

BOWMEN OF GLEN

NEWSLETTER

DEAR MEMBERS

Summer is fast coming to an end, and with the nights drawing in fast, for many of you, shooting will be limited to weekends. I hope you can still find time to pop down to the field on Saturdays and Sundays just to 'keep your eye in'. You could spend some time chatting to fellow members, or you could always try shooting a quick Frostbite round!

Alas some of the stories I had hoped to fill out these pages have rather vanished into the ether.

.... I had hoped to give you all the results of our club competitions from the Thursday night/Saturday morning sessions, but there were none, so nothing to report on.

.....I also hoped there would be something to tell regards the clubhouse improvements, but there has been little, if any progress, so, no news there either I'm afraid.

Oh well ...I've still managed to fill the pages and hopefully it's of interest to you all.

Peter Mansell

FIELD PARTY

Bill Ball oversaw a 'slash and burn' field party, (his words not mine) on the morning of Sunday 24th July. The main task was to remove the dead trees on the perimeter of the field adjacent to Newton Lane. It was a useful morning's work. The pyromaniacs amongst us had much delight setting a bonfire to dispose of the trimmings. Bearing in mind this was during the dry spell when all the news programmes featured wildfires throughout the country, we were fortunate that we still had a field to shoot in after the morning's work! Seriously, fire extinguishers and buckets of water were at hand just in case.



SEPTEMBER TOURNAMENT - CANCELLED

The tournament that we hoped to host on the weekend of 17th Sept has been cancelled. At the time of deciding to 'pull the plug' on it, there were not enough entrants for it to be viable. However there will still be an inter county match taking place on Sunday 18th (Leicestershire & Rutland v Nottinghamshire). **Bill Ball is looking for help to prepare the field on the Saturday if you can help.**

FREE - ARCHERY - HAVE A GO MORNING

On the morning of Saturday 24th September we will be opening the field for anyone to come and 'have a go' at archery for free!!

Just turn up at our field anytime between 10.00 am until 1.00 pm. There will be members on hand to offer instruction, children are welcome, and there is no restriction on how many arrows can be shot.

So if you are a club member and know of anyone who may be interested, let them know, or bring them along. If you are a non member reading this and fancy a go, just get down to our field on the 24th!

Club Events Calendar

Clout	11.00am	Sun Sep 25
Have a go session		Sat Sep 24
Beginners Course		Sat Sep 17
Beginners Course		Sun Sep 18
L&RCAA vs Notts (WAI440) at BOGAS		Sun Sep 18

3D SHOOT

You may have seen on the whatsapp group a message about a 3d shoot on Sunday 31st July. This was a change at short notice to the scheduled Sunday morning clout. I think all who turned up had an enjoyable couple of hours. In my case it was something completely new. It was pretty straightforward as to the object of the competition, but it took a few ends to get my head around the scoring.

We shot two rounds with ten different targets arranged about the field. "dead eye" Kevin Clarkson was victorious by a sizeable margin!

This could become a regular event if people are interested. Perhaps we could alternate with the monthly clout? Let us know if you are interested.

Thanks to Samantha Stooke for organising the shoot.



3D SHOOT SCORES	
1. Kevin	334
2. Samantha	274
3. Peter	270
4. Mick	266
5. Rosie	236



AUGUST CLOUT



The latest Clout took place on the morning of Sunday 28th August, and guess what? Kevin won again! It was not without controversy though when he was caught miss-scoring on the final end.How many other ends did he get away with it though?

It was good for a change to see Kevan Pownell competing in the shoot, rather than just officiating. Also good to see new junior member Robyn not afraid to have a go! It must have been quite daunting shooting against all the old uns!

AUGUST CLOUT SCORES	
MENS	
1. Kevin	30
2. Mick	12
3. Kevan	3
WOMENS	
1. Rosie	18
2. Julie	13
JUNIOR WOMENS	
1. Robyn	1



AND WHAT DID YOU DO IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS?

I'm sure some of you like me have been following the fortunes of club member Meghan Havers who recently competed in the **European Youth Championship**. This was a two part event, the first leg was held in Bucharest during July, and two weeks later, the second leg was held in the UK. Meghan was selected to represent GB in the individual women's under eighteen recurve, and also in the women's team and mixed team competitions.



In Bucharest, shooting 72 arrows at 60m, Meghan scored 640, to end the day 5th (out of 50) then in the subsequent head to head she managed a last 16 spot finish.

Later in the week, in the mixed U18, she and her partner progressed through their head to head to finish just outside a medal spot in 4th place.

Back in the UK at Lilleshall for the second leg. Meghan again performed strongly in the individual competition qualifying 7th out of 47 with a score of 657! Sadly this time she lost in the first round of the head to head, but once again competing in the mixed team, the pairing finished in the last 8.

Over the two legs of the European Youth Cup (u18 women), she finished in an amazing 5th place, and was the highest placed Brit as well!

Well done Meghan!! ...Something worth bragging about on the first day back at school?

LOROS WHEELBARROW RACE

Saturday 3rd September saw Bowmen of Glen set up a stall at the annual LOROS Wheelbarrow Race in Great Glen, (always good to be involved with this local charity). We offered visitors "have a go" shooting at field targets.



There was a steady trickle of people wishing to try their hand, and it was also good to see many youngsters having a go as well.

It was an ideal opportunity for the club to show a presence in our local community, and several of our members were on hand not only to guide people through the experience but also to chat to visitors who showed interested in getting involved in the sport, and our club. Who knows, we may well see some new recruits and a result!



L&R FROSTBITE

Just a reminder that October sees the return of the L&R Frostbite and the L&R 300 competitions.

Both competitions are so easy to fit in at the start of a session only requiring 36 arrows to complete.

I urge all members to come have a go. That includes all you new members!

All details can be found on the L&RCAA website.

NEW CLUB MEMBERS

Robyn Murray (jun)
 Ammaar Choudury (jun)
 Ben Johnson
 Aneesa Khan
 Mick Penfold
 Graham Shipley
 Piotr Skrzypczyk
 Paul Spencer
 Leona Ward
 Muhammad-Im Bhimani (stu)

Welcome to the Bowmen of Glen!

NEXT NEWSLETTER

The Winter edition will be available at the end of December. Anything that you would like to share with the club, - news, advice, tips, links to websites, or YouTube videos of interest. Ideas for improving your club? Criticisms? If so:

contact: news@bowmenofglen.org or use the members whatsapp