

Allington Castle Archers

Newsletter May 07

The Dates for Your Diary

**The second MKL of the
season**

Sunday 13th May
Home against Nobody
a bye

10:30 for 11:00

Kent Longbow
Sunday 20th May
Gravesend

ACA Chairmans Cup
Sunday 27th May
10:00 for 10:30 sighters

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Captains Corner

Hi all

Well the season has started with some great weather. Perhaps this is our summer so why aren't you out there shooting.

The first MKL match ended with honours even. We won on handicap & lost on Pure Score. YES WE WON ON HANDICAP, A RARE THING AGAINST CROWN.

Our Handicap team

	H	G	score	H/C
Steve Mills	107	43	799	1534
Clive Jeffery	108	26	706	1498
Gareth Williams	104	28	698	1485
Colin Bowen	96	15	549	1485
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Our Pure Score team

	H	G	score	H/C
Paul Meekins	108	42		792
Steve Beebe	108	70	890 -108	782
Dave Corke	108	57	850 -108	742
Ken Garret	108	28		718
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Well done to all above. Six people bettered their Handicap on the day. Well done to them.

Top Scores for the April results are

Paul Meekins St George Recurve 108 42 792

Geoff Barker Albion Longbow 88 13 410

We are third in both pure score & handicap Division 1.

St Georges Day shoot 22nd April

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Where were the archers on this day?

What's he that wishes so?
My cousin Westmoreland? No, my fair cousin:
If we are mark'd to die, we are enow
To do our country loss; and if to live,
The fewer men, the greater share of honour.
God's will! I pray thee, wish not one man more.
By Jove, I am not covetous for gold,
Nor care I who doth feed upon my cost;
It yearns me not if men my garments wear;
Such outward things dwell not in my desires:
But if it be a sin to covet honour,
I am the most offending soul alive.
No, faith, my coz, wish not a man from England:
God's peace! I would not lose so great an honour
As one man more, methinks, would share from me
For the best hope I have. O, do not wish one more!
Rather proclaim it, Westmoreland, through my host,
That he which hath no stomach to this fight,
Let him depart; his passport shall be made
And crowns for convoy put into his purse:
We would not die in that man's company
That fears his fellowship to die with us.
This day is called the feast of Crispian:
He that outlives this day, and comes safe home,
Will stand a tip-toe when the day is named,
And rouse him at the name of Crispian.
He that shall live this day, and see old age,
Will yearly on the vigil feast his neighbours,
And say 'To-morrow is Saint Crispian:'
Then will he strip his sleeve and show his scars.
And say 'These wounds I had on Crispin's day.'
Old men forget: yet all shall be forgot,
But he'll remember with advantages
What feats he did that day: then shall our names
Familiar in his mouth as household words
Harry the king, Bedford and Exeter,
Warwick and Talbot, Salisbury and Gloucester,
Be in their flowing cups freshly remember'd.
This story shall the good man teach his son;
And Crispin Crispian shall ne'er go by,
From this day to the ending of the world,
But we in it shall be remember'd;
We few, we happy few, we band of brothers;
For he to-day that sheds his blood with me
Shall be my brother; be he ne'er so vile,
This day shall gentle his condition:
And gentlemen in England now a-bed
Shall think themselves accursed they were not here,

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And hold their manhoods cheap whiles any speaks
That fought with us upon Saint Crispin's day.

Sorry but I could not resist it.

St Georges Day Results

St George	H	G	Score	H/C
Clive Jeffery	96	15	564	1494
Gareth Williams	104	22	616	1403
Steeve Beebe	108	72	894	1428
Steve Mills	106	46	788	1492

Albion

Bill Lyons	54	4	230	1326
Geoff Barker	73	6	325	1330
Paul Bradley	72	7	346	1508
Colin Bowen	102	14	544	1503
Stan Crowther	108	77	902	1426
Rudi Van G	52	1	224	1465
Barry Ruck	54	3	206	1447
Neil Richardson	80	9	426	1431

Windsor

Bill Linton	99	24	460	1451
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Results

1st	Paul Bradley	72	7	346	1508
2 nd	Colin Bowen	102	14	544	1503
3 rd	Clive Jeffery	96	15	564	1494

St George for the coming year was Stan Crowther with highest pure score any round 902.

Over the coming year I will be including in the newsletter small chunks of information for the newer archers. Things that are important but may not be said often enough.

So here goes with chunk 3:

Drawing arrows from the boss.

If you are drawing arrows from the target be careful of them & do not bend them. Grip the arrow, with some form of puller, as close to the boss as possible (alyls/wooden). Carbon arrows should never be pulled with bare hands (carbon fibres are virtually invisible on an arrow). Grip carbon arrows about 2"/50mm from the boss, a straight pull ensures the arrow is not broken or bent. If you break an arrow by any method other than hitting it with your arrow, you are expected to offer payment to replace it then & there.

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If you have a **miss**, *do not go looking for it until you have scored your hits*. If you find other arrows in your search for yours, then remove the arrow from the ground & stick in the ground vertically. Unless you are asked to retrieve arrows leave them vertical in the ground. It is helpful to know if your arrows are high, low, left or right of the boss.

Calling all Junior Archers

We've decided to give you all something to aim for by forming a junior league. To qualify for the league, you need to be under 18 at the 1st April, and be a Junior Member of Allington Castle Archers. The format is very relaxed, but there are one or two rules, which are printed later. To summarise them:

- You can submit the score for any GNAS recognised round shot between 1st May and 31st October. This means you need to shoot a minimum of 4 dozen arrows over at least 2 distances.
- The rounds do not have to be shot at any formal event, club practice days are fine. You do not all have to shoot on the same day
- The league will be based on handicap adjusted scores for each round shot. If you don't have a handicap, don't worry. The handicap for the round shot will be calculated from the score submitted
- Score sheets must be complete and legible
- You can submit as many scores as you like. Only your best 5 handicap adjusted scores will count towards your league position
- The winner will receive a trophy (to be held for 1 year) and a medal
- The runner up will receive a medal.

As juniors you represent the future of archery. Let's show how good you are. Happy shooting!

ACA Junior League Rules

- 1 The league is open to any junior archer (under 18 years of age at the start of the outdoor season) who is a member of the ACA.
- 2 Any GNAS recognised outdoor round score can be submitted for inclusion in the league. Rounds must be shot between 1st May and 31st October in any season. Rounds may be shot at club practise days, open tournaments, club tournaments, mid-Kent league, etc. i.e. any GNAS round shot between 1st May and 31st October may be submitted for inclusion in the league.
- 3 Scores must be submitted to the club vice captain, to arrive no later than 7th November. Scores may be handed to the vice captain on the field, left in the folder provided in the club storeroom, sent by post, or sent by email (Gareth@kentkiteflyers.org.uk). If submitting by email, please include "ACA Junior League" in the subject. Scores not including this may be automatically deleted by spam filters.
- 4 Score sheets must include the following
Name of Archer

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- Age of Archer
Date of Round
Round shot
Place shot
- 5 A complete score sheet must be submitted, i.e. including for each dozen arrows:
Score
Hits
Golds
and the total of each of the above for the round. It is not necessary to include individual arrow scores, though this would be helpful.
 - 6 Scoresheets must be legible! Illegible score sheets will be ignored!
 - 7 For each round shot the handicap for that round will be calculated and the handicap adjusted score used to determine league position.
 - 8 Archers may submit as many scores as they wish. However, they must submit at least 5 (five) scores to be included in the final rankings. For any archer submitting more scores, only their best 5 (five) scores will be used to calculate their league ranking.
 - 9 League rankings will be based on the sum of the handicap adjusted score for the archers 5 (five) best rounds. In the event of a tie, the prize will be shared.
 - 10 A trophy will be presented to the league winner, to be retained for 1 year. [note trophy to be provided by GW] Medals will be provided for the winner and runner up [note club to provide medals].
 - 11 League rankings will be posted in the club store as at the end of each calendar month. League rankings will also be published in the club newsletter.

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Secretary's Sidelines

Most of you have now paid your membership fees for which I thank you. Membership now stands at 44 Seniors and 8 Juniors. Lists are available from me N.B They are not on the website.

Please welcome our 13 new members when you see them on the field and set up target for them at their required distances They are :-

Nick, Pameia, Eleanor and Max Peake; Elaine and Jade Smith ; Phil Wise; Sandra and Christopher Puntton ; Tessa and Tim Protheroe; Charlie Randall; and Rebecca Crisp.

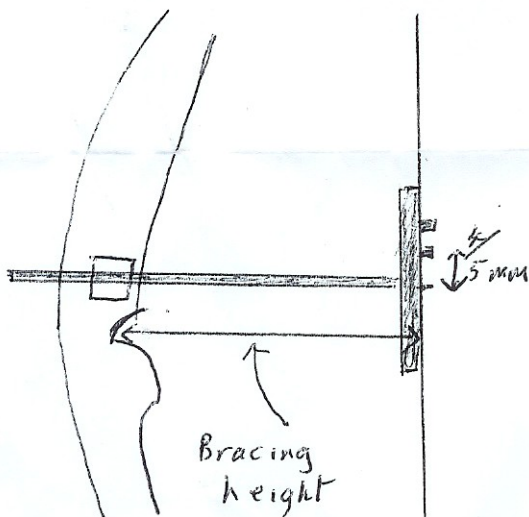
New members

Start doing your qualifying scores NOW. Refer to chart provided

20yds distance ; 36 hits ; NO MISSES score 250

Junior scores vary according to age . You can also shoot for your white badge

Coaching Tips



Check your bracing height

About 21 cm to 23cm
Change by adding or reducing the number of twists in the string

Check your nocking point

4 / 5 mm above right angle from rest to string

USE YOUR GAUGE

Andy Wright is now our **Public Relations Officer**,

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