BOWMEN OF GL

NEWSLETTER

DEAR MEMBERS

We seem to have had more than our fair share of wind and rain so far this winter, and of course neither the wind nor rain are friends of the archer! Sadly, I for one have only had a handful of opportunities to shoot since November. However, most Saturday mornings will see a steady flow of people turning up for an hour or two,... often doing more chatting than shooting!

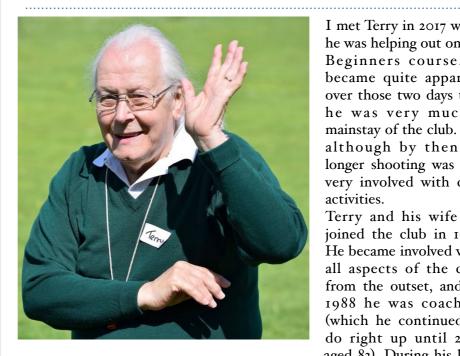
Since the October issue, things have been quiet with less activity at the field, and no tournaments to report on. So thank heavens I can fill the pages with good news on the new Clubhouse. - pics. and more on p2.

Sadly, in December, BOGAS lost a good friend and honorary member - Terry Jobson.

Thanks to Kevan, Ken and Cleta for their memories of Terry. Peter M



Terry circa 1958



I met Terry in 2017 when he was helping out on my Beginners course. It became quite apparent over those two days that he was very much a mainstay of the club. and although by then no longer shooting was still very involved with club activities.

Terry and his wife Jill joined the club in 1983. He became involved with all aspects of the club from the outset, and by 1988 he was coaching (which he continued to do right up until 2017 aged 83). During his long

membership he also served as grounds officer and tournament organiser. Terry and Jill were also major players in the social aspect of the club and along with other members would travel away for weekends to compete in tournaments around the country. His contribution to the club was recognised latterly with honorary membership.

TERRY JOBSON 1st July 1934- 20th December 2023

Terry had many other strings to his bow (no pun intended!). Back in the fifties he was a serious cyclist and member of Leicestershire Road Racing Club where he achieved national success in competitions.

Terry and Jill were also storytellers What do you mean? I hear you ask. Truth be told I didn't know either but having done some research it turns out that Terry and Jill founded the Leicestershire Guild of Storytelling, it's purpose being to promote the art of storytelling. In 2013, the Guild went into print with a book entitled 'Leicestershire and Rutland Folk Tales' which featured stories by, amongst others, Terry and Jill! for more info go to:- www.leicesterstorytelling.com

Jill passed away in August 2023.



NEW CLUBHOUSE





Up she goes!!

After being delayed through the end of last year and the start of 2024, the builders were back on site in mid January, and since then progress has been quite spectacular. It only took a week to go from a bare concrete pad to virtually being complete. The steel frame took two days, the wall one day, then the roof and windows were also fitted in one day.

There is still work required before the builders disappear. The site requires clearing and most notably we still have no door!

Thanks must go in particular to Andy Bettles for driving this project forward and getting us to where we are now.

It would be nice to think that we are nearly there and will soon be able to move into our shiny new clubhouse, but there is still a big challenge to have something ready for the first tournament in May!

The plan is that by then we will have toilet facilities installed, fully plumbed and also lighting installed. Sadly that is probably all we can hope to achieve both in terms of timing but also financially. The financial reserves are somewhat depleted. So progress will slow until we can generate more funds.

Beyond the clubhouse itself, we also need to dispose of two containers and re-site the other two. Oh yes, and somewhere amongst all that we need to demolish the old clubhouse! So as you can see there is still a daunting list of jobs.

I know Eddie has put appeals out for help and we have offers already for help with fitting the internal walls, and plumbing.....If there are any electricians out there please make yourself known!

Inevitably there will be a fair bit of labour required to empty containers and the old clubhouse so I hope many of you can give us some of your time. It'll all be worth it in the end!







Winter Issue

LITTER

I'm dismayed by the amount of litter discarded by passing traffic that I tidy up every time I stop to open the club gate. So last Sunday after shooting, I decided to spend a while clearing the rubbish dumped on the verge outside our perimeter fence.

I filled a bin liner within ten minutes and I barely made a difference. \bigcirc



L&R FROSTBITE &

L&R300 COMPETITIONS

Still two months left to shoot these two competitions. They are so easy to fit in at the start of a session, only requiring 36 arrows to complete. Why not try it?

Details of both competitions can be found on the L&RCAA website <u>www.lrcaa.org</u>. You just have to submit your best monthly scoresheet to Jamie Frost at the end of each month.

FUTURE NEWS

Anything you want to say about your club? Then please contact: news@bowmenofglen.org **CLOUT SHOOTS..... NEW YEAR & JANUARY**



Thirteen members braved it for our new years day clout. For once the weather was quite pleasant. Sunny dry and not too cold! Results were as follows:-

Gents 1st	Kevan	215
2nd	Mo	140
3rd	Kevin	130
Ladies 1st	Rosie	135
2nd	Doni	85
Junior Gents 1st	William	40
Junior Ladies 1st	Robyn	15

Eddie organised a 3d shoot to follow on after the clout. It was a good bit of fun although team selection was a bit questionable with three highly mismatched teams, so scores were a bit one sided. I think everyone enjoyed it though. I know Eddie, who ducked out of shooting to play with his Drone, had a smashing time!

Clout - 28th January

Oh dear! Only three Archers for this clout I'm afraid. Results were as follows:-

Gents	ıst	Kevan	205
	2nd	Nathan	115
	3rd	Ken	40

Club Events Calendar 2024

Clouts continue on the last Sunday of each month, -start at 11.00 am.

Sat 23rd March	'Have a Go' day -all welcome	
Sat 6th /Sun 7th April	Beginners course	
Sat 11th/Sun 12th May	Open Tournament	
Sat 8th/Sun 9th June	Beginners course	
Sat 14th/Sun 15th Sept	Open Tournament	
For dates of other local tournaments go to:		
https://www.lrcaa.org/calendar		