



Exeter Company of Archers News Letter October 2014

Welcome to the 5th edition of 2014

No normal club meeting on the following Sunday



More volunteers needed please put your name on the list provided on the notice board or speak to Philip Rees

Killerton (Have a Go) – Sat 18/10/14 and Sun 19/10/14

Based on last year's arrangements, Killerton is open from 10am, so we should also be 'open' by then. I expect to arrive by 9am at latest, to start setting up (both days), so others can also arrive from that time. Will finish 4.30 – 5pm. All times approximate, and members welcome for part of day(s). Expect to be busy all day (weather permitting!), so 'more the merrier'. Members should park in main car park (free). Event is in orchard, across road from main site. If arriving after 10am, may need to explain on gate that they are archers. Suggest suitable dress for weather conditions (and club clothing if available). If anyone needs directions or more info, please see or contact me. (Philip Rees)



Field Captancy at the Club

(More than just a Whistle Blower!) by Philip Rees

The topic of 'Field Captancy' has often been discussed at club meetings, committee meetings, and the AGM. Very little guidance is available from GNAS /Archery GB (AGB), regarding the duties of the Field Captain. This is an attempt (at the request of the committee) to clarify the situation as far as possible, to dispel any myths and mystique, and to lay down some 'ground rules' relevant to the position at club meetings. It is based on my experience as a club Field Captain, as and when required, over the past twenty years or so, and a working knowledge of AGB rules and club practices. Some content is derived from the *GWAS Field Captains Course* material (see below). **The article is intended specifically as a guide for potential or first-time Field Captains at normal club meetings. It does not address general shooting or 'etiquette' matters, and is not intended as 'advice for archers'.**

Requirements for beginners' courses, 'have a go' sessions, coaching-only sessions, tournaments etc. may differ in some respects, and are not necessarily covered. In instances where club practice differs slightly from the published AGB guidelines, **the AGB version remains the 'gold standard', and an archer is always entitled to follow the official route without criticism.** Where AGB rules and practices differ from the WA (World Archery, formerly FITA) equivalents, the AGB version is given precedence, as club meetings are normally organised along AGB lines. Standard details such as range layout dimensions, which are readily available in official AGB documents, are not reproduced here. Much of the content should be 'common sense' to an archer, and is normal practice at club meetings.

1. Who can act as Field Captain at club meetings?

The only information from AGB which I can find appears in the '*Guide to Setting up a new Archery Club*'⁽¹⁾. This describes the Field Captain as someone who: '*may be a qualified Judge, Club Field Captain, Deputy Field Captain or an individual archer, usually the most experienced archer present*'.

This description is rather vague and of limited use, particularly as there is no attempt to define '*experienced archer*'. What it does suggest, is that a fair proportion of archers present at an average club meeting could potentially fulfil the position of Field Captain. There is no requirement to hold any position or qualification within the club or the wider archery world. For practical reasons, the position of Field Captain can only be taken by a senior (ie. adult) archer.

2. What are the duties of the Field Captain?

At all club meetings, shooting must be under the control of a Field Captain. The Field Captain's responsibilities include safety (of all persons), range layout,

equipment, warning signs, observance of club and site rules etc. All persons present at the meeting, whether shooting or not, are under the control of the Field Captain. Whilst not required to monitor activities 'behind the line', the Field Captain is empowered to deal with any matters which may arise from this area.

Other 'club' duties may include making announcements, checking AGB membership cards of visiting archers, and ensuring that members have signed in and paid shooting fees (in the absence of committee members).

In theory, the Field Captain may be called upon to decide on scoring issues, such as line-cutters, although these matters are normally resolved by individual archers on the target. If asked to adjudicate, the Field Captain's decision is final.

The Field Captain is entitled to shoot along with other archers, but must be conscious of the situation on the field, and be prepared to take appropriate action when necessary (in fact, this applies to all archers present, shooting or not!).

It is important that the Field Captain is able to give adequate attention to his/her responsibilities, and should not be expected to take on other duties, such as coaching, at the same time. If the Field Captain is unavoidably out of sight of the field or otherwise occupied, responsibility must be temporarily delegated to another archer.

The Field Captain must have a basic knowledge of GNAS/AGB rules ⁽²⁾ with respect to range layout requirements, safety overshoot distances, target spacing, control signals etc. However, this is expected of all club members, so should not present a problem.

3. Typical issues encountered by a Field Captain (Please note that not all eventualities are covered!)

Control of Shooting: The Field Captain's duties include control of shooting by means of audible (whistle) signals. The correct series of signals for normal club meetings is one whistle to start an end of shooting, and three whistles to collect arrows [AGB Rule 304(f), Method 1]. A two whistle signal is only used with 'timed ends' [AGB Rule 304(f), Method 2], which are not normal practice at club meetings. Before an end can start, the Field Captain must ensure that the field (including overshoot area), and shooting line are clear. All archers must be behind the waiting line and ready to shoot. The Field Captain may stand in front of the waiting line at any time.

Before giving the signal to collect arrows, the Field Captain must ensure that the shooting line is clear, and all archers have retired behind the waiting line.

The usual emergency stop signal is the cry of 'FAST' from any archer (as is well known!), but a series of four or more whistle blasts may also be used. Shooting is re-started by the Field Captain with a single whistle.

Any announcements are made before the signal to start an end or collect arrows is given. The club has a bulb horn which may be used in lieu of a whistle.

Persons entering the 'hazard zone': Exeter School is private property, and the 'public' have no right of access. Therefore, in theory we do not need to mark out the hazard zone (the shooting and overshoot areas) [AGB rule 302 (c)ii]. However, other persons may have access to the field, and may approach the zone for apparently legitimate reasons [AGB rule 302 (c)i]. All members present must be aware and prepared to take the necessary emergency action when this happens. Normal practice is to err on the safe side! The Field Captain has responsibility for determining when it is safe to re-commence shooting.

If other field activities are taking place, additional measures are required (warning notices / tape), to define the hazard zone. Even this does not necessarily prevent incursions.

Regardless of any warning or safety measures, it must be assumed that non-archers on the site are unaware of the potential hazards, and may assume that their requirements have priority. If it is necessary to speak to any person(s) about such matters, it must be done tactfully and politely.

If it proves impractical to shoot safely, the Field Captain has authority to suspend shooting or cancel the session.

Lost arrows: The Field Captain is responsible for co-ordinating efforts to find missing arrows, and can require all archers to assist (with suspension of shooting as necessary). The Field Captain should be familiar with the use of the metal detector. The unlikely event of an arrow not being found qualifies as an 'incident', and must be dealt with appropriately (see below).

Lone archer on the line: The published rules state that '*Archers shall retire from the shooting line as soon as their last arrow has been shot*' [AGB Rule 304(g)]. However, it is accepted that an archer may not wish to distract neighbouring archers at 'full draw' by leaving the line, or may wish to support a lone archer. Therefore the rule also indicates that '*an archer may remain on the shooting line to keep company with another archer still shooting*'. From the wording, it is clear that the latter statement is a choice for the individual archer, rather than an instruction or even a recommendation.

The conventional approach at club meetings is to remain on the line, but an archer who, by accident or choice, does not follow the convention is not 'out of order', and cannot be criticised in any way. If an archer has left the line, there seems little point in returning to support a lone archer.

Dealing with an 'incident': Hopefully a highly unlikely event, but a record must be made of any incident which involves injury and/or damage, and could result in a claim against the club's (AGB) Public Liability Insurance. This would certainly involve the Field Captain and any committee members present. It would be necessary to record details of the incident, of all persons present or involved, and actions taken. Ideally, a record of names should be made in addition to the normal club register. The club accident book and/or an official AGB report form is available at club meetings. If not present, the club chairperson and/or secretary would need to be informed as a matter of urgency.

Provided GNAS/AGB rules are followed, all persons involved or affected are covered by the insurance policy (including all persons on-site, and the 'general public'). Other potential incidents or 'near misses' not resulting in damage or injury may also need to be recorded.

Who Can Shoot at the Club? It may fall to the Field Captain to ascertain whether or not a particular person (not a current Exeter member) is permitted to shoot at the club.

Lapsed Exeter members can only shoot if the appropriate membership fee is paid in full prior to shooting. Any AGB or WA registered or affiliated archer is normally welcome to shoot at most club meetings, subject to approval by the committee or Field Captain. It is always necessary to check the membership credentials of first-time visitors. Regular visitors must also confirm membership annually. If the person cannot produce a valid AGB or WA membership card, they must not shoot (a club membership card is not sufficient). Visitors must sign in and pay the appropriate fee. When credentials are checked, the Field Captain or a committee member must countersign the entry.

Visitors' equipment may need to be informally checked for suitability. Standard recurve, compound, or longbow equipment should present no problem (compounds are limited to 60lb peak weight, but we would not normally check this). Anything 'unusual', such as a crossbow, would need referral to higher authority (the club committee). It may also be appropriate to ask (tactfully!) a few general questions about a casual visitor's archery background, to check that they actually have some experience of club shooting.

'Archers', who are members of the National Field Archery Society (NFAS) or the British Long-Bow Society (BLBS), and not also AGB or WA registered, cannot shoot at club meetings. It is never possible for friends or family of members, or casual 'passers-by' to shoot at normal club meetings.

The Field Captain is authorised to (and must) refuse to let any visitor shoot if there appears to be any uncertainty about the person's eligibility and/or ability.

Other safety/conduct/equipment/shooting issues: The Field Captain is empowered to make any necessary decisions, and give advice or instructions, relevant to shooting issues. An example could be unsuitable footwear (AGB rule 307). All present are expected to comply. Legitimate decisions made by the Field Captain can expect the support of the club committee. A reference copy of Club and Archery GB rules is available at all club meetings.

4. Further help and advice

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As mentioned above, very little help and advice for potential Field Captains is available from AGB. A Powerpoint presentation covering the basics does (or did) exist, and was viewed by a number of club members some years ago.

More recently, a couple of 'training sessions' organised by GWAS/DCAS Judges have taken place, and it is hoped that they can be repeated in various parts of the county area. These are intended to familiarise archers with the duties of the Field Captain at club meetings, and also in the wider archery world, when a Field Captain may assist a Judge at certain tournaments. When available, details will be publicised at the club, and members invited to attend.

At the club, informal help and advice to members wishing to experience Field Captaincy is always available from the regular Field Captains.

Abbreviations used:

GNAS: *Grand National Archery Society* (UK national archery organisation, 'trading name' is *Archery GB, AGB*)

FITA: *Federation International de Tir à l'Arc* (International archery organisation, now *World Archery, WA*)

GWAS: *Grand Western Archery Society* (Regional archery organisation)

DCAS: *Devon & Cornwall Archery Society* (County archery organisation)

References:

(1) Archery GB Guide to Setting up a New Archery Club:

[http://www.archerygb.org/tools/documents/SettingupaNewClub-\[14040\].pdf](http://www.archerygb.org/tools/documents/SettingupaNewClub-[14040].pdf)

(2) Archery GB Rules of Shooting and Shooting Administrative Procedures:

http://www.archerygb.org/documents_members.php?folderid=1590&includeref=doclist1181

[GWAS Field Captains Course: Personal communication (Colin Holmes)]



Exeter Company of Archers

Club Championships

14th September 2014

Exeter School

Lady Paramount: Mrs Karen Williams

Field Captain: Mr Phillip Rees

Results

Recurve

Long Metric (90/70)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds
Andrew Hoyle	Exeter Company of Archers	442	69	3

Long Metric (70/60)

Ladies

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Val Scull	Exeter Company of Archers	424	66	2	1st	Trophy & Medal
Karen Williams	Exeter Company of Archers	367	62	5	2nd	Medal
Gina Elsworth	Exeter Company of Archers	332	59	0	3rd	Medal

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Long Metric (50/40)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Peter Tansley	Exeter Company of Archers	541	72	8	1st	Trophy & Medal
Paul Harrison	Exeter Company of Archers	514	71	4	2nd	Medal
Graham Waters	Exeter Company of Archers	504	72	11	3rd	Medal
Richard D'Souza	Exeter Company of Archers	455	68	9		

Ladies

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Saira Choudhry	Exeter Company of Archers	302	56	3		Novice Award
Mary Spencer	Exeter Company of Archers					Did Not Shoot

Compound

Long Metric (70/60)

Ladies

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Mollie Wix	Exeter Company of Archers	527	69	7	1st	Trophy & Medal

Longbow

Long Metric (90/70)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Scott Williams	Exeter Company of Archers	177	35	2	1st	Trophy & Medal
Chris Quinn	Exeter Company of Archers	148	29	5	2nd	Medal
Christian Oliver	Exeter Company of Archers	31	5	0		
Ian Lavis	Exeter Company of Archers					Did Not Shoot

Long Metric (50/40)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Chris King	Exeter Company of Archers	124	28	1	3rd	Medal

Ladies

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Christine Oakes	Exeter Company of Archers	307	60	2	1st	Trophy & Medal

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Shirley King	Exeter Company of Archers	232	46	2	2nd	Medal
Irene Coles	Exeter Company of Archers	87	17	0	3rd	Medal

Barebow

Long Metric (90/70)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Colin Alexander	Exeter Company of Archers	126	24	0	2nd	Medal
Chris Chopping	Exeter Company of Archers	107	21	0	3rd	Medal

Long Metric (70/60)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Phillip Rees	Exeter Company of Archers	255	48	2	1st	Trophy & Medal

Ladies

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Karen Grassie	Exeter Company of Archers	243	50	2	1st	Trophy & Medal

Long Metric (30/20)

Juniors (Ladies)

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Amethyst Chopping	Exeter Company of Archers	354	58	4	1st	Trophy & Medal

Jellybow

Long Metric (90/70)

Gents

Name	Club	Score	Hits	Golds		
Andy Oakes	Exeter Company of Archers	21	6	0	1st	Trophy & Medal
Dave Scull	Exeter Company of Archers	6	1	0	2nd	Medal

Members Achievements in Tournaments

DCAS World Record Status Double WA 1440 Star

Saturday 2nd August – Singles

Gents Longbow

Scott Williams	S core 518	10's 0	x's0	Silver Medal
Keith Hingston	Score 443	10's 1	x's0	Bronze Medal

Sunday 3rd August – Singles

Gents Longbow

Scott Williams	S core 586	10's 4	x's1	Silver Medal
Keith Hingston	Score 415	10's 4	x's2	Bronze Medal

Scott & Karen Williams Jack & Jill award

Sunday 3rd August – Doubles

Gents Longbow

Scott Williams	S core 1178	10's 7	x's1	Silver Medal
Keith Hingston	Score 858	10's 5	x's2	Bronze Medal

Exmouth Archers

Saturday 16th August AM – Ranking Round

Gents Longbow – W.A. 70m

1 Chris Quinn Exeter C of A	Score 216	Tens 2	X's0
2 Scott Williams Exeter C of A	Score 203	Tens2	X's 1
3 Keith Hingston Exeter C of A	Score 162	Tens1	X's 0

Ladies Longbow – W.A. 70m

2 Myra Hingston Exeter C of A	Score 49	Tens 0	X's 0
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Sunday 17th August – Ladies and Gents W.A. 1440

Gents W.A. 1440 Gents Longbow

Postion	Name	Club	70M	60M	50M	30M	Score	10's	X's
1	Scott Williams	Exeter C of A	81	101	126	215	523	2	1
2	Chris Quinn	Exeter C of A	53	100	91	179	423	2	1
3	Keith Hingston	Exeter C of A	42	61	106	208	417	1	0

Gents W.A. 1440 Ladies Longbow

2 Myra Hingston	Exeter C of A	36	39	55	132	262	2	1
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DCAS AUTUMN GOLD 2014 – 7 September 2014

Hosted by Brixham Archers

	Score	H	G	Award
<u>ST GEORGE</u>				
<u>Gents Longbow</u>				
2 Chris Quinn Exeter Co of Archers	244	54	4	Silver Medal
<u>Ladies Longbow</u>				
2 Myra Hingston Exeter Co of Archers	103	31	2	Silver Medal
<u>ALBION</u>				
<u>Gents Recurve</u>				
3 Richard D'Souza Exeter Co of Archers	600	104	19	Bronze Medal
<u>Gents Longbow</u>				
1 Chris Chopping Exeter Co of Archers	396	72	5	Gold Medal
<u>Ladies Compound</u>				
1 Molly Wix Exeter Co of Archers	854	108	56	Gold Medal
<u>Ladies Barebow</u>				
1 Karen Grassie Exeter Co of Archers	384	84	5	Gold Medal
<u>SHORT WINDSOR</u>				
<u>Ladies Recurve</u>				
1 Saira Chaudhry Exeter Co of Archers	418	78	14	Gold Medal
<u>SHORT JUNIOR WINDSOR</u>				
<u>Junior Ladies U12 Barebow</u>				
1 Amethyst Chopping Exeter Co of Archers	565	89	33	Gold Medal



Amethyst's first 6 gold end in a competition from Brixham, whilst wearing her county top from the previous day.



Grand Western Archery Society Intercounties Tournament Sunday 21st September 2014 Results

Venue : Exeter School, Victoria Park Road, Exeter
Hosts : Exeter Company of Archers
Lady Paramount : Caroline Lawrence
Rounds : York and Hereford
Judges : John Poyner, Richard Jones and John Cunningham
Weather : Warm but breezy.

Regional County Champion Team

1 st	Somerset County Archery Association	19832
2 nd	Dorset & Wiltshire Archery Association	19723
3 rd	Gloucestershire Archery Society	19615
4 th	Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	18992

Janet Faralewski Salver for a Recurve team of 5 Yorks and 3 Herefords

1 st	Somerset County Archery Association	8153
2 nd	Gloucestershire Archery Society	7946
3 rd	Dorset & Wiltshire Archery Association	7782
4 th	Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	7474

G.W.A.S. Challenge Silver Bugle for a Recurve team of 5 Yorks

1 st	Gloucestershire Archery Society	5103
2 nd	Somerset County Archery Association	5085
3 rd	Dorset & Wiltshire Archery Association	4840
4 th	Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	4315

Dunster Challenge Trophy for a Recurve team of 3 Herefords

1 st	Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	3159
2 nd	Somerset County Archery Association	3088
3 rd	Dorset & Wiltshire Archery Association	2942
4 th	Gloucestershire Archery Society	2843

Compound Team Trophy for a team of 2 Yorks and 2 Herefords

1 st	Gloucestershire Archery Society	4836
2 nd	Dorset & Wiltshire Archery Association	4808
3 rd	Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	4629
4 th	Somerset County Archery Association	4600

St Lloyes Longbow Team Trophy for a team of 2 Yorks and 2 Herefords

1 st	Somerset County Archery Association	1418
2 nd	Dorset & Wiltshire Archery Association	1255
3 rd	Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	1185
4 th	Gloucestershire Archery Society	1031

The Awdry Trophy for the highest scoring Lady Recurve

1 st	Paulette Mills, Devon & Cornwall Archery Society	1088
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The Farley Trophy for the highest scoring Gentleman Recurve

1 st	Larry Godfrey, Gloucestershire Archery Society	1176
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The Chippenham Archers Salver for the highest scoring Lady Compound

1 st	Teresa Bridges, Gloucestershire Archery Society	1212
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The Dorset and Wiltshire Salver for the highest scoring Gentleman Compound

1 st	Matt Arnold, Gloucestershire Archery Society	1250
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The Silver Napkin Rings for the highest scoring Lady Longbow

1 st	Gerry Gilmour, Somerset County Archery Association	349
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The Silver Napkin Rings for the highest scoring Gentleman Longbow

1 st	Nick Bullus, Somerset County Archery Association	445
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York Round

Devon and Cornwall				Dorset and Wiltshire					
		Score	Hits	Gds		Score	Hits	Gds	
Martin Rooke	R	942	144	47	John Prior	R	1062	144	54
Andrew Richards	R	937	143	43	Ian Colley	R	1043	143	56
Mark O'Halloran	R	875	139	34	Jay Howarth	R	951	141	44
Andrew Hoyle	R	784	138	27	David Cook	R	925	143	37
Gary Wilde	R	777	137	24	Jason Steerment	R	859	139	33
Kenny Hosegood	R	777	137	21	David Reynolds	R	823	131	25
David Cousins	R	750	132	22	Chris Grubb	R	820	138	28
Daniel Tompkins	C	1212	144	106	Mark Rudd	C	1238	144	118
Neil Bennett	C	1202	144	102	Steve Newton	C	1194	144	100
Marek Kantozak	C	1192	144	96	Kris Fowler	C	1186	144	97
Chris Colwill	C	1144	144	87	Chris Groom	C	1186	144	95
Mark Cardy	C	1120	142	76	Martyn Roberts	C	1152	144	76
Seth Neill	LB	325	71	8	Terry Ives	LB	441	97	10
Scott Williams	LB	295	71	2	John Hayes	LB	383	87	7
Gloucestershire				Somerset					
Larry Godfrey	R	1176	144	93	Mark Smith	R	1130	144	84
Tom Howse	R	1058	144	52	Alex Hickson	R	1035	143	61
Luke Jones	R	1004	144	48	Adam Lewis	R	993	143	46
Andy Griffin	R	935	139	48	Jaibez Macriner	R	987	143	45
Colin Watts	R	930	142	37	Mark Renouf	R	940	142	39
Joe Rawle	R	869	141	31	Matt Yeates	R	931	143	40
Matt Beattie	R	797	133	34	John Neusinger	R	893	139	35
Matt Arnold	C	1250	144	122	Robin Jarvis	C	1166	144	91
Jake Bunce	C	1230	144	111	Chris Plater	C	1164	144	84
Chris Tombe	C	1200	144	105	Dominic Latham	C	1160	144	85
Keith Webb	C	1176	144	84	Paul Atkins	C	1104	144	68
Gary Bunce	C	1134	144	85	Keith Easley	C	997	143	45
Andy Palmer	LB	329	83	3	Nick Bullus	LB	445	103	6
Ian Pearce	LB	171	47	1	Barry Gingell	LB	309	85	7

Hereford Round

Devon and Cornwall				Dorset and Wiltshire					
		Score	Hits	Gds		Score	Hits	Gds	
Paulette Mills	R	1068	144	57	Caroline Lawrence	R	1040	144	57
Estelle Edwick	R	1047	143	53	Rachel Vines	R	999	143	52
Ellen Cosh	R	1044	144	48	Janice Reynolds	R	903	141	33
Zena Barker	R	963	141	40	Victoria Burden	R	856	138	29
Sue Day	R	744	130	19	Jane Prior	R	717	129	18
Wendy Broom	C	1180	144	89	Erin Prior	C	1200	144	101
Mollie Wix	C	1035	143	53	Laura Harding	C	1176	144	93
Kerry Bennett	C	1025	143	52	Heather Tabard	C	1172	144	92
Sarah Conisbee	LB	323	77	4	Wendy Wills	LB	266	68	2
June Gaydon	LB	222	56	4	Jackie Walker	LB	165	47	3
Gloucestershire				Somerset					
Karen Blanch	R	1084	144	60	Vikki Atkins	R	1084	144	54
Gosia Jaroslawska	R	968	144	42	Carolyn Baldry	R	1038	142	63
Mel Dawes	R	811	139	25	Sue Elkins	R	966	144	39
Barbara Webb	R	787	135	19	Hazel Ede	R	885	141	35
Vicki Ellis	R	720	134	16	Sarah Mogridge	R	776	136	29
Teresa Bridges	C	1212	144	106	Rhiannon Norfolk	C	1164	144	87
Lucy Mason	C	1144	144	82	Pippa Sullivan	C	1106	144	66
Francesca Hawker	C	1144	144	77	Judith Martin	C	912	142	38
Mavis Reynolds	LB	298	74	5	Gerry Gilmour	LB	349	79	4
Lynn Benfield	LB	233	59	3	Kathy Hammond	LB	315	85	5

I would like you to join me in saying a big Thank You to Caroline for being our Lady Paramount, who also donated a nearest the score prize for each discipline (Recurve – Janice Reynolds, Compound – Paul Atkins and Longbow – John Hayes), Exeter Company of Archers for hosting the event, providing an excellent work party and delicious refreshments throughout and at the end of the day, and of course our Judges for keeping us in order.

I personally would like to thank all the scorers who worked hard throughout the day to collect and input the scores, making my day very easy.

Timothy Pratt, Intercounties Tournament Organiser
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Here are the new Committee Members



Minutes of the AGM held on 26th September will be available at reception

Committee member for 2014/2015

Chairman	Philip Rees
Secretary	Karen Grasse
Treasurer	Gina Elsworth
Equipment Officer	Andrew Hoyle &
Assistant Equipment Officer	Peter Tansley
Records Officer	Scott Williams
Coaching Co-ordinator	Colin Alexander
Social Secretary	Andy Oakes
Junior Rep	Colin Alexander

Other nomination for:-

Membership Secretary	Karen Williams
Tournament Organiser	Phil Rees
Child Protection Officer	Colin Alexander
Website	Saira Chaudhry
Newsletter Editor	Joan Holton

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Coaches

Andrew Hoyle, Karen Williams, Mollie Wix &
Nigel Cuthbert

Peter Tansley won the Annual Friendship Award this year

AGM 2014 Tournament Organiser's Report – (Philip Rees)

Tournaments

1. DCAS Grand Day 4/5/14

All ok. Minor comment made by judge as to lack of field crew availability. Not sure if justified (field crew otherwise occupied!!).

2. Exeter BLBS Longbow Meeting 24/5/14

All ok. Report sent to BLBS Yearbook editor. Would like photos for Yearbook if anyone has any.

3. GWAS Intercounties 21/9/14

All ok. Complimentary comments about catering, field crew etc.

Thanks to all members helping out at these events in whatever capacity.

Have a Go Events

1. Powderham 15/6/14

All ok. Never a particularly busy event, but worth doing from publicity / public relations point of view. Charity event. Approx £100 taken, with £30 donation to Hospiscare.

2. Topsham Community Association 2/8/14

Summer holiday event for under 16s. Second year on calendar, but time changed due to other event taking place at venue. Community event (no charge).

3. Uffculme (Bridwell) 7/9/14

Event not held due to unavailability of venue. Combined with Culmstock event held in July, may be invited to that event in 2015. Also new Coldharbour Mill event held in Uffculme same weekend as Bridwell details.

4. To come: Killerton Apple Event 18–19/10/14

Very busy event for club (3rd time of attending). Also large revenue earner. As much help as possible needed on both days.

Thanks to all who helped out at these events.

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Happy to carry on for 2014—but aware of possible effect of judging commitments on Have a Go dates in 2015.

Records Officer's Report

Another year, another summer in the sunshine. This is my 3rd year now as records officer and I'm happy to continue to be your records officer.

DCAS are running winter leagues this year and I hope all Recurve (2), Compound (1), Longbow (2), and Juniors (1) will be scoring for both Portsmouth and Frostbite. These will be shot on the usual calendar framework from November. The recurve will be shot on the first Friday of the month, the Compound and Longbow on the second Friday of the month, and the Frostbite (subject to weather) on the first Sunday of the month.

We will also enter 2 recurve teams for the indoor BA leagues for both Portsmouth and Frostbite, they don't do longbow, and as we have three compound archers a Compound team.

There was a healthy increase in the number of archers shooting this summer, with 35 archers submitting scores this year, 1 more than last year. This year's 45 new outdoor records (18 more than last year) are attached.

Can I ask those that have competed in competitions this summer to please send me the results sheets for any not available on the DCAS website.

The internal Short Warwick competition awards and classification medals will be handed out indoors – can I suggest we hold a fun Halloween shoot on 31st October, and I'll hand out the outdoor awards after that.

I've worked out the classification scores and handicaps for archers, for this summer. Here are the new classifications:

Master Bowman – Scott Williams

Bowman – Chris Chopping, Karen Grassie

1st Class – Amethyst Chopping, Gina Elsworthy.

2nd Class – Colin Alexander, Christian Oliver, Graham Waters, June Randall.

3rd Class – Mike Evans.

Everyone else has remained at the same level.

News Letter October 2014

New members have done exceptionally well, with some already getting records, and attaining awards – Saira has won the handicap improvement award, and Amethyst the junior award. I will be handing awards for these out on Halloween – please let me know if you can't attend.

I'd like to wish everyone fun with their shooting indoors, and hope that you all contribute scores throughout the winter season. Remember league shoots are on pink sheets, and other scores on white, please include your name, bow style, date, and round shot, and remember to sign it.

See you on the line.

Scott Williams

Social Report – AGM 2014

Last years' Christmas meal was well attended, and we have rebooked this year at the same venue, the Globe Inn at Topsham on Saturday 6th December. The list and details will be put on the notice board when we move indoors.

Our clout shoot was also successful with the invitation extended to Exmouth archers once again. This year's clout shoot is on Saturday 27th December.

In March we held a skittles evening at The Twisted Oak in Ide. It seems that it is now closed, although squatters have moved in! Looks like we will have to find another venue for the next time. Does anyone know of a skittles venue in the Exeter area which can provide a buffet also?

At Dunster, in June, we gathered together for a meal following the longbow competition. For those who have yet to discover Dunster Archery week, it is highly recommended!

In August Dave and Val kindly invited us to an Archery themed BBQ in their garden at Bridford, where we tried out alternative forms of the sport and had a very pleasant evening.

Any ideas or suggestions for social events are always welcome, so please come and have a word.

Andy O

AGM Report - 2014

Equipment officer

- New targets X 10 straw 1 foam
- New stands these have had some modifications made to them. The legs are longer this should help to eliminate arrows hitting the legs. Flag holder are now built in to the stands. A total of 27 stands have been made.
thanks to Peter
- New flags thanks to Shirley and Chris King
- Large amount of work carried out on beginners bows and arrows - this is ongoing
- We have sold 6 targets to Paignton archers
- All 9 of the H frame stands have been painted, they also have a retain screw for storing thing arm when not in use. A storage area built. Allowing them to be stored when the trailer is being used for have-a-go's
- I would recommend that we buy 10 targets for the outdoor season. There is a 4 month lead time at present.

Webmaster

- New website designed launched
- I will be stepping down as I would like to concentrate on my equipment role.
- Saira has offered to step in to the role

Membership Renewal

Anyone who hasn't renewed on 1 October is lapsed and must bring their membership payment before we can let them shoot.

Coaching Availability

Sunday.

Other times by request

Please be aware that our coaches also like to shoot and practice for tournaments and County shoots.

Indoor Shooting Times Start 30th September – Please check notice board & website for any late changes

Sunday 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Except 1st Sunday of the month

Tuesday 8 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Friday 7 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Frostbites: First Sunday of the month November to March 1:30 pm on the field

If you are the last person on the target, you need to put the target and stand away

Winter Leagues will start in November

Portsmouth Recurve 1st Friday of the month

Portsmouth LB & Compound 2nd Friday of the month

Frostbite (all bow styles) 1st Sunday of the Month (outdoors setting up from 1.15pm)

Please can we remind everyone that the Pink score sheets are intended to be used for League scores only, so please use white ones when you're submitting non league scores.

Remember to put in your scores to update your indoor handicap, If you haven't got one, you will need to give 3 scores in for Scott to work out a handicap.



Exeter Company Of Archers'
Halloween Club Shoot 2014
With Outdoor Awards ceremony
Worcester Round
FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER
**FANCY DRESS!
AWARDS & PRIZES!**

Exeter Company of Archers



Christmas Meal
Saturday 6th December 2014

'The Globe Hotel'
Topsham
7 for 7.30 pm



~ **In the Malthouse** ~



Price per member £12.50

Guests £24.95

Payment by Sunday 23rd November
Any questions please ask Andy O

Place your names on the list, along with your choice for
each course.



Repair Book

Need repairs to fletch sight or string? Please enter into the repair book at reception and advise Andrew or Peter

Accident Book

Please enter any accidents into the book and report to any committee member

Forthcoming Tournaments

See www.dcas.org.uk or www.gwas.co.uk to download entry forms, or look in the folder at reception

Please send me anything you would like to see in the next issue (**1stt December2014**) with photographs if possible.

It can be anything from how you enjoyed a tournament to people who may have helped you or when you have achieved your PB.

Jpeg or word documents work best for me

Happy Shooting

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