



Records Officer's Report September 2018

Scoring is a central part of target archery as it enables you to track your progress and to compete with others if desired, so it's important to start scoring even at lower distances. Some people seem to be reluctant to score on a regular basis, but it is a good way to see how you are progressing and can even surprise you, with some members having achieved Archery GB classification standings and a number of members only need one more qualifying score at a recognised round to obtain these. It is easier than you think and we can provide your own personal record sheet with your submitted scores so you can see how you are progressing, just ask. We have a notice board with the different rounds on, so you can see how many dozen arrows and scores you require for each section.

So how have people done, let's see:-

LAC 252 Scheme

The "252 Awards Scheme" has been designed as a method of encouraging archers to move up in distance and rewarding achievements. It is not a nationally recognised scheme as, although many clubs have adopted the scheme, there are no standard set of rules (eg some clubs require multiple scores to be submitted before an award is achieved and some clubs, such as LAC, require only one). LAC adopted this scheme instead of the Archery GB progress awards scheme for Junior Archers and Beginners.

Particularly at the longer distances it is more challenging to achieve a 252 award than a GB Archery national classification.

Records

Well there are records galore being made and broken. At writing this report, we have **117** records (an increase of 40% from last year) held between the following **23** archers (an increase of 26%):

Alyssa Carrington, Chris Brown, Chris Outtrim, David Cunningham, Ellen Jones, George Hancock Graham Blandford, James Ridge, Les Jones, Liam Jones, Malcolm Speight, Mark Beaumont, Martyn Cowley, Nicola Bullock, Pat Beaumont, Peter Dobson, Rachel Cecil, Richard Green, Richard Lee-Buxton Robert Oates, Simon Shorrick, Victoria Williams, William Green

So as you can see, you don't have to be a Master Bowman to obtain or break a club record and I hope this will encourage more people to submit more score cards. These can be on the sheets we provide (downloadable from LAC website) or if you have scoring books then I can take these as well.

Well done everyone.

Classifications

Since encouraging more people to complete "rounds" and submitting scores we have had a **40% increase** in members gaining their nationally recognised Archery GB classifications for 2018 from last year. These were obtained by submitting scores from 3 recognised Archery GB rounds (which can be found in the Rules of Shooting on the Useful Downloads page of the LAC website); these do not have to be the same round but can be varied i.e. York rounds, Junior Western rounds, Warwick rounds etc.



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So who has done what?

Well we have **7 x Third Class archers**

Chris Outtrim, David Cunningham, Katie Ridge, Malcolm Speight, Richard Lee-Buxton. Richard Green, William Green

3 x Second Class archers

Graham Blandford, George Hancock, Martyn Cowley

and **2 x First Class archers**

Pat & Mark Beaumont

Congratulations everyone.

Handicaps

These are awarded after submitting 3 scores for recognised GNAS rounds and are a very good way of assessing your improvement. The following **16** archers (an increase of 38%) have obtained/improved their handicaps so far

Chris Outtrim, David Cunningham, George Hancock, Graham Blandford, Jan Lee-Buxton, Katie Ridge, Malcolm Speight, Mark Beaumont, Martyn Cowley, Pat Beaumont, Peter Dobson, Richard Green, Richard Lee-Buxton, Robert Oates, Simon Shorrick, William Green

Summary

Well, as you can see, a successful year, with many achieving more than they think and obtaining records on the way. I hope this encourages more archers to do recognised rounds and putting in their scores.

There are plenty of records still to be obtained and I look forward to handing out more classification badges and awards in the future.

Well done to everyone and keep on scoring!

Pat Beaumont
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