



Cheshire County Bowmen

NEWS LETTER – June 2007

Hi everyone! So we are well and truly into the outdoor season and after an excellent and dry April, which is not usually the case, it hasn't half poured down for most of May and June thus far. Never mind it can only get better! Well let's hope so as it isn't my idea of fun shooting in the pouring rain. Anyway for those of you who have been hibernating during recent weeks, let's catch up with what's been happening.

➤ End of Season Dinner – 13th March

This year's annual dinner was held at Hoole Hall Hotel and by all accounts most of you seemed to have enjoyed yourselves. Congratulations to everyone who received trophies and medals. Hopefully we can have the same venue next year, and thanks to everyone for attending.

➤ Club AGM – 19th March

The Club's AGM duly took place on Monday the 19th March. The committee declared that the Club appears to be very healthy with an ever expanding membership and a solid financial footing. Consequently the members decided to vote against raising membership fees for yet another year. The Committee duly stood down and was voted back en-masse for another term with the exception of the Records Officer; George Bowring, who decided to stand down. Ian Corcoran was duly nominated and elected as the new Records Officer. May I take this opportunity on behalf of the Committee to thank George for all his sterling efforts in collating scores, individual handicaps and running the knock-out and ever complicated Grand Prix competitions. All I can say to Ian is good luck!

➤ Annual subscription fees 2007/8

You should all by now have paid your subscriptions and if you haven't then you shouldn't be shooting anyway. For the record this year's fees were set as follows:-

Senior annual fees:- £80.00 - £5.00 discount if paid before 01st May.

Junior annual fees:- £53.00 - £5.00 discount if paid prior to 01st May.

Alternatively you can separately pay £30.00 per adult for summer fees and £50.00 for adult winter fees. £18.00 for junior or student summer fees and £35.00 for winter. Please see either Brian Harrison the Treasurer or Fiona to pay your subscriptions.

➤ Archery Darts Match – 30th March

The annual match with NCB (North Cheshire Bowmen) took place at Upton on the 30th March. Sadly although we put up a reasonable performance, once again NCB retained the trophy 14 matches to 9. I think our problem here was the lack of tactics in hitting the correct double to finish and not doing the maths!! Anyway as always we seemed to be far too interested in the beer and nibbles! Thanks again to those who took part and for making NCB feel welcome.

➤ Tournament News

CCB was represented by Paul Chalk and Tony Beattie in Anglesey at Gwynedd Bowmen's 4th annual Stafford competition held at Amlwch – Anglesey on the 1st April. Neither of us felt we had shot particularly well but we nevertheless finished 1st and 2nd respectively with Paul scoring 653 and yours truly 650. This is the second year running that we have retained the top 2 places within the compound category and considering its difficult to shoot this round indoors regularly it's not a

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bad overall effort. In the Cheshire Winter league, our compound team came first in Division 2. The following members of CCB represented this team; Mr Tony Beattie, Mr Paul Chalk, Mrs Fiona Germain-Lloyd & Mr James Baird. Many congratulations! Our recurve team finished 3rd whilst the longbow team came 4th.

Recently John Wood won the Cumston Trophy for the highest score for a first year archer at the CAA AGM – Northgate Arena. Terry Morris finished 3rd in the compound section. We also had several archers representing the Club shooting at the Bebbington Western where John Wood finished 3rd compound whilst Janice Rowlands came 3rd Lady Longbow whilst Andy Rowlands was 2nd Gent longbow. Well done and congratulations to everyone concerned.

➤ **Junior National shoot**

The Club hosted the annual Junior National shoot on Saturday the 19th May. The weather proved to be quite a challenge being fairly breezy with interspersed showers. Nevertheless everything seemed to go fairly smoothly thanks to the support of all those club members who gave up their valuable time to assist.

➤ **CCB 20th Annual FITA Star – Sunday 01 July**

The committee is appealing for assistance from club members who can spare some time to assist in the running of this year's event. Can you please see Fiona or register your speak to other committee members if you are able to provide your help. Without your help this popular event cannot survive so please lend a hand if you can.

➤ **Summer BBQ**

The annual club BBQ will be held this year at Upton on Friday the 6th July at 6pm. There will be a animal target novelty shoot consisting of a dozen and a half arrows. For further details please speak to the Committee or collect a flyer for further information. Let's pray for decent weather!

➤ **Field shooting - Mouldsworth**

Don't forget that the Club hosts regular Field shooting as per the summer programme, so if you are looking for an alternative to target shooting then have a go at Field. See our Field shooting experts Brian and Joyce Harrison for further details. The National Field squad will be using Mouldsworth for some training on the weekend of 22nd – 24th June. Your assistance would be much appreciated to help run this weekend as smoothly as possible.

➤ **Website stuff**

The Club's website is now being regularly updated with additional material and newsletters will in future be posted there. You can find the site at www.ccbarchery.co.uk

Can you hit a peanut hanging from a thread at 30metres? Check out the extraordinary video clip currently being hosted on the internet. Log onto You Tube, then type Korean Archery Robin Hood to view amazing feats of accuracy. You will need to have Flash installed on your PC. Alternatively try the following direct link; www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZcNY2t0h-HE

I have also come across the following site; www.Archery-Interchange.co.uk which is a free to list auction site for the trading of archery goods. Each new member receives an initial £10.00 credit.

Happy shooting everyone!

