



BOWMEN OF GLEN ARCHERY SOCIETY

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December 2008

INDOOR SHOOTING

Now that the indoor shooting has got up and running it's given us a chance to see how many people are attending. To ensure that we're not running at a loss the prices will change from the New Year to £2.50 for seniors & £1 for juniors.

HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATE

Due to some Health & Safety concerns that were raised, the committee have decided that a couple of changes should be implemented. The 1st is that the two shooting marks nearest the clubhouse are to be removed. This will reduce the chances that any arrow could ever be accidentally fired into the veranda area. The 2nd is that from now on all Walk Back Tuning must be carried out at the rounds end of the field and the boss being used should be placed on the 70m line. This is to ensure that we have adequate overshoot space.

SKITTLE EVENING

The Skittle Evening will be held on the 9th January 2009 at The Horse & Trumpet, Bull Head Street, Wigston, LE18 1PB, starting at 7.30pm.

There will be a pub meal comprising of cottage pie, faggots and sausage served with mushy peas, chips and crusty bread. A vegetarian option is available. The cost will be £6.50 per head payable in advance (juniors go free). Unfortunately all places have now been filled.

FIELD SHOOT CHAMPIONSHIPS

As mentioned in the previous newsletter the field shoots will be taking place throughout the winter at Wistow (see enclosed calendar). The shoot on January 25th will now be the Field Shoot Championships so make sure you get along to that one in particular!

LONGBOWS

As part of the drive to improve the equipment available during the beginners courses Kevan Pownall will be purchasing 5 longbows for the club. Once our finances have improved in the New Year we shall then be reimbursing him for them – thanks Kevan!

CHRISTMAS CRACKER

The final social event of the year took place on the 5th December, Jan writes:

This social evening very nearly didn't go ahead as we were accosted by plain-clothes police just after we arrived at the clubhouse! Having seen the lights from our van they came to investigate in case we were burglars. Despite Frank's ski mask we managed to convince them that we weren't and, having thanked them for their vigilance, we continued with the evening.

There were 17 of us tonight, including another new face. Having been on the losing team for 3 previous social evenings Nigel decided to desert his parents and try a different team. Unfortunately, it must be him that is the jinx as the team he joined went on to lose in style, whilst his parents, along with the other *Sad Santas*, actually won!! The *Plasticine Archers* were heard to mumble that he had "jumped ship from the Carpathia only to find himself on the Titanic". Better luck next time Nigel (and if he tries to join your team then remember you have been warned!). Meanwhile, the *Jingle Bells* were trying their hardest to lose until a spectacular last minute save by Maggie. This really upset the *3 Wise Monkeys* as they had a fine lead for most of the evening, which resulted in Ken calling for an end to the proceedings every time their winning score was announced. Sadly, they also lost out in the end.

Thanks to everyone who attended and brought along donations of food to keep us going, and to Maggie for the mince pies.

We look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

CALENDAR

Please find enclosed the 1st edition of the 2009 calendar for the club. As usual things will no doubt be added or adjusted as we go through the year. I'll mail out updated copies throughout the year with the newsletters or check the website for the most up-to-date version.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Congratulations to everyone who attended the Children In Need shoot on Saturday 15th November raising £280.18.



2008 AWARDS

After the Christmas Shoot (thanks goes to Jan Everitt & Daphne Wyatt for the cakes and mulled wine) the awards for 2008 were given out, these were as follows:

Shiela Wooley Goblets

Best adjusted FITA shot on club grounds (Metric for juniors)

Lady	Rosie Clarkson	367	adjusted h/c	731
Gents	John Morris	390	adjusted h/c	765
Junior	Ryan Spicknell	862	adjusted h/c	1132

Ron Smith Trophy

Best Short Metric shot by novice archer

Jullian Smethurst 335

Western

Handicap Adjusted Overall Winner

Jayita Gadhok 218 adjusted h/c 1655

American/St.Nicholas

1st Gent L/B	Barry Johnson	372
1st Lady L/B	Rosie Clarkson	285
1st Gent Comp	Ken Gardner	698
1st Gent Recurve	Tom Everitt	592
1st Junior American	Amy Spicknell	490
1st Junior St. Nicholas	Zoey Smethurst	419

Junior Progress Trophy Throughout The Year

Amy Spicknell

Junior Progress Trophy U14

Ryan Spicknell 67 Handicap

Junior Progress Trophy U16

Amy Spicknell 67 Handicap

Diana Trophy & GNAS Medal

Best senior handicap improver over the year

Ken Gardner 41 Handicap

Derry Bawn

Best handicap adjusted Hereford shot on club grounds

Linda Stuart 1130 adjusted h/c 1494

York Committee Trophy

Best handicap adjusted York shot on club grounds

John Morris 219 adjusted h/c 1465

Field Champs

1st Gent Kevin Clarkson

1st Lady Rosie Clarkson

Two Way National – Overall Winner

Spencer Thomas 269

Committee Tray

In the opinion of the committee who has upheld the spirit of the club

Joint Christine Hennessy & Richie Price

List of Winners for St. Nicholas Christmas Shoot

1st Gent Comp	Richard Hennessy	Club Record
1st Lady Comp	Christine Hennessy	Club Record
1st Gent Rec	Eddie Pemberton	Club Record
1st Gent L/B	John Morris	Club Record
1st Lady L/B	Rosie Clarkson	Club Record
1st Jnr Lady Rec	Zoey Smethurst	
1st Jnr Gent Rec	Ryan Spicknell	Club Record
1st Jnr Gent L/B	Nigel Grainger	Club Record

That's all for this time, and this year.

Have a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year,

Mark