

Field Rules

1. Sign the shooting register in the shop. If the shop is shut, sign the register in the shed and make sure someone knows you are on the field. Ideally do not shoot alone.
2. Only use bosses marked with a 'B' on the back. Please do NOT use bosses and stands marked with Orange paint
3. Use the trolley to move the bosses - do not roll them.
4. Always tie down bosses.
5. Use a shooting line.
6. If you wish to use more than one shooting line they must be a MINIMUM of 25 yards apart.
7. Put all equipment back in the shed when you have finished and in the correct locations (do not assume that someone will arrive after you to use it).
8. Remove tie down nails from the side of the boss before putting it away.
9. Tie up all ropes (tie down and shooting line).
10. Broken arrow points must be removed from the boss (otherwise mark the location and report it to the shop).
11. Breakages and equipment faults MUST be reported immediately to a member of staff in the shop or the equipment officer.
12. Do not leave litter on the field or in the shed Please place any old targets or paper litter in the bin provided. Do not leave food in the bin as this attracts mice etc into the shed – take it with you.
13. Do NOT park cars on the field unless special permission has been given by The Archery Warehouse or a member of the committee.
14. Dogs are not allowed on site.
15. Place any found and unclaimed arrows in the lost and found box in the shed.
16. If you need a new target face, take the old one to the shop for a replacement.

Chairman's Intro

Well the clubs first summer season is over and we have been incredibly successful. We have been so successful that it would be unfair to single out anything in particular. All I will say is very well done to everybody. Reading through the reports on the web site gives me a tremendous feeling of pride that our new club in its first year has made a very big impression. I am sure we can keep it up in the next year although we do have our eyes on some very nice trophies we missed out on this year.

The club membership continues to grow and it now stands at around 80 members which is fantastic. The one area of the club which will be getting some focus in the coming year is the junior section as we are now starting to get some keen juniors who want to compete.

We have held our first club AGM, which was an interesting meeting. I would like to thank the members of the committee who were willing to stand again for another year. I would also like to thank those that are leaving the committee for all their hard work, it has been very appreciated.

I would also like to thank all the members for giving us their support over the last year in whatever way it was needed. A very big thank you to you all!!

Well that's all for now, see you on the line.

Phil Hodgins
Chairman

Membership renewal

If you have not renewed your club membership - please do so as soon as possible. Membership was due at the end of September. The application form is available from the website - www.beaconarchers.co.uk

If you do not renew and do not have GNAS membership then you are not insured and cannot shoot.

If you do not renew with the club but have independent GNAS membership, then you are insured, but need to pay a shooting fee if you wish to use the targets on the Edlesborough field.

If you have any questions please contact Nigel.

External tournaments

Some members of the club seem quite anxious to get out and compete at the moment. There is a spreadsheet on the news page of the web site which has the up coming shoots listed and gets updated regularly.

Please keep an eye on this if you are interested in entering some competitions. There is quite a variety of competitions coming up over the coming months. We are entering the normal target rounds as well as some field competitions.

If you are interested in entering please let me know and give me your cheques before the closing dates.

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Club shooting times

Outdoors on the field:

Sundays 10.30am - 2.30pm

News from the secretary

Those of you who have renewed their GNAS & club membership and originally joined the club before the end of March this year, will receive your new GNAS cards in the next week via the post. For those whose membership of GNAS was taken out from April onwards I have as yet not received your permanent cards to pass on. If you have not renewed your membership will you please let Nigel know what you intend to do. If you do not renew you cannot shoot and if you do, you are not covered by insurance.

Members of GNAS should be receiving directly a copy of Archery UK four times a year. If you are not, please let me know and I will arrange for it to be sent. You will find a reminder about this in the letter which contains your new GNAS card. I will just send a list of everybody who requires the magazine.

The committee has agreed to increase the size of shed. It will be made big enough to hold the new bosses we have and also the lining machine. It is also intended to add a lock or combination padlock. Keys or numbers would only be issued to current members.

Best of luck to you in the coming indoor season and I hope to see you when I am judging.

Kevin

Indoor shooting

Indoor shooting is available:

6.00pm - 9.00pm £4.50 per night

Monday: Cottesloe School, Wing
Call Mike on 07989 399420

Thursday: Adeyfield School, Hemel Hempstead
Call Sue on 07889 645797

Equipment

As most of you may know by now, I have repainted and covered the fronts of the target stands with rubber hose in the effort to protect them.

There are still members leaving the shed and the equipment inside in a poor/untidy and sometimes damaged condition. The money being spent on the upkeep of the shed and the damaged equipment should be spent on new equipment and not on repairing damaged items, so I would be grateful if more care can be taken when loading and unloading the shed as we are getting tight for space.

It has been proposed that we will purchase a larger shed, or at the very least add a lean-to onto the back of the shed to accommodate the large foam boss and target stand which is ideal for compounds, that at the moment lives at the side of the shed and also any other large items we may have.

If any one spots that the cover has come off of the large foam boss please replace it as the weather is on the change. I have also ordered a new tape for the field, which is already in the shed. There are now new stands and bosses in the shed, please do not use them until I have had time to fix the hose pipe and paint them.

We should now be shooting indoors but if any one goes to the field to shoot, once again if you have a badly shot face (see a doctor) no please throw it away, please do not leave it up on the shelf in the shed or on the floor outside the shed, if there is no bag or bin near or by the shed, then please take it home.

Have fun shooting and thank you in advance for your assistance in all of the above.

Peter Morgan

Records

The club records are now well established and we have club records for a large number of events across all the bow disciplines. However there are still lots left to go for, so have a look at the list on the web site and pick a round and get a club record.

Due to the shooting calendar of some of our archers it was decided to make every day a designated target day. This gave everybody the best possible chance of gaining classifications throughout the summer (Sorry bit of an exaggeration). Again a lot of members have gained their class badges so well done to them. We will be introducing a similar badge system for the indoor classes for this coming indoor season. Keep an eye on the web site for further details.

We also now have a number of archers who hold county records so very well done to them.

Keep the scores coming

Phil

Newsletter

If anyone would like to take over the editing of the Beacon Newsletter - please step forward.

If you would to find out more about what is involved please give Sue a call on 01525 229374 or 07889 645797.

Club Colours

The club colours are now registered with GNAS - so you can shoot in the official club shirts at competitions.

These can be ordered from Sue in the shop at £25 each.



The Gents shirt is available in sizes:
S(38") M(40") L(42-44") XL(46")
XXL(48"),

The Ladies shirt is available in:
S(30-32") M(34") L(36") XL(38")



November caption competition

Come up with a caption for this one!

Entries to Phil by the end of November please.