

To all DCAS Club Secretaries

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#### Winter Postal Leagues

Megan has asked that you send in your entry forms for the DCAS Portsmouth and Frostbite winter postal leagues before 25 October, please. She is going into hospital (for an operation on her foot) and would like to get the divisions and match lists sorted out before she goes in. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her well - and help her out by getting your entries in sharpish!

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#### AGM 2012

Another reminder that the DCAS Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 25 November this year. Formal notice will be issued in the next week or so, but please make sure that the date is in your diary, and that you've sorted out at least one representative from your club to attend.

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#### Newsletter Editor

I'm very pleased to advise you that Estelle Edwick has agreed to take on the role of Newsletter Editor. If you have anything of interest to the archers of Devon & Cornwall to report then please do a write up for Estelle. Contributions should be sent by e-mail to Estelle at [eedwick@barnstaplearcheryclub.org.uk](mailto:eedwick@barnstaplearcheryclub.org.uk).

Estelle is compiling a Newsletter in time for issue at the AGM, so get your reports in as soon as possible.

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#### Level 1 Coach Course

A Level 1 coach course has been organised and will run at Totnes starting on 9 December 2012. If any of your members have been thinking about doing a Level 1 course there may still be some places available! For details please contact the Course Administrator, Mrs Jacqui Wakeley, on e-mail [jacqui@plymoutharchers.co.uk](mailto:jacqui@plymoutharchers.co.uk) or phone 01364 72689.

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#### DCAS Committee Meeting

The DCAS Committee met on Saturday 29 September. For the most part the meeting was concerned with routine administrative matters (insurance of trophies, and such like) but there were one or two points of general interest, as follows:

The final numbers for affiliations in 2011-12 were 891 Seniors and 198 Juniors. The number of Seniors was slightly down on the previous year, largely due to the decision of Exeter University not to re-affiliate. The number of Juniors was substantially down, about 20% down, on the previous year. Which is a bit worrying, with no obvious reason for the fall.

Despite the fall in affiliation numbers and the marked reduction in entries to County tournaments this year, the impact on the County's finances has been minimised and the Committee will not be seeking any increase in DCAS

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fees at the AGM.

With Steve Glover stepping down as Senior Team Manager, Jimmy Sandoe has been appointed as his replacement for 2013. The appointment has been made at this time so that Jimmy can try to get Senior Squad coaching sessions organised for this winter.

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### Recognising Club Members

Can I draw your attention to page 66 of the Autumn edition of Archery UK, and the national trophies that are available to recognise archers who have made an outstanding contribution to their club, county or sport. Who can you nominate from your Club?

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### Totnes Archers

Steve & Jacqui Wakeley, from Plymouth Archers, have started a new Junior club based at KEVICC at Totnes - called Totnes Archers - and are building up an enthusiastic membership. Welcome to them, and we hope to see their name appearing in the Indoor Leagues this winter.

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Best regards

John Russell  
Secretary DCAS

cc All Committee Members