



Kent Archery Association

NEWSLETTER

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Greetings,

The outdoor season is nearly here, although the winter seems not to have been too bad for outdoor archery on occasions (even I have managed to get a couple of rounds shot, much to the amazement of my club's record officer).

Details are shown of the forthcoming KAA shoots but I would draw the attention of all archers to the new shoot for KAA which is the 'unsighted bow' shoot. Full details are available on the web site but are summarised later on in this edition.

As usual all the errors contained herein are mine!!

Mark

Rule changes

I would remind all archers of the change in rules for Record Status shoots where archer's equipment is now required to be checked either before (as seems to be happening) or during the shoot. It is also made clear that it is the archer's responsibility to have the correct kit.

So far this does not seem to have been much of a problem but I would emphasise two issues that I have come across:-

Firstly all arrows **must** have either your name or your initials clearly marked on them. It is better to put the details on the arrow than the fletchings (which may come off especially if you have a pass through or similar).

Secondly (and this is for bare bows) there must be no markings visible on the back of the bow where they can be seen by the archer. This includes trademarks on the riser. In addition sight blocks, clicker screws etc. should have been removed, the trademarks can be covered with tape.

As a judge I know that all judges will help archers resolve issues where possible but forewarned is forearmed. If you have a query seek advice from either a regular competition archer or from a Judge.

Newsletter

You have received this newsletter either because you are a club member or you have asked to receive it directly from KAA. Should you wish to opt out of receiving it directly please let the Treasurer know by e-mail and your name will be removed from the relevant lists. If you want your name added then let the treasurer know (treasurer@archerykent.org.uk), you will then receive the newsletter direct plus other information.

KAA does not give out the member lists to any other body except SCAS. KAA will, however, send out material on request to clubs (entry forms etc.).

REMINDER!!

There are several matches and events that will involve the Kent teams this summer. If you want to be part of the squad then make sure your scores are sent in to the KAA records officer by either yourself OR your club records officer.

Crystal Palace Bowmen Open shoot (April 17th).

At the time of writing I have been told that there are still some places available for this shoot (well there have to be some advantages to being the editor!!)

Dates for the diary for you. These are dates for tournaments within KAA remit and for committee meetings:-
 The dates can be confirmed on the KAA website.
 Please note the change of style of shoot in May when those shooting the bare bow and the long bow are invited.
 The WA 1440, Invitation and Championships are all Record status (with Rose where applicable).

| Item | Date | Venue |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Committee | March 14 th | Medway Archers |
| Invitation (R/S & R) | May 8 th | Vigo |
| Committee | May 9 th | Medway Archers |
| Unsighted bows (L/B, B/B) | May 22 nd | Vigo |
| WA 1440 WRS | June 19 th | Vigo |
| Committee | July 11 th | Medway Archers |
| Springboard | July 17 th | Vigo |
| Para Archery Festival | July 24 th | Sittingbourne |
| Kent Championships R/S & R | August 21 st | Vigo |
| Clout | September 11 th | Thanet Archers |
| Committee | September 12 th | Medway Archers |
| Committee | October 10 th | Medway Archers |
| KAA AGM | November 27 th | Medway Archers |
| Committee | December 12 th | Medway Archers |



Photographs from this year's SCAS Indoor are not available yet so here is one from last year!!

Kent 'Unsighted Bows' Tournament

on behalf of Kent Archery Association

Sunday, 22nd May 2016

at

**Vigo Rugby Football Club,
Swanswood, Harvel Road, Vigo Village DA13 0UA**

Rounds:

The rounds to be shot will be:

York, Hereford, Bristol 1, Bristol 2, Bristol 3, Bristol 4
and Bristol 5,

ENTRY INFORMATION

- Eligibility:** This tournament is open to archers who are existing members of ArcheryGB and Kent Archery Association. Proof of membership will be requested at the tournament.
- Club:** Because this event is organised by a county association, you must enter the tournament either as a member of your first-claim club (GNAS Law 20.b.v)
- Drug Testing:** You are liable for drug testing, and competitors approached to give samples must comply. If you refuse, that refusal will be treated as a positive result. Entries from archers under the age of 18 must be signed by a parent/guardian to signify consent to their child being drug tested.
- Bow Types:** The following bow types are eligible and as defined by the Rules of Shooting Revised 2015.
Long Bow Regulation 206
Recurve Bare Bow Regulation 204
American Flat Bow Regulation 206A
Recurve Traditional Regulation 205
Compound Bare bow Regulation 209

The Rounds: York, Hereford, Bristol 1, Bristol 2, Bristol 3, Bristol 4 and Bristol 5

| Round | Gentleman | Ladies | Distances (yds) |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| York | Senior | | 100 80 60 |
| Hereford | | Senior | 80 60 50 |
| Bristol 1 | Under 18 | | 80 60 50 |
| Bristol 2 | Under 16 | Under 18 | 60 50 40 |
| Bristol 3 | Under 14 | Under 16 | 50 40 30 |
| Bristol 4 | Under 12 | Under 14 | 40 30 20 |
| Bristol 5 | | Under 12 | 30 20 10 |

Full details are on the KAA website and have been sent to all clubs

Help!!! Field Party needed

Each shoot held at Vigo needs to have the field laid out the day before the shoot, the targets set up before the shoot, arrows found during the shoot and the targets taken down after the shoot.

If this doesn't happen then neither will the shoot!!

We need volunteers to help with all of the above (or part of it) please contact either Michael Walton or Mike Higgins (michaelhiggins70@ntlworld.com) to have a chat.

Kent Indoor Report

This year's Kent Indoor championship moved from its normal Remembrance Sunday slot in November to Valentine's Day in February this year. While the total number of round shot this year, 154 was down from last year's 168 the average round score, 464.35 was up on 2014 which was 463.91. To give you some idea over the 3 sessions this year there were 8776 scoring arrows of which 2235 of those scoring arrows were 10's. The total point's value was 71510.

Congratulations go to the following archers that were crowned county indoor champions this year.

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| Cliff Gadd | Raven Archers | Gents Longbow |
| Sophie Castle | Thanet Archery Club | Junior Recurve |
| Jacqui Gould | Crown Archers | Ladies Recurve |
| Charlie Collis | SCCA | Junior Compound |
| Barrie Weston | Ashford Archers | Gents Barebow |
| Ryan Holden | Thanet Archery Club | Gents Recurve |
| Vicci Flack | Crystal Palace Bowmen | Ladies Compound |
| Harry Stew | SCCA | Junior Barebow |
| Sheila Ovenell | Sutton Bowmen AC | Ladies Barebow |
| Irene Crouch | Thanet Archery Club | Ladies Longbow |
| Samuel Homewood | SCCA | Junior Longbow |
| Alex Taylor | SCCA | Gents Compound |



SCAS photos courtesy of SCAS!!
Water one from Archery360.com

I have heard of some crazy variations of our sport but underwater archery.. Wonder what the local leisure pool people might say if I tried it?

