

# **Kent Archery Association**

# NEWSLETTER

#### Greetings,

Firstly some of you will be getting this newsletter directly as you filled the box in asking to be kept up to date with KAA news and so on. If you wish to have your name removed then please let me know via the treasurer@archerykent.org address and I will do so.

This list is not passed on to any other group and any mail coming from KAA will have the KAA address.

As usual all the errors contained herein are mine especially as I have tried to get this out in a hurry after KAA success at the Inter Counties!

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#### 'Unsighted bows' competition.

It was with a very heavy heart that the committee cancelled the event.

This was due to lack of support from KAA members despite it having been asked for by KAA members. As I type this I do not know what is going to happen next year; a decision will be made by the committee and promulgated as soon after as possible.

# **KAA Championships**

#### 21st August at Vigo

This is going ahead and as I look at the numbers we have about 22 targets full so there is still time to enter. Forms are on the KAA website as usual or e-mail me via the usual address.

#### New Members.

Just a reminder that all new members of a club must be registered with KAA as soon as they join that club. Looking at the download I get from AGB every month there are a few clubs who have had no new members join this year!! This applies even if the archer is not paying any KAA or SCAS fee please. Membership of County and Region is a requirement for all club members.

# KAA WA 1440

This took place on June 19th at Vigo. This report from Bob Beaney

The weekend started on Saturday and 5 miles and 4 hours later 6 tired but contented souls had measured, marked and lined out the field. 06.30am and we are back convincing ourselves it really is a good idea. Three hours later over 80 archers are ready and raring to go, ready to battle with the unpredictable wind that Vigo always seems to have on hand, the rain held off and in the wind some very respectable scores were put in. 17 WA1440 Stars claimed, numerous English Crosses (I ran out of claim forms) and one UK Record claim for the 50m distance.

**Thank you time,** thanks to the Saturday boys, to the office team in the clubhouse, my Judges, those Archers who gave up their lunch time and stayed behind and a special thank you to Mick Walton, Mike Higgins and Laura Beaney who without it would have gone wrong.

The results are on line and some photographs are over the page courtesy of messrs Lovell and Harris

# National Inter Counties Team event 2016

It was / is nail biting!! Trying to work out who was winning what over the weekend at the above shoot.. Which is / was taking place as I type up this newsletter. Made even more difficult by the fact that the scoring system doesn't quite match what happened.

Full report on page 3.. And photographs taken from Face Book but belonging to KAA archers to whom my thanks

# **STOP PRESS.**

Jacqui Gould is claiming two new records for the Ladies York and Double York

Bayley Rose Sargent has been selected to represent GB at the European Youth Championships in Romania



I was going to put a comment about boys and toys but without the work these guys did on Saturday there would have been no shoot!!

#### **Timing Lights**

If your club is holding a Record Status shoot you can now run it with timing lights as the rules have been changed by AGB. This only applies to those using method 2 in the book.

As you may be aware KAA has a set of timing lights (4 heads and stands and two controllers) which are available for hire by clubs. Should you wish to use them please contact me at the usual address and do so as soon as you can because bookings are already coming in for 2017 from clubs and it will be done on a first come first served basis for obvious reasons.

#### KAA and KAF Facebook pages

These pages are now up and running with details of events etc. and some photos so do go and have a look. Official information for archers will always be published on the official KAA / KAF websites however.

I would also remind all users of such media programs of the requirements of KAA that no abusive, rude or similar messages etc. should ever be posted on any website about a KAA member or club. To do so will lead to disciplinary proceedings taking place. My usual rule that I used to give to people applies here I think.. "If you are not sure.. Don't post!!"

# Kent were invited to the annual challenge match v Surrey away on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016

The weather was generally sunny with a fairly tricky wind

Surrey provided a good shoot with food drinks and amenities to hand

Due to the date of the shoot KAA could not put forward a bare bow team and two of out juniors had to pull out just before the shoot. This left us with a massive hill to climb but the team put this behind us and went for it.

We were able to introduce a few new members to the county squad who all performed really well Jamie Love had his 'D' loop break towards the end of the shoot but still put in a great score and was able with help to replace the loop and soldier on despite the sore lip

As the day wore on Surrey kept abreast of the score and I could see we were doing really well. Even our 3 junior archers v 4 from Surrey were staying close.

We were losing ground as we did not have the bare bow team which at the end of the day cost us almost 2500 points. The junior scores were calculated on handicap and we lost that match by about 1000. You will see from that that our juniors beat their best 3.

The final moments came when all the scores were added. Kent compound beat Surrey compound, Kent longbow beat Surrey longbow, Kent recurve beat Surrey recurve, and in my book the juniors triumphed

Overall we did lose and Surrey took great delight in presenting Kent with the foam arrow trophy (they will get it back at the November indoor match by any means we can think of)

My thanks go to Tony Andrews for his great help on the day and to all the team members for showing how good Kent are Peter Dallas County Captain

