



EDITORIAL

The season is now upon us, let us hope the weather will be kind to us. Welcome to all those new archers who, we hope, we will see on the tournament fields. As ever we are asking for articles for this newsletter. If it is to survive we must have print. Club news, results, and photos. Quizzes and competitions. What would you like to see on these pages?

Usually the next issue is out for the Champs, but as this is not until late August, we would like to get the next issue out for the DCAS/Redruth FITA Star on 2/3rd August.

Colin & Ann Holmes.

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JUNIOR NEWS

Junior Development & Squad.



The last Junior session for 2007 / 08 was held at the end of March. It had been hoped to hold an outdoor session with senior members in April, my apologies that this did not occur.

Once again the sessions have been enjoyed by all, and with a great deal of enthusiasm shown from everyone. Improvement in ability has been noticed to various degrees.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Juniors and their parents, the coaching team of, Cilla, Paul, the two Phils, and Jimmy, our guest speaker at the last session Colin for his talk on



Judging matters, number one 'Tea Lady' Sally, the 'Delivery Man,' Malcolm, and Brixham Archers for their continued commitment, dedication, and help shown for Junior squad.

Sadly, this year the Junior ranks will be saying goodbye to four of its stalwart members, Sami, Daniel, Shaun, and Joshua. They will be joining the senior members of DCAS at differing times throughout this coming year. I would like to thank them for their contribution to Junior Archery, I wish

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them well for the future, and I know that they will be an asset to the "Over Eighteens"

GWAS Junior Inter-County Tournament.

This tournament is **NOT** being held on the same day as the GWAS Junior Championship. The date for the Inter-counties will be Saturday 20th September.

For those of you that wish to be considered for a place on the team, make sure that you complete the form that you will be receiving, and return it to reach me by 28th August.

Just as a reminder. I know I've said it before, but it is most important for you to get your entry forms in early for the shoots that you wish to attend this year, to save any disappointment of not getting in because the shoot is full. Remember the more shoots you attend, the better your chances of attaining a good handicap.

BRIAN
Junior Rep

NEWS FROM YOUR JUDGES

NATIONAL JUDGES CONFERENCE, LILLESHALL 2008

Ann and I travelled up to Lilleshall, around 250 miles, for the conference. My first task was to hand in all the bow scales from the county's judges for checking, as I was the only one able to attend. The first day started at 1.30 with a welcome by the National Judges Chairman. About 60 judges of all levels attended.

Peter Fairbrother gave us an insight to the new judges web page where we can find all information needed. The website will be updated every month.

A report and many photos from the Dover World Cup, with a talk that gave us a very good look at how the shoot was controlled, with information on any problems that arised. It was noted that a GNAS judge was not afraid to give a decision and stand by it, yes we are the best trained in the world.

Lynne Evans gave us an insite into future events, both international and world to be held in this country.

Judges topics for discussion included that all shoots should have a qualified first aid person, and not rely on the hope that one would not be needed. From the committee we were informed that a new shoot assesment form will be coming out to be filled in for all competition shoots, these forms to be forwarded to the Judges committee. After this we broke up to get changed into greens and whites for a dinner arranged by the committee, held in the Chapters Resterant, a lovely meal, thank you GNAS.

Sunday started a 9 am with a talk and demonstration of the new timing equipment by Graham Potts, who used it at the Dover World Cup.

Hannah and Katy, both SCAS Judges, gave us a presentation of slides and a talk on the training of judges and how to encourage archers who may be interested in becoming judges.

We had a discussion period on how to spot and deal with archers who cheat.

After lunch our guest speaker was Anne Webb talking on the future of the Paraplegic Archers. In 2009 FITA will be taking over the control of Para Archery from the IPC. There will be a separate disabled section in the FITA Rule book, as judges we will need to recognise 5 separate groups of archers within the Para archery group. A more detailed report about this can be had from Colin & Ann.

A training topic from Graham Potts covering the equipment that Judges needed to carry and why, there were many suggestions from a camera to a hammer!!

Nearing the end of the conference we had any last questions and were all given a very handy measuring device to help with max size of arrow shaft, pile, over draw and the light gathering neon strip.

The chairman closed the conference.

Colin Holmes, Regional Judge.

COACHING NEWS

GRAND WESTERN ARCHERY SOCIETY COACHING ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2008

The GWAS AGM was held at West Buckland on Sunday 13th April 2008, approximately 20 coaches attended, Devon and Cornwall were represented.

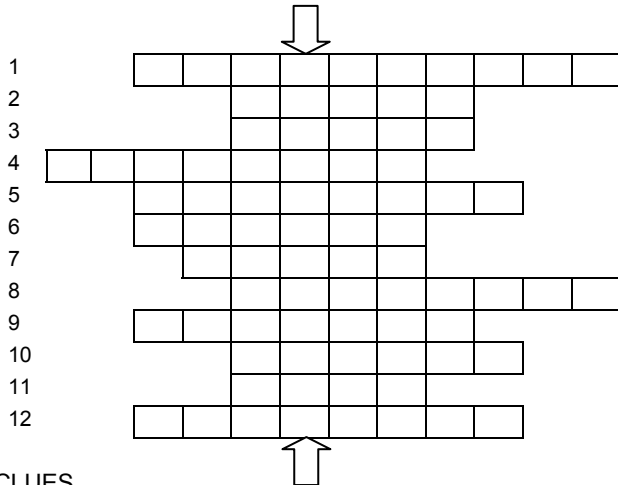
Alastair Robinson was elected Regional Coaching Officer, and reported that successful courses had been run in the GWAS area, but that no courses were to be run in the DCAS area in 2008 due to the shortage of tutors and examiners.

A vacancy on the County Coach Renewal Panel needs to be filled. Is there a County Coach out there who would be willing to fill this post? Please contact Alastair.

After the business, we had two interesting talks, the first from Roger Crang of Deer Park on the UK Coaching Framework, and the future of coaching and the importance of communication. The second talk was from Doug Human of Somerset who is promoting Clubmark in the Grand Western region. Several clubs have expressed interest in achieving these standards. He has a wealth of information. If any club is interested please contact him.

Ann Holmes, County Coach.

QUICK QUIZ



CLUES

- 1 Three of these!
- 2 X's and 10's
- 3 Wheels revolve on these
- 4 Cow or Town
- 5 It's wheely good
- 6 The pilot
- 7 We need this to hit the gold
- 8 3 scores to do this
- 9 Young uns
- 10 Thin rope
- 11 What this newspaper needs more of
- 12 William Tell's weapon

Between the arrows - It's what we all are.

Results of Find the Number Competition

- 1. 45 mins., 2. 12 inches, 3. 40 seconds,
- 4. 50 seconds, 5. 8.3 mm.

The winners of the giant crossword from issue 28 were:
 Pat Nicholson who won the crossword setters prize
 Penny Crane who won a free pass to a DCAS
 Tournament.

DEATH OF A PAST D.C.A.S. CHAMPION

1923 Mrs Elizabeth 'Bet' Nettleton 2008

Mrs Nettleton was a member of Exmoor Archers half a century ago. Mrs Nettleton and her husband Eddie started the sport of Archery after moving to South Molton in 1950, and together with their sons Leslie and Ivan, all held Championship titles at various times.

For some years she was the Devon and Cornwall Ladies Champion and won the Manadon Bowl several times. She went on to become a British Ladies Champion Archer and held the British records for scores in the National, International and Indoor rounds.

In 1955 she was offered a place in the British Ladies Archery Team for the 1956 Olympic Games in Helsinki. At that time competitors were 'true amateurs' and as a working mother with 3 sons she had to decline the offer as she could not have borne the expense involved.

Her archery success continued after she and Eddie Moved to South Wales in 1960, and joined St David's Bowmen, based in Cardiff. Bet quickly became Welsh Ladies Champion. Her husband Eddie was constantly competing alongside her in the men's events but although sometimes successful, never achieved quite the same consistent success.

Her final days of competitive shooting came after moving discipline to Field Shooting. Once again she rapidly rose to become the Welsh Ladies Champion, whilst her husband Eddie was the Welsh Men's Champion.

Mrs Elizabeth Nettleton, ne Pengelly and known as 'Bet' to many was born on 2nd April 1923 in Okehampton and died peacefully of 4th March 2008 in Penarth, South Wales after a very long period of ill health.

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