



Kent Archery Association

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the July Edition of the newsletter.

Some general points before the news section.. Sort of notices if you like!!

- 1) After July 1st KAA collects no fees for SCAS or KAA for new members BUT I do still need a copy of the forms you send to AGB . This is to ensure that I have an accurate record of member numbers etc. and that, if I am asked, I can confirm membership of KAA if there is need to do so.
- 2) If you are collecting fees already for September then remember that KAA fees have gone up by 50p and AGB 's have gone up as well.
- 3) Any changes of address of Secretary, CPO or Records Officer but be passed on to KAA so we can keep our records up to date. We will then tell SCAS BUT the club must tell AGB.
- 4) You are invited to send in articles for publication rather than read my wittering on!
- 5) As usual all the errors will be mine!

Good shooting during the summer..... Mark

I am sure that you will all have read the latest ArcheryUK magazine BUT how many of you saw mention of two KAA archers on page 40? **Bill Terry** and **Adam Kenyon** were both awarded a Bronze plaque by AGB for their work in the sport. Derrick Lovell (our President and that of AGB) did the presentation! I have never seen Adam looking so smart.. He actually has a tie on!!

Congratulations to both of them.. Well deserved awards.

Talking of the Kenyons Lisa is running the KAA championships this year but cannot go on doing so. A replacement is needed and KAA is looking for a volunteer. Ideally this should happen in time for this year's event so the person can shadow Lisa which makes the hand over easier. The person taking over will be supported by the KAA committee and will have an experienced field party available to help.

Not only is this shoot important in the calendar as a record status one and our Championships but (speaking here as Treasurer!!) helps pay our bills and keeps our fees down.

The committee would like to take this opportunity to thank Lisa for her work with the event over the past few years.

Any one who goes to a WA event will have see two types of timer used. KAA has purchased a Chronotir system for use at County WA events and for team training (as I write this our team is at Lilleshall at the Inter County event and used the system for training in the team event). Full details are on the website but the system is available for clubs to hire for their own events subject to payment. If your club is interested in using the system then get in touch with me or look on the website. As I may have said before the system was purchased using money from the Kent County show and which is held for County Development, not to cover our day to day costs.

Insurance.. Are you insured??

I have heard of some more thefts of archery equipment from clubs and from individuals (either at a shoot or from the home / car). It is amazing how much gear we carry around with us and even more amazing how much it would all cost to replace and it may not be covered by your household insurance. Worth checking out just in case.

As I was typing this up I received two pieces of news.. One great and the other very sad.

Our Longbow team came first in the National event and our Ladies Compound came second... more details later on.

It is with a very heavy heart that I have been informed of the death of Roger Oehl from Allington Castle Archers. Roger was, I am proud to be able to say, a friend, a long standing archer, superb club officer and a true follower of the AGB motto of Union, Trueheart and Courtesy.

Our sympathies go out to his family.



This was the KAA team pictured at the recent 'friendly' against Surrey held at Vigo.

We Won!!.. See the report on the next page.

And this is who had to look after them.. Four out of the five Judges in KAA.. Hannah was somewhere else!! Neil has the Chronotir timer suspended from his neck.. Not sure why.



Ever thought of becoming a Judge and joining the crew? If you are then contact one of us who will then tell you how to become one.

A reminder to all CPOs in clubs... KAA provides FREE on line training to help you. Contact Mark Davis for details. The new system for DRS checks via AGB is also done on line and is a lot simpler than it was. All coaches of any level with AGB are required to undergo this check and the KAA policy is that all archers working with children or vulnerable adults in clubs should also have the check done. It is, after all, free!!



Brief Report on the County Match Kent v Surrey 7th June 2015

A Challenge match was arranged for the 7th of June at Vigo RFC against Surrey, Rounds to be WA1440 and Metric for the juniors.

The weather was clear and bright with some cloud cover and a gentle breeze immediately checked to make sure we really were at Vigo.

Slight panic started when a van arrived and began setting up tents and stands and then great panic when people with very young children started asking about Ultim8. Turns out Vigo had double booked and were expecting hundreds of children to be running a mini assault course. Very tempted to take part with dodge the arrow but refrained.

The teams arrived and sterling work by the work party got the field setup and ready, our judges confirmed all in order and despite the noise things got underway with 45 minutes of practice.

Weather stayed calm which required another hard pinch to convince me I wasn't asleep but the serious part of the day began

The teams comprised Recurve, Compound, Junior Recurve, and mixed Longbow / Barebow

Kent supplied their new Chronotir timing system so bleeps, lights and numbers counting down added to the pressure but all seemed to cope well. Shooting six arrows in one detail also kept things moving at a brisk pace

There was some good shooting and at the end of the first distance Kent had a slim lead. A short break to move targets and off again. Again there was some impressive scoring with our juniors pulling away from the opposition. At the end of 6 dozen the lead had extended slightly.

Lunch – Vigo RFC provided lunches as required for the archers, judges and field party even though they had been run off their feet by hoards of children and screaming parents all morning, but they coped well. Luckily the assault course both for the kids and Vigo RFC finished during the lunch break and things quietened down for the afternoon.

Restart with 6 zone individual faces for all, a new experience for some and with the wind picking up a little and adding a bit of chill to the day, the match was still a tight affair.

Final distance tension mounting as it was close. Kent kept up the pressure put in some really good scores. With a few notable PB's

Scores in, packing up equipment and putting away the bosses. The moment of truth.

We won by 124 points congratulations to all our team

Peter Dallas
County Captain



National Inter Counties event at Lilleshall. I have to be honest and say that I am not sure how all the final points were worked out BUT the full results are at <http://www.ianseo.net/TourData/2015/1182/NCTCResults.pdf?time=2015-06-29+22%3A08%3A26>. However in the final rankings our Gents Long bow team came in first overall, Our Ladies Compound team 4th, the Gents Recurve 7th, Gents Compound 7th and Ladies Recurve 13th.

EVEN MORE BUT!!

In some of the events we did even better (I say we.. Kent archers that is).. On day two ON DAY TWO

THE LONG BOW TEAM CAME FIRST Cliff Gadd, Colin Hind and Neil Collins with Cliff in First place overall and Colin in 4th

The Ladies Compound team came in second by one point. (Vicci Flack, Bayley Sargent and Michelle Sword)

Vicci Flack came second to a past Olympian with the same score but 2 fewer X 10s..

Bayley Sargent came in 6th

Well done to all our archers and the people who supported them

I have this report from Colin

Mark

Good morning

Just though I would send you a little report on our weekend

Me Cliff Gadd and Niel collins were at lilleshall this weekend taking part in the National Counties Team Tournament representing Kent.

The Saturday was sunny warm with a blustering wind that kept changing direction.

We shot a metric 720 round as a team we won by over 100 points with Cliff winning Colin 4th and Neil in 10th

This meant we had a bye in the quarter final of the head to head

We won our semi but lost in the final.

We would like to thank our fellow team members for their suport and encouragement.

This meant that at the end of the first day we were joint first on 3 points.

Sunday started with heavy rain and the same wind.

As shooting started the rain eased up to slight drizzle which stopped within the first dozen arrows the morning continued overcast with the occasional drops of rain.

Before lunch the sun came out and continued to toast us from the day before and the wind continued.

We shot a metric 1440

We won as a team by 170 points with Cliff coming 1st Colin 4th and Neil 15th

To sum that all up Kent now have the National Gents Longbow Team Champions.

Thank you to all those who stayed to congratulate us on our triumph

Many thanks

Colin



Thanks to Phil Axford and Vicci Flack for the photos of the shoot