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To all DCAS Club Secretaries

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Winter Postal Leagues

I'm very pleased to advise that Simon Slade from Kenwith will be taking over from Megan and running the winter postal leagues this year. Simon's contact details are:

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I attach entry forms for the Portsmouth and Frostbite Leagues. These are also available on the DCAS website, where Simon also introduces himself.

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Junior Intercounties

A reminder that its not too late for Juniors to get in their applications for a place on the County Team.

The Junior Intercounties match will take place this year on Saturday 7 September. I attach details and an application form. If you have juniors who would like to be considered for a place on the County Team please pass on the details and urge them to put in their scores: the team has to include recurve, compound, barebow and longbow archers, has to include both boys and girls, and has to include archers from all the Junior age groups.

Scores have to be submitted to Jane Farrow dcasrecords@hotmail.co.uk by 28 August at the latest.

I don't think Jane has had any applications from longbow archers yet - so there's an opportunity there for somebody!

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Field Captains Course

DCAS is intending to host one or more Field Captains Courses this autumn/winter to be run by GWAS, with the date and venue depending on interest. Please read the summary below and let me know as soon as possible if your club is interested in sending participants.

"Many clubs have got into bad habits about range safety and teaching new members how they are required to behave at home and away at events.

"Landlords are becoming more aware of their responsibilities when allowing projectile sport to be run on their properties, and increasingly require proof that their tenants are conducting the sport in accordance with the National Governing Body's rules and regulations.

"The reason for GWAS setting up the courses is to ensure that all regional affiliated clubs can have at least one member who is proficient at running their target days and non-record status events, safely, and in accordance with the ArcheryGB Rules of Shooting.

"The GWAS Field Captains course is a one day course followed by a short test, for experienced club archers who have been nominated by their club to become a field captain. Successful candidates will receive a GWAS certificate of competence.

"Most of the course is a common sense approach to:-

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Range safety
Range layout
Controlling shooting
Deciding line-cutters.

All without resorting to quoting loads of rule numbers.

"Each candidate will receive copies of all the slides and notes so that writing is kept to the bare minimum.

"The idea is that:-

The county association provides the venue, laptop & projector and the coffee & biscuits.

GWAS Judges Committee provides the instructors (2), handouts and Certificates.

Each club pays £10/head towards the costs."

Please let me know if you are interested.

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Best regards

John Russell
Secretary DCAS