



Eastbourne Archers (LSC)

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Newsletter



Welcome to this Newsletter Bulletin which includes details of:-

**Our new Website
Local Tournaments**

**Upcoming Events
Summer Fixture List**

Don has submitted an article which our committee has responded to. It would be nice to receive a few more articles like this so if any member has anything they would like me to include in the newsletter, or perhaps a response to anything they read, please send it to me via the new website.

The good news is that it looks like spring has official sprung. The field is beginning to dry out so we look forward to some more sunny and dry days ahead. Happy shooting.

Ros

'Our NEW website is now up and running!

The web address is

www.eastbournearchers.btck.co.uk

It is still being worked on, but everyone can now use the new website to find out information about the club and up and coming events.

Please have a look and any feedback is very welcome.

Membership Renewals are now due.
Don't forget to return yours to Andrew by
31st March 2014

Upcoming Events

Sunday 16th March - Spring Fun Shoot

We look forward to seeing lots of our member, including our juniors for this relaxed event. Please arrive at 9.30 to begin shooting at 10am. Don't forget – prizes are up for grabs.

Sunday 23rd March - Indoor Championship

At Hampden Park Sports Centre arriving at 3.15pm for set up.
This year the Championship round is a Portsmouth.

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A Personal Opinion

This article reflects my opinion only and I'm not claiming that anyone else shares my view. It's also something that will come as no surprise to members who've been in the club for some time and seen my previous attempts at changing the system!

As I'm as far right as you can go while still keeping friends, it's perhaps odd that this is about equality within the club, (must have a streak of communism hidden deep!!). Since we moved from the Saffrons and acquired the container, I've tried, at various times, to convince the committee that all members should have equal access; that is everyone should have, (after a suitable period as a member and with the necessary commitment, payment, checks etc.), the right to keys to the gate and all other facilities; it might also be necessary to secure the equipment inside the Clubhouse. However, I've never been able to convince enough committee members, (not necessarily the present ones), and when the new Clubhouse was built the restrictions moved from the container to the Clubhouse, and the container then had access to all. This isn't at all sour grapes as I've always had full access because of my history with the club; (in the past 38 years I've been Chairman, Records Officer, Treasurer, (three times), Equipment Officer several times and a coach since 1979).

I also believe that if you pay your subs you don't have to do anything more to get full rights, everything else, from volunteering to going on the committee, is what it says, voluntary, with no expectation of payment or privilege.

Don

The committee's reply

From The Committee

The committee has carefully considered Don's thoughts on the question of keys being available for everyone in the club to have, and have decided that this would not be feasible on several grounds. The biggest issue would be individual responsibility for every piece of equipment in the store/clubroom. We have thousands of pounds worth of bows, cases, arrows, bosses etc in the store and these are insured on the basis that we only have a limited number of responsible adults with access. For your information our equipment is insured for £15,000. If the key were to be given to everyone, or parents of Junior's, this places an enormous responsibility on them to see that the store was properly locked and that their key did not get into the wrong hands if it were lost. We do have an ongoing problem on summer evenings with some of the local youths who would take great delight in trashing everything if they managed to get in the store because a member who maybe came down by themselves did not properly lock up.

We appreciate that on a few occasions - usually a Sunday morning - that no-one from the committee or a coach was available to unlock the store, but we have now addressed this and it should mean that the store is open for all the main shooting days/times.

At the moment there are 20 key holders which the committee feels is more than adequate. Should anyone feel that they have a genuine requirement for a key to the store then they can make application to the secretary setting out their need which can then be considered at the next committee meeting. Whilst it is possible to borrow keys for the container please note that the loan of storeroom keys is not permitted.

John Bell - Chairman

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Smoking at the Club

The committee have requested that those who like to smoke do so with consideration to other members and particularly the juniors.

Please note there should be NO Smoking on the shooting line.

Club Championships

Following the success of last year's Club Champs, this year's round will again be a Windsor.

Keith Billenness has sent this list of local tournaments which are within a reasonable distance and would like to hear from anyone who would like to attend any of these events as a team to represent Eastbourne Archers. Please contact Keith via email at keith.billenness@uwclub.net or call him at home on 01323 484744 or his mobile number is 07973-147724.

2014 ARCHERY TOURNAMENTS			
DATE	ROUND	ORGANISER	VENUE
13/04/2014	AMERICAN	HASTINGS & ST LEONARDS BOWMEN	JOHNS CROSS, SUSSEX
27/04/2014	YORK/HEREFORD	CRYSTAL PALACE BOWMEN	BECKENHAM, KENT
11/05/2013	WESTERN	NEWHAVEN ARCHERY CLUB	FIRLE, EAST SUSSEX
25/05/2014	YORK/HEREFORD	MIDDLESEX COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS	OSTERLEY, MIDDLESEX
01/06/2014	YORK/HEREFORD	SPELTHORNE ARCHERS	MEADHURST SPORTS, SUNBURY
08/06/2014	WINDSOR	DITCHLING ARCHERS	DITCHLING
14/06/2014	FITA STAR	RIVERNOOK BOWMEN	IMBER COURT, SURREY
22/06/2014	FITA STAR	KENT COUNTY ARCHERY ASSOCIATION	VIGO VILLAGE, KENT
29/06/2014	YORK/HEREFORD	SHEILA BROWN MEMORIAL SHOOT	LEATHERHEAD, SURREY
06/07/2014	AMERICAN	SIX VILLAGES ARCHERY CLUB	WESTERGATE Nr CHICHESTER
12-13/07/14	FITA/YORK-HEREFORD	SUSSEX CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKEND	HAZLEWICK SCHOOL, CRAWLEY
02-03/08/14	DOUBLE YORK/HEREFORD	EASTBOURNE ARCHERS	EASTBOURNE
13/08/2014	WINDSOR	EASTBOURNE ARCHERS LAZY SHOOT	EASTBOURNE
24/08/2014	FITA	WHITE FRIARS	VIGO VILLAGE, KENT
14/09/2014	WESTERN	BAYEAUX BOWMEN 'GOLDEN OLDIES'	CATSFIELD, EAST SUSSEX

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EASTBOURNE ARCHERS SUMMER FIXTURE LIST - 2014

KEY		NOTES
Club Trophy Events Open Trophy Events Imperial Scoring Metric Scoring		Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday target day shoots all start at 10.00 am Afternoon distances may be shot in the morning if a short round is preferred. 12 doz rounds may be shot through lunchtime with a short break but allowance must be made for those who shoot in the afternoon to set-up Only the First American of the day counts for the Dench Trophy if the Double is shot
Sunday 6 th April	10.00am 2.00pm	St. Leonards round (historical round 1850) 36 arrows at 60 yards and 39 at 50 yards 122 cm face. (75 arrows) (Round shot in the presence of Queen Victoria)
Sunday 13 th April	10am 2pm	Western(s) Warwick(s)
Sunday 20 th April	10.00am 2.00pm	Windsor(s) Short Warwick(s)
Sunday 27 th April	10.00am 2.00pm	York/Hereford/Bristol(s) National(s)
Sunday 4 th May	10.00am 2.00pm	St George/Albion/Windsor(s) Warwick(s)
Sunday 11 th May	10.00am 2.00pm	FITA 900 Ladies/Gents Half FITA
Sunday 18 th May	10.00am 2.00pm	Metrics FITA 70/FITA 60 HANDICAP
Sunday 25th May	10.00am	PETE'S CLOUT GNAS CLOUT 180/140 yds GNAS CLOUT - Junior distances 
Sunday 1 st June	10.00am 2.00pm	Long Metric(s) Short Metric(s) HANDICAP
Thursday 5 th June	10.00am 1.00pm	 1st 2 Way Western - Longbow Shoot -  Help needed to set up field please Shoot starts
Sunday 8 th June	10.00am 2.00pm	Western(s) Warwick(s)
Sunday 15 th June	10.00am 2.00pm	Double American Trophy American (Dench Trophy) L/B & B/B 
Sunday 22 nd June	10.00am 2.00pm	Historical/Foreign Round A list of historical/foreign rounds will be available to choose from.

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Sunday 29 th June	10.00am 2.00pm	Long Metric(s) .. Gents / Ladies Short Metric(s)
Sunday 6th July	10.00am	 OPEN Longbow/Barebow Tournament - Western 1 Way Assembly 10.30 - Sighters 10.45 am Help needed to set up the field please 
Sunday 13 th July	10.00am 2.00pm	York/ Hereford/Bristol(s) National(s)
Sunday 20 th July	10.00am 2.00pm	Gents & Ladies FITA Metric(s) HANDICAP
Sunday 27 th July	10.00am 2.00pm	St George/Albion/Windsor(s) Warwick(s)
Saturday Sunday August	2nd All Day 3rd All Day appreciated	 ROSE AWARD OPEN SHOOT ROSE AWARD OPEN SHOOT Help is required both days If you can help at anytime it would be 
Sunday 10 th August	10.00am	FITA 70/FITA 60 Metric(s)
13th August	Sighters	OPEN Lazy Shoot  Some help will be required to set the field up.
Sunday 17 th August	10.00am 2.00pm	Long Metric(s) - Ladies & Gents Short Metric(s)
Sunday 24 th August	10.00am 2.00pm	Ladies/Gents FITA & Metric(s) Long Metric(s) HANDICAP
	MONDAY 25TH AUGUST	10.00 AM JUNIOR COMPETITION 
Sunday 31st August	10.00 am 2.00 pm	Warwick(s) "Golden Oldies" - Short Western
Sunday 7 th September	10.00 am 2.00 pm	FITA 900 Ladies/Gents Half FITA
Sunday 14 th September	10.00 am 2.00 pm	York/Hereford/ Bristol(s) HANDICAP National(s)
Sunday 21 st September	10.00 am ALL DAY	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 
Sunday 28th September	10.00 am	"Les Bishop" FITA Clout Compound Gents & Ladies - 185 & 165 metres Non -Compound Ladies & Gents 165 & 125 metres + Jnr distances

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