



BOWMEN OF GLEN ARCHERY SOCIETY

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AFFILIATION

The time for affiliation fees to be paid is nearly upon us. Archery GB are starting to implement their new systems for affiliation now so we need to bring the timescales forwards slightly on last year to ensure that our cards are sent out in a timely manner. Therefore I would like all affiliation fees to reach me by **Friday 20th August**. I will be on holiday immediately before this so I will not have the time to issue any reminders to people. Therefore please don't read this and forget about it!

As part of the new system the membership cards will be sent directly to archers rather than coming via me. By getting our affiliation fees sent off promptly you will receive your new cards by the 1st October (the end date for the current bunch). The affiliation fee is £44 and can be paid in one of two ways. The 1st is to send a cheque made payable to Bowmen of Glen Archery Society to 39 Orson Drive, Wigston, Leicestershire. LE18 2EL. The 2nd way is to transfer the money to the club account using sort code 720004 and account number 89927602. If you do this please let me know to expect it.

All senior members must affiliation to be able to shoot. The only exceptions to this are coaches (who the club finances as a thank you), or people who have joined within the last few months – there currently exists an 18 month rule so new members can get a bonus period depending on when they joined up - although this will disappear from next year.

In past years there's been some confusion as to who that leaves to pay therefore please see below a list of people who need to send money:

David Clements
Paul Clements
Chris Colledge
William Dias
Julia Dias
Gavin Edwards
Adam England
Pradeep Gadhok
Mohit Gadhok
Ken Garner
Stephen Haigh

John Harper
Christine Hennessy
Bob Jennings
Simon Kear
Richard Keenan
David Letts
Visveswaran Mallayan
Ivan McCormack
Paul Mee
Steve Naylor
David Norris

Matthew Perry
Richard Price
Roger Siddons
Christiana Smethurst
Ken Smith
Cleta Smith
Arif Takey
Diana Watt
Adrian Woolley
David Yardwood
Richard Yarwood

T SHIRTS

Interest in club T Shirts was very low after my request in the last newsletter. If you'd like anything please let me know so I can sort out an order.

BEGINNERS COURSE

We have lots of fresh blood (sorry, I mean new members) after the last beginners course so welcome to you all. Thanks go to the wonderful coaches & helpers – Terry, Kevan, Amy, Tom, Richard & Chris – for running the course for you all.

We've also had a lot of Try Archery sessions for various groups over the last few months. Thanks to all of those who've helped out with these. I was sent a nice letter of thanks from the 1st Great Glen Scouts who really enjoyed their sessions. I believe that the two Terry's, Kevan & Ken ran their sessions – good work!

HOW MANY?

A timely reminder to all members that it is not permitted to have more than 4 archers shooting on a single target. Whilst it may take a few moments to get an extra target out please do so as we're not trying to set a record for the number of archers shooting on a target!

Also, please remember to close the gate when you enter and leave the ground. Hopefully this should prevent undesirables from pulling onto the field.

SCORECARDS

If you do any shoots outside of the county please pass a copy of the results sheet onto Julian as he is able to make use of these (put them in the usual box in the clubhouse). He will keep an eye out for anything inside the county but if you venture further afield please pass it on.

SHOOTS

The forthcoming Novice Shoot on Sunday 15th August is now also open to more experienced archers. Depending on numbers the plan is that the novices pair up with the experienced archers for a bit of friendly competition between the pairs.

It's also worth mentioning that all archers are encouraged to shoot as much as possible. As well as getting plenty of practise you'll be able to improve your handicap and compete for the club records. If you're shooting in any of the club shoots there's also the chance of winning some medals 😊

BOGLET SUCCESS AT JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chris Smethurst sent me the following from the Junior Nats:



Two Boglets are celebrating their successes at the Junior National Championships held at Lilleshall National Sports Centre over the weekend of 3rd and 4th July 2010.

Zoë Smethurst and Amy Spicknell, supported by a large contingent of friends and family both shot Bristol rounds in very testing conditions on Sunday.

Despite good weather on Saturday, the wind on Sunday reached epic proportions and after 4 dozen arrows and an early lunch the decision was made to shorten the shoot to 8 dozen and substitute the equivalent Western rounds.

There was obvious disappointment that the full rounds would not be completed but as the bosses at the less sheltered side of the field were spending more time on the floor than upright it was definitely the right decision.



Amy, in the jaws of the wind had the unenviable task of shooting on the same detail with Aalin George, arguably the number 1 junior compound archer in the country at the moment. Despite multiple hold-ups for bosses falling over and equipment failure, she shot a personal best score for the Western of 610 after only 8 months shooting compound.

Zoë, on target 1 and in the shelter of the trees, fared much better wind-wise, however the pine cones falling off the trees and bouncing down the hill like bombs were a hazard in themselves. She shot 102 in her first dozen never looked back ending with 2 6-gold ends and a score of 792 for a Short Junior Western, putting her in first place for the U-12 recurve girls category.

It was a great weekend – despite a few mishaps with coaches and equipment (!) with lots of new friendships made and some excellent shooting in varying conditions. Thanks to everyone who went and hope everyone is already looking to the trip next year.



That's all for this time,

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