



Somerset Archery News

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SOMERSET AGM

The County AGM was held at Puriton on the 15th. of March; out of a total of about 270 senior and 80 junior archers who are currently affiliated through the County we had an attendance of 15 - 5.5% of the senior membership. When you consider that we have a President, three Vice Presidents, four reps to Grand Western Council, five tournament organisers and thirteen of our own positions to fill you will begin to understand why so many people end up with more than one job. (If you think that 5.5% is low, you might like to know that the figure at the GWAS AGM was 1.64%.)

This year, we have had a change in the 'executive'; after doing the job for longer than he cares to remember Rod Freemantle has finally got rid of the Treasurer's post and Ann Jackson - who has been the Secretary for eight or nine years - also managed to abdicate. Alison Pattermore has taken over as Secretary and Ann has moved to Treasurer - and I must remember to have a word with Rod to find out how he managed to avoid getting lumbered for anything else! These, and all the other posts, are listed below.

Everyone who does work on behalf of the County does so voluntarily and for no reward so I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all who keep the County functioning; some of the jobs do not require a lot of work but they are necessary in case something crops up; the Vice-Chairman for instance is only called upon to chair meetings if the Chairman isn't present - and Paul hasn't missed a meeting in many years (why else would I have agreed to do the job?)

There are also people who, although they hold no office, regularly come along to the Management Meetings and provide valuable feedback and ideas and I would like to thank them as well; it would be nice to see at least one rep. from every club at every meeting - a plea I have made more than once - so lets see if we can make it a full house for this year's meetings!

OFFICERS

President :-
Ann Jackson - Hatch

Vice Presidents :-
Rod Freemantle - Hatch
Pete Smith - Hatch
Andy Rees - Ballands
(in order of time served)

Chairman :- Paul Tompkins - Puriton
V-chairman :- Chris Hassall - Mid Som.
Secretary :- Alison Pattermore - WSCoA
Treasurer :- Ann Jackson - Hatch

RESPONSIBLE POSTS

This is not to say that the officers are not responsible! These are the people that have a responsibility for a particular area of the archery activities within the county.

Records :- Tim Jackson - Hatch
Coaching :- Chris Hassall - Mid Somerset
Equipment :- Dave Monk - Ina
Field :- Andy Rees - Ballands
Flight/Clout :- Tim Jackson - Hatch
Juniors :- Amanda Tompkins - Puriton
Judging :- Alex Kerby - Coastal
Target :- Tim Jackson - Hatch

ORGANISERS ETC.

Tournament Organisers :-
Champs :- Chris Hassall - Mid Somerset
Juniors :- Vikki Gallop - Hatch

FITA Star :- Tim Jackson - Hatch
Inter-Club :- Amanda Tompkins - Puriton
Postal :- Sylvia Baskett - Puriton

In addition to the above we have :-
Representatives to G.W.A.S. council (of which Ann Jackson is currently Chairman) :-
Alison Pattermore, Tim Pattermore, Tim Jackson & Paul Tompkins
Auditors :- Marion Kerby & Rod Freemantle

EDITORIAL

You should all have received your copies of Archery UK by now and have had time to study them from cover to cover. To my mind the most important article was the one to do with the re-structuring of GNAS as it will affect each and every one of us in one way or another. The Grand National AGM will make the decision as to which way we will go and while I appreciate that virtually no-one will make the journey to Lilleshall you do have a voice through your club. Individual members have a vote in their own right but if you affiliate through your club - as do most of us - the club (usually in the person of the club secretary) does have a vote or votes (this depends on the size of the club membership.)

Even if your club will not be physically represented there is a system of proxy votes and forms are sent to every club. Please use your vote - I would not presume to tell you how to vote but I strongly urge you to vote one way or the other. Andy Rees is a National Councillor from Somerset and would be happy to carry your vote - but the form has to be completed and returned.

Chris

WHOSE BACK IN SOMERSET?

Do you know who this archer is?
There is a clue in the photograph - if you can see it!
Answer - and article - on page 3





COUNTY SELECTION SHOOTS

There is a change to the format of the Inter-Counties Shoot this year. It has been agreed that there will be four longbow shooters - two ladies and two gentlemen - in each team to see how it goes. The gentlemen will shoot a York and the Ladies will shoot a Double National but their scores will not count in deciding the result of the Team Event.

The same selection criteria will apply to longbow shooters as applies to the rest of the team; i.e. you must have shot at three of the following selection shoots or achieve a 'Qualifying Score' at any shoot. The 'Qualifying Scores' are the same as in past years; Ladies have to shoot a 1070 Hereford (or better of course!) or a 1150 Ladies FITA, Gentlemen have to achieve 1150 for a Gents FITA or 1015 for the York. These scores can be achieved at any open shoot but you - the archer - have to inform the records officer, in writing and with a copy of the results sheet, that you have shot a qualifying score. Tim is pretty good, but we have yet to prove that he is 100% psychic so don't just expect him to 'know'. His address is 14, Marron Close, Axbridge, North Somerset, BS26 2PE - and I'm sure he would love to hear from anyone reaching the above scores. Or, for longbow shooters, the below scores!

As we have no figures for longbow scores, we have worked out a rough equivalent based on the scores for Bowman and Master Bowman in the GNAS Classification Tables. I have tried to simplify this in the table at the bottom of this column - we have taken the minimum recurve score needed to get Bowman and MB and divided this by the minimum required to get the same for longbow; as you can see, for each round the figure obtained is very nearly the same, so we have simply divided the qualifying score for recurve by this figure to get the 'Qualifying Score' (rounded up or down) for the longbows. Simple, isn't it? (If you understand it, perhaps you could explain it to me!)

X OR 10? - NEW SCORING SYSTEM

Following my perusal of the score sheets from the County Indoor Championships I realised that the current scoring system is not too clear in people's minds so I thought it worthwhile reproducing most of the article previously printed in 1998.

For the outdoor FITA rounds, all shooters (Olympic and Compound) will now score the old ten ring as 10 and this will be recorded on the score-sheets as such. All shooters will now record the "inner ten" as "X" (still only 10 points!) - this is where the confusion could arise as in the past an "X" has indicated a miss which is now to be recorded as "M". Ties will now be worked out on hits, 10s and then inner tens; **please note that when calculating the number of "10s" an archers has scored you must count all the "10s" and the "Xs" as they are all "10", you must then count all the "Xs" separately and put this total in the "X" column.** As this could mean you redesigning your score sheets could I suggest that you follow the system as below which is the same as the GNAS "approved" version - it really does help if everyone lays the thing out in the same way. You will notice that a space has been allotted for judges to initial any alterations; I think this is a good idea as I have seen score sheets where there is virtually no room to sign for alterations - I'm sure most of the judges will approve!

The following are attempts to show how things should look; the first is for a FITA where six arrows are shot at the distance. The next one is how things could look at the shorter distance of the same round with "M's and "X's" appearing next to each other which could cause confusion, and the last is using the same design of score sheet for an imperial round where the "X" column will be left blank. All this should be made clear to you by the judges before the start of any tournament but I would suggest you practice it in your club and get the hang of it and don't have to worry about it at shoots. If you have a query, give me a ring and I'll try to help!

1	Judge							ET							ET	S	H	G	Xs	RT
		X	10	9	7	5	M	41	10	8	7	5	3	2	35	76	11	3	1	76
		X	X	10	9	6	4	49	X	8	5	4	3	M	30	79	11	4	3	155
2	Judge							ET							ET	S	H	G	Xs	RT
		X	10	M	X	9	5	44	X	9	5	X	8	7	49	93	11	5	4	83
		10	10	8	10	7	M	45	X	10	8	X	9	9	56	10	11	6	2	194
3	Judge							ET							ET	S	H	G	Xs	RT
		9	9	7	5	3	3	36	9	7	7	5	5	M	33	69	11	3		69
		9	7	7	5	1	M	29	9	9	5	3	3	M	29	58	10	3		127

FOR SALE

RH BROWNING VANGUARD 2, 40/50lbs, 25" - 27", compound bow - £175

LH SUPERSLAM, 55/70lbs, 28" - 30", Hoyt compound bow - £125

LH MARTIN FIRECAT, 45/60lbs, 28" - 30", compound bow WITH a pair of limbs to make it into a 68" - 40lbs @ 28" recurve bow!! - £75

LH HOYT RADIANT riser with PSE Carbon limbs 68" - 38lbs @ 28" recurve bow - £300

CASCADE 8 release aid (relax thumb to loose arrow) - £45

16 ACC ARROWS, 3-18 with 82 grain piles, 29½" - £50

If you are interested in any of the above items please contact Mike and Helen Hawkins on 01935 424667 or by e-mail at Mike.Helen@nationwideisp.net

54" UMBRELLA with bivouac canopy - £30. Contact Kerry Morgan on 01278 684799 - evenings only.

To advertise ring Chris on 01823 413624

CALCULATIONS TO ARRIVE AT QUALIFYING

	Bowman RC Bowman LB	MB RC MB LB	Qualifying Score
Ladies - Hereford	$\frac{952}{417} = 2.28$	$\frac{1091}{477} = 2.29$	$\frac{1070}{2.28} = 470$
Ladies - FITA	$\frac{1037}{508} = 2.04$	$\frac{1169}{571} = 2.05$	$\frac{1150}{2.05} = 560$
Gents - York	$\frac{913}{390} = 2.34$	$\frac{1065}{450} = 2.37$	$\frac{1015}{2.36} = 430$
Gents - FITA	$\frac{1065}{596} = 1.79$	$\frac{1190}{656} = 1.81$	$\frac{1150}{1.80} = 640$

SELECTION

Bath	FITA	14th. May
Salisbury	FITA	21st. May
Burnham	York / Hereford	28th. May
SCAA Dunster	York / Hereford	11th. June
Tockington	York / Hereford	16th. July
Coastal	York / Hereford	23rd. July
West Somerset	York / Hereford	20th. Aug.



WHOOOPS!

Well, at least it proves that some people read the Somerset Archery News and that's good to know. There were a few errors in the last issue of Somerset Archery News that have been brought to my attention - senility is adding to my natural stupidity, you will have to forgive me!

In no particular order - I got the date of Coastal's Clout wrong; it will be on the 1st. June - not the 8th. as I said. However, it does give me the chance to recommend this shoot, it really is a fun evening and no-one worries very much about the result, personally, I am always more concerned to ensure that they burn the hotdogs properly! I also missed out Coastal's York / Hereford on the 23rd. July, I don't have anything against Coastal (I even offered to help on the morning of the shoot), like I said - s & s.

Although I got the date of the Junior County and Regional Championships correct I got the venue wrong, we are not able to use Ladymead this year due to building work but Puriton have come to the rescue and the shoot will be on their ground.

And finally, my apologies to Sonya Ward, I managed to mis-spell her name on one occasion. I do get my proof reader to check things before going into print and - considering Mum doesn't know what I'm talking about most of the time (yes, it runs in the family as I don't know either!) - I think she does very well. If you find mistakes, let me know and I will apologise in the next issue!

SCAA INTER-CLUB SHOOT

This year sees the 50th. 'birthday' of Somerset County Archery Association and we are working on having something a bit special. The plan is to hold the shoot at the Somerset County Cricket Ground in Taunton and have a dinner there afterwards. It would be great if we had a really good turn out for both the shoot and the dinner and we will obviously need to know numbers well in advance. Somerset have a 'library' of 10 videos and four books and as no-one has shown any interest in them for two or three years we plan to auction them off sometime during the day. (If I remember I will put a list in the next issue of the Newsletter of what will be going 'under the hammer' - Robert Hardy's "Longbow" must be worth bidding for if you're into longbows.)



Did you recognise the Ladies World Silver Medallist, Alison Williamson? In the April 1998 issue of the Newsletter - following a most embarrassing moment (for me) - I posed the questions "Did I have the nerve to ask Alison back to Somerset?" and "Did she have the nerve to accept?" These pictures give you the answers!

On the 11th. and 12th. of March Alison ran sessions at Puriton. Unfortunately I couldn't get there for the Saturday session with the juniors but I have been reliably informed that it went well (by Alison!) My thanks to Amanda for taking over the organising of Saturday - including a dinner party at which Alison was our Guest of Honour. (And we went in my car!) *

The following day it was the turn of the seniors and Alison spent some time answering questions and explaining her plans. She then spent a lot of time working with various archers and showed us how to use a formaster. She also shared with us the secret of her success; it isn't 'magic dust' - though she did tell us about a Japanese girl who sprinkled something over her bow before the competition! - but hard work and hours of dedicated practise.

When you think that Alison is number two in the world it makes you wonder that she is prepared to devote time and effort into helping a few people in this corner of the world. I think this is one of the beauties of our sport - even when people get to the top most of them are willing to help others improve their shooting; I'm sure that those who met Alison for the first time will have been impressed and our good wishes go with her to Sydney in September. Lets hope that we get a bit more TV coverage this time round - but don't hold your breath!

* If you didn't know - last time Alison came, I took her and my Mum out to a dinner with the rest of the Somerset Squad and my car died on the motorway.



Left :- Alison at full draw with Tim Hurst loading his bow.
Top :- Explaining about 'foot position' to Mark Tottle.



Tournaments - 2000

Apr 9	Bath Archers	Albion	Batheaston
	Colin Fullalove, 2, Victoria Road, Trowbridge, Wilts. BA14 7LH		
Apr 16	¿ W.S.CoA	Westerns	Danesfield School, Williton
	Alison Pattermore, Three Gables, Burton, Stogursey, Bridgwater, Somerset. TA5 1QB		
Apr 23	Burnham CoA	Junior Shoot (Bristols)	BASC, Burnham
	Ann Bye, 43, Sheephouse Park, Easton-in-Gordano, Bristol. BS20 ONL		
May 14	Bath Archers	Friendly FITA	Batheaston
	Colin Fullalove, 2, Victoria Road, Trowbridge, Wilts. BA14 7LH		
May 21	D.W.A.A.	FITAs/Metrics	Salisbury
	Andrew Pulleyblank, 95, Moore Avenue, Kinson, Bournemouth, Dorset. BH11 8AU		
May 21	Lacetown Archers	Medieval Shoot	Honiton / Branscombe
	Bill Bagnall, 5, Wells Avenue, Feniton, Devon. EX14 0DL		
May 28	Burnham CoA	York/Hereford/Bristols	BASC, Burnham
	Ann Bye, 43, Sheephouse Park, Easton-in-Gordano, Bristol. BS20 ONL		
Jun 1	Coastal Archers	Single Clout	Berrow, Burnham
	Alex Kerby, The Warren, South Road, Brean, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset. TA8 2RF		
Jun 4	Burnham CoA	York/Hereford/Bristols	BASC, Burnham
	Ann Bye, 43, Sheephouse Park, Easton-in-Gordano, Bristol. BS20 ONL		
Jun 11	* S.C.A.A.	York/Hereford	Dunster <u>S.C.A.A.</u>
<u>Championships</u>			
	Chris Hassall, 38, Acacia Gardens, Taunton, Somerset. TA2 8TA		
Jun 12/18	Dunster Week §§		Dunster
	Monday	FITA	
	Tuesday	Albion or Field	
	Wednesday	Longbow (Two-way Western)	
	Thursday	Double Two-way Clout	
	Friday	Western	
	* Saturday/Sunday	Double York / Hereford	
	Janet Faralewski, 27, Sutherland Avenue, Broadstone, Dorset. BH18 9EB		
Jun 25	* SCAA & GWAS	York/Hereford/Bristols	Puriton <u>Junior Championships</u>
	Vikki Gallop, 2, Barrie Way, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset. TA8 1QT		
Jul 1/2	G.N.A.S.	FITA/Metrics - Y/H/Bs	Swindon <u>Nat. Jun. Champs</u>
	To be arranged - watch this space you juniors!		
Jul 14	Civil Service	York/Hereford	Taunton Civil Service Club
	Hilary Collins, 6, Princess Road, Taunton, Somerset. TA1 4SY		
Jul 16	Tockington	York/Hereford/Bristols	Tockington
	Brian Roynon, 59, Down Road, Portishead, Bristol. BS20 8RB		
Jul 23	Coastal Archers	York/Hereford	Berrow, Burnham
	Marion Kerby, The Warren, South Road, Brean, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset. TA8 2RF		
Aug 13	Bath Archers	Mixed Hereford	Batheaston
	Tony Newland, 10, Gibbs Leaze, Hilperton, Trowbridge, Wilts. BA14 7QN		
Aug 20	¿ W.S.CoA	York/Hereford/Bristols	Danesfield School, Williton
	Tim Pattermore, Three Gables, Burton, Stogursey, Bridgwater, Somerset. TA5 1QB		
Sep 10	SCAA	Battle of Britain FITA Star	BASC, Burnham
	Tim Jackson, 14, Marron Close, Axbridge, Somerset. BS26 2PE		
Sep 17	¿ SCAA Inter-Club	Somerset Rounds	Taunton Cricket Ground
	Amanda Tompkins, 7, Rowan Close, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset. TA7 8AL		

§§ Entry forms for Dunster Week are sent out in the middle of February - all at the same time - so if you want to be there, especially for the Double (June 17th. & 18th.), get your request for an entry form in to Janet before mid February and get your entries back as soon as you can!

* Rose Awards or FITA Stars may be claimed at these Tournaments

¿ Please note change from usual venue!