



## Kent Archery Association

### NEWSLETTER

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#### Greetings,

Yesterday I was at the Kent Invitation and everybody complained about the heat and the wind so what happens.. As I type this it is pouring down with rain.

There are a number of articles that need care full reading in this issue as well as some that are about KAA archers achievements so enjoy!!

As usual all the errors contained herein are mine!!

Mark

#### KAA Website and Mike Brighton

Thos of you who read the AGB website (as I am sure you all do !!!) may have seen that the KAA website won the website of the year award from AGB. The award was collected from the AGB AGM by B. Beaney in April. The site was created by Mike Brighton who unfortunately died last year so the Committee would like to dedicate it to his memory; a suitable certificate will be presented to Jane, his wife, in due course.

B. Beaney



L. Kenyon

#### More Good News

While on the subject of good things.. Have you heard about Sittingbourne Community College Archery Club? Apart from Adam Kenyon being awarded a Bronze plaquette at last year's AGM the club has now won the 'Junior Club On Target Award' seen here being presented by David Reader from AGB.

#### Cancellation

It was with a collection of heavy hearts that the KAA committee decided to cancel the inaugural 'Un sighted bows' tournament in May. This was down to the fact that there were just too few entries to make it viable in terms of volunteer's time, venue cost and so on. The committee will look at the situation for next year. On a personal level I now have a Sunday off but as the event was asked for by Bare Bow and Long Bow archers it was very disappointing.

The KAA invitation was held on May the 9th at Vigo. Now I am not sure how this happened but the County Captain's Team beat the President's Team YET AGAIN.

The results have been sent out but here are the top archers from the day:-

**RECURVE** Stevie Kent 1025 143 56 & Sophie Castle 1160 144 87

**COMPOUND** Michael Kells 1242 144 117

**LONGBOW** Cliff Gadd 531 109 11 & Irene Crouch 373 101 6

**BAREBOW** Ian Day 576 112 10 & Sheila Ovenell 615 125 17

Don't forget that all scores of Kent Bowmen and above are eligible for this event so make sure your scores go in to the County Captain

**Even More Good News!!**

Bayley Rose Sargent went to Hungary to represent our country. This is what she posted on line:-

*Finally home from the European Youth Cup in Hungary. It was such an amazing experience for my first ever international with GB! After getting over my nerves on the Tuesday morning I went on to shoot 670 in qualification which ranked me 5th out of 15 and is also a competition PB for me. I finished up 7th individually after winning my 1/8 match but losing my quarter finals match. However, Rebecca, Abbie and I won silver in the team event! It was such a brilliant week and I hope there will be more to come! It seems very surreal that only two years ago I was competing in my first outdoor tournament and now I have competed internationally for my country. I'd like to thank Jon, Simon, Nichola, Christina and the rest of the GB team for all your support and also a big thank you to #MerlinArchery #mybo #opticon #arrowsocks.*

**All we can say really is WELL DONE!!**





Photos courtesy of Sam Sargent

All club secretaries and KAA individual members receive this newsletter automatically. There is also a list of archers who have asked to receive it. If you want to be added to the list do get in touch.

**While on the subject of National teams a note from Neil Dimmock about EAF**

The English Archery Federation (EAF) is a body set up by the five English Regions within The Grand National Archery Society (GNAS) to select and manage teams for International events where it is appropriate for England (as opposed to Great Britain) to participate.

The EAF has squad participation and organises weekends and other coaching events to further these aims. Details of how to be considered for any of the activities please refer to the Federation web site,

[www.englisharcheryfederation.org](http://www.englisharcheryfederation.org)

The Regions also require the EAF to run National tournaments and administer such English Awards deemed appropriate (e.g. English Crosses). Entry forms for the major EAF tournaments are also downloadable from this site.

Management of EAF is in the hands of elected representatives from each region and is independent of GNAS / ArcheryGB.

Recognising GNAS / AGB as the UK Governing Body for the sport, where appropriate, EAF will work in conjunction with GNAS/ AGB and a Director with responsibility for regions has a standing invitation to attend all EAF Committee meetings.

**Dates for the Diary**

All club secretaries have been sent the relevant entry forms but they are all also available from the KAA

Item	Date	Venue
WA 1440 WRS	June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Vigo
Committee	July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Medway Archers
Springboard	July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Vigo
Para Archery Festival	July 24 <sup>th</sup>	Sittingbourne
Kent Championships R/S & R	August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Vigo
Clout	September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Thanet Archers
Committee	September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Medway Archers
Committee	October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Medway Archers
KAA AGM	November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Medway Archers
Committee	December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Medway Archers

**AGB Changes**

If you look at the AGB website then you know that they are changing the fee structure as of the 1st of October 2016. A separate letter will be issued by KAA as soon as possible in order to help clubs navigate the changes!!

**Jane Brighton** has a foam boss for sale: Contact the President or Chairman via the website if you are interested in it... this is a message from her.

This is measuring JUST the foam

Height of foam target area is 88 cm; being square the width is the same as the height.

Depth of the foam is 22cm

Once I uncovered it, the foam target area is actually made of four squares; 2 x 2.

In the shed there are 2 more of the spare blocks not 4 as I had originally thought.

The wooden stand: Folded dimensions

From floor to top this is approximately; 178 cm high and 106 cm across. (This measurement is more of an iffy one but approximate, I am only short and lost the battle with the metal tape measure!)

Condition:

The foam target face: This has been stored on the target frame, covered and is barely used, there are next to no arrow marks in the foam, as Mike didn't have much time to shoot it.

Wooden Frame: With a little wood preserver to freshen up the look; the stand is still currently sound wood.

I can't see any brand marks on it anywhere obvious, to identify its make

I have taken photos of the target covered and with target faces on and with them removed, so let me know if you would like me to send you those. I'll need to make them small for emailing.

It has been stored outside but under a covered area and with the tarpaulin covering front and sides and the back of the target protected by a building.

The tarpaulin cover: This has split slightly in one corner but there is no damage to the foam and only a little weathering on exposed area of the frame itself at the lower exposed areas of the wood. ie fading of the wood.

## **Help.. Field Crew duties**

It was really nice to see a few new faces on the field crew team for the Invitation event and the committee would like to say 'Thank you' to them.

All KAA tournaments need a lot of work but when the work is shared by a number of people it really helps.

The work involves:-

Marking out the field the day before the shoot

Setting out the field in the morning of the shoot.

Helping to find arrows etc. during the event.

Helping move the bosses into correct position at distance changes

Clearing the field after the shoot.

Volunteers do not need to do all of the above and can help for all or part of either day. Please get in touch with Tony Henwood ( [records@archerykent.org.uk](mailto:records@archerykent.org.uk) ) or Mike Higgins ( [equipment@archerykent.org.uk](mailto:equipment@archerykent.org.uk) ).

