

To all DCAS Club Secretaries

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#### Tournament Calendar

The DCAS Autumn Gold tournament is scheduled for 2nd September 2012 and was going to be hosted by Bowmen of Wadebridge. Unfortunately Wadebridge are now unable to host this tournament.

If your Club is able and willing to put on the Autumn Gold can you please let Judith Brelsford (or myself) know. (Judith Brelsford contact [secretary@newquaybowmen.org.uk](mailto:secretary@newquaybowmen.org.uk))

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#### Level 1 Coaching Course

There are a few places available on the Level 1 Coaching Course that will run at St Austell in April. If there is anybody at your Club waiting for or interested in taking a Level 1 course please let Phill Carder (or myself) know. (Phill Carder contact [ccodcaspc@gmail.com](mailto:ccodcaspc@gmail.com))

The St Austell course is already set up, so the dates are fixed and are: Saturday and Sunday 21st and 22nd April, and Saturday 28th April. After a period of 'supported practice' the assessment will then be on 21st July. Candidates need to be able to attend all four of those days.

The cost is £200 per head but a contribution to that cost is available from GWAS and DCAS for up to two candidates from each Club. GWAS will reimburse £125 per head on successful completion, and in addition to that DCAS will match your Club's contribution up to £100 per head - and this can include travel expenses. This should mean that your Club can train up and benefit from a Level 1 Coach at no cost to the candidate and very little cost to the Club. But you'll have to move quickly, places are limited, and it's not sure when the next course will run in either of the two Counties.

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#### First Aid

First Aid is always a useful skill - and if you shoot at a rural outdoor venue where ambulance response is going to be slower then having trained first aiders in your Club could be a life saver.

A much cheaper alternative to a Red Cross or St Johns first aid course is offered by Frank Bath, an archer recently moved into the area, who offers first aid courses to sports clubs on a not for profit basis. See his website [www.swfast.co.uk](http://www.swfast.co.uk) for details or e-mail [frank.bath@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:frank.bath@blueyonder.co.uk)

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#### Devon Coaching Conference

The Devon Coaching Conference, organised by Active Devon, will take place this year on Sunday 29th April at UCP Marjon in Plymouth. This covers sport in general, not specifically archery coaching, but please pass on details to any of your Coaches who may be interested. Details are available at the Active Devon website [www.activedevon.org/conference2012](http://www.activedevon.org/conference2012)

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Best regards

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John Russell  
Secretary DCAS

cc All Committee Members