

# The Nocking Point

The Newsletter of the Bowmen of Pendle & Samlesbury



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## It's good to shoot outdoors

It looks like Spring is finally on its way. We have now taken delivery of our new (to us) mower – see below for more details – and the Spring Workday weekend is behind us. A big thanks to all who turned up and gave a hand. We made huge improvements to field drainage, boss positions and the indoor target wall. It was a much increased turnout this year. I guess the weather helped! Here's to an enjoyable outdoor season. Good Shooting!

Mark Blinkhorn, Chairman

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## Progress 2006 – 2016



It is good to see that the club is making progress with the field maintenance equipment.



Firstly we had a gang mower and a small tractor, which needed help to get it going.



Then we got an old tractor, which was OK, except that it gave off loads of fumes and the brakes were a little uncertain.

But now we have a 'Mean Green Machine', which can be stored in the garage and the job of cutting the grass can be shared. Brilliant!

## November Challenge

Once again our juniors did us proud. 11 of them were entered for this national competition. The best placings were achieved by Charlotte Hemsall (2<sup>nd</sup>), Theo Randall (5<sup>th</sup>) and Lewis Imeson (6<sup>th</sup>). Special mention must be made about Eve Thomson, who achieved 33<sup>rd</sup> place despite the fact that it was the very first time she had shot, having only finished her beginner course a short time before. Well done to all of you. The full results can be seen on the Archery GB website.

## Welcome to New Members

The following people have joined the Club since August

### Senior members:

Susan Entwistle  
David Huggonson  
Neal Philo  
Carolyn Rosney  
Chris Shaw

### Junior members:

Jacob Jordan  
Josie Jordan  
Emily Rosney

### Non shooting members:

Toni Campbell  
Mark Jordan

We hope that you will continue to be members for many years.

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## Annual Dinner

We went to the Oyster & Otter again. Following an excellent meal the 2015 Archer of the Year Trophies were presented by President Peter Clarke.

The winners were:

Ladies Recurve: Mel B-T

Ladies Compound: Di Clarke

Ladies Longbow: Di Clarke

Junior Girl: Charlotte Hempsall

Gents Recurve: Mark Blinkhorn

Gents Compound: John Holmes

Gents Longbow: Harry Dunstan

Gents Barebow: Peter Yates

Junior Boy: Lewis Imeson

Archery GB Handicap Medals:

Mel B-T and Charlotte Hempsall

President's Award: Bridget

Blinkhorn

Chairman's Award: Mike Aubrey

Thanks, once again to Wendy

Aubrey for organizing this event.

at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

The first phase was a two day camp at Catterick Recovery Centre in Yorkshire, where archers were observed and interviewed.

Having passed that phase, Kieran attended phase two, another camp with more intense coaching, competitions and advice.



As if all this was not enough to keep him occupied, Kieran has also been attending training and selection camps for the 2016 Invictus Games, to be held in Orlando at the ESPN Wide World of Sports in May. He has been trying out for three disciplines – Archery, Indoor Rowing and Cycling. Now is an exciting time of waiting to find out if he has gained a place in any of the events. At the first Invictus Games, Kieran was a member of Team England and won a Bronze medal for rowing!

On behalf of all our members, I would like to wish Kieran the very best of luck, for both selection at the Invictus Games and for a continuation with the Paralympic Academy, heading for Tokyo 2020!!!

Sue Jackson

## Stop Press!

Kieran has been selected for the rowing, the cycling **and** the archery. Good Luck, Kieran in all three events from everyone at P & S.



Chosen to go onto phase three, Kieran is now attending the GB Paralympic Academy at Lillleshall National Sports Centre, on a four month trial, to be reviewed on an on-going basis. Here, structured coaching with individual programmes for each athlete have been created and each athlete is responsible for keeping their tracker up to date with all training and activities completed. This opportunity is giving Kieran a chance to learn with our Paralympic Coaches in a specialised environment for archers. A very useful experience, which will help Kieran onto the best future pathway for him.

## Congratulations to Kieran Wood!



Last year, club member Kieran took part in the Target Tokyo Campaign. This was a three stage talent identification process by Archery GB and Help for Heroes, for potential athletes to win gold

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## Active Kids



Once again we are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. Last year we use the donated vouchers to 'buy' 2 squistles, 3 sets of lightweight dumbbells and a skipping rope. If you shop at Sainsbury's, please donate you vouchers to the club so that we can get more things to help our juniors. Please put your vouchers in the box in the clubhouse. If we don't get enough vouchers we will give those we have to a local school.

## They Found It!

After lots of digging and many holes and trenches, the broken drain in the west side of the field has been found and repaired.



Phil decided that the only way to clear the pipe was to do it by

hand. Not sure if he reached Australia! We do still have one or two drainage problems but hope to remedy them over the summer. If anyone is free to give a hand, please contact any member of the committee.

## Sad News

Since the last edition of the newsletter we have to report the sad death of three former members, although it is doubtful if many of you would have known them. Firstly Gordon Aldred, who was the Club secretary for nearly 20 years and a former President, then Nigel Hardman, son of long serving Chairman and past President Ed. Finally John Geldard, also a former President and renowned bowyer. Our condolences go to their families.

## Have a Go

Sometimes the families and friends of Club members would like to try archery. This can be difficult, as the insurance requirement means that you can't just turn up, be given a bow and set about shooting if you are not affiliated to either Archery GB or World Archery. The coaches frequently run group sessions in response to requests from companies and organizations or, more recently for a bridegroom to be as part of his stag 'do'. These events, however, can be quite costly for a small group, as we base our

charges on a minimum of 10 people. A few years ago the committee approved a 'Friends & Family' have a go with the following rules: The people who have a go must be bona fide family or friends and the member must attend. There must be a coach in attendance and club equipment must be used. There will be a maximum of 4 guests for up to a 2 hour session, for which a £5 fee per person will be charged. The event must be recorded by the secretary before it takes place. If you would like to take advantage of this, please contact Sharon.

## Dates for your diary:

### April:

11<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting (Open)  
9<sup>th</sup> Junior Training moves outdoors

9<sup>th</sup> Beginner course starts  
19<sup>th</sup> Handicap Shoot  
24<sup>th</sup> St George

### May

1<sup>st</sup> FITA (WA1440)  
17<sup>th</sup> Handicap Shoot

### June

4<sup>th</sup> Archery GB Big Weekend  
Open Day

5<sup>th</sup> Western  
13<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting  
14<sup>th</sup> Handicap Shoot  
18<sup>th</sup> Workday  
19<sup>th</sup> LAA Junior Championships

### July

2<sup>nd</sup> Beginner course starts  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jubilee Shoot  
12<sup>th</sup> Handicap Shoot  
24<sup>th</sup> Clout Shoot

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## Some Competition Results: Monthly Handicap Competitions

### December 2015 (Portsmouth round)

Ladies Recurve: Jane Cunningham	1454
Gents Recurve: Alan Murphy	1482
Ladies Compound: Di Clarke	1434
Gents Compound: Stephen Mathews	1495
Gents Barebow: Peter Yates	1446
Junior Girl: Martha Blinkhorn	1461
Junior Boy: Charles Wallis	1524

### January 2016 (Portsmouth round)

Ladies Recurve: Sharon Kennedy	1428
Gents Recurve: Alan Murphy	1457
Gents Compound: Alan Banks	1447
Ladies Compound: Di Clarke	1437
Gents Barebow: Peter Yates	1429
Junior Girl: Sarah Houghton	1520
Junior Boy: Charles Wallis	1504

### February 2016 (Portsmouth round)

Ladies Recurve: Mel B-T	1432
Gents Recurve: Dave Hodson	1458
Gents Compound: Alan Banks	1443
Ladies Compound: Jane Cunningham	1455
Gents Barebow: Peter Yates	1446
Junior Girl: Alice Beveridge	1482
Junior Boy: George Cotton	1502

### March 2016 (Portsmouth round)

Ladies Recurve: Sharon Kennedy	1444
Gents Recurve: Graham Smith	1450
Gents Compound: Alan Murphy	1442
Ladies Compound: Jane Cunningham	1440
Gents Barebow: Peter Yates	1446
Junior Girl: Sarah Houghton	1497
Junior Boy: George Nelson	1491



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## March Frostbite?

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