nd Place
Mark Preston came top Gent in February and March		
	Division 38	2nd Place
Carol Bridger came top Lady in March		
	Division 40	1ST PLACE

Brenda and Peter will have been bending your collective ear to do your best on the first Portsmouth shoots of each month and also the Frostbite shoots, as our best scores will be submitted. In addition the County runs its own Frostbite league, with recurve and compound teams shooting the 30 metre distance, but within the county longbows shoot a Warwick round according to GNAS rules with sighters and bouncers allowed. In addition the British Longbow Society also runs a Winter Portsmouth, entrants having to submit their best two rounds each month from November through to the end of February but using 5 zone scoring. However the Club no longer put in a formal entry for those Club members who are also members of the BL-BS, if you are members and are interested it is up to you to enter individually.

August Club Shoot

The huge puddles on the road across the field returned with a vengeance after some more heavy rain, but in spite of slightly unsettled weather for this shoot some very good scores were achieved.

1st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	James Taylor
1st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Rachel Barnard
1st O/All Junior Recurve over 9	Terry Hunt
1st O/All Junior Recurve Under 9	Nicholas Corvi
1st O/All Senior Gent Compound	Mike Piper
1st O/All Gent Longbow	Lawrence Braithwaite
1st O/All Lady Longbow	Pauline Pringle
1st O/All Barebow	Terry Sandford
1st Lady Recurve on H/C	Mary Tapley
1st Gent Recurve on H/C	James Taylor
1st Junior Recurve over 9 on H/C	Mathew Scott
1st Junior Recurve under 9 on H/C	Joah Bramall
1st Compound Gent on H/C	Mike Piper
1st Longbow on H/C	Lawrence Braithwaite
1st Black Badge	Brian Fairbairn
2nd Black Badge	John Scott
3rd Black Badge	Sue Butterfield
4th Black Badge	Brian Whitehorn
5th Black Badge	Peter Champion
Wooden Spoon (Lowest on H/C)	Shane Kelly

Novelty Shoot

This shoot enjoyed pleasant weather although it did suffer from a bit of a storm at the end. It was lovely to see some brand new target concepts on the field. Terry Sandford's coconut shy was a great success, it looked absolutely brilliant and real coconuts were handed out to those who managed to hit the fake ones. Quite a lot were left over at the end and got distributed to the juniors. The Hunts also produced an interesting target comprising of a sort of treasure chest. It was a lovely afternoon's shooting after the traditional BBQ (the morning having been spent in setting up all the targets). Unfortunately, the results sheets have gone missing, so if and when they turn up we'll let you know how you all did.

Atkins Friendly

This year it was our turn to go over to Epsom and for once we turned up in great force to shoot the traditional Long National, although a few opted for the shorter distance. Atkins

had had to change their catering arrangements and instead of sandwiches, cakes and tea, we had a splendid BBQ. The weather was kind and without fudging the figures, this year we actually won.

Junior Intercounties

This important shoot took place at the end of August, and it is always difficult for the County to put together a team during the summer holidays. However they did manage it and we were delighted that our Robert Smith and Terry Hunt were among those selected. It is a great honour to shoot for the County and we are hoping that the Smiths will have been able to write a short article to add to the end of this newsletter.

September Club Shoot

It was a really beautiful day. Yet again we had a good turnout, as has been the case for the whole of this year. This month the winners get to keep their trophies over the winter until Club Shoots start up again in April next year.

1st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	Andrew Beech
1st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Sue Cooles
1st O/All Junior Recurve over 9	Terry Hunt
1st O/All Junior Recurve Under 9	Joah Bramall
1st O/All Senior Gent Compound	John Wilkins
1st O/All Senior Lady Compound	Georgina Baglow
1st O/All Gent Longbow	Colin Madelin
1st O/All Lady Longbow	Carolyn Hunt
1st O/All Barebow	Terry Sandford
1st Lady Recurve on H/C	Mary Tapley
1st Gent Recurve on H/C	John Scott
1st Junior Recurve over 9 on H/C	Luke Fairbairn
1st Junior Recurve under 9 on H/C	Joah Bramall
1st Compound Gent on H/C	John Wilkins
1st Longbow on H/C	Lawrence Braithwaite
1st Black Badge	Harry McNamee
2nd Black Badge	Terry Sandford
3rd Black Badge	Sue Butterfield
4th Black Badge	Paul Hood
5th Black Badge	Brian Fairbairn
Wooden Spoon (Lowest on H/C)	John Hunt

Best of all that day was that when we turned up we found that Clive and his mate had made a wonderful start to the new road surface. We'll have to drive carefully for a while, but the worst of the holes have disappeared under a thick layer of scalpings.

Surrey Longbow Championships

As you all know this extremely popular shoot is held on our field twice a year and yet again Woking did pretty well in the competition.

1st County Lady	Julia Madelin
2nd County Lady	Pauline Pringle
2nd County Gent	Colin Madelin
3rd County Gent	Terry Cramp

and Woking won the Open Longbow Team Trophy again (JM, PP and CM).

Seriously though, this shoot would not be possible without the assistance and practical support of most of our longbow club archers. They turn up every time without complaints and set up the field and help in running the event. Andrea and Lynne were wonderful in the kitchen keeping the kettle on the boil and serving cakes which are so popular. Lawrence and Colin did field layout and Colin also ran the speed shoot at the end. We were all extremely tired at the end of the day and having the WAC Open the following day does make it a very hard weekend. We departed slightly from tradition and appointed Lawrence as our Lord Paramount (GNAS's new concept on Gentleman Patron does not sound nearly so nice). Many thanks to you all.

WAC Open

It was another hard day on the line, but as the Senior Intercounties did not take place this year it did allow some of our more serious archers to be with us.

1st Lady Recurve	Candy Schofield
1st Lady Longbow	Julia Madelin
2nd Lady Longbow	Carolyn Hunt
3rd Lady Longbow	Lucie Cramp
1st Gent Recurve	Mark Preston
1st Gent Longbow	Colin Madelin
2nd Gent Longbow	Terry Cramp
3rd Gent Longbow	Shane Kelly
1st O/All Barebow	Terry Sandford
1st O/All Junior Girl Recurve, Bristols	Talia Smith
2nd O/All Junior Boy, Recurve, Bristols	Terry Hunt

1st O/All Junior Boy Compound, Bristols	Jonathan Down
3rd Bristol 2, Junior Boy	Robert Smith
1st Bristol 3, Junior Boy	Terry Hunt
1st Bristol 4, Junior Girl	Talia Smith
2nd Bristol 4, Junior Boy	Luke Fairbairn
1st Bristol 5, Junior Boy	Harry McNamee
2nd Bristol 5, Junior Boy	Nicholas Corvi
Classification Awards	
1st Bowman class on H/C	Candy Schofield
2nd Bowman Class on H/C	Andrea Gales
1st 1st Class on H/C	Rachel Barnard
3rd 1st Class on H/C	Clive Barnard
1st Unclassified	Brian Fairbairn
2nd Unclassified	Terry Sandford
Married Couple Longbow	Colin & Julia Madelin
Team Awards	
Team - 4 Recurve archers Hereford	Candy Schofield, Andrew Beech, Mark Franklin, Mark Preston
Team - 3 Longbow archers Hereford	Julia Madelin Colin Madelin, Terry Cramp
Best Gold Recurve Hereford	Rachel Barnard
Best Gold Longbow Hereford	Julia Madelin
Best Gold Junior Girl Recurve Bristols	Talia Smith
Best Gold Junior Boy Recurve Bristols	Terry Hunt

So really we did very well indeed, and it is so nice that we are allowed to compete, as many Clubs when they put on an Open tournament do not permit their own archers to enter as they are needed to keep the organisation running smoothly.

Club Championship Day

It is a tradition that if we get away with the weather for the WAC Open then we get wet on Club Championship Day. This year we were very lucky and had another day of really pleasant shooting conditions.

O/All Champion Lady Recurve	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Candy Schofield
2nd - Silver Medal	Andrea Gales
3rd - Bronze Medal	Rachel Barnard
O/All Champion Lady Compound	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Liz Beech

O/All Champion Lady Longbow	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Julia Madelin
2nd - Silver Medal	Pauline Pringle
3rd - Bronze Medal	Carylon Hunt
O/All Champion Gent Recurve	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Mark Preston
2nd - Silver Medal	Andrew Beech
3rd - Bronze Medal	John Hunt
O/All Champion Gent Compound	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Paul Hood
2nd - Silver Medal	Mike Piper
O/All Champion Gent Longbow	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Colin Madelin
2nd - Silver Medal	Terry Cramp
3rd - Bronze Medal	Shane Kelly
O/All Champion Barebow	
Gold Medal	David Moore
O/All Champion Junior Girl Recurve	
1st - Gold Medal	Talia Smith
O/All Champion Junior Boy Recurve	
1st - Trophy and Gold Medal	Robert Smith
2nd - Silver Medal	Terry Hunt
3rd - Bronze Medal	Like Fairbairn
Bristol 2 Junior Boy	
Gold Medal	Robert Smith
Silver Medal	Matthew Scott
Bristol 3 Junior Boy	
Gold Medal	Terry Hunt
Silver Medal	Philip Biggs
Bristol 4 Junior Girl	
Gold Medal	Talia Smith
Bristol 4 Junior Boy	
Gold Medal	Luke Fairbairn
Bristol 5 Junior Boy	
Gold Medal	Jack day
Bowman Classification	
Gold Medal	Mark Preston
Silver Medal	Candy Schofield
Bronze Medal	Andrea Gales
1st Class Classification	
Gold Medal	Rachel Barnard

Silver Medal	Brian Whitehorn
Bronze Medal	Lynne Stephenson
2nd Class Classification	
Gold Medal	Shane Biggs
Silver Medal	John Scott
Bronze Medal	David Smith
3rd Class Classification	
Gold Medal	Richard Tully
U/C Class Classification	
Gold Medal	David Moore
N/C Class Classification	
Gold Medal	Brian Fairbairn
O/All Married Couple	Clive & Rachel Barnard
Best Gold Recurve	Mark Preston
Best Gold Compound	Paul Hood
Best Gold Longbow	Richard Tully

Knockout Final

The first weekend in October should have seen the Knock-Out final. However, Peter and Brenda were on holiday in Florida and the huge increase in entries meant that an extra round has to be shot this year. THE KNOCK-OUT FINAL WILL NOW BE HELD ON SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER.