



Newsletter

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Message from your editor...

Hello fellow archers,

In the last couple of months we've had some extreme heat and spats of heavy rain, nothing unusual for UK weather! At one point the grass looked scorched, but fortunately after some welcome rain it is recovering well.

Fred and Ken organised a wand shoot at the end of July, it was great fun and lovely to try something different, thank you both for arranging the event.

Just a reminder we have our move indoors on Saturday 10th October and the start of the indoor shooting season, it seems to have come round really quickly this time.

I look forward to seeing you at the field and then at the Sports Hall for more competitions and practice rounds.

Happy shooting,

Lyn

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Birthdays in OCTOBER

Cliff • Marcus • Fred • Sara
Mick O • Yvonne • Jake

Birthdays in NOVEMBER

George • David • Nick
Amanda • Glynis



PLEASE SUPPORT INDOOR SHOOTING

Indoor shooting season starts Saturday 10th October at the Lutterworth Leisure centre in the sports hall, held on Saturdays from 1.30pm to 4.00pm, cost £7.00 per session.

Just a reminder to all members, we would ask that as many members as possible support the club and join us at the sports hall for indoor shooting,

Unfortunately, if we don't get the support, we may lose this facility forever so please support the club and shoot indoors, thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 3rd Oct: Winter Windsor hosted by Belvoir Archers at Barnstone, Notts.
Details on the EMAS website.

Sunday 25th Oct: Pie & Bean shoot (Western Rounds) hosted by Sherwood Archers at Southwell, Notts.
Details on the WMAS Website.

Sunday 22nd Nov: Countesthorpe Triple Round 1 (**Portsmouth Round**) hosted by Foxes AC.
See foxes website for details & entry forms.



WAND SHOOT



On Friday evening 31st July Fred and Ken organised a 'wand shoot' at the field, it was well attended and good fun.

The wand shoot was originally a medieval longbow practice for English longbow archers to help with their aim to be able to shoot through the narrow slits in castle walls.

The 'wand' was a willow branch 6ft high and 4" wide and set at a distance of between 60 and 150 paces.

The round we did consisted of 3 doz arrows, we all used the same type of Jelly bow and arrows instead of our own bows, one point was awarded for a hit and 4 additional points for hitting the small black round targets on the wand.

Mick was the first archer to hit one of the small black targets on the wand.

Jeremy came first with 17 points followed by David and Glynis both with 16 points. David achieved the most hits at 12 followed by Jeremy at 9.

Family and friends were invited to watch and some brought a picnic to have afterwards. It was lovely to do something different for a change, everyone said it was fun and enjoyed the evening.

Thank you to Fred and Ken for their hard work setting up and organising the event.



Wands, bows and arrows set out ready to start



On the shooting line hoping for a hit!



I wonder if we hit anything?



Mick was the first to hit the small round target on the wand



Jeremy with his Gold and Silver medals



Enjoying the show!



David with his Gold and Silver medals



CLUB NOTICES



Lost and found arrows

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you lose or find an arrow whilst at the field please remember to report this as it is an AGB requirement that these are logged with the club.

There is a form for lost and found arrows on the website for you to complete at www.lutterwortharchery.org.uk

Please give the following information:



- date and time of loss or find
- approximate location in the field
- arrow make and type
- colour of nock and fletchings



Did you know?

There is a Members' Area on our website, with lots of useful archery information, passworded just for our members.

You can contact our club secretary for access information.

It's found in THE CLUB section of the main menu, or directly here: <https://lutterwortharchery.org.uk/members-area/membership-login/>.



For your information



A polite reminder that the setting up and putting away of equipment is the responsibility of all club members, so please don't arrive late and leave early on club days, everybody's help is needed.

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Please inform the club secretary at secretary@lutterwortharchery.org.uk if any of your details have changed (phone numbers, address, emergency contact details etc) so they can be updated on the club database

Thank you



TEA & COFFEE AT THE FIELD 30p



If you do use a cup please wash it up ready for someone else to use, as on occasions they have been left for others to do!

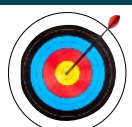
Thank you



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NEW CLUB MEMBERS

Please give a warm LAC welcome and say hello to:

JAKE

ADRIAN

both senior archers who have joined us after completing the June beginners' course.



Please note

Please check the website for any date or time changes of club competitions or notices.



Please do not move the fixed targets at the field as they are set up for all to use



Thank you.



Why not join our WhatsApp group chat?

Speak to Jon or email him on jfb930@gmail.com. Jon will need your mobile number to add you to the group.

We look forward to welcoming you to the group

SONIA AT THE NATIONAL 50+ CHAMPIONSHIPS

I took part in the National 50 + Champs at Evesham Archery Club yesterday 1st of August. I was on the shooting line with 25 very experienced women/recurve Archers.

I qualified 5th and was granted access to the H2H (head to head) and will be among big names, all good friends that I meet often on the shooting line.

I went out in the quarter finals but I am proud of my final ranking 8th.

I had a blast, what a day with great weather and lots of laughter with some very good friends, I always enjoy the competition atmosphere.

Next I'm at the County Champs August 16th and I've been selected for the match against Northants August 23rd.

Thank you Sonia for sharing your experience with us, well done and good luck with your next competition.



Ha Ha!!

Two archers were arguing when one of them took his bow and aimed at the other. The other archer then said 'I see your point!'

The archery coach quit because the job had too many strings attached

MODIFIED RED BOSS



Cliff has modified the red boss to make it more stable, thank you Cliff



WA/METRIC ROUNDS



At the WA and Metric shoot on Saturday 1st August the handicap order was:

1st CLARE 1490 (well in front)

2nd BILL 1437

3rd TOM B 1436



In the Val Ward Trophy, the order from 5 shoots is:



1st CLARE 7207

2nd RICHARD 7185

3rd ANDREW K 7151

Archers with fewer shoots but good scores may change this order over the next couple of Competitions.



NEW CLUB RECORDS ACHIEVED



ALEX

Men's recurve WA1440 90m, 140 hits, 6 x's, score 943

GLYNIS

Ladies' 50+ recurve Metric 2, 132 hits, 1 x, score 957

CLARE

Ladies' longbow WA1440 70m, 68 hits, 1 x, score 324

RICHARD

Men's recurve WA1440 70m, 136 hits, 2 x's, score 832

Elsewhere, Sonia took part in the Archery GB 50+ Championships and achieved a very creditable 5th place.



This was also a Club record



SONIA

Ladies' 50+ recurve WA 60, hits not recorded, 2 x's, score 543



CONGRATULATIONS AND WELL DONE EVERYONE



The archer's paradox is one of the great mysteries of archery. The arrow seems to bend around the bow, defying physics and logic. But in that paradox lies the beauty of archery.

Archery is not about being better than anyone else; it's about being better than you used to be.

Did you know?

The oldest known evidence of the bow and arrow, or archery artifacts, are small stone arrow points that were found in Sibudu Cave, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. They are a stunning 64,000 years old.



AUGUST BEGINNERS' COURSE



LAC held their 3rd beginners' course over the weekend of 8th & 9th August, 9 participants attended the course on a very sunny and hot 2 days, plenty of sun screen and hats were the order of the day.

They all did really well and said they enjoyed learning how to shoot. Paul and Jeremy ran the course with some club members on hand to help out with various tasks where needed.

Thank you to Fred and Bill for helping with the students and Cliff who helped with the setting up and taking down of the equipment and any maintenance that was needed. Thank you to Paul and Jeremy for running the course and to everyone who gave up their time for this event.



The briefing



Usual warm up exercises



Full draw
7



Collecting arrows



Nice shots



Learning to score



LAC crew and the students having been presented with their certificates



← WINDSOR/ALBION ROUNDS →



On Saturday 15th August the handicap order for the shoot was:

1st ANDREW R 1457

2nd TOM B 1449

3rd GLYNIS 1426

These archers shot a Windsor 50, Albion and Windsor (60) respectively, this shows talent in the Club at various distances.



In the Val Ward trophy the order remains



CLARE 7207

RICHARD 7189

ANDREW K 7151

However, they can't rest on their laurels, as two other archers are also in the 7100s, and three with only four shoots have good averages.



CLUB RECORDS ACHIEVED



GLYNIS

Ladies' 50+ recurve Windsor, 103 hits, 45 golds, score 779

CLIFF

Men's 50+ compound Windsor, 108 hits, 71 golds, score 888



PREVIOUSLY ON 7 AUGUST

ALEX G

achieved a new Men's recurve National 50 record with 72 hits, 50 golds, score 602



CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE AND WELL DONE



RAIN STOPPED PLAY!



On Saturday 29 August in the face of a dire weather forecast Clare, Alex and Richard bravely shot sighters in light rain. Then the heavens opened. The first end was shot, but it proved impossible to score, as the scoresheet was soaked in a few seconds. The heavy rain continued, and the shoot was abandoned. Well, it was a Bank Holiday weekend!



**2nd PLACE FOR CHRIS
AT COUNTRY
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

On 16th August Chris O gained a second place at the County Championships.

A NEW CLUB RECORD

CHRIS O

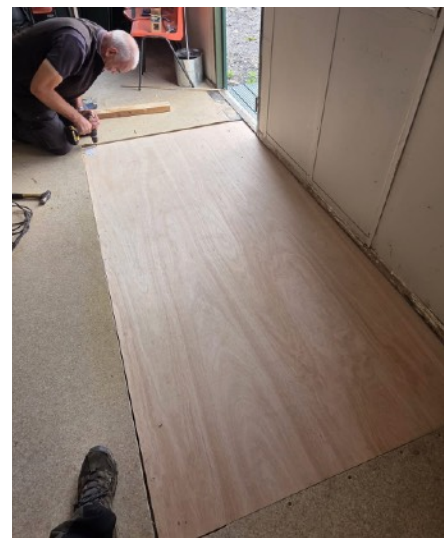
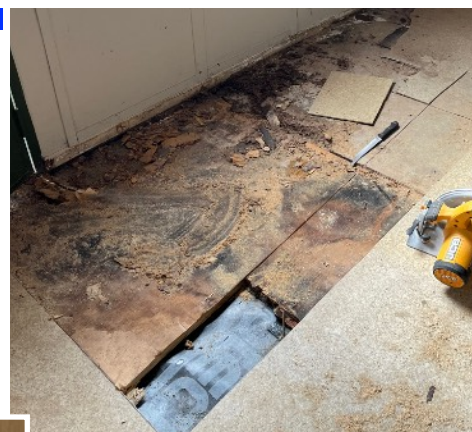
Men's barebow Bristol 1
133 hits, 21 golds, score 731

**CONGRATULATIONS AND
WELL DONE CHRIS**

CABIN REPAIRS

A section of the floor in the cabin (behind the door and towards the kitchen area) had started to give way, the joists were found to be rotten so Cliff spent the day cutting out the bad section and then the following day Cliff, Charles and Alex repaired it by fitting new wood to make it safe and they did a very good job.

Thank you to Cliff, Charles and Alex for doing this important work, it is very much appreciated by club members.



Some photos showing the large area of the cabin floor that had to be cut out and replaced.
Well done guys and thank you!



1ST PLACE NOVICE (GOLD MEDAL FOR JOHN)



Sunday 6th September, saw the annual LRCAA County Novice Championships take place; hosted at LAOFAC (Forresters at Countesthorpe).

The Novice champs, held yearly, are for those who are new to Archery within the preceding 18 months, all novice archers in the county are welcome to take part.

There was a mixed field of both Barebow, Recurve and Compound Archers and a very mixed range of age groups. Clubs at Hinkley, LAOFAC, Soar Valley, Foxes, De Monfort and of course ourselves well represented.

After a safety briefing and pairings, we were given the go ahead; my age group (50+ seniors) shot a 60/50 National round, with the junior age groups shooting different distances.

Performances were good and it was great to see some very young and aspiring archers hitting some consistent golds.

Myself, well I shot well, a respectable 562...so well that I took first place in the compound category, earning myself my very first gold medal. Onwards and upwards.....I now have my handicap.

A great afternoon out at the event and great to meet other clubs and archers. Well worth entering and I would advise this year's novice archers to give it a go in September 2027.



**Congratulations John,
on winning your 1st gold
medal, very well done!**

*John (club secretary) kindly
wrote about his experience,
thank you for sharing your
story with us John.*



RECORD OFFICER'S REPORT

Club activity continues at a high level.

So far this season:

22 archers have shot 162 rounds, 54 in the 9 Club competitions and 4 in Open Tournaments.

40 Frostbite rounds were also shot in the early months of the year.

22 members have achieved 25 handicaps.

We have

one Archer Grade 3

four Archers Grade 2

eight Archers Grade 1

four Bowmen Grade 3

two Bowmen Grade 2

(19 in all)

My apologies for the higher figure reported last time, caused by duplications in the computer programme.

35 new Club Records have been achieved this season.

In the 252 scheme 11 archers have achieved longer distance levels.



In the Val Ward Trophy competition



15 members have shot 41 qualifying rounds.

Shooting continues to be very well supported. The weather has been relatively kind to us this year, with the exception of the recent Long Metric shoot, which had to be abandoned due to very heavy rain.



Thank you Andrew for keeping us up-to-date with results



NATIONAL ROUNDS

On Saturday 12th September the results on a handicap basis were:

1st Clare 1416

2nd Bill 1403

3rd Tom B 1397

These results brought changes in the leaderboard for the Val Ward Trophy, where the order is now:

1st Tom B 7270

2nd Clare 7221

3rd Bill 7200



A new Club Record was achieved



Clare - Ladies' longbow National

35 hits, 4 golds, score 149

WELL DONE EVERYONE



LUTTERWORTH ARCHERY CLUB

2026/27 INDOOR DIARY & COMPETITION DATES



NB: Schedule may change at short notice due to unforeseen circumstances so please check your emails and the club website

Date	Round	Doz Arrows	Sighters
Saturday 10th October 2026	Practice Session		1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 17th October 2026	Portsmouth	60cm target face 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 24th October 2026	Practice / L&R300	3 different target faces. 1 doz at each face Total 3 doz	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 31st October 2026	Practice Session		1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 7th November 2026	Portsmouth	60cm target face 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 14th November 2026	Practice / L&R300	3 different target faces. 1 doz at each face Total 3 doz	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 21st November 2026	Practice Session		1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 21st November 2026	County Coaching Conference		
Sunday 22nd November 2026	Countesthorpe Triple Round 1 (Portsmouth) Hosted by Foxes AC		See Foxes AC Website
Saturday 28th November 2026	WA 18	40cm target face at 18m 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 5th December 2026	Practice Session		1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 12th December 2026	Worcester	16" black target face 5 doz arrows in 5 arrow ends	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Sunday 13th December 2026	Countesthorpe Triple Round 2 (Worcester) Hosted by Foxes AC		See Foxes AC Website
Saturday 19th December 2026	Fun Shoot	Christmas themed targets	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 26th December 2026	No Indoor shooting		
Saturday 2nd January 2027	No Indoor Shooting		
Saturday 9th January 2027	Practice Session		1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)

Saturday 16th January 2027	WA18	40cm target face at 18m 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Sunday 17th January 2027	Countesthorpe Triple Round 3 (WA18) - TBC Hosted by LAOFAC		See Foxes Website
Saturday 23rd January 2027	Practice /L&R300	3 different target faces. 1 doz at each face Total 3 doz	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 31st January 2027	Worcester	16" black target face 5 doz arrows in 5 arrow ends	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 6th February 2027	Portsmouth	60cm target face 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Sunday 7th February 2027	County Indoor Championships (TBC)		
Saturday 13th February 2027	Practice /L&R300	3 different target faces. 1 doz at each face Total 3 doz	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 20th February 2027	Practice Session		1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 27th February 2027	Vegas	40cm target face in triangular format at 18m 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 6th March 2027	Portsmouth	60cm target face 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 13th March 2027	Practice /L&R300	3 different target faces. 1 doz at each face Total 3 doz	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 20th March 2027	WA25	60cm target face at 25m 5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 27th March 2027	Bray I	40cm Target face 2.5 doz arrows	1.30pm (Sighters at 2pm)
Saturday 27th March 2027	Move kit back to the field after shooting		4pm
Saturday 3rd April 2027	Outdoor Shooting Begins		2pm at the field

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L&R300 Postal Competition or Practice session for those not shooting L&R300

For any archers not wishing to shoot competitions in the diary it will be practice as usual.

