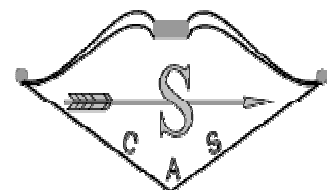




WOKING ARCHERY CLUB
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Welcome

We hope you have enjoyed the 2009 summer season so far. We've had some lovely weather and there is still plenty of shooting to look forward to this summer.

WAC NEWS

Club Membership

It's great to see that we have quite a few new members this year.

Did you know that our youngest club member is currently Lewis Bayly, aged 8, who shoots recurve. And our oldest (and probably wisest) club member, Lawrence Braithewaite, is not only the oldest at age 83, but is also one of our longest serving members, as he has been a member for 38 years. Over the years, Lawrence has shot recurve, compound and longbow and, like a few of the longbow archers, he has made his own bow and arrows.

Field News

We are getting used to the new shooting line and the grass is growing back nicely over the old lines. The white lines have to be drawn regularly during the summer months and there are quite a few miles to draw, when you add them all up, as Dave Smith pointed out to me recently. So if you have spare time to help with white-lining, please let Dave Smith or Shane Biggs know. Thanks Dave and Shane for the lovely white lines!

Equipment

As you will have seen from Brenda's email, we had a break in at the field at the end of June and a lot of equipment, including the generator, was stolen and the sheds were damaged. Fortunately the bosses, stands and bows were not taken. But the old shed will need to be replaced.

Social Events

The Ten Pin Bowling event on Friday 26th June was not very well attended but was enjoyed by those who went along. We had 25 people in total and the results for club members are:
Seniors: 1st Peter Champion (142), 2nd Tim Salisbury (136), 3rd Lesley Biggs (112).
Juniors: 1st Ben Whittington (122), 2nd Kelly Foxtton (115), 3rd Jack Biggs (101).
Lastly we had a prize for most strikes that went to Tim Salisbury with 4.

If you have a suggestion for a future event, please contact Shane directly at lesley40@ntlworld.com

Forthcoming WAC Events

Please let Brenda know if you will be attending the friendly shoot with Atkins on 16th August, which will be held at our ground this year. Also the following week, 23rd August, Brenda will need to know numbers again for the BBQ and novelty shoot.

REPORTS AND RESULTS

BA Postal League Report

This is a National competition where you compete against 5 other clubs in your respective division. The names used in each division are not decided beforehand but are selected on score each month.

Woking Archery Club (WAC) entered 11 divisions - 6 on the Portsmouth round and 5 on the frostbite round. One division in each (Portsmouth and frostbite) was a junior division.

We WON 3 divisions

Portsmouth Junior Division 1

Frostbite Division 4

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We also came 2nd in two others. Maybe we can go that bit further next year.

Here are the results for the 11 divisions the names shown below the divisions were the highest individual scores for that division for each of the 5 months.

Frostbite

Compound Division 12

Phoenix Bowmen	5	15	0	3422	15
Woking	5	9	2	3389	11
B:men of Guernsey	5	9	2	3318	11
Malden Bowmen	5	6	3	3302	9
AC Delco	5	6	3	3303	9
Surrey Bowmen	5	0	5	3273	5

December - John Wilkins

Division 4

Woking	5	15	0	7591	15
Mile Valley	5	12	1	7496	13
Pendle and Sablesbury	5	9	2	7659	11
Pastures C of A	5	6	3	7173	9
Newport Pagnell	4	3	3	5580	6
Greenwood Archers	3	0	3	4545	3

November - Andrew Beech

Division 20

Woking	5	15	0	6818	15
North Cheshire	5	12	1	7178	13
Trackside Archers	5	9	2	7116	11
Waringham	5	6	3	6731	9
St Georges	4	3	3	4993	6
Beacon Archers	5	0	5	5803	5

January - Candy Schofield

Division 29

Brampton Wyton Archers	5	15	0	5433	15
The Pilgram Archers	5	9	2	4502	11
Bowman of Rutland	5	9	2	4373	11
Woking	5	6	3	4137	9
Pinner Bowmen	5	6	3	2703	9
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Portsmouth

Compound Division 17

AC Delso	5	15	0	5735	15
Woking	5	9	2	5577	11
Monklands	5	6	3	5570	9
Crawley	5	6	3	5483	9
Atkins	5	6	3	4978	9
Grampian Suffolk	1	3	0	1130	3

November - Andrea Gales

Division 3

Lichfield Archers	5	12	1	14002	13
Bannockburn B'men	5	12	1	13918	13
Jolly Archers	5	9	2	13829	11
Woking	5	6	3	13787	9
Reading Archers	5	6	3	13528	9
Guildford AC	5	0	5	13561	5

Division 25

Bowflights AC	5	12	0	13192	15
Archers of the West	5	12	1	12845	13
Woking	5	6	3	12680	9
Dunstable Bowmen	5	6	3	12488	9
WAMSAD	4	3	3	10220	6
Custom Built AC	4	3	3	8755	6

January - Scott Wigmore

March - Scott Wigmore

Division 39

Redhill Archers	5	15	0	12364	15
Blue Arrows	5	12	1	12091	13
Beacon Archers	5	6	3	11212	9
Redditch C of A	5	6	3	9718	9
Harliquin B'men	5	3	4	10747	7
Woking	5	3	4	10190	7

November - Andrew Steel

January - Connor Manning

February - Andrew Steel

March - Andrew Steel

Division 45

Laleham AC	5	12	1	7538	13
Sutton Bowmen	5	9	2	7407	11
Kirby Muxlow AC	5	9	2	5982	11
Woking	5	9	2	5973	11
Nonsuch Bowmen	5	3	4	5050	7
B'men of Darenteford	5	3	4	4164	7

February - Michael Murray (Junior)

March - Connor Manning

Frostbite

Junior Division 1

Ferryfield Bowmen	5	15	0	6813	15
Woking	5	12	1	6076	13
Thomas Wall	5	9	2	3434	11
Long Mynd Archers	5	9	2	4813	11
Derwent Bowmen	3	3	2	1438	5
Llantarnham	3	0	3	1666	3

November - Zoe Stovell

December - Fay Bound

January - Fay Bound

February - Zoe Stovell

Portsmouth

Junior Division 1

Woking	5	15	0	12840	15
Bowmen of Burntwood	5	9	2	11587	11
Royal Leamington	5	6	3	11007	9
Whitburn Archers	5	6	3	7795	9
Llantarnham AC	4	6	2	8212	8
Richdale C of A	5	3	4	9766	7

November - Harry Taylor

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January - Sophie Lee-Perkins

February - Harry Taylor

March - Zoe Stovell

'Might I just add my thanks on behalf of WAC for all those archers who took part in the frostbite and Portsmouth rounds from November to March.'

James Taylor, Records Officer

Club Shoot - May
Results as follows:

Award	Name
1 st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	James Taylor
1 st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Ruth Miles
1 st O/All Junior Recurve over 9	Harry Taylor
1 st O/All Junior Recurve under 9	Lewis Bayly
1 st O/All Senior Gent Compound	Richard Tapley
1 st O/All Gent Longbow	Lawrence Braithwaite
1 st O/All Lady Longbow	Carolyn Hunt
1 st O/All Barebow	None
1 st Lady Recurve on Handicap	Ruth Miles
1 st Gent Recurve on Handicap	Peter Bound
1 st Junior Recurve Over 9 on H/C	Kelly Foxton
1 st Junior Recurve Under 9 on H/C	None
1 st Gent Compound on Handicap	Richard Tapley
1 st Longbow on Handicap	Carolyn Hunt
1 st Black Badge (unrewarded)	Andrew Steel
2 nd Black Badge (unrewarded)	Chris Bayly
3 rd Black Badge (unrewarded)	Michael Murray
4 th Black Badge (unrewarded)	Peter Champion
5 th Black Badge (unrewarded)	Mike Piper

Club Shoot - June
Results as follows:

Award	Name
1 st O/All Senior Gent Recurve	Angus Wilson
1 st O/All Senior Lady Recurve	Ruth Miles
1 st O/All Junior Recurve over 9	Charlie Critchley
1 st O/All Junior Recurve under 9	Lewis Bayly
1 st O/All Senior Gent Compound	Paul Hood
1 st O/All Gent Longbow	None
1 st O/All Lady Longbow	None
1 st O/All Barebow	Peter Champion
1 st Lady Recurve on Handicap	Ruth Miles
1 st Gent Recurve on Handicap	Chris Bayly
1 st Junior Recurve Over 9 on H/C	Charlie Critchley
1 st Junior Recurve Under 9 on H/C	Lewis Bayly
1 st Gent Compound on Handicap	Paul Hood
1 st Barebow on Handicap	Peter Champion
1 st Black Badge (unrewarded)	Caitlin Critchley
2 nd Black Badge (unrewarded)	James Taylor
3 rd Black Badge (unrewarded)	Michael Murray
4 th Black Badge (unrewarded)	Mike Piper
5 th Black Badge (unrewarded)	Simon De Kretser

RNLI Shoot - 14th June

This was held on a lovely sunny day. As usual, our pockets got lighter as the day passed and the trusty bucket got heavier. Pete came up with some novel fines, with a few helpful ideas from some of the more junior club members. Sadly, Peggy Silverson was unable to attend due to illness, but great fun was had by all. Thanks to Brenda and everyone else who helped in the kitchen for our fantastic BBQ lunch. Please let Brenda have any sponsorship money when you have collected it so that she can pass it on to Peggy for the Shoreham Lifeboat.

Results were as follows:

Awards	Name	Score
1 st O/All Recurve	Charlie Critchley	1088
2 nd O/All Recurve	Sophie Lee-Perkins	1030
3 rd O/All Recurve	Nigel Stovell	928
1 st O/All Compound	John Wilkins	1290
2 nd O/All Compound	Jim Mercer-Chalmers	1144
3 rd O/All Compound	Richard Tapley	1128
1 st O/All Longbow	Carolyn Hunt	228
1 st O/All Barebow	Peter Champion	386
2 nd O/All Barebow	Michael Murray	304

Classification Awards		H/C Average
1 st Bowman/JBM	John Wilkins	1447
1 st First Class	Harry Critchley	1482.5
1 st Second Class	Sam Critchley	1451.5
1 st Third Class	Roy Watts	1557
1 st Unclassified	Amber Mercer-Chalmers	1394
1 st N/C	Mark Critchley	1485

Most Blues (Harbour Trophy) Denise Morley 48 blues

Colour Prizes	Morning	Afternoon
Gold	S Bohn	Ian Terrington
Red	Dave Smith	Carolyn Hunt
Blue	Scott Wigmore	Shane Biggs
Black	Dave Smith	Del Manning
White	Vincente Canas	Fay Bound
Green	Vincente Canas	Michael Murray

One Day Knockout - 14th June

We were lucky enough to have yet another fine day for this event. The One Day Knockout is an annual event introduced by Brenda and Pete about 10 years ago. As usual, most of us were confused by the scoring! But for those of you who didn't work it out on the day, the first dozen arrows (after sighters) were used to calculate a handicap for the day, then everyone was randomly allocated an opponent - names pulled out of a hat - and the score for the next dozen arrows was used to determine the winner of that particular 'head to head'. Brenda then worked out the winner of each pair while we shot the next round (which didn't count towards the knockout competition) and the loser of each pair was knocked out. And then the whole pattern was repeated again for those who were still left in the competition, until we reached the final head to head, which was between Ian and Angus.

Well done to **Ian Terrington** who won the glass bowl and to **Angus Wilson** who was runner up.

Awards	Name
1 st Senior on Windsor (Glass Trophy)	Ian Terrington
Senior Runner Up	Angus Wilson
1 st Junior over 12 (Glass Trophy)	Amber Mercer-Chalmers
1 st Junior under 12 (Glass Trophy)	Kelly Foxton
2 nd Junior under 12 (Black Badge)	Lewis Bayly

Quote of the day goes to Angus Wilson spoken to Ruth Miles (who was shooting longbow for the first time) "You may be holding the arrow too long before releasing it" (those of you who know Angus will appreciate that one!)

Annual Knockout Competition (Progress)

You can check your progress in the annual Knockout Competition, which runs from April to October, from the results posted on the notice board in the kitchen, or with Brenda. The final of the knockout is on 4th October.

Previously at Woking Archery Club

As the Atkins shoot is coming up soon, here is an extract from WAC Newsletter Issue 70, October 1999:

“Atkins Friendly Shoot - July 1999

During the week prior to this event Tony Beecher was gradually constructing a large shelter and fireplace. It was all most impressive. On Thursday night Terry Sandford came down to the field with a device to pump out the larger puddles on the driveway. The build up to the great event continued. Peter C helped with his trailer to cart the "Porcher" to the field on the Saturday night. Tony B slept down there to keep an eye on the carcass (though admitted he found the noise of the motorway troublesome), and was joined by Terry at 5:30am to get the job under way. Tony looked very tired by 10am when a few of us turned up to shoot and, while doing that, regularly raided the woods and hedgerows for dead branches and trees to make the charcoal go further. By lunchtime archers turned up, both from WAC and Atkins. Both Clubs were proud to achieve record turnouts and we happily shot our mixed Nationals all afternoon. Later on friends, families and RHS Social/Sports Club members arrived and everything came together really well. The pig was done to a crisp by 6:30pm and, apple in mouth for the vegetarians, was speedily carved up. The queues gathered round the long table to load their plates with pork, sausages and a good variety of salads - also real home made bread (thanks Maggie). We must thank the many people who lent a hand - it will surely go down in the collective memory of the club as the event of the 20th Century! The meat was unbelievable tender and succulent. MANY THANKS TONY.

When we sorted out the results of the shoot we had won overall (without the help our longbows Atkins couldn't supply and stick archers this time). 3510 to 3540 to Woking - the 1st time we have beaten them in a good many years. Our recurves had been slightly behind on points, but our compounds more than made up the difference.”

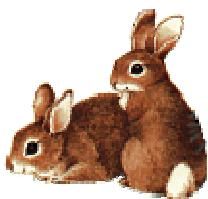
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Please send any articles for the next newsletter to me at ruth@merp.fsnet.co.uk or come and talk to me down at the field.

And finally, a **bunny joke**

What do you get when you cross a rabbit with an elephant?

An elephant who never forgets to eat his carrots.



Ruth Miles
Communication Officer