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Bournemouth Archery Club's Newsletter December 2017



Dear Members,

It's the winter indoor shooting season and time to write to you with an update on a number of important issues and events that are coming up to give you time to put things in your diary.

BAC Christmas Party

Don't forget the BAC Christmas Party is on Friday 15th December at the Sports Club - 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. The closing date to sign up is 8th December. There are sign up sheets in the rifle range, Victoria School and the Cricket Pavilion. Spaces are limited so put your names and menu choices down now or contact Dave Steer direct.

Christmas Indoor Shooting Arrangements

Please note the following dates for Christmas shooting both at Victoria School and the Rifle Range:-

The last shooting session before Xmas at Victoria School is 9th December. The school is **NOT** available for shooting again until Saturday 6^h January 2018. A reminder that we stop shooting at the school on Saturday 27th January this season moving to the range in February.

The rifle range **WILL BE OPEN** on the following dates:-

Saturday morning 16th December, Tuesday evening 19th December, Friday evening 29th December, Tuesday evening 2nd January and the range will be fully open again following 2nd January. Shooting is **NOT** available on Friday 22nd December and Tuesday 26th December.

PLEASE NOTE that from January there will be a small increase in the rifle range fees - these will be increasing by 50pence from £2 to £2.50 for adults and £1 to £1.50 for juniors. This follows an increase in the hire charge from the Rifle Club. This is the first increase in fees for members for about 20 years so it still represents very good value!

Christmas Outdoor Shooting Arrangements

Bournemouth Sports Club have agreed that archers may shoot outside over the Christmas period but please remember that the top priority is health and safety as the sports club will be closed from 23rd December to 1st January. It is expected that the bar will be closed during this period. The club and bar will reopen on Tuesday 2nd January. |

Please note that due to the need for extra security at the sports club during the Xmas period, the barrier on the main access gate **will be closed** from 23rd December until 2nd January. **This will mean that vehicle access will not be possible via the locked barrier.** However, if you wish to shoot please liaise with a Committee member who may be able to open the barrier for you if they are also shooting that day. Alternatively members will have to park on the grass verge along the side of the road in front of the barrier and walk to the field on C2.

No BSC first aid assistance will be available during the sports club closure dates. If you do shoot on these dates be extra vigilant, sensible and have mobile phones with you for any emergency. First aid kit is in the container - any injuries should be recorded in our accident book.

New Year Fun Shoot

This year's New Year Fun Shoot is to be held on **Sunday 14th January**, in the rifle range. Fun faces and club bows will be used so no need to bring your own equipment. Entry is free to members, visitors £3 per head. **PLEASE NOTE THAT NUMBERS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 50.** If you wish to attend please add your name to the sign-up sheets as soon as possible (these are available at the field, in the range and at the school shortly). We will need Target Captains for the day so if you would like to volunteer please contact Dave Steer.

Prizes are awarded for best Adult club member, best Adult visitor, best Junior club member and best Junior visitor. A raffle will be held - so prizes (all those unwanted Christmas pressies!) welcome! Arrival 9.30am for 10.00am start.

Canford Indoor Open Shoot

This year's shoot will be held on **Sunday 21st January**. It is a double Portsmouth. You are welcome to shoot either a single or double round. Entry form and details are available from our indoor shooting venues and via the club website.

Work party will be required to help set up on Saturday 20th January and to take down on the Sunday. All offers of help welcomed - please put your name down on the volunteer list if you wish to help - you will find these lists in our normal shooting venues soon.

Chairman's Cup

Dates for the 2018 Chairman's Cup are as follows:-

Sunday 18th February

Sunday 11th March

Sunday 18^h March

Sunday 8th April



The shoot is 3 dozen arrows at 30 metres on 80cm face and you need to complete 3 out of 4 of the shoots to be in it to win it! Assembly time is 9.45am, hot drinks will be available. Wrap up warm and enjoy the first outdoor shoot of the New Year. Please note that these dates may need to change - keep an eye out on the website and at our shooting venues for further information.

Equipment Day

There will be an Equipment Day in the range on Sunday 11th Feb when a team of experienced archers will help you learn about looking after and maintaining your archery equipment. Timing is 10am to 2pm - there will also be a 'have a go' session to try out our club crossbow, Genesis compound and longbow. Cost is £2 per adult & £1 for juniors including refreshments. No need to book - just come along anytime during the day as above.

Welcome to New Members

BAC would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new members, including those who have joined after completing the September Introduction to Archery course. We hope that you enjoy shooting with us and look forward to seeing you at our indoor venues as well as our outdoor field. If you wish further coaching please approach a Coach and ask - they are recognisable by their red BAC coaches' shirts!

If you have not received your Welcome Pack please contact a committee member to request one. As members you are entitled to a Bournemouth Sports Club membership card which gives you 10% discount at the bar on food and drink. This also gives the Archery Club 5% back on any purchases you make. BSC cards will be issued to new members shortly.

Archery GB Membership

We would like to remind you that Archery GB now want you to keep your membership details up to date by logging on to the Members Portal at the AGB website - www.archerygb.org/login. If you change address etc please ensure that you logon and amend your details. You can also update your communication preferences re AGB - please remember to return to BAC the completed Data Protection forms which were emailed to you recently. Blank forms can be found in the file in the changing room on C2 or by contacting Dave Williams or Carole Tidd.

Club Merchandise

If you would like to purchase any BAC items such as club shirts, pens, badges etc please see Phil Clarke our Promotions Officer and he will be glad to sort this out for you.

Please note that new club shirts are currently under discussion and members will be informed when they are available to buy.

Coaching Session

John Richardson is planning to hold a coaching session that will focus on the mental skills required by competitive archers to excel at your sport! This is likely to be arranged early in the New Year. Keep an eye out for further details on the website and at our shooting venues.

BAC Website

This is the place for details of all of the upcoming tournaments and entry forms, shoot results and all sorts of other important information. Log on to BAC at www.bournemoutharcheryclub.com

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The Committee would like to wish all of our members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We look forward to seeing you all in 2018.

