

BEACON ARCHERS NEWSLETTER, FEBRUARY 2009



Chairman's Report.

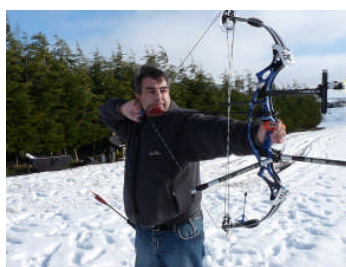
I know it's a bit late but I would like to wish you all the very best for the coming year. Let's all keep our fingers crossed for a summer with considerably less wind. The new indoor season has started well with the club picking up honours in a few shoots. We have also managed to add a couple of compound medals, thanks to Fergus, which is great for the club. I am sure Nigel has been chasing some of you for subs, so if you still have not renewed then please contact him and let him know either way so that we can keep the records up to date.

Some of you will be aware that we had some items stolen from the shed and we are currently looking into getting them replaced. Those of you who have been down to the field to shoot will have noticed the trolley has also been swapped for a sack barrow. We are looking to get something better



suited sorted out, but until then please be careful moving bosses around with the sack barrow it not the best tool for the job. Keep an eye on the web site for tournaments information as we are starting to get the first of the outdoor competition entry forms. Some of these book very fast so if you would like to shoot and join in the please let us know.

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



As you will note that not only has our Chairman braved the recent weather to shoot down on the field he has also changed bowstyle. Good Luck Phill with the compound.

Records Officer's Report

The club records are continuing to evolve and we have now added further bow styles which some of our members are shooting. There are still lots of records up for grabs and if you shoot an

unpopular one it may last for a very long time. Quite a few score sheets being submitted for records are not being fully filled in or signed off by the archer and/or the target captain. Please bear in mind that if any of the required information is missing the score will not be entered. Please also ensure you add up the total number of hits and gold's. Keep the scores coming. Phil

Equipment Officer's Report



Hope you have had a good indoor season so far. I know there are some of us still shooting outside in anticipation of a glimpse of the sun, but there is still work to be done on the field and in and around the shed. As I said in the last newsletter 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 around the stands and paint them. The light nights are starting to creep in so it won't be long before we start to cut the grass and mark out the field. There are still some things missing from the shed

after the break in a few months ago, there is a plan afoot to replace these items (1) Metal Detector (2) Large Trolley, and also plans for another shed or lean-to to put the larger items in. This is waiting for the committee to decide. Thank you all for keeping the shed and its surroundings in order.
Regards Peter

Calling all Beacon Juniors

Joyce and I have this year become representatives for the Junior Archers at Beacon. We hope over the coming year to be able to co-ordinate a number of events for the juniors whether it is competitions, fun shoots, opportunities to achieve badges or coaching.

Most of the things we can do unfortunately will have to be over the summer months, when we have access to outdoor shooting and we have more possibility of regular contact with the juniors, as I have not seen many of the junior members shooting down at the venues provided for indoor shooting (Thursday Evenings at Adeyfield School, Hemel Hempstead). This however will give Joyce and me opportunity to gather information from the junior members to what they would like organised, anyone wishing

to have input to this please contact me on

alison@cearchery.co.uk.

Due to child protection issues each junior will have to have a parent, or previously allocated responsible adult, present at any events that are put on.

I do believe that juniors are vital to a club; they are its future. Many of you may know that my son Sean, who this year has become a full Beacon member, is part of the Great Britain Junior Squad and has represented GB at International Competitions a number of times, winning a Bronze medal last year. Sean has to put in long hours of practice and has been noted as a possible for London 2012 Olympic Games, however it does show that given the right circumstances, training and dedication you can make your mark in the archery world. Please let Joyce and I know what you as juniors would like to see. We will endeavour to achieve this for you.

Alison Evans

Events

Look out for Archery Events run either by the club, The Archery Warehouse or Silver Arrow Archery. To do this regularly check all the web sites

www.beconarchers.co.uk
www.thearcherywarehouse

euk.co.uk and www.silverarrowarchery.co.uk.

Fun was had by all at the Christmas shoot at Adeyfield School, Hemel Hempstead. See pictures below. Hopefully more news will be available once we all manage to shoot outside on a regular basis.

