DCAS NEWSLETTER

Winter 2003

FOR ARCHERS IN DEVON & CORNWALL

Issue #12

Please copy and circulate to other club members

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the twelfth edition of the DCAS Newsletter. Following the a poll taken at the recent DCAS AGM, there was a resounding demand for the continuance of our newsletter so we would be grateful for your news items, wants & sales, articles etc. Next newsletter we will be publishing an article by Barbara Finney on Archery in Hong Kong.

Copy for the Spring issue (to be distributed at Grand Day) should be sent to one of the Editorial Team by 20th April 2003, please:

Marion Hutter, 33 Vivary Road, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3JW	Tel 01823-284270
Paul Callaway, 32 Trefusis Road, Redruth Cornwall TR15 2JH	Tel 01209-215537
Marj Smith, 3 Ash Close, Biscovey, Par, St Austell, Cornwall PL24 2HD	Tel 01726-813481
Tim Pratt, 1 Moor Lane, Budleigh Salterton, Devon EX9 6PW	Tel 01395-442421

RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

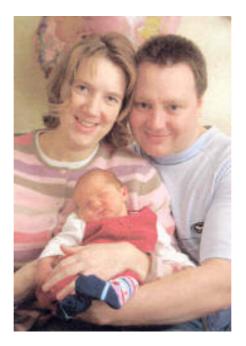
The British Target Championships will be held at Lilleshall on the 15th and 16th March 2003. Bob Griffith-Bird of Yelverton Bowmen based in Plymouth, and Jan Martin of Archers of the West from Cornwall have recently been selected to shoot for the England Team at the Home Nations Competition which is incorporated in that Tournament. Well Done Bob and Jan!

Bob was also interviewed on BBC Radio Devon on Friday 7th February, primarily because of passing his coaching exam, but more was made of it because of him shooting for England.

Marj Smith – PRO 01726-813481

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u>

Congratulations, and all the best from all your friends in DCAS to Keith Stephenson of Tavistock Archers and his wife Alison on the birth of their daughter Freya Lidia on the 28th December 2002. Freya weighed in at 8lb 14oz.



<u>CHANGES TO THE INTERCOUNTIES TEAMS</u>

Senior

At the GWAS Council Meeting held on Saturday 18 January 2003, the composition of the Intercounties Senior Team for 2003 was amended to:

Gents		Ladies	
Compound	5	Compound	2
Recurve	7	Recurve	4
Longbow	1	Longbow	1

This means we will only have a Team of 20 archers. This composition is to remain fixed for the next 3 years.

The DCAS Committee will be looking at the selection criteria at their February 2003 meeting. For 2003, the broad criteria will not be altered from last year but clearer guidance will be issued shortly about submitting scores, etc.

Junior

At the GWAS Council Meeting held on Saturday 18 January 2003, the composition of the Intercounties Junior Team for 2003 was discussed. No amendment was made to the existing team structure, which remains:

- A Team of 8 archers, including at least one girl/one boy
- The Team may include 2 compounds
- There may be no more than 2 archers in any one age group
- One score to be dropped from the overall total.

Brian Hardy, as our Junior Representative, will take these criteria into account when considering the Team selection in June 2003. Please let him know if you would like to be considered for inclusion and he will give you some idea what steps to take to be in the running.

GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE TO ASSIST SPORTS CLUBS

The Government has introduced a range of tax reliefs for Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASC) based on their income and on donations which local people make to support them. From April 2002 voluntary sports clubs can apply to become Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASC) and benefit from Inland Revenue administered tax reliefs. The proposals, introduced in the Finance Act 2002, represent an alternative to applying for charitable status. A copy of the document is available to download from the DCAS web site www.dcas.org.uk.

Coaching and Judging News

On Sunday 12th January at Lyne Akres several DCAS members successfully passed their Coaching exam. The course was held by Wendy and Eddie Wheeler with assistance from Tony Key.



From the left Eddie Wheeler, Pete Pearson, Cilla Bragg, Dennis Gibson, Bob Griffith-Bird, Judith Brelsford, Malcom Grant, Ian Johnson, Wendy Wheeler and Mark Wyglendacz.

Also in January Andrew Chitty successfully became a County Judge, and Roy Smith upgraded to a Regional Judge. Well Done!

Obituary - Ann Johnstone - Brixham Archers

It is with great sadness that I have to report the passing away of Ann Johnstone, on the 7th October 2002. As many of you will remember, Ann was a very active member of Brixham Archers. Three years ago, Ann and her husband Don, emigrated to Canada, where their two sons and families also live.

Almost immediately she arrived there, Ann was diagnosed as having lung cancer. For the last three years Ann has put up a tremendously courageous fight.

Ann joined Brixham Archers with husband Don, in 1992 and quickly became a great friend to many in archery circles. She had a great sense of fun for life and her sport.

When Ann joined the club as a beginner, her first bow was a recurve. She persevered for some time with this, but struggled to make much headway. It was only when she changed to the compound that the results started to come.. and how.

Her husband Don was always there in the background to set the bow up and make the adjustments and Ann shot it to great effect. Ann and husband Don attended many of the regional archery competitions with Ann setting new county records and several times being selected to shoot for the DCAS county team.

At the time Ann left to live in Canada, she had the distinction of being the only lady to hold all the Brixham Club records for Lady Compound, all at one time. Quite an achievement!

As a club member, Ann worked extremely hard, along with husband Don, to promote the club at many events, competitions, have a goes and beginners sessions. Whatever was needed.

As a club we have fond memories of Ann when we all stayed at Bush Farm in Shropshire. We all had great fun shooting all day and well into the evening. Great times were shared rounding off the days at the local inns

Ann will be sadly missed by all of us and our sympathies and condolences go to Don and his family at this sad time.

Malcolm Grant Brixham Archers

DCAS CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2003

		Tournament / Event	Venue	Rounds	Contact		
Feb.	23	DCAS INDOOR	Kitto, Plymouth	Portsmouth	Colin & Ann Holmes - 01392 259392		
Mar.	9	St Austell Indoor	Carnmoggas	Combined FITA	Jim Peters - 01208 873512		
Apr.	6	Easter Longbow Clout	Redruth Club Ground	Clout	Wendy Wheeler - 01872 278435		
	13	Redruth Pope Young	Redruth Club Ground	Pope Young	Wendy Wheeler - 01872 278435		
	27	Redruth Longbow	Redruth Club Ground	Western	Wendy Wheeler - 01872 278435		
May	4	D.C.A.S.GRAND DAY	Exeter Co of Archers	a.m. Longbow National p.m. National for all	Colin & Ann Holmes - 01392 259392		
	11	Kyrton Open	Crediton, Devon	Western Rounds	Christine Gransby - 01837 52484		
	11	Redruth D. American	Redruth Club Ground	Double American	Wendy Wheeler - 01872 278435		
	18	Tors Open	Notre Dame, Plymouth	York, Hereford, Bristols and Nationals	Margaret Byrnes - 01752 402152		
	25	Brixham Open	Churston, Brixham	Rose York, Hereford, Bristols and Nationals	Judith Booker - 01803 853687		
Jun.	Jun. 31&1 D.C.A.S./EXMOUTH DOUBLE FI		ITA	Ladies & Gents FITA	Colin & Ann Holmes - 01392 259392		
	8	Newquay Open	Newquay	York, Hereford & Bristols	Wendy Wheeler - 01872 278435		
(Fr	i) 13	Exmouth Archers Lunartic Shoot	Exmouth	Short Nationals	Tim Pratt - 01395 442421		
	15	Somerset Champs	Dunster Castle	York Hereford	Chris Hassall - 01823 413624		
	22	GWAS Champs.	Dunster Castle	York Hereford Nationals	Jan Faralewski - 01202 692087		
(Sa	t) 28	GWAS JUNIOR CHAMPS	Burnham-on-Sea	York, Hereford and Bristol Rounds	Brian Hardy for information 01566 775831		
	29	Wadebridge Open	Wadebridge	York Hereford Nationals	Mike Cornish - 01208 813488		
Jul.	6	Yelverton Open	John Kitto Sch.Plymouth	York Hereford Bristols and Nationals	John Nicholson - 01752 846325		
	13	DCAS FITA CLOUT	Newquay Bowmen	1 way double FITA clout	Colin & Ann Holmes - 01392 259392		
	13	Kenwith Open	Bideford	York Hereford Bristols	D. Hall - 01271 860955		
	20	COUNTY CHAMPS	Newquay Bowmen	York Hereford Bristols and Nationals	Colin & Ann Holmes - 01392 259392		
	27	Redruth FITA STAR	Redruth Archers	Ladies, Gents FITA and Metrics	Wendy Wheeler - 01872 278435		
Aug.	10	Exmouth Open	Exmouth Archers	Mixed Hereford, Bristols and York	Tim Pratt - 01395 442421		
	17	DCAS FITA STAR	At Exmouth	Ladies, Gents FITA and Metrics	Colin & Ann Holmes - 01392 259392		
	31	Mounts Bay Open		Mixed Hereford	Mark Wyglendacz -01736 798701		
Sept.	7	DCAS AUTUMN GOLD -Tors	Plymouth	St George, Albion	Colin & Ann Holmes		
	21	GWAS Intercounties	Exeter	Invitation York and Hereford			
Oct.	26	St Austell	Carnmoggas	Double Stafford Longbow Only	Jim Peters - 01208 873512		
	26	Kyrton Open Indoor	Crediton	Portsmouth	Christine Gransby - 01837 52484		
Nov.	16	St Austell Open Indoor	Carnmoggas	Double Portsmouth	Jim Peters - 01208 873512		
	23	DCAS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT YELVERTON					
Dec.	7or14	Exmouth Open Indoor	Exmouth	Fun Round	Tim Pratt - 01395 442421		