



Annual General Meeting 31st August 2019

Records Officer's Report

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 Colour Scheme

This year we have introduced the LAC Colour scheme for beginners who have come straight off our Beginners' Course. This has been received very well and has encouraged the beginners and enabled them to gain confidence with no pressure of going for the 252 badges immediately. As a result, more people are obtaining their 252 badges and going for their classifications.

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. Our rules are set out behind every score sheet and you require 2 qualifying scores to receive a badge.

Awards

This year we have renewed many annual trophies and winners of these will also receive a medal which they can keep. With more people taking up the Barebow we have also introduced trophies for Barebow classes as well.

Competitions

More people this year have represented Ledbury Archery Club at various county competitions, winners in their classes a number of times.

Records

Well there are records galore being made and broken. At writing this report, we have **172** records (an increase of 14% from last year) held between the following **37** archers (an increase of 16%):

Alyssa Carrington, Andy Deeble, Caroline Shaw, Chris Brown, Chris Outtrim, Dave Quinn, David Cunningham, Denise Hyde, Dorrie Gaylard, Ellen Jones, George Hancock, Gordon Woolley, Graham Blandford, Graham Shaw, James Ridge, Jan Lee-Buxton, Joseph Barton, Katie Ridge, Lee Owen, Liam Jones, Malcolm Speight, Lyndon Hunt, Mark Beaumont, Martyn Cowley, Nicola Bullock, Pat Beaumont, Peter Dobson, Rachel Cecil, Richard Green, Richard Lee-Buxton/ Robert Oates, Sarah Quin, Simon Gaylard, Simon Shorrick, Stephanie Barton, Victoria Williams, and 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 can be sent electronically. ***Well done everyone.***

Classifications

Classifications are nationally recognised awards and can be awarded 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.

The Archery GB classifications run from 1st January to 31st December, so you need to submit further qualifying scores each year to maintain your qualification. There are a number of archers who have successfully submitted 2 qualifying scores so I would encourage those people to shoot further rounds and submit them.

So who has done what so far?

Well we have **3 x Third Class archers**

Stephanie Barton, Richard Lee-Buxton and Jamie Dixon

2 x Second Class archers

Graham Blandford and Richard Green

and **6 x First Class archers**

Mark Beaumont, Rachel Cecil, George Hancock, Pat Beaumont, Malcolm Speight and Joseph Barton

Congratulations everyone.

Handicaps

These are awarded after submitting scores for recognised GNAS rounds and are a very good way of assessing your improvement.

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 - Records Officer