



UPCOMING EVENTS



Some of the dates below are unconfirmed, and will remain so until the entry forms come in.

2002

November

10th Lasswade - Portsmouth

2003

February

16th NA Champs - Portsmouth
Beacon centre, Aberdeen.

March

2nd Lasswade - Worcester

More to follow...

See:

www.scottisharchery.org.uk

for more information about upcoming shoots, copies of results and much more news and information about the Scottish archery scene.

The end of a wet & windy season!

The end of yet another outdoor season (how the months fly by!). The nights are "fair drawin' in" and as we get ready to brave the snow & ice to get to indoor shoots across the length & breadth, I felt a summary was in order.

This has been a very successful season for many, with personal bests being destroyed and many new club records being set and reset and reset... Competition has been fierce! (in spite of the often appalling weather).

Classification improvements

David Herd: up from 1st class to Bowman.

Ewan McFarlane: Up from 3rd class to 1st class!

Medals/awards

Murray Elliot: Six 1st places, Gents team, 90m, and two 50m medals. Six-gold end and 1200 thistle. Eastern area Champion.

David Herd: 1st place, two 2nd places, 3rd place, 1st Class, 70m, and Bowman medals.

Ewan McFarlane: Gents team, 3rd Class, and 2nd Class medals

Willie Morland: Gents team, 90m and Bowman medals

Hazel Scott: 1st place, two 2nd places, 3rd place, 5th place, Bowman, four 60m, and Short-metric medals.

Other achievements

- Murray & Hazel represented Scotland in June in the 3-corner match in Penrith. Scotland won 4 out of the 5 trophies.
- Ewan, David, Hazel, Murray and Willie were chosen to be part of the Eastern-area team in the annual inter-area championships in September. Eastern Area were leading going into the 30m but due to injury & fatigue, the team were pipped at the post. A stalwart and valiant effort as everyone put in 110% and even managed some PBs under pressure. Good work team!

Final tally of new records: **26** new club records!! (that in itself must be a record).

Hope I haven't forgotten anyone/anything! Keep up the good work during the indoor season.

Handicap league

A new club handicap league has been devised and details are supplied separately.

In summary, two or three teams of people will be chosen to shoot against each other on a monthly basis (individual entries will also be catered for).

When you shoot a handicap competition, each score you shoot is given a handicap rating. When you shoot a score with a higher handicap rating, then your overall handicap increases.

The result of this handicap rating is that when you shoot a score, it can be adjusted by a "handicap adjustment factor" which means that all archers compete at the same level whether they can shoot a 200 Portsmouth or a 550 Portsmouth.

The competition is intended to provide everyone with a bit of fun and also provide some interest in the otherwise dull indoor season. Your entries are warmly welcomed!

[See supplied handicap newsletter]

That's all for now!

That's it for this edition I'm afraid. Time pressures mean there aren't enough hours in the day. If you have an interesting article or questions, give them to Murray at the club, or Email me here:

murrayelliot@blueyonder.co.uk

Competition Entries

Just a wee reminder to anyone who feels the urge to join us at an organised shoot – please see Willie (Grange members) or Paul (Balbardie members) WELL IN ADVANCE if you are interested in taking part in any competitions to register your interest, or simply to find out more...

You DO NOT have to be the best archer around, you just have to have the urge to pick up your bow and go meet some new faces (excuse the pun!). Don't be intimidated by going to competitions. Everyone's really friendly and the chances are there will be a few of us there to help you along.

You don't need any special skills or equipment, just a bow, arrows, tab, bracer, quiver, some food and a bottle of water or juice (some halls get quite warm).

If you want more information, see Willie, Paul, Hazel or Murray.

Old newsletters & club pages

Another wee reminder that the old newsletters can be found at

<http://www.archersreference.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/newsletter.html>.

(sorry it's so long, but the club doesn't yet have its own website!). This site is also has **the archer's reference**, a book written for beginners and experienced archers alike. What's more, it's free!!

Basic club pages can be found here:

www.archersreference.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/balbardie.html
www.archersreference.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/grange.html

