

DCAS NEWS

Welcome to first DCAS Newsletter of 2020. This issue marks a year since my first issue as PRO! It's been a wet and windy few weeks and as we begin to look towards outdoor season, I wonder - have you set your goals for the year? Whether you love to just to shoot a few arrows on a week day evening or have aspirations for Olympic glory - make sure you set yourself goals for the forthcoming season - the sky's the limit so go for it.

Hope you enjoy reading this edition - as always please contact me if you have anything you would like including in the next issue.

~ Emma Martyn PRO@DCAS.org.uk

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New Website Update

We are edging closer to launching our new website. All of the information from the old website has been migrated across and is being checked. Watch this space for a launch date!



Welcome to the Team!

We would like to welcome Karenza Ingram from Yelverton Bowmen to the DCAS Committee! Karenza has volunteered her services as our new Safeguarding Officer. We would like to thank her for giving up her time to support the county in this vital role.



Archery GB Big Weekend 15-17 May 2020

The Big Weekend is eight years old this year. Started for the Games in London 2012, an estimated 45,354 people have now been introduced to archery at a Big Weekend event over the past few years! This National weekend of archery is about celebrating and raising the profile of our great sport, at welcoming and friendly fun-day style events.

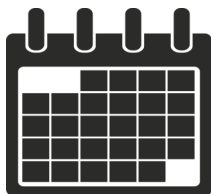
Further information on how to register your event is available on the Archery GB Website. You will also find posters, images and information to help you plan a great weekend!

And don't forget to take lots of photos and let me know what you are up to so that I can report on events across the county in the newsletter planned for later in the year. Please send details to me so that I can advertise your event on the DCAS Facebook page!

~ Emma Martyn DCAS PRO - PRO@dcas.org.uk



Upcoming Events



The end of the indoor season is in sight! Here is a run-down of the competitions due to be held over the coming months. Please see the DCAS website events page for details of how to apply.

March

- 1st National Judges Conference in Taunton - **no GWAS judges will be available for judging on this date.**
 - 15th Redruth Archers - Double Stafford at Carnmoggas
- ** PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE****

April

- 19th Redruth Archers Charity Shoot - Double National
- 26th Bowmen of the Tors Longbow Tournament - Westerns and Fun Shoot

May

- 3rd DCAS Grand Day at Exeter - Nationals
- 10th Redruth Archers - WRS WA50 + 70m
- 17th Brixham Archers Open - York/Hereford
- 31st Exmouth Archers Open Shoot - Record status Double 50m/70m

June

- 6th Exeter Uni Charity Shoot - Double 50m/70m
- 7th Bowmen of the Tors Open - York/Hereford/Bristol
- 7th Barnstaple Outdoor - Warwicks
- 27th Redruth Archers Junior Shoot - Metrics
- 28th Redruth Archers - Canadian 1200

July

- 4/5th Wadebridge Open 70M Saturday/Mixed Hereford Sunday
- 11/12th DCAS/Exmouth Archers Double WA1440 Star

August

- 1st/2nd DCAS/Redruth Double WA1440/Metrics
- 15/16th Exmouth Archers WA Weekend incorporating the DCAS County Championships
- 23rd Barnstaple Open WRS Double WA70m
- 29/30th Lizard Peninsula Bowmen Summer Bonanza - York/Hereford/Bristols/Nationals

September

- 6th DCAS Autumn Gold Hosted by Bowmen of the Tors - St George/Albion

Senior County Team Selection 2020

The senior county team will compete in the National Inter-counties at Lilleshall on 27/28 June and at the GWAS Inter-counties in September. The team will be selected separately for each event. Full selection criteria and cut-off dates will be published on the DCAS website during March.

~ Estelle Edwick DCAS Senior Team Manager

2020 Dates for your Diary



GWAS AGM - will be held at on Sunday 15th March 2020 - Neroche Hall Taunton TA3 6TZ



ARCHERY GB AGM - will be held at the Crowne Plaza, Birmingham NEC on Saturday 18th April 2020. For details please see the AGB website.



DCAS AGM - will be held on Saturday 22nd November at Yelverton Memorial Hall

Good News for Barebow Archery - update

In my last newsletter, I published details of the inclusion of Barebow by WA and the proposed changes to the AGB rulebook. Part of my article mentioned AGB's interest in receiving feedback from Longbow archers regarding whether or not they would welcome similar changes to elimination rounds and match play in the future. As promised, I have been in contact with Archery GB to find out how we can provide feedback. Should you have any comments or suggestions they would welcome your thoughts emailed to membership@archerygb.org. Get emailing!

~ Emma Martyn PRO@dcas.org.uk



Exmouth Archers are holding an **Archery Bring and Buy Sale** at their Indoor Centre Saturday 14th March from 10.30am to 1.30pm. This is a FREE event and all archers from the GWAS region are welcome to come and buy, but selling spaces are limited!

For more info or to book your selling space contact **Rob or Sophie** twiggarchery@gmail.com
07971 665554

Barebow at WA Tournaments

As some of you may be aware, World Archery have now recognised Barebow as a bow style for target archery. It has put a few more restrictions on Barebow than AGB have, although it is expected that AGB will change so as to match WA in the future.

The main difference is that the unbraced bow complete with all permitted accessories must be capable of passing through a hole or ring with a 12.2cm inside diameter. This is the same size as the 10 ring on a 122cm face. You will now see at WA tournaments, that Judges will at equipment inspection have a bow ring to check that the bow conforms to the rules.

They will also check that any weights fitted to the bow have only hard washers and not soft ones that can absorb shock. Another item that is regularly overlooked, is the area around the sight window is free from any marks, blemishes, protrusions (including any colourings on the riser that could be used for aiming). If there are any marks, then the area needs to be taped. The tape needs to be long enough, so as the ends of the tape cannot be used for sighting.

With arrows, the arrow wraps if fitted must not extend further than 22cm when measured from the throat of the nock. As is the same for AGB, the max diameter of the arrows is not to exceed 9.3mm.

Stitching on the Finger Tab must be uniform in size and colour. Also marks or lines may be added to the tab or on a tape placed on the face of the tab. These marks must be uniform in size, shape and colour. Additional memoranda are not permitted.

These points are extracted from the WA rules and are not exhaustive. Please check the full details on the WA Website (rule 11.4).

~ Phil Gillbanks DCAS Chairman & National Judge



JUNIOR OUTDOOR TRAINING



- Free Outdoor Training Session for all DCAS Juniors
- Opportunity to shoot a half metric round (1.5 dozen at each distance for your age group)
- Tuition from experienced coaches
- You will need to come prepared to shoot outdoors - suitable footwear and clothing is essential. Be prepared for all weather conditions.
- Hot drinks provided - please bring your own lunch
- When booking your space, please confirm your age, Club and bow style - you must shoot your preferred bow style on the day.

Saturday 21st March
10.00am - 4.00pm
EXMOUTH ARCHERS

To reserve your free place contact:
Sophie Twigg - DCAS Junior Rep
dcasjuniors@gmail.com 07854869492



DCAS Junior Fund

Over the last year Devon and Cornwall have been providing free entry for DCAS Juniors to all DCAS competitions (other than the ones hosted by your own club). However, at the DCAS meeting in November it was decided that this will now change and DCAS is only offering free entry to DCAS organised county competitions. This includes Free Entry to:

- DCAS Indoor Champs (restricted to "free" entry to one session only)
- DCAS Grand Day
- DCAS day at Exmouth July Double 1440
- DCAS day at Redruth August Double 1440
- DCAS County Champs
- DCAS Autumn Gold
- DCAS Field Champs
- DCAS Clout Champs
- The GWAS Junior Inter-counties Tournament (only Team Members shooting).

If you have any questions with regards to how the fund is used please do not hesitate to contact

Sophie Twigg DCAS Junior Representative -
dcasjuniors@gmail.com

Dress Regulations at Tournaments

We regularly have to remind archers about the dress regulations. The main points of contention are that any colour garments can be worn, with the exception of **BLUE DENIM**, **OLIVE DRAB** (if you are not sure what this is, look it up on google), and **CAMOUFLAGE PATTERN**.

Camouflage is not necessarily greens and browns but can be any colours. It is the disruptive pattern that makes it camouflage.

Shirts for gents must have sleeves and for ladies must not be strapless.

Any clothing must be appropriate, clean and in good condition (i.e. not frayed or worn, either deliberately or by use) and must be conventional in style and appearance.

On all clothing, manufacturers trademarks are allowed as is the wearers name.

Individuals, and members of clubs and other archery organisations that are commercially sponsored, may wear sponsors logos and names during the sponsorship period only.

Any other wording or badges on clothing must represent archery organisations.

At any tournament in this country that is judged by AGB Judges, then the clothing rule in use is AGB Rule 307.

~ Phil Gillbanks DCAS Chairman & National Judge

Open Coaching Session

Everyone is invited to an Open Coaching Session in St Austell on **Saturday 21st March** in St Austell. Please contact **Andy Parkinson** on **CCO@DCAS.org.uk**

Online Coaching Log from Archery GB enables coaches to record coaching activity and CPD. It's a really useful tool to enable you to keep track and can help when it comes to renewing your licence. See www.coachlog.co.uk to register your details.

Don't forget we are on Facebook!



Contact Us!

The DCAS Committee are elected by members to support clubs across the both Devon and Cornwall. We are here to help and support all clubs. Should you have anything you wish to raise with the committee or indeed if there is something we can help your club with then please get in touch.

Contact details are available on the DCAS Website



Redruth Archers Charity Shoot

In 2020, one of our members' wives - Becky Sheller, will be running the London Marathon in aid of Cornwall Air Ambulance. In support of this, Redruth Archers have decided to hold a charity shoot instead of our usual Longbow shoot on **Sunday 19th April 2020**.

We will be shooting a Double National and we hope that as many of you as possible will support this worthy cause. The entry form is now available on the DCAS website.

Please send entries to Peter Conisbee via email to pcatthebarn@gmail.com.

DCAS Records

For anyone wanting to claim a DCAS County record, please remember that you have only four weeks from the date of the tournament to do this and three months for GWAS. GWAS Regional Record Claims are sent via your DCAS CRO - Scott Williams.



Claim forms are available on DCAS and GWAS websites respectively and Scott usually carry a few blank forms to tournaments; you can also hand completed forms to him personally at any shoot he attends.

Claims can be made from scores achieved at any Open Tournament, including 'Masters' claims for archers aged 50+, in addition to regular record claims. All claims from outside County must be accompanied by a copy of the results sheet.

All records are available to view on the DCAS website. New DCAS records claimed since the last newsletter are:

		Archer	Score	Date	Club	Where shot	
INDOORS							
PORTSMOUTH	Barebow U16	Sophie Martyn	467	26-Jan-20	Tors	Brixham	
	Recurve U16	Hannah Wells	509	26-Jan-20	Lacetown	Brixham	
	Compound U12	Lucas Dance	491	26-Jan-20	Exmouth	Brixham	
	Compound U12	Chloe Scott	544	12-Jan-20	Redruth	Kyrton	
DBL PORTSMOUTH	Barebow	Lonja Selter	1105	2-Feb-20	Plymouth U	Newquay	(GWAS)
	Compound U12	Chloe Scott	1100	12-Jan-20	Redruth	Kyrton	(GWAS)