



BOWMEN OF GLEN ARCHERY SOCIETY



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FIELD PURCHASE

As most of you will be aware the club is looking to purchase some land around the edge and rear of our current field to bring us in line with the requirements for overshoot distances. Presently this is progressing well although it is going to put some strain on our finances. If you've missed the announcements about this then your email address isn't on our list – please let me have it to be included!

Given our need to increase our funds to the correct level a number of members have paid their 2013/14 membership fees early. Many thanks to all of those who've done this – so far we've raised over £900 by doing this. There are also a number of members (who I won't name – they can decide whether or not to go public) who have pledged to support the club with loans to enable us to complete the purchase. Huge thanks also go to these members.

To help our income next year the club has agreed to host the 2 county shoots for 2013, although this increases the number of shoots we will be holding to 5 if everyone helps out a little we can easily manage this – this seems like a good time to say a big thanks to everyone who helped out during the 2012 shoots as well ☺

FIELD LAYOUT

Until we are able to expand our ground then we will continue with the 'Plan B' layout. Please find attached a reminder of what this looks like.

GATE CODE

Shortly after publishing this newsletter I shall be changing the code for our combination locks. The new code will be ****.

As ever please remember to lock the club if you're the last one to leave. Also, please remember to close and scramble the locks when you take them off – we don't want to leave the code showing!

INDOOR SHOOTING

For the first time in the last few winters, we have an indoor venue! This will be Fleckney Village Hall (School Street, Fleckney). They'll be 2 more shoots this year starting at 7pm on the 4th and 18th of December. 2013 dates will be advised in due course. We'll be charging £3.50 for seniors and £1.50 for juniors. Please let Fred Muskett know if you intend on coming to give an indication of numbers.

FIELD SHOOTS

They'll also be Field Shoots taking place over winter. The first few have already happened, but the remaining list is as follows:

January – 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th
February – 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th
March – 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

The field shoots take place at a wood in Wistow starting at 11am on the Sundays listed above.

Please see Kevan Pownall for any further details.

AWARDS EVENING

We'll be hosting the clubs Awards Evening on Friday 11th January at the Horse & Trumpet on Bull Head Street, Wigston. As has previously been our tradition we'll be hiring the Skittle Alley at the back for the evening, starting at 7pm. The cost will be £8 per person which includes a meal of Cottage Pie, Faggots & Sausages served with chips, mushy peas and crusty bread. There is a Vegetarian Dish available as alternative but please let me know so I can order it.

The venue isn't large enough to accommodate the entire club so please book your place early to avoid disappointment. To make my life easier I would prefer people to book using the store where possible (<http://www.bowmenofglen.org/store>). If you're not able to use this then please give me a call on 0789 0520544.

CALENDAR

The 2013 shooting calendar is now being work upon and will be published on the website and by email during December. As ever the first item on the list will be the New Year Clout. This will take place on the 1st January starting at midday, so once you've enjoyed the first lie-in of 2013 come on down for a fun shoot.

BOGLET'S AWAY SHOOT

Ian Warner sent me the following from the last few shoots:

L&RCAA 34th Annual Novice Shoot, Sunday 2nd September 2012

The event was at LAOFAC, Countesthorpe, for archers who started shooting within the last 18 months. The large turn out just shows how many people are taking up the sport.

James Warner was the only junior member from BOG. Having just completed his first twelve months of archery, shooting recurve as an 'under 14' for the first time. James won the 3rd place bronze medal in a combined age's competition.





L&RCAA Chocolate Shoot, Saturday 8th September 2012

Again the shoot was at LAOFAC, Countesthorpe. Chocolate shoots are open to all juniors of all abilities. For many it's the first experience of competitions - it's a friendly, fun environment and at the end they shoot at paper plates to win chocolate bars. Entry is free.

Lucy Colledge and James Warner entered from BOG. Lucy came first in the junior ladies recurve competition with a score of 600, a personal best for the 30/20 yards Short Junior National and a new club record.

L&RCAA Chocolate Shoot, Saturday 22nd September 2012

Held at Phoenix Archers, Smeeton Westerby. The incentive of chocolate and the Copson Cup for the highest combined score from a team of 3 archers attracted a strong turnout, including many county squad juniors.

Three BOG juniors entered - Lucy Colledge and James Warner were joined by Chloe Bettles entering her first chocolate shoot. Chloe shot 40/30 yards (U16) with James (U14). Lucy was again in the medals shooting 30/20 yards (U14) finishing second in the junior ladies recurve competition, again scoring 600 to equal her personal best. Well done Chloe, you did very well having only been shooting a few months.



HALLOWEEN PARTY

I know a number of you enjoyed the Halloween Party at the ground – a big thanks to both Ian Warner and Tereza Beardsmore for everything they did for this. There was some shooting, fireworks and a bonfire to enjoy.

CAPTION COMPETITION

My last photo of the newsletter comes from Steve Naylor showing some recent visitors to the ground. I'll give the story behind this one next time, but if you'd like to let me have any captions for this one go ahead 😊



That's all for this time,

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