

# NUNEATON ARCHERS

## Newsletter

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### UPDATE

**For those that receive Archery GB emails you will see that from time to time updates are sent out.**

**If you don't receive emails from Archery GB then you can go onto their portal and change the settings so that you do. It is always worth going on to**

**the portal and just checking that your details are correct and making any amendments necessary.**

**Details of how to access the portal are sent out to you each year with your membership card.**

### RENEWALS

Renewals for both club and affiliation fees take place through September and should really be completed before the 1st October, when the new archery starts.

As previous years the important part is the affiliation fee, which has to be paid prior to the 1st October, if you wish to continue to shoot from the 1st October.

A great deal of consideration has gone into the club renewal fee for this year.

Given that there were reduced opportunities to shoot this year the committee wanted to see what options were possible. In the end the decision was that as archery already represents great value, when compared to other sports, the fee would remain at the 2019/20 figure and it would be reviewed again for the 2021/22 season.

This decision was based on some simple calculations. For example, the fee is £115 a year for a senior member. If they were to shoot once a week, on a



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WHAT I THINK  
I LOOK LIKE WHEN  
I'M SHOOTING...

WHAT I ACTUALLY  
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Saturday, through the winter season (October— March) that would be roughly 26 times. If they did the same through the summer, and just shot once a week, then they have the potential to shoot 52 times a year. Not many do attend every week and so if that was reduced to shooting just 42 times a year then the cost of the club fee is £2.74 a shoot.

However, if through the summer months they attended on a Tuesday and Saturday then their attendance obviously goes up. If we were to work on shooting 82 times a year then the cost comes right down to £1.40 a session!

Children's football fees are more than that and if compared with golf membership, angling fees etc then archery is a very reasonably priced sport and for that reason it was decided to leave the fees as they currently are.

There has been a reduction in County and Region fees and that is reflected in the attached renewal form.

Renewal forms will be attached to this circulation so that you can complete them and return them when ready.

This year we would prefer to see payment either by way of BACS (details on the form) or by cheque and posted. Failing that, if you really have to pay with cash, then please complete forms and put the forms and cash in an envelope and put them through the front door of 8 Higham Lane, Nuneaton.

For those that cannot pay via BACS, cheque or cash through the door, then there will be just two occasions when it will be possible to pay at the field.

They will be the 12th September between 10.30 and 11.30am and the 15th September between 6pm and 7pm

### **AGM DETAILS**

The AGM this year will be held online and not at the Chestnuts as previously circulated. This is to enable it to go ahead and have as many attend as would like to, but doing so in a safe a 'shielded' manner.

As previously circulated it will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 8th October. The link to join the meeting will be emailed out at the beginning of that week.

Any matter that members wish to be included in the agenda for the meeting MUST be emailed to Geoff before the 17th September. Any items not sent by that date, may be discussed at the meeting, but cannot be voted upon.

Please use [geoff@thebestons.co.uk](mailto:geoff@thebestons.co.uk) for any agenda item

At the committee meeting, held on the 9th August (minutes on the relevant website page) a couple of issues that directly affect members were discussed and one matter has brought about a club rule change.

Firstly the matter of the various score sheets was discussed and it was agreed to removed all 'stray' scores sheets from the clubhouse and to replace them with the most current and up to date sheet that we would like members to use.

That score sheet is attached to this circulation and should be the sheet used in future.

Bryan keeps the records and will be updating the records when scores are submitted to him. However, at the moment that means sending them electronically to him as he will not be accepting hand written copies. He has stated that he is not concerned with what the format looks like as long as it contains the information he needs. If you use the score sheet as a guide you wont go far wrong in supplying him with the information he needs.

Can you ensure that your emails are correctly titled otherwise there is a chance your emails will end up in the spam folder and your scores not recorded!

Obviously score sheets related to 'recognised' rounds and the round details must be included on the sheet. For those new archers that are not yet familiar with rounds then please speak to a member of the committee, or a more experienced archer who will point you in the right direction.

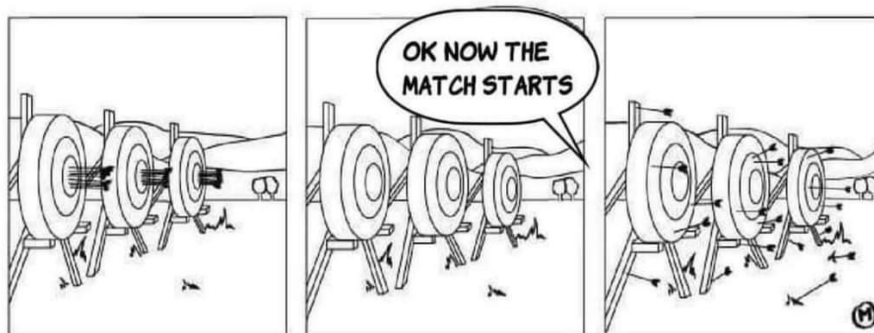
The second matter, that has resulted in a club rule change, has come about as the result of an 'old' email circulation list being used that subsequently resulted in the club receiving two complaints about the use of their email address.

Members provide email addresses to the club for its use and for

registering members with Archery GB and the region/County.

The club try to email the members using the blind copy method so that members email addresses are not seen by all members. Occasionally this has not happened and members emails have been sent out by mistake. We will endeavour to do better in this area and to try to ensure that your emails are kept and used only for the purposes they were provided for.

To further support this aim the committee have added a rule to the club rules that now prevents members from using a blanket sending of emails to all members. Obviously if you have other members email address and they have been supplied to you by that member that is a private matter and of no concern to the club. However, if sent members email addresses by mistake, either in the past or future, you are not allowed to use it as a circulation tool without the prior written consent of all those on the list. This measure will hopefully bring us back into line with the requirements of the data protection and prevent the need for any further complaints to be received.



## INDOOR SHOOTING

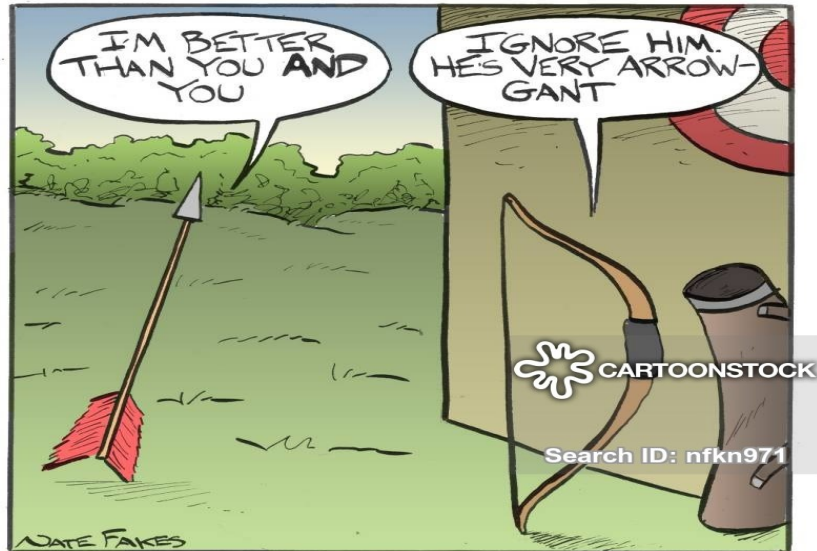
We have been communicating with the school and as previously circulated we should be able to shoot indoors in the gym this winter season.

From the responses to the email that went out it looks like we will have more than 10 wishing to shoot each week and the vast majority have stated they would prefer a shorter session each week so that it is possible to get to shoot each week

There is still some more work to be done over how we structure it, whether we have one of the sessions with Nick being there to help with some coaching etc so for those that wish to shoot watch out for an email outlining the proposals etc.

There will be a need for a Range Captain to be there for each session, but that Captain will not be able to shoot. I would therefore suggest that we look to have a Captain for the first session, who then shoots during the second, and someone that shot in the first session Captains the second?

More details to follow



We received confirmation that the BA leagues for the 2020/21 season had been cancelled.

That means that neither the Portsmouth or Frostbite leagues will be going ahead and so we will look at running our own Frostbite competition amongst members through the winter months.

For those that are unaware it is a short and simple round that is ideal for those cold winter mornings!

Shot at 30m distance and on an 80cm face it consists of Three dozen arrows, with all bow types scoring 10 zone scores. Only 10's count as golds.

One end of 6 arrows are allowed as sighters before scoring begins.

We are not allowed to be using the club house at present and so scores would need to be emailed to Bryan and an electronic 'league' table will be kept for all bow types, juniors, ladies etc

Enter as many times as you like, but only submit your score if it is  
a) better than your previous ones

B) better than someone else above you in the league

Score sheets to be emailed to

bryan.huckvale@googlemail.com

If it works well and we get plenty of entries we may even look at having some prizes at the end of it.

For the 'newer' archers to the club, and so of the older ones that have not yet thought about classifications and handicaps, now would be a good time to read through the relevant sections in the rules of shooting (archery GB) so that we are ready to submit qualifying scores for next year. This year has been pretty much wiped out by the virus but we might get enough shooting to get an indoor classification and then be ready for next years outdoor season.



## CLOUT

As we were preparing this Newsletter the following note came in from Tony.

*Hello All.*

*Just a short note.*

*With winter on its way I have had an idea to move the Clout to the first Saturday in each month?*

*The first Saturday would be the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October.*

*I would like the regular Clouters to give me their thoughts on the move, i.e. can you make it, any concerns, whatever you think)? Replies via the clubs' face book page please.*

*One of the main reasons for the suggested change there is that once the club session has finished there is no other scheduled shooting taking place and so the field is available. We might gain a few from the mornings session who stay a little longer and try clout, plus Saturday shoots would leave Sunday to do other things, and recover from Saturday night.*

*Starting at 12:30 would give us ample time to shoot, finishing well before dark.*

*The time would be 12:30 Practice end, and then carry on as normal.*

*Any member can leave a comment on F/B. If you would like to take part, just give it a try, have some views or ideas etc.*

*Tony Nicholson (The Clout Man)*

## MAINTENANCE

If there is anyone out there that is happy to come along to the field to work on the bosses then please speak to either Craig or Geoff. Some of the bosses are getting very tired and soft in the middle and so need to be taken apart and new foam added.

It isn't complicated work, but does take time to get right and so a small group of willing and able volunteers, probably working in pairs, should be able to get some of the work done in a few hours.

For those that are still shielding, that is no problem, if you do not feel safe coming to help then don't worry and stay away and stay safe. It is possible to do the work in a pair and keep a safe distance away for most of the time, but that cannot be guaranteed and so only those that feel happy doing it should volunteer.

As you will have seen the new mower is working well and Chris is slowly getting the length back down to where it usually is and once there should find it easier to keep it down.

The mower container has been sorted and a load of junk put out ready to be moved away in a skip that should be arriving shortly. If we get the chance we are looking at levelling the area to the left of the mower container and in front of the shed to clean it up and make access in and out of the shed easier.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Thursday 8th October 2020

Online AGM

Link details available at beginning of that week

Club Presentation Evening

28th November 2020

Still booked at present but will update closer to the date if it is going ahead.

## **WORK PARTY UPDATE**

Please watch out for an update on a required work party date

There are several bosses that will required stripping out and being re-filled.

As soon as we have identified a date we will be looking for volunteers.