



Newsletter July 2013

Special points of interest:

- Third 2013 edition of the club newsletter.
- Update on events our members have been taking part in.
- Secretary Update.
- Spotlight on club member.

Secretary Update

Secretaries Report:

Update on Membership
The Club continues to thrive with the following members:
48 seniors
12 juniors
4 disabled.

Developments:

In July we will be launching three new initiatives aimed at new / novice archers. There will be three schemes to help and support archers into their new sport.

The first is the introduction of a mentoring scheme. New archers, when ending the beginners scheme will be able to request access to a mentor for the next 2 months. This scheme is dependant on experienced archers being willing to be mentors. Further information will be made available on the website. If you would

Welcome!

Welcome to this edition of the club's newsletter, with a mix bag of weather causing the annual Club Championships to be postponed in June, though July so far has been glorious! The new date will be 28 July so please confirm to Malcolm if you are still available to

shoot, or if not signed up and still want to take part. In August we will be hosting on our field the County Clout Championship which also includes the EAF 2nd British Championship. We are looking for members to help on the each day as part of the field

party; again please let Malcolm know.

Also we are appealing to anyone available on 21 July for the Seven Clubs shoot which is a local team competition being held this year at CCB. Contact Steve Povey for more details.



Alli Mawhinney—PR Officer

consider being a mentor please let me know.

Sometimes as a new archer it is difficult to see how you are progressing. We are launching an award scheme which will recognise new archers development and progress. The scheme will award achievement medals at five attainment levels. All you need to do is achieve a score of 252 (5 zone scoring) with 3 dozen arrows at each of the following distances:

- 20 meters Neston White Award
- 30 meters Neston Black Award
- 50 meters Neston Blue Award
- 60 meters Neston Red Award
- 70 meters Neston Gold Award

Scoring forms will shortly be available on the website.

To help new archers develop their skills we will be arranging a series of 15 minute practical sessions to be held during the Club Sessions. These will cover areas

such as how to fletch arrows, bow maintenance, how to fit a D loop. If you have any ideas for what these sessions should cover please let me know. Also, experienced archers, your help is needed to be able to run these sessions. Please let me know what sessions you would be able to do and when.

Again, further information will be on the website and available in the container.

Fees:

In early July I will be emailing the membership renewal forms. Please keep a look out in your inbox. I am waiting confirmation from Archery GB but I am expecting an increase in £1 to cover Archery GB membership.

Key security

I have recently done a review on current key security arrangements for the main club container. As a result we will be changing the lock in the near future. Current key holders will be informed when this happens.



Helen Porter (above)

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Secretary Update Continued

Changes to Committee Membership

As many of you will have heard Andy Mara will shortly be heading off to sunny Dubai. We wish him well and would like to thank him for his years on the committee and in par-

ticular for his support for Juniors as Junior Secretary.

The committee reviewed his upcoming vacancy and the other vacant position of Social Secretary.

The Committee co-opted Alli Mawhinney to Social Secre-

tary (in addition to her PR role), Scott Gibson to Junior Secretary / Child Protection, and Graeme Gibson to Ordinary Member.

Happy shooting!

Club member update

Victoria Mara took part in the All British field archery championships in Pentref South Wales. Vikki came third in the ladies recurve.

And, the history of the Lord Paramount from an article in The Mail

For centuries, the Lord of the Manor of Holderness – between Hull and Bridlington would fire a gold coin on an arrow into the North Sea to appease any likely Danish and Viking invaders. After the Norman conquest, the Manor of Holderness was given to a friend of William the Conqueror. With its' fertile farmland and rich pickings from shipwrecks. It became such a

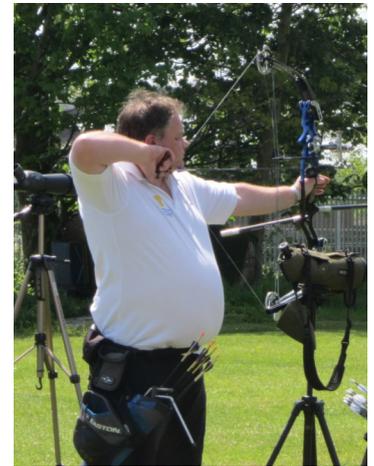
powerful position of Lord Paramount. In return, he had to raise 350 archers for the king. In the 16th century, the title passed to the Constable family and, although Vikings were no longer a threat, the tradition of firing the gold coin continued up to the 19th century. In 2011, on the death of John Chichester Constable, the 46th Lord Paramount, the title passed to his daughter, Rodrica Straker.

Graeme and Helen took part in the Stafford junior archers run fita in June. He was 2nd including the highest 30m score on day. Helen was 3rd. It is a well run relaxed competition with plen-

ty of nice food available and was a lovely sunny day, they were even honoured with a fly past from a spitfire and hurricane on the day.



Helen shooting at County Match (above) Graeme (below)





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Spotlight on member - Jim Streets



Apart from archery I have a few other hobbies, such as sea fishing and a twitcher. Recently my daughter bought me a bird box with a camera inside so I am looking forward to see what goes on in a box. Many different birds seem to be visiting my garden and in April a rather brilliant visitor was a blackcap not a rare bird but not

often seen in this area; over the years I have had success with my bird boxes, which I make, with lots of blue tits and great tits nesting and breeding their young, one particular year I held a fledgling blue tit which just about flew I placed the young bird on the garage and mum and dad soon came to its aid. With the very changeable weather and conditions the

nesting season could be a bit late so I am hoping for success in my garden.

Sea fishing is another past time I enjoy and you can always find me down at New Brighton prom, casting in hope of catching the dinner, though not very successful but being out at the front is brilliant when the weather is good.

Junior member Update



Jason was in the short Junior National on sat 18/5/13; he was a bit nervous but soon settled in as this was his first target shoot. He shot very well on the day with a score of 266 and out of the boys recurve he came 4th.



Jason (above) Oliver and Nicola shooting at May Clout (below)



Jason (left) Jack, Oliver and Nicola (above)

