

Kent Archery Association

NEWSLETTER

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Greetings,

As this is the first newsletter of the New Year I wish you all a happy one with the scores you want. As usual all the errors are probably mine.

If you want an article in the newsletter all you have to do is to send it in to newsletter@archerykent.org.uk

Cheers Mark

Data Protection

This issue has caused a number of sleepless nights and lengthy discussions at both KAA and SCAS. All clubs were sent a copy of a summary of the changes a while ago and they are available on line. It would seem that the major difference is that you need <u>positive</u> permission to hold data rather that a negative one.

All clubs and individual members have been asked to return a form stating their preferences and at the time of writing under half have returned them. If this applies to you them please get that form back to the

treasurer as soon as possible. Our SCAS reps have asked SCAS to hold back on the publication of the 'Green book' as the directory is known but it is not clear how long this can be for.

You will notice that KAA shoots taking place after May 1st will have a tick box to say that competitors are happy for KAA to hold the data in order to comply with the changes.

As usual we will not know what problems will arise until after a prosecution has taken place but I would rather it was not KAA in the firing line!

As I have made clear KAA holds all the sheets that are sent in from clubs for one year after they are current after which they are shredded. No data is passed out to any other body except SCAS who get the club addresses, ranges etc.

Kent TOs hold the data as long as required to send out the following year's entry forms and get back all the trophies.

Open letter to all Kent Archers

To you all,

Kent Archery Association undertakes to organise events throughout the year for you in all aspects of our sport including Outdoor, Indoor, field, Para and Clout. We also have two sub-groups in Invicta Coaching and Kent Archery Field to assist you all expand your enjoyment in our sport.

When you speak we listen and as with the Longbow Championships changes are made, where possible, but for two years now we have tried to meet the needs of members but have not been supported so I'm sorry to say there will not be an Unsighted Bow tournament this year.

A small number of folk give a lot of time throughout the year to enable Kent archers grow and excel so my plea to you all is please support us, please assist us where possible, but most of all please join us at the events run on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Bob Beaney

KAA Chairman.

Long Bow event

As I type this KAA is in discussion with the West Kent Archery Society for them to host a Long Bow event on behalf of KAA. This will not be the Championship but a separate dedicated event. (ed)

Gravesend Archers

Jubilee shoot on Monday May 28th... details on their web site

From Bob Gawler.....

This year Thanet Archers are putting on two record status competitions

The Two way double clout tassel award & record status on the 19th August 2018 forms on web site then we have the **record status Portsmouth Worcester** at Ursuline College on the 28th October 2018. Entry forms will be on web site soon.

We are also putting on a **handicap shoot all westerns** to encourage club archers to participate this will be held June the 3rd 2018 entry forms can be found on Thanet archery club web site this is a good shoot for all ability's

Sutton Bowmen Charity shoot takes place on the 18th of March. The club have had to reduce the sessions this year due to demands from the school so get your entries in early when the forms come out.

Crystal Palace Open (Record Status and Rose) April 22nd 2018

Well if I cannot plug my own club's shoot what can I do!! Entry forms have been on the web since May and entries are coming in already.

Sponsorship

In-Range archery have very kindly agreed to sponsor all KAA tournaments this year. This is great news for Kent because it does help keep the ever increasing costs of our shoots at bay.

You will now see their logo on all KAA entry forms, results sheets and so on.

Thankyou 'In-Range Archery' .

The shop at Wrotham does have a web site https://inrangearchery.co.uk and the shop itself is easily accessible from the M20.

They also sponsor some of Kent's top archers and have a short indoor range with good parking.

KAA Championships. August 5th 2018

The forms for this event have been sent out and are also on line. You will note a change of date for which the explanation is simple.. The field was not available on the 19th August for our use and as no one else has volunteered to run the event and I was not allowed to be available on the 12th for personal reasons. Simples!!

As usual a full record status event with Rose awards. KAA T/O

In the last newsletter we asked for thoughts about trophies. No one replied so the Committee is now deciding what to do with them as so many archers did not want to take them home. We are in discussion with Bill Terry for them to be on display in his museum and brought to the events for photographs and then returned after the shoot (as they are at a number of events including AGB, Dunster and so on).

KAA Indoor (see report later in the newsletter)

A the above shoot Tanya shot and is claiming a national record with her score of 575. Nice one Tanya!!

Calendar 2018				
Kent Archery Field				
KAF-1	Saturday 24 th wor Sunday 25 th February			
KAF-2	Saturday 10 th wor Sunday 11 th March	rkday Club shoot 12T		
KAF-3	Saturday 24th wor Sunday 25 th March	kday National Animal 32T		
KAF-4	Saturday 7 th wor Sunday 8th July	rkday Club shoot 24T		
KAF-5	Saturday 1st wor Sunday 2nd September			
Kent Archery Association County Field Championships				
KAA-1	Saturday 6 th October wor Sunday 7 th October	rkday 24 target Unmarked/Marked		
KAF-6	Saturday 10 th wor Sunday 11 th November			

Kent Indoor Championships

Ashford Archers once again hosted the Kent Indoor Championships within their superbly run record status Portsmouth on the 28th of January. The day saw 85 Kent archers shooting over three sessions.

Even though the day wasn't without incident the day ran well from start to finish with only a very short break in the first session, normally equipment failure is at the shooting line end but this time it was a catastrophic target failure with one of the bosses popping apart. The judges, work party and archers all leapt into action and scored the arrows shot, removed the broken boss, replaced with a spare, reset the target lights, sorted out the remaining arrows to be shot and shot them and got everyone back on track in under nine minutes, very impressive guys. Drama over, the end of the day resulted in some worthy champions with some noteworthy scores, the highest Gents compound score ever, highest 1st and 2nd Ladies Compound ever, equal highest Gents Recurve and highest ever runner up Gents recurve, possible county records to be claimed and archers across all disciplines shooting personal bests, well done to all.

Ashford pulled out all the stops providing foam bosses throughout, twin spotlights on each boss, an online scoreboard and results updated throughout the day available via a hotspot in the hall as well as online so those in session one can follow the event while at home with a well earned beer and full results online before the archers in the last session had left the carpark.

Thank you to all involved, to the Judges for their wisdom, to Gordon Brown the TO for weeks of work and the extras that Kent Championships involved, to Ashford Archers for a great day and to all the archers who made it a success.

CONGRATULATIONS TO KENT ARCHERS!!

National Indoor Championships

Trawling through the results for this event I found some KAA archers to whom congratulations are due!! Michael Kells (UK Indoor Champion, Compound) Bayley Sargent (runner up UK Ladies Compound) Luke Hagon (UK Mens Long Bow Champion) Second place County Team KELLS Michael ,SARGEANT Bayley-Rose SARGEANT Jason BOLOU Carlos **National Junior Indoor Championships** Junior gentlemen Long Bow (top three places!!) Sam Homewood, Joue Matten and Jack Summers. Junior ladies Long Bow (runner up) Robyn Webb Junior ladies Long Bow (U14) Rayelle Ennels Smith Plus 9 other medal winners from Sittingbourne!!

HELP NEEDED

As usual an appeal for help at the KAA events this year. We need volunteers to make the shoots go smoothly. Please contact the relevant TO if you can help either on the Saturday or the Sunday (or part of the days!!)

Sittingbourne Community College Archers

Are hosting a new event on Saturday 28th July.. The Para Record Status 720 and Festival. Details on the KAA website and will be sent out to all KAA clubs. This event is open to all para and VI archers. You do not have to do the Record Status 720.. There are other rounds available as well.



From the County Records Officer

Hello.

Here's to the start of a new year of shooting. Hopefully the weather will make good archery weather. I would like to take this opportunity to mention a few things before the outdoor season begins in earnest. The county records have been adjusted to mirror those National Records maintained by Archery GB. This means that there have been many changes made to our own Kent Records. (The biggest change is to the outdoor target junior records. AGB do not hold records for every round and every age group. To copy their example Kent now only have only record per round for girls and boys. These rounds are age restricted to prevent older juniors achieving records in the shorter/easier distances.) All the new record books are dated February 2018 and should be on the KAA website soon. There are notes in the front of each book outlining the major changes to each volume. Please check the record book that the round you wish to claim is still available before sending off any paperwork as only the rounds in the books will be accepted.

Thank you to those Records Officers who are using the new Excel spreadsheets to submit monthly score returns. Apologies for the necessary change as the spreadsheets are still under review for ease of use but most people seem to be ok with them. The old style returns forms cannot be easily copied over onto the main list held by Kent and have to be re-typed line by line, a very time consuming task. The spreadsheets can be copied and pasted, vastly reducing time, and preventing typographical errors which could affect archer's eligibility for consideration for the County Teams. Thanks again.

As a reminder for the returns forms; the scores sent in must be for rounds of a minimum 8 dozen arrows and including at least the archer's maximum distance and at a level of 1st Class or above. WA70/50m rounds can also be sent in as long as the handicap number is at least equal to that achieved at 1st Class for that archer. (This is because there is the potential for WA70/50m rounds to be shot in competitions.) The committee is aware that there are other 1st Class rounds of shorter distance and/or duration but the intention, as always, is to ascertain archers scoring during longer rounds closer to tournament conditions. Other rounds, such as below 1st Class or only six dozen arrows, will not be considered.

Lastly, for indoor rounds, barebow and longbow classifications are obtained from the recurve section of the classification tables. The GNAS tables allow for Compound and "non-Compound". Some records officers are leaving these sections blank as there are no tables specifically labelled longbow or barebow. Please use the classifications found under Recurve.

Regards and hoping for good shooting,

Terry.

(if you have any queries please contact Terry via his KAA e-address which is on the website ed.).





These are the dates for the rest of the year for the committee and other KAA events.

If you have a query, suggestion or idea you want discussed just contact one of the committee via e-mail.

Event	Date	Venue
Committee	March 12 th	Medway Archers
Invitation	May 13th	Vigo
Committee	May 14 th	Medway Archers
Training event	May 20 th	Vigo
County Match	June 10 th	Vigo
Committee	July 9 th	Medway Archers
WA 720 H2H etc.	July 7 th & 8th	Vigo
Para event	July 28th	Sittingbourne
Kent Championships	August 5th	Vigo
Committee	September 10 th	Medway Archers
Clout	September 19th	Thanet Archers
Committee	October 8 th	Medway Archers
KAA AGM	November 25 th	Medway Archers
Committee	December 10 th	Medway Archers