

BOWMEN OF GLEN

NEWSLETTER

Dear Members

Welcome to this the second edition of our Newsletter. Sadly many of you may not have seen, or even been aware of the first edition. I will put this down to teething problems, and not my incompetence! The intention is that we will publish a quarterly news sheet and this will be accessed on the club website. This is what happened with the first issue in December, however members were not informed either of its existence or where to find it (it's only viewable in the members area once you have logged in).

So for this second edition all members have been emailed a copy. For future editions, we may revert to putting out online only, in case anyone did not wish to receive another spam email!

Spring season is still a slow time for the club with members just coming out of hibernation. Apart from the Clout there has been no club competition for months. I guess over the next few weeks, more people will be shooting for their 252 badges and the more serious club archers will be practicing in preparation for open tournaments.

Speaking of open tournaments, most of you will be aware that BOGAS is hosting a Target 70m/60m/50m competition on the 14th & 15th June. This will require a significant amount of help both beforehand and on the days themselves. So if you are not going to compete then maybe come along to help out.

Peter M

Clout Shoots

The monthly Clout has continued with a few hardy souls turning out to compete on the last Sunday of each month. Since last reported in December there have been four more meets. In spite of the (sometimes) low turnout, those competing seem to have had a good time.

At the March meet, the men didn't cover themselves in glory! Overall top score was Rosie C (Women) with 32, closely followed by William (Junior) scoring 29, and the first man was Paul Mee with 25!

Tally for the season so far:-
Rosie leads overall with a total of 195.

CLOUT LEADER BOARD		
	SCORE	POSITION
GENTS		
Kevin Clarkson	183	1
Paul Milburn	104	2
Mick Cox	102	3
Bob Stanyon	102	3
Bill Ball	58	4
Paul Mee	53	5
Jamie Frost	50	6
Peter Mansell	49	7
Zafar Saleem	45	8
Mohit Gadhok	38	9
Ken Smith	37	10
Brian Howard	16	11
Eddie Pemberton	6	12
LADIES		
Rosie Clarkson	195	1
Julie Cox	89	2
Charlotte Cox	12	3
JUNIOR		
William Piper	71	1

**Next Clout:-
Sunday 24th April. 10.00**

Thanks to Kevan P. for continuing to organise the Clout shoots.



Work Party Sunday 4th April



Bill and his intrepid team made a start at tidying the field and preparing for the summer season of events and competitions. First up was the removal of the dead trees along the roadside. In spite of our best efforts, no one ended up in A&E and several trees were confined to the bonfire. On the down side the gate is now superfluous because of the 6ft gap in the perimeter where there was once a tree! Oh well!

A second work detail, (aka Ken), set about raising all the boss markers at 50/60/70m and also filled in some of the holes dug by the 'pesky wabbits'!

All in all, this was a good start, but there is still much to do over the coming weeks in preparation for the Open Tournament on 14/15th May. I'm sure Bill will be sending more email/texts requesting further help.

Thanks To Bill and all who volunteered their services!

L&R 300 and L&R Frostbite Tournaments

These two tournaments have now finished for the season. I for one enjoyed having a go at both competitions, trying my hand at Recurve and Bare bow. There were only four club members participating this season, maybe next winter we could entice more of you to have a go and see an improvement in both club and individual rankings.

Events Calendar

BOGAS - Coaching*	Sat Apr 9	start 10.00
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BOGAS - Clout.	Sun Apr 24	start 10.00
BOGAS - AGM	Sun Jun 05	start 13.00
WA70m + H2H Open	Sat May 14	
Double WA70m Open	Sun May 15	
Glen Scouts- 'Have a go session'	Wed May 25	start 18.30
Glen Scouts- 'Have a go session'	Wed Jun 8	start 18.30
Beginners Course	Sat Jun 11	
Beginners Course	Sun Jun 12	
Leics County Council	Thur Jun 16	start pm

* - Hopefully more dates for coaching to be added during May and June.

Club Coaching

Just to remind you all, that the club plans to offer coaching to anyone who is interested.

At the moment sessions are planned for Saturday mornings through the summer. (dates for April are on the calendar, but subsequent dates to be advised).

I understand that this is not just about improving your skill and technique, but may include instruction on maintaining and tuning equipment, fletching or anything else you wish to suggest.

Beginners Course - weekend of 4th April

The first beginners course took place on the 4th/5th April. Eddie and Paul Milburn were instructing, and on Sunday, Bob Stanyon and Phil Jones were on hand to give a taster session on the traditional side of archery. Six people attended and all seemed to have an enjoyable time. We hope they decide to join the club, and look forward to seeing them shooting at the field in the near future.



Thursday Club nights

The evenings are lighter now, and once the temperature rises as well, then the Thursday club nights should be back in action.

It's a good opportunity to practice, compete or just chat with fellow members!

Next Newsletter

The Summer edition will be available at the end of June and will feature news from all the upcoming events between now and then.

Finally, just to remind you all that if there is anything at all that you would like to share with the club, It could be news, or advice, tips, links to websites, or YouTube videos of interest. Maybe ideas for improving your club? If so:

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