

# Arrowpoints

## Bournemouth Archery Club's Newsletter April 2019

Dear Members,

Happy Easter! - it's time to get ready for the outdoor shooting season again! Let's hope for a summer like 2018 with plenty of sunshine and good archery! Good luck to all members competing in this year's outdoor tournaments.

### **Memberships Subscriptions 2019/20**

You will shortly receive your subscription renewal for the new membership year which starts on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019. There will only be a small increase in the annual subscription this year due to AGB increasing their fee for members aged 25 and over. This year we will be accepting payments by BACS for those members intending to pay the **full renewal in one instalment only** (multiple payments can still be made by post-dated cheque). The appropriate bank details will be on the membership renewal form.

Please ensure that you submit the completed renewal form with your payment and inform us of any changes in your contact details.

### **Archery GB Membership Details**

Members are reminded that any changes to their personal details should be notified to AGB online via the members' portal - the login details can be found in the leaflet that comes with your AGB membership card so keep it handy!

### **Blue Lion**

The Blue Lion will be held on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July, venue will be on Football pitches 3,4 & 5 as last year. Entry forms are now available and can be downloaded from the website or picked up from the container/BAC clubhouse. This is a record status shoot over 3 distances with St. George, Albion and Windsor rounds - 9 dozen arrows, 3 dozen arrows at each distance.

The entry fee for seniors is £9.00 and £7.00 for juniors. Volunteers will be needed to help set up on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July and to help throughout the day of the shoot - look out for notices and please offer your help - free bacon butties for the work party! Donations of prizes for the raffle will be much appreciated.

### **Summer Solstice Shoot**

Dave Steer, Social Secretary, is looking to hold a fun summer 'solstice' supper shoot in the evening on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June if there is sufficient support for this. More details will hopefully be made available shortly. Please note this shoot is for Club members only, and Adult & Junior prizes will be awarded

### Summer Bar-b-q Fun Shoot

This will be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August and we will be shooting with club bows at a variety of fun targets. There will be prizes for Adult and Junior members and visitors, and a bar-b-q. Numbers will be capped at 50 so please sign up as soon as the sign up sheets are available. No cost to members and visitors £4 per head. There will be a club raffle on the day.

### Coaching

If you would like some coaching to help with your archery please keep an eye out down the field for coaches wearing their red 'coaching' tops and approach them to ask for help.

### Classifications for 2018

Below are the classifications awarded to BAC archers for 2018 - well done to all.

#### **Master Bowman**

Mike Pearce (Longbow)

#### **Bowman**

Tina Honey  
Heather Tarbard

#### **Junior Bowman**

Aaron Harpin  
Josh Osborn

#### **First Class**

Jamie Blake

#### **Second Class**

George Grant  
Sam Harpin  
Steve Newton  
Martin Shaw

#### **Third Class**

Peter Osborn

### Shooting Locations for 2019 Events Season

You will have been sent a list of the revised shooting locations for the events season 2019, please make sure you read this carefully and keep a copy handy for your information.

By the time you receive your newsletter we will have moved to Cricket 1. We will have use of the Cricket Scoreboard for storage and for tea and coffee. From **7<sup>th</sup> May** we will be moving to Football 1 and 2 in readiness for the set up of the Rugby 7s festival. Football 1 and 2 are located at the end of the track going past the astro pitches, down towards our summer clubhouse. There is no shooting available during the period of the Rugby 7s - **20<sup>th</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> May** inclusive (this is to cover the setting up and taking down periods either side of the Rugby 7s).

Please note that shooting is **not** available on Wednesday **8<sup>th</sup> May** which is Bournemouth Uni Varsity Day. Shooting will also **not** be available until after **6pm on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May** due to football finals being played on pitch 3.

It is then planned for us to move to our usual summer ground on mini-Rugby on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May** after 6pm (to allow for site clear-up from the Rugby 7s).

These events are essential to the Sports Club's financial position. Please note that all heavy equipment will be moved for us when changing shooting sites, and that all efforts to minimise last minute changes will be taken.

### **Etiquette on the shooting line**

Please remember there are certain rules of etiquette that apply to archery to keep this a family friendly sport. Please avoid inappropriate language and behaviour - don't forget we have junior members! We want to maintain an atmosphere where all can come and enjoy their archery in a friendly and pleasant environment.

### **Club Medals - 5-bar award**

Did you know that if you have 5 or more BAC medals you can trade these in for a 5-bar award? For every 5 you trade in you get a bar which attaches to a club badge. This also helps the club to recycle its medals so trade yours in now and start collecting your 5-bars! Contact Nigel Precious for more details.

### **Club Shirts**

If you would like to purchase a BAC club shirt please contact Phil Clarke, Promotions Officer. The discounted price is £28 for seniors and £23 for juniors.

We have a few of the old style shirts left but only in size 'small'. In order to clear our stock these are now available to members free of charge - a real bargain!! They are ideal for wearing during practice sessions. If you are interested in getting one please see Phil Clarke.

### **Car Stickers**

If you do not already have your BAC car sticker or require additional stickers, please contact Phil Clarke who will be able to provide these. If you are a new member then there is no cost for your first car sticker, additional stickers can be purchased at nominal cost. Displaying your sticker allows for easier access to the site at busy periods/special events as BAC members can be easily identified.

### **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 March 'Introduction to Archery' course. We hope that you enjoy shooting with the club and look forward to seeing you at our outdoor shooting field. If you wish further coaching please approach a Coach and ask - they are recognisable by their red 'BAC coach' shirts!

### **Update on the future of Bournemouth Sports Club**

As you may be aware, discussions have been taking place between the Sports Club and Bournemouth University regarding the possible acquisition of the Sports Club site. Discussions have been very positive and negotiations are ongoing with a completion date of 17<sup>th</sup> May in mind. All sections have been assured that their sport will continue and security of tenure has been offered by the University for a period of 75 years! There will be no increase in membership fees to BSC for the first 12 months and future fees will be subject to annual negotiations as now. We see this as an exciting opportunity for much needed investment and improvement to the Sports Club's facilities and the agreement gives us reassurance about BAC's future at the site.

### **And finally ...**

Don't forget to keep an eye on the BAC website! This is the place for details of upcoming shoots and entry forms, shoot results and all sorts of other important information. Logon to BAC at [www.bournemoutharcheryclub.com](http://www.bournemoutharcheryclub.com)

**Happy shooting!**  
**The Committee**