

Allington Castle Archers
Newsletter June 09
The Dates for Your Diary

ACA Longbow Championship
Sunday, 7th June
2:00 for 2:30

Junior Competition
Saturday, 13th June
1:00 for 1:30

MKL Home v Darentford
Sunday, 14th June
10:30 for 11:00

Corporate evening Thursday, 18th June
A party of guests for a have-a-go evening
5:30 for 6:00 & a Bar-B-Q
Helpers needed. See Geoff B

Presidents Trophy
Sunday 21st June
10:00 for 10:30

**The Sir Thomas Wyatt Open
Tournament**
Sat & Sunday 27 & 28th June
All hands needed
See Colin - you can help

Captains corner

Hi all. A very busy month as you can see by the front page again.

A few things that do not make the front page the Beginners Course on Saturday the 6th.

The 70M league on 7th June Sunday 9:30

MKL v Ferryfield.

What a perfect day for shooting - light breeze, the sun was out and not too far to travel.

Due to the 12 max away team numbers and the earlier declaration of archers shooting, some members were disappointed. As it turned out some late "no shows" made the plans a complete muck up. So I am going back to the old system - if you let me know before Tuesday prior to the shoot, the day I let the opposition know our team is on Wednesday, not one week in advance.

As to the day - a very good day was had by most. Charles Van Res. did not smash his handicap this time.

The result was honours even. We won the handicap thanks to Chris Punton scoring 1553 H/C, me for the first time in 2 years out-shooting my handicap, Sandra and Jade.

The pure score going to Ferryfield.

Team scores are on the website.

Full results on the notice board in the hut.

P.S. a few members had sight mark problems, not believing their first arrows. Something that has to be noted - we shoot uphill on our field, some other fields are flat and some like Ferryfield are downhill. It does make a difference - up hill shoots slightly shorter than flat and down hill shoots a fair bit shorter. I.E. if you take our field, say your sightmark is at 0, to shoot on a flat field you may have to move your sight UP at least 1-2 divisions.

If you are shooting downhill, this change is UP but may have to be 2-3 divisions.

Use your sighters and believe what they are telling you.

For those who had a disappointing day you can only put it down to experience. Not much consolation but you have learnt something and that is a plus.

Kent Longbow Championship.

A good turnout, thanks to Bill Lyons twisting arms.

The weather was not good - in the morning it rained, sometimes light sometimes not.

Then in the afternoon, for a change, the rain stopped and a gale of swirling winds kept us company.

This did not help the scores, but it did not even disturb Clinton's hair, or his score rate.

Despite all that ACA was well represented at the end in the medals.

Neil Richardson 2nd Gent

Chris Bearman 2nd Lady

ACA won the Team shield for the 5th year in succession.

Well done to Neil, Paul and Geoff's B and C.

Full results in equipment hut thanks to Neil.

Three members on the coaching course

The introduction meeting was held on the 20th May - all attended. Each of our candidates requires a mentor. As mentor to Sandra, what have I let myself in for? Roger is mentoring Chris - he caught Roger in a weak moment and Colin for Warwick.

Best of luck to all of us.

Archery Quiz

As I am about to be involved in the coaching process and asking the candidates some archery questions. I thought that the rest of our newer archers might like a challenge.

The answers are in the GNAS book, or our rules, constitution, bylaws or other books on the subject.

Questions

1. What distance is required between bosses if 6 people shooting/target?
2. What is Tiller on a bow?
3. What is the magic number re handicaps?
4. What does your nocking point on your string do?
5. Does shooting down hill shoot shorter than on the flat?
6. Why is checking your bracing height important?
7. What is an open stance?
8. How many recognised shooting styles are covered in the GNAS handbook?
9. What does 1716 mean on an ally arrow?
10. What do we mean when we use the term "spine"?

That's enough for now, don't want to strain something do we.

The full results of the Chairman's Cup 31st May 09

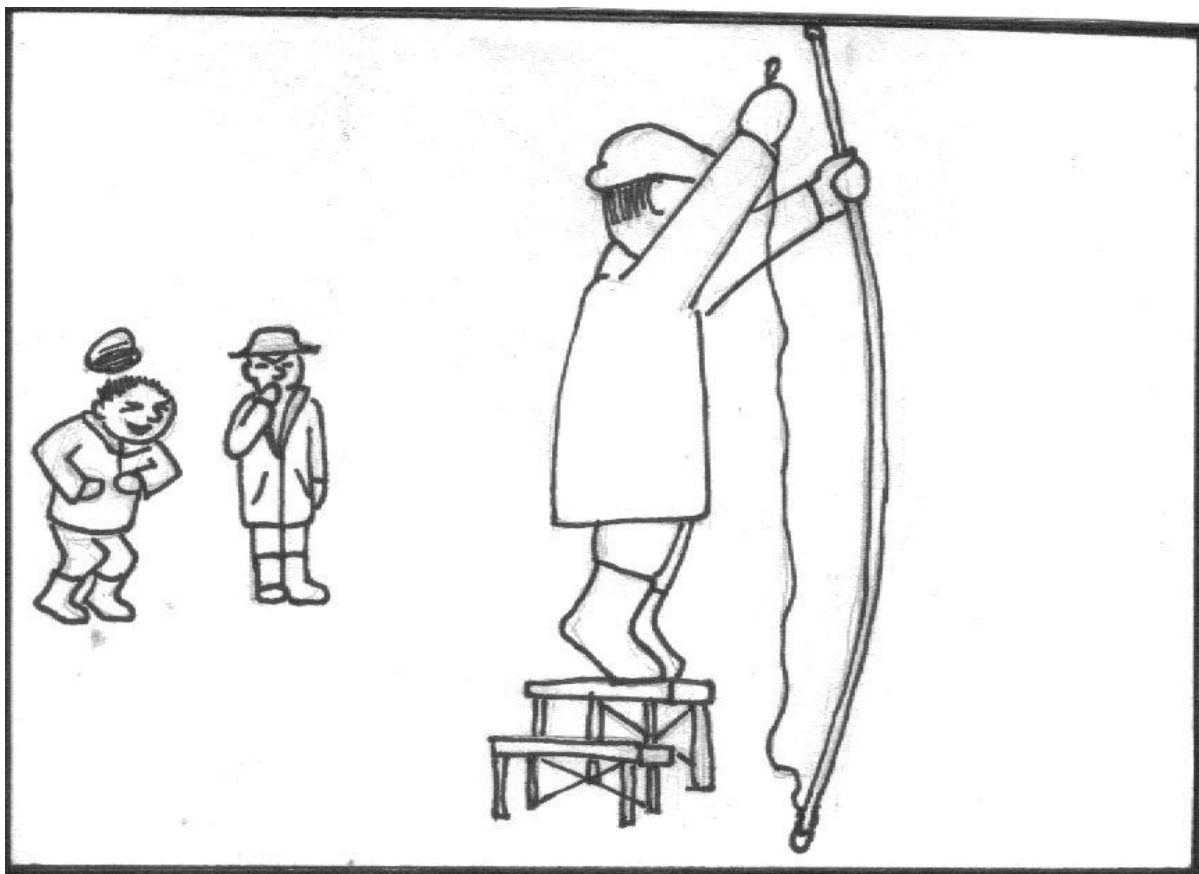
Albion				
Ladies Recurve	Sandra Punton	51	1541	1st
St George				
Gents recurve	Wayne Powell	736	1505	1st
	Alf Kershaw	359	1448	2nd
Gents Compound	Ken Bearman	900	1470	1st
	Deryck Leach	874	1453	2nd
Short Windsor	Jade Smith	595	1404	1st
Junior Windsor	Eleanor Peake	711	1454	1st
Windsor	Lawrence Punton	627	1526	1st

St George				
Gents Recurve	Charles Van Res.	745	1421	
	Roger Oehl	457	1302	
Gents longbow	Geoff Barker	247	1401	
	Paul Bradley	156	1370	
Gents Recurve	Barry Maytum	724		
Gents Compound	Andy Rout	780		
	Steve Mills	858	1392	

Albion				
Gents Bare bow	Neil Richardson	558		
Ladies Recurve	Karen Maytum	677		
	Chris Bearman	724	1379	
	Colin Bowen	368	1304	
	Nick Peake	549	1341	
	Chris Punton	519	1524	
	Warwick Drew	518	1546	
	Barry Ruck	151	1463	
Short Windsor				
Gents Recurve	Ryan Skinner	742		

Retired
Elaine Smith
Bill Linton

Geoff B



Secretary's Sidelines

June 2009

New members – Jamie Horton (junior), Ryan Skinner, James Kendall and Luke Kendall (junior).
Welcome to the Club.

I still have one large polo (white) and one large sweatshirt (green) for sale at £10 each.

Coach organiser – only three people coming on the June course, the rest are on holiday. Our candidate coaches will take one each as practice for their Course, which starts in two weeks time. They will have lots of beginners to coach on the July course, when they will be assessed as part of their Course.

SIR THOMAS WYATT 27th and 28th June

This is the most important shoot of the year as it is a two day RECORD STATUS shoot. It is open to anyone but not recommended for novices. Entry forms can be obtained from me or the website.

If you are not shooting - help please help please - even if only for a couple of hours

eg	Saturday	07.30 to 9.30am	help to set up the field
		10.00 to 01.30	scoring you will be shown what to do
		02.30 to 05.00	scoring
		05.00 to 06.30	help clear the field
	Sunday	Repeat as for Saturday	

Please let me know when you will be able to help

Without your help we cannot run the shoot which is an important source of revenue and helps to promote archery in the South East.

Thank you in advance.

Colin.