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Norfolk Archery Association Newsletter

Archery for all

Dear Visitor,

Welcome to the Norfolk Archery May Newsletter, also including the County Coaching Newsletter.

Well, its been a changeable start to the outdoor season, we've had wind and hail, then we had a 3 day summer, what looked like autumn came along, but as I'm writing this I have my shorts on, so maybe its summer again! (Also, apologies if me wearing shorts scares the sun away...)

That said, it is warming up, and the nights are getting longer, allowing for us all to spend more time doing what we love - shooting bows!

Spring has given us some great shoots, and there are a lot more on the horizon!

Tournaments:

Hingham Bowmen End of Season Shoot

What a day!

Two great Portsmouth Rounds followed by a hotly contested Team Vegas, with some great team names, and a lot of fun had by all - especially Mckenzie who took over running the timing system after Chris Latimer somehow managed to break it...

The popularity of this event shows how popular the team aspect of archery is becoming, and hopefully there will be more such events in the future.

I think we'd all like to say a massive thank you to Hingham for putting this on, and though not wanting to speed through this year, ask when entries will open for next year?

Fakenham Bowmen's Mayday Shoot

The Fakenham Mayday weekend was a great success, with lots of archers taking part in all 3 elements of the weekend!

Unlike last year the sun shone on the Longbows, and they rewarded us with a fun two-way Western shoot, and the rare sight of Kieran Carr with a pointy stick!



Though the wind picked up and the clouds came over the Warwick was still mostly nice, and there was good shooting and a lot of fun up and down the line.

The highlight though was the Mayday Tournament itself, with St. George rounds added this year. Despite the traditional Fakenham wind, and the rain at the end (we blame Fraser for this...) everyone had a good time, including the Judges (though this may have been due to the cake).

Neil Barham enjoyed himself so much he actually finished the competition, and received a massive round of applause from those present on the day - well done Neil, and well done to all those who took part and came away with the medals and trophies!

Fakenham Bowmen Summer WA!

Fakenham's other traditional target shoot is the now rather rapidly approaching Summer WA.

This will take place on the 16th and 17th July 2016, and comprises the WA70/WA50 rounds and head to heads on the Saturday, and the WA1440 on the Sunday. There will also be Cadet and Masters rounds, and VI rounds available by request, so all are welcome.

They also tell us they are trying to make it less windy this year too!

Entry is open, and you can check out the event page here

[Summer WA](#)

Hingham Bowmen Fun Field Shoot

It may be a way off, 21st August to be precise, but entries are open for the Hingham Bowmen Fun Field Shoot!

This will be the 4th time Hingham have run the event, and it is always popular, so check out the event page and get your entries in!

[Fun Field Shoot](#)

Norfolk WA Star

Norfolk Archery Association, alongside Norfolk Bowmen, are proud to announce their first World Record Status WA Star event.

The event will be run by Norfolk Bowmen on behalf of the County and the Archery Training Centre.

It is brilliant to see another WA weekend coming to Norfolk, and it's sure to be a great event, so get your entries in as it is already starting to fill up!

The event will comprise of the standard WA format of WA50/70s, Head to Heads and the full WA1440, but will also include Metrics rounds.

Information and entry forms can be found by [clicking here](#)

News:

National County Team Championship

On 25th and 26th June 2016, Lilleshall will once again play host to the National County Team Championships.

Norfolk are sending the following archers to comprise their team:

Gents Recurve: John Bruce (capt), Stephen Hall, Lee Barnes

Gents Compound: Mark Webb (capt), Roy Sadler, David Hall

Ladies Compound: Rachel Jackson (capt), Sally Palmer, Lorraine Alcock

We wish them the best of luck, and hope they have a great time!

Archery GB Big Weekend!

Norfolk Bowmen will be taking part in the Archery GB Big Weekend Have-A-Go event this year!

The big weekend is Archery GB's annual outreach scheme designed to introduce new people to the sport of archery, and its great that there will be an event in Norfolk again this year!

The Session will be hosted by Norfolk Bowmen at their outdoor range, between 10am-4pm on Saturday 4th June.

Click on the link to find out more about the [*Big Weekend!*](#)

Congratulations

The County would like to congratulate the following people for their recent success:

Layla Annison, who won a Silver Medal for the Cadet Compound Team at the European Youth Cup!

Mckenzie Carr, who achieved a new National Record for the Short Junior Warwick at Fakenham's Mayday Shoot.

Chris Latimer, Vice Chair of Norfolk Archery, who passed his County Judging Assessment last weekend!

Out and about:

Whilst Norfolk is clearly the place to be, those of you feeling adventurous will find some great events outside the county

Check out the [*Cambridge, Essex*](#) and [*Lincolnshire*](#) County Websites for more information.

County Coaching Newsletter:

Coaching Courses

Within the County we currently have a Level 1 coaching course taking place in Norwich, which should bring an additional 11 coaches in to the Counties clubs.

The County will also be running another Level 1 Course and a Level 2 course later this year.

Lvl 1 Dates:

Session 1 - 8th October 2016

Session 2 - 9th October 2016
 Session 3 - 6th November 2016
 Assessment - 7th January 2017.

Lvl 2 Dates:
 Session 1 - 29th - 30th October 2016
 Session 2 - 3rd - 4th December 2016
 Session 3 - 14th - 15th January 2017
 Assessment TBC mid March 2017

All sessions will be taking place at the 30th' Norwich Scouts Hut, Tusting Close, NR7 8TD.

Please contact David Dowle (Duffy) for more information on daviddowle@sky.com

Archery Training Centre

Norfolk's Archery Training Centre has been very busy!
 As well as lots of Sessions being held at Norfolk Bowmen's great shooting venue, there have been numerous other coach education events alongside the training sessions.

Things kicked off with Archery GB's Head of Coaching Lloyd Brown coming down and taking coaches through performance coaching.

This was followed by John Dunster, Archery GB's Talent Pathway Coach coming and talking about how to link performance coaching into what we already offer in the County.

The series of sessions and events continues into the summer, and the next events can be found below:

15th May 2016

Trish Lovell - Senior Coach and a former World Champion, is coming to Norfolk!
 In the morning she will be giving a talk about Barebow archery and how to coach Barebow archers, and in the afternoon there will be a chance for coaches and archers alike to put some of this knowledge into practice! Check out the flyer for more information, and e-mail Chris Latimer on norfolkcoaching@gmail.com to sign up. The day is £10 for members of Norfolk Archery Association, £15 for non-members.

26th May 2016

Archery Training Centre Coaching Session

The session will run from 6-8.30pm, and will be held at Norfolk Bowmen, and will cost £10.

This Thursday evening slot will hopefully attract a few different archers, and those who can't make weekend sessions due to work/family/competitions.

It would be great to see some new faces, and will be a great chance to get some extra shooting practice under the eyes of a great coaching team.

Please remember to register your attendance with Chris Latimer in advance on norfolkcoaching@gmail.com.

That's all for this edition! If you have any feedback on the newsletter or the website please do let us know on website@norfolkarchery.info, we are always looking to improve how we communicate.

Please do encourage everyone in your club to check out the website, and to sign up for the newsletter - we have had a 10% bump in subscriptions in the last two weeks, so lets keep that momentum going!

If you have an upcoming shoot that you'd like featured on the website let us know and we'll get it updated!

Happy Shooting and see you all soon,

David Hall.



Not interested any more?