

Newsletter no.85 July 2003

Sorry to have to start off with a Moan but just after the last newsletter came out the loos were found to be in a disgustingly dirty state one Saturday morning. We admit that the growing members of the club are putting quite a lot of strain on the existing facilities, but it would be appreciated if all users would be aware of how they function. Used loo paper goes in the plastic bins provided. Not in the pan, and if you make a mess, which sometimes can be unavoidable, please clear it up yourself and not leave it to someone else. If the portapoties are seen to be full, don't ignore this and just carry on let someone know so that they can be changed around before the completely overflow. If parents could check that juniors are aware of these problems it would be appreciated.

In the meantime the committee are investigating the cost and logistics of putting in more adequate loos, but there may be limitations to what we can achieve.

Sorry this was not just one moan but several, as quite a few items came up at our last committee meeting.

Setting up the field on Sunday morning continues to be a slight problem. We do know from our programmes what type of shoot will be, and of course the numbers of archers at each distance is variable but it is expected that everybody who is around will lend a hand. It is completely unacceptable when we see **people concentrating on setting up their own equipment** when there is work to be done and if relative newcomers are in doubt what is needed, then ask some of the more experienced members. And we do try to start at 10 o'clock sharp. It is only polite to arrive on time and not disrupt proceedings trying to put up extra targets.

Donations. We are getting a bit clogged up with well meaning, but not always appropriate donations down at the field. While any help is appreciated please do check with Peter or Brenda before leaving items down the field.

And finally - this is not a moan. E-mail address. If anybody wants to be more easily contactable, let us have your e-mail address for target lists, results and any general info.

April and July Field Shoots

The April shoot enjoyed quite fair weather if somewhat windy, but it was a cheerful day which allowed people to get round the course fairly promptly. The June shoot was on the other hand a real scorcher, almost too hot for comfort. Most of you know that the results of these shoots are kept a secret until the end of the Club year, when the scores are put together to qualify for overall medals and trophies which are awarded at the AGM. However, you must not change your bow type during the year, as this would disqualify you.

May Club Shoot

It was nice and windy, so quite challenging, but a lovely day. Most of our top archers were away that weekend, some shooting a FITA Star at the National Sports Centre at Lilleshall, in Shropshire, and others representing Surrey at the two-way Intercounties friendly in Kent.

Those who shot in the County team were: Andrew Beech, Lynn Stephenson, Paul Hood, John Wilkins, Terry Hunt, Julia Madelin, Pauline Pringle and Terry Cramp.

1st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	Shane Biggs
1st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Sue Cooles
1st O/All Junior Recurve Over 9	Matthew Scott
1st O/All Junior Recurve Under 9	Harry Taylor
1st O/All Junior Compound	Jon Down
1st O/All Gent Longbow	Brian Fairbairn
1st O/All Lady Longbow	Helen Barrett
1st O/All Junior Longbow	Alexander Hopkins
1st O/All Barebow	Terry Sandford
1st Lady Recurve on H/C	Lesley Biggs
1st Gent Recurve on H/C	John Kendall
1st Junior Recurve over 9 on H/C	Matthew Scott
1st Junior Recurve Under 9 on H/C	Charlie Critchley
1st Longbow on H/C	Brian Fairbairn
1st Black Badge (Unrewarded)	Harry McNamee
2nd Black Badge	Richard Tapley
3rd Black Badge	Jack Biggs
4th Black Badge	Tony Down
5th Black Badge	Phillip Biggs
Wooden Spoon (Lowest on H/C)	James Taylor

Surrey Longbow Championships – Spring

Special thanks to Richard and James for helping our regular field party on setting out the field in the morning. When there are 30 targets to shift the extra assistance is most appreciated. Lawrence B and Colin M did the field layout on the Friday afternoon, Lynne and Mary ran the refreshments on the Saturday, and all the rest of our wonderful longbow brigade gave sterling assistance. It is a pity other County archers did not lend a hand when it came to bringing in the equipment at the end, but we try to remedy this in the autumn. Helen Barrett was our Lady Paramount. The event itself started at 1pm and it was nice to see some of our newest Club Longbow archers in their first competition. We hope they enjoyed it as much as the "older hands".

1st County Lady on hits	Julia Madelin
3rd County Gent on Golds	Terry Cramp
Team Trophy	Julia Madelin, Terry Cramp, Lawrence Braithwaite

SCAM at Winchester

As the Southern Counties meeting at Winchester is our main regional championships event, we do mention it in the newsletter. The whole meeting started with Longbow Day on the Wednesday when a two-way Double National is shot, Then Thursday and Friday see double York/Hereford rounds, and those with some stamina left to shoot a Long National on the Saturday morning. With the exception of the Longbow day, this is the same programme as that followed by the Grand National Archery meeting at the end of June.

Longbow Day	Julia Madelin	3rd O/All on Golds
	Pauline Pringle	2nd on Score am Round
Championship Meeting	Candy Schofield	Best Score at 80yds Recurve
	Mark Preston	Best Score at 100yds Recurve
	Candy Schofield	2nd place, Double Hereford Recurve
	Mark Preston	2nd place, Double York Recurve
	Pauline Pringle	2nd place, Double Hereford Longbow
	Mark Preston	Surrey County Team Gents

Clare Butterfield Memorial Shoot

The Club Calendar got massively rearranged, so this shoot came forward to May. It was held to celebrate the life of Clare Butterfield, first wife of Martin (who has run our County Outdoor Championships with Sue for the past five years) and is primarily directed at the Longbow archers in the Club as this was Clare's last bow type. However handicap awards are made to ladies and gentlemen in the other bow categories. We didn't have a particularly good turnout because it was the May bank holiday weekend., But it was splendid to see quite a few juniors on the field. We were quite lucky with the weather, only getting a brief spot of rain at the change of distance (Western Round) and then again after all the equipment had been tidied away.

1st Longbow, Trophy and Gold Medal (hits)	Shane Kelly
2nd Longbow, silver medal	Julia Madelin
3rd Longbow, bronze medal	Lawrence Braithwaite
1st female on H/C Recurve and compound trophy and Gold medal	Leslie Biggs
2nd female on H/C Recurve and compound Silver Medal	Sue Cooles
3rd female on H/C Recurve and compound bronze Medal	Lynne Stephenson
1st male on H/C Recurve and compound trophy and Gold medal	Jack Biggs
2nd male on H/C Recurve and compound Silver medal	Charlie Critchley
3rd male on H/C Recurve and compound Bronze medal	Andrew Jennings
Half O/All score (hidden), trophy	Harry McNamee

1st June - Visit to Shoreham to see the RNLI Lifeboat

This was the prime reason that the calendar was changed so much. We were able to arrange to visit the RNLI, and chartered a large bus so that quite a lot of us could go (in the event it was one large bus, plus a small one which could cope with two wheelchairs). We had a really early start from Woking, and were in Shoreham before our 9.30 deadline. It was most interesting to see the boat close to, and quite amazing to see how such a large vessel fitted into a very compact building - a hydraulic rocking cradle was the answer. We had been told we would see the boat launched on one of their regular training exercises and were looking forward to that very much. What nobody had told us was that we would be on board as it went down the slipway (well, of course they couldn't as everything would have been canceled if they had been called out for real). Half of us donned lifejackets and crowded onto the rear deck - lots of preparations and we were told to duck down when the hooter went - lots of noise, and almost immediately we were down the slipway and onto the water in a huge cloud of spray. When they had rigged the communications and navigation equipment we fitted into the cockpit behind the helmsman and had a lovely trip out into the bay accompanied by the inshore rescue boat. Eventually we were back in the harbour, got off, the other half of our party got into their lifejackets, and went through the whole sequence of launch and bay cruise. What a treat!

When it was all over we boarded the bus and continued to Portsmouth to enjoy the shopping centre, restaurants area and some of us visited the Historic Dockyard. It was an amazing day out. What was particularly interesting was that the boat went out on a real call that afternoon to pick up a body found floating 30 miles out in the channel. Of course, if the call had come in earlier, some of us might have had a really extended cruise...

RNLI Shoot

A week later we had our annual charity shoot. This is a double American (15 dozen arrows), or a double St Nicholas for the juniors (14 dozen arrows). Apparently the day started late, and shooting was extremely slow, and as it was such a long day very few people were left at the end. There was even a good chess game going on down the line. With changing patterns of people availability would it not be sensible to consider changing to a shorter, more family friendly, round - maybe a Windsor, then we would have time for a decent BBQ as well. The event has been going since 1972, it is our only charity "do", but maybe next year is the time to evolve and adapt to current conditions.

1st Recurve, trophy and pen	Andrew Beech
1st Compound, trophy and pen	John Wilkins
1st Longbow, trophy and pen	Terry Cramp
1st Barebow, trophy and pen	Terry Sandford
1st Bowman class, trophy	Andrew Beech
1st First class, trophy	Jon Down
1st Second class, trophy	Richard Tapley
1st Third class, trophy	Tony Down
1st Unclassified, trophy	Moria Kendall
1st Not Classified, trophy	Richard Chandler

Most Blues - Harbour trophy		Terry Sandford	
Colour prizes - a.m.		Colour prizes - p.m.	
Gold	Terry Sandford	Gold	John Kendall
Red	Peter Champion	Red	Sue Cooles
Blue	Richard Tapley	Blue	-
Black	Harry McNamee	Black	Tony Down
White	Archie Campbell	White	Euan Cooles
Green	Archie Campbell	Green	Archie Campbell

June Club Shoot

This was rescheduled to 22 June due to the above reported Club activities and it was a very muggy and warm summer's day, but the early morning heavy rain meant that hardly anybody turned up at the Club so it was postponed to 29th - meaning that the One-Day knockout will also be rescheduled down the calendar. This will be announced as and when a date is found for it.

1st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	John Hunt
1st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Sue Cooles
1st O/All Junior Recurve Over 9	Terry Hunt
1st O/All Junior Recurve Under 9	Harry Taylor
1st O/All Senior Gent Compound	John Wilkins
1st O/All Junior Compound	Jon Down
1st O/All Gent Longbow	Tony Down
1st O/All Lady Longbow	Carolyn Hunt
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	Catlin Critchley
1st Compound on H/C	Mike Piper
1st Longbow on H/C	Tony Down
1st Black Badge (Unrewarded)	Jon Down
2nd Black Badge	Harry Taylor
3rd Black Badge	Richard Tapley
4th Black Badge	Terry Hunt
Wooden Spoon (Lowest on H/C)	Lynne Stephenson

July Club Shoot

Seemed strange that this was only one week after the June Club shoot, but it was nice to have it back at the proper time of the month and probably less confusing. We had a

pleasant if grey morning. Eight of our archers were away at the three-way Intercounties against Kent and Sussex, which was conveniently hosted by Guildford archery club.

These were: Mark Preston, Candy Schofield, John Wilkins, Andrea Gales, Rachel Barnard, Terry Hunt, Julia Madelin and Pauline Pringle.

1st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	Andrew Beech
1st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Sue Cooles
1st O/All Junior Recurve Over 9	Harry Mcnamee
1st O/All Junior Recurve Under 9	Harry Taylor
1st O/All Senior Gent Compound	Paul Hood
1st O/All Gent Longbow	Lawrence Braithwaite
1st O/All Lady Longbow	Sue Smith
1st O/All Barebow	David Moore
1st Lady Recurve on H/C	Mary Tapley
1st Gent Recurve on H/C	Peter Champion
1st Junior Recurve over 9 on H/C	Euan Cooles
1st Junior Recurve Under 9 on H/C	Catlin Critchley
1st Compound on H/C	Mike Piper
1st Longbow on H/C	Sue Smith
1st Black Badge (Unrewarded)	Harry McNamee
2nd Black Badge	Charlie Critchley
3rd Black Badge	Andrew Jennings
4th Black Badge	Richard Tapley
5th Black Badge	Brian Fairbairn
Wooden Spoon (Lowest on H/C)	Dave Smith

Surrey Outdoor Championships

Woking put in a very strong representation at our major County event. For the first time the FITA round was Record Status. This made it slightly more formal as ends were under strict time control, signaled by a whistle, but the shoot did seem to go faster and more smoothly as a result. We certainly go to the end earlier than in previous years, and now the scoring is totally computerised, that went smoother and faster too. It was a very good shoot. The results given below were scribbled down during the presentations, so we apologise if they are not totally correct.

1st County Lady Recurve	Candy Schofield
1st County Gent Compound	Paul Hood
3rd County Gent Compound	John Wilkins
1st County Lady Longbow	Julia Madelin
1st Longbow O/All	Julia Madelin

3rd Lady Recurve on H/C	Leslie Biggs
1st Married Couple Recurve	Shane & Leslie Biggs
1st Compound Club Pair	Paul Hood and John Wilkins
1st County Recurve Club Team	Candy Schofield, Andrea Gales Andrew Beech and Mark Preston
Keith Skinner Trophy	Catlin Critchley
1st Junior Girl Metric 5	Catlin Critchley
1st Junior Boy Metric 5	Harry Taylor
2nd Junior Boy Metric 5	Charlie Chrichley
2nd Junior Boy Recurve on H/C	Nicholas Corvi
Best Gold, Lady	Candy Schofield
Best Gold, Junior Lady	Catlin Critchley

Trophies were also awarded for the Winter Postal shoot held within the County. Woking did rather well, getting the trophies for Division 4 Recurve (Woking B team), Division 5 Recurve (Woking C team) and Longbow.

It was a really grand day and thanks must go our organisers Sue and Martin Butterfield. They have run this shoot for five years now, and although Sue would be happy to continue, Martin is adamant that he has had enough. They have done a really grand job.