



# Cleve Archers News

## March 2018



### Cleve's Spring Tournament – fast approaching

Our club's annual Spring Tournament is taking place in 3 weeks' time on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at Yate Outdoor Sports Complex (YOSC), Broad Lane, Yate.

The club needs as much help as possible to make this event a success.

We URGENTLY need a group of volunteers to help with the Catering - this always makes a huge profit - cakes are donated (not asking you to bake) but serving hot drinks and cooking bacon and burgers at the breaks - even if you have juniors shooting perhaps you can help out at busy times throughout the day - not asking you to be there all weekend - if you can get supplies in before the shoot perhaps ? Please contact tournament organiser Denise Bunce ([deniseandgarybunce@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:deniseandgarybunce@blueyonder.co.uk) or mobile 07717 232348) with offers of help.

Assistance is also required at the following times;

- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>, 5.30pm** at YOSC to help marking out the ground.
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup>, 5pm** at Up Yonder – lots of help needed to load equipment onto a van to be transported to YOSC and then at YOSC later on that evening to help set-up.
- **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> early morning** – from 7am - lots of help please to finish setting up the field – this needs plenty of help as we only have a small window from getting into the ground and the archers starting shooting. There are plenty of jobs, big and small (carrying equipment, putting up gazebos for catering, putting target markers down).
- **During the shoots** (esp. on the Sunday), we will need some help moving bosses for distance changes too and having people on hand if target faces need changing.
- And then finally, at the **end of the day on Sunday** around 5pm to 6pm, loading everything back onto the van at YOSC and then unloading the vans again at Up Yonder.



We are not asking for everyone to be there all day (although that would be wonderful !) just some of your time would be appreciated.

For those who can't be there at all, please help by baking a cake or two or donating a nice raffle prize. This is, after all, about fundraising for our club !

Do please get in touch with Denise with offers of help.



### Gloucestershire County Senior Indoor Championships

The county Senior Indoor Championships took place mid March at the GL1 leisure centre in Gloucester. A handful of archers from Cleve made the trip and we ended up with two new County Champions and a second place for a Junior archer. Full results as follows.





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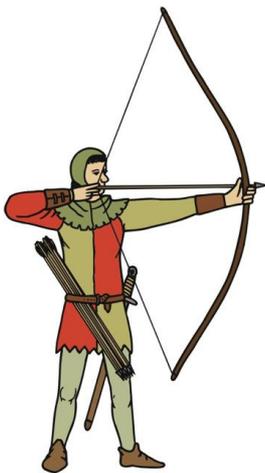


- Summer Tournament** 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> July. The first day will be a 720 ranking round followed by Olympic-style Head-to-Heads. The second day will be WA 1440 and Metric rounds.
- Junior Tournament** 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Rounds are the Windsor-family of rounds as previous years.



Entry forms for all of the above are available via the club's website (<http://clevearchers.co.uk/cleve-tournaments/>). Please do your best to support all three of your club's tournaments, whether by shooting or helping out !

### Cleve Longbow League



The dates for this year's in-house Longbow League have been released by organiser **Sue Suter**. If you're into longbow shooting, then at 2.30pm on the following dates, make your way to Up Yonder.

- April 8<sup>th</sup> – shooting a Short Western
- May 13<sup>th</sup> – shooting a National
- June 10<sup>th</sup> – shooting a Windsor (no, not the Royal Family)
- July 8<sup>th</sup> – shooting the American round
- August 12<sup>th</sup> – shooting a Western (no, you're not making a film)

And the Longbow League End of Season Shoot will take place with a Western round on 9<sup>th</sup> September.

The Longbow League shooters tend to use up around half of the field, so it's worth all non longbow archers pencilling these dates in your diary too so that you know part of the field will be in use.

### Up Yonder bits and pieces

At the end of this newsletter you will find some reminders about Up Yonder now that the Outdoor season is upon us. Please do re-read these.

However, there are two slightly more important issues to draw to your attention or remind you of.

First, you may not realise, but after you drive through (and then close) the main wooden gate at Up Yonder there is another gate(way) after about 50 yards. Normally this is open and you can drive straight through into our car parking area. However, on some rare occasions this gate is shut and locked with a padlock. If this is the case, the number for the padlock is

**7531**

It has been set at this so us archers can remember it – it being the lowest 4 of the 5 imperial scoring zones !

**Now, if you are the last to leave the shooting field and there is no-one parked in the stabling/livery yard next door, please shut and padlock this gate.**

The second issue concerns litter and used target faces.



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There is no rubbish collection from Up Yonder, so we all need to take our litter home with us. Whether this is food/drinks packaging, broken bits off your bow and arrows like old arrow rests, fletches or nocks or packaging from nice shiny new equipment, you must take it all home with you please.

And if you need to replace a target face on a boss because the existing one is shot to pieces, please fold-up the old one and take it home with you and put it in your paper recycling. Do not put old shot-out faces in the three bins under the shooting shelter. These bins are for faces that are still usable.

**Please take  
your litter  
home**

Thank you !

### Club Committee Vacancies

#### YOUR CLUB

Your club committee STILL needs you !



There are currently vacancies for a **Health & Safety Officer, Social Secretary, Beginners Course Co-Ordinator, Events Organiser** and a **PR Co-Ordinator**. If you have some time to help keep your club running and feel you may be able to fill these positions, the committee would love to hear from you. Please contact club Chair Francesca Hawker - [fhawker83@gmail.com](mailto:fhawker83@gmail.com)

And some advance notice: **From the AGM (November), the club will need a new Secretary** as the current Secretary, Anne Norbury, who has taken on the additional responsibility of being Membership Secretary will be relinquishing her current role as Secretary. Please give the post of Secretary some thought as the Club cannot function without a Secretary.

### Ideas for fundraising

On a similar theme, the club committee would be interested to hear of any ideas you have for fundraising. The club needs to raise as much money as it can to go towards the new field at Moorend. Anyone with any ideas can email them to the club's Fundraising Officer, Kate Kelly - [katiejanekelly@googlemail.com](mailto:katiejanekelly@googlemail.com)



### Dates for your diary

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>4<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Club Evening at Up Yonder, 6pm</li> <li>• <b>7<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Sports Psychology Coaching at Chipping Sodbury. No Junior Club at Up Yonder.</li> <li>• <b>9<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Beginners' Course A (week 1), 6pm</li> <li>• <b>10<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Taster Evening, 6pm.</li> <li>• <b>11<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Club Evening</li> <li>• <b>14<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Junior Club at Up Yonder, 9.30am to 12noon.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>16<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Beginners' Course A (week 2)</li> <li>• <b>18<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Club Evening</li> <li>• <b>21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> April:</b> Cleve Spring Tournament (Yate Outdoor Sports Centre)</li> <li>• <b>23<sup>rd</sup> April:</b> Beginners' Course A (week 3)</li> <li>• <b>25<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Club Evening</li> <li>• <b>28<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Junior Club at Up Yonder, 9.30am to 12noon (and then every Saturday thereafter).</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>28<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Beginners' Course B (week 1), 10am.</li> <li>• <b>30<sup>th</sup> April:</b> Beginners' Course A (week 4)</li> <li>• <b>2<sup>nd</sup> May:</b> Club Evening</li> <li>• <b>5<sup>th</sup> May:</b> Beginners' Course B (week 2)</li> <li>• <b>7<sup>th</sup> May:</b> Beginners' Course A (week 5)</li> <li>• <b>8<sup>th</sup> May:</b> Taster Evening, 6pm.</li> <li>• <b>9<sup>th</sup> May:</b> Club Evening</li> </ul> |
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- **12<sup>th</sup> May:** Beginners' Course B (week 3)
  - **16<sup>th</sup> May:** Club Committee meeting
  - **19<sup>th</sup> May:** Beginners' Course B (week 4)
  - **26<sup>th</sup> May:** Beginners' Course B (week 5)
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Cleve Junior Open Tournament at Up Yonder.
- **12<sup>th</sup> June:** Taster Evening, 6pm.
  - **10<sup>th</sup> July:** Taster Evening, 6pm.
  - **21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> July:** Cleve Summer Tournament (Yate Outdoor Sports Centre)
  - **18<sup>th</sup> July:** Club Committee meeting
- **14<sup>th</sup> Aug:** Taster Evening, 6pm.
  - **11<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Taster Evening, 6pm.
  - **19<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Club Committee meeting
  - **21<sup>st</sup> Nov:** Club AGM @ 7pm

All help with club events and Beginners' Courses will be gratefully appreciated. The club is starting to put some of these events on a Calendar on the club website (<http://clevearchers.co.uk/calendar/>) and some of them have the facility to sign-up. This is work in progress, but please do use it.

### National Rankings

Archery GB has recently released details of a new scheme behind this year's National Rankings. Details, for those interested, can be found on their website at <http://www.archerygb.org/national-rankings-update-rules/>

Alongside this, a small group of Longbow enthusiasts have developed a scheme for longbow and barebow archers. If you are interested in this, the scheme can be found at <https://sites.google.com/view/uk-longbow-ranking/home>

### Cleve Junior wins coaching session

Congratulations to **Sophia Boulton** who has won a personal coaching session at Lilleshall in early April. Sophia won this prize after coming first in the Girls U14 compound division in Archery GB's Summer Metrics postal competition last year. Sophia's prize is a day's coaching with Commonwealth compound double gold medallist Nicky Hunt ! Enjoy your day, Sophia, and "Well done" from all at Cleve.



### JAWS

It's not a large rubbery man-eating fish, but the Junior Award Scheme run by Archery GB to reward Juniors for a full year's competition season. Archers self-submit a rather large form and get points for entering tournaments and doing well. Some kind soul at Archery GB then wades through dozens and dozens of these forms to compile a league table. This year, **Anna Perkins** finished in 18<sup>th</sup> place despite an injury-beset 2017. We believe that **Ella Shield** will also appear in revised rankings in 11<sup>th</sup> place as the organisers seem to have lost her form !

### Junior Indoor Leagues

The latest set of results for the Perris Indoor League (from February) show Cleve's Recurve A Team still tied in first place with Deer Park in Division 5 but marginally ahead having scored 36 more points so far. The Recurve B Team is also in joint 1<sup>st</sup> place in Division 6 but well ahead on total points scored. Our Compound Team remains in 4<sup>th</sup> place in the single Compound Division. The scores for the final month have just been submitted so we now wait for the final results. Results as at the end of February including individual performances at: (<http://onlinearcheryequipment.co.uk/perris-indoor-junior-league-25-w.asp>)

In the regional (GWAS) postal league, the scores after February show that our U12, U14 and U16 teams are all still placed 1<sup>st</sup> and cannot now lose ! Well done to all three teams !



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Individually, **Gaby Lott** (Mixed U18 barebow), **Josh Elgood** (Mixed U18 longbow), **Anna Perkins** (Girls U16 recurve), **Josh Smith** (Boys U16 recurve), **Ella Shield** (Girls U14 recurve), **Marco Costanza** (Boys U14 recurve), **Maja Kliczka** (Girls U12 recurve) and **Will Hardy** (Boys U12 recurve) are all leading their individual sections. Full results are available on GWAS' website: <http://www.gwas.org.uk/junior-winter-league/>

### Cleve Juniors win new inter-club event

The final leg of a new M4-corridor inter-club competition took place mid March, although the event itself fell victim to the snow. In its place, clubs submitted scores by post over the week that followed.

This final leg was narrowly won by Deer Park Archers, but because of stronger performances in the previous 3 legs, Cleve came out on top as winners !

Team Cleve this time was composed of Josh Smith, Anna Perkins, Ella Shield, Will Hardy, Esme Caie, Noah Downs, Tallulah Kelly, and Sophia Boulton.



The ever-winning Team Cleve !

We are expecting to take possession of the winner's trophy later this month, so will have a photo-call in due course.

### Past copies of the Newsletter

If you are looking for past copies of the club Newsletter, these can be found under the Members' Area on the Club website – <http://clevearchers.co.uk/login/>

### Don't forget → Club Clothing – order yours online !

Club members are now able to order club clothing online ! The direct web link is; [http://www.initiallyyours.co.uk/clubs\\_and\\_teams/cleve\\_archers/index.htm](http://www.initiallyyours.co.uk/clubs_and_teams/cleve_archers/index.htm).

You can also find the club listed under the general "Clubs and Teams" page;

[http://www.initiallyyours.co.uk/clubs\\_and\\_teams/index.htm](http://www.initiallyyours.co.uk/clubs_and_teams/index.htm).



### Junior Classifications and Handicaps

The following changes to Junior handicaps occurred in March;

- **Marco Costanza** (Boys U16 recurve): Has reduced his Outdoor handicap by 3 points to 26 and classified as Junior Bowman.
- **Josh Smith** (Boys U18 recurve): Has classified Indoors with a classification of C.
- **Anna Perkins** (Girls U16 recurve): Has reduced her Indoor handicap by 2 points to 34.
- **Noah Downs** (Boys U18 recurve): Has reduced his Indoor handicap by 2 points to 54.
- **Lexie Leonard** (Girls U16 recurve): Has reduced her Indoor handicap by 3 points to 58.
- **Alex Wolffe** (Boys U18 recurve): Has obtained a starting Indoor handicap and classification of 64 and G.



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If you're into statistics and numbers and wish to understand more about handicaps etc, you can find further information on the club's website at: <http://clevearchers.co.uk/handicaps-classifications/>.

### Progress Badges



Congratulations to this month's badge winners: **Poppy Dunning** (Red) and **Alex Wolff** (white) !

### Junior Records

Club records broken during March are as follows;

Archer	Bowtype	Category	Round	Score	County Record Claims
Marco Costanza	Recurve	Gentlemen U16	WA 60m	646	U16
Anna Perkins	Recurve	Ladies U16, U18	Portsmouth	561	-
	Recurve	Ladies U16	Progress - 60cm face @ 20y; 10 zone	343	n/a

### And now for some reminders when shooting at Up Yonder

Now that the Outdoor Season is almost upon us, a reminder as to some pleas made in the past whilst shooting at our home ground at Up Yonder. As we've also had a number of new members join the club over the winter, I'll add-in some useful (I hope) tips.

**The Ground Layout:** Dotted around on the noticeboards should be posters showing the layout of targets. If you haven't seen these, then make this the first thing you go looking for. Rules on range safety require that archers wishing to shoot at distance **must** do so using targets towards the middle of the range. Targets at closer distances should be to the left and right of the middle. In effect, the arrangement of targets is to be an inverted 'V' shape. And on the right-hand side of the field, the first two targets should not be put out further than 50m – this is just before the end of the covered barn – to ensure that if an arrow were to either miss the target or deflect off the target, those working or tending to horses in the area at the end of the barn will not be at risk from stray arrows.

**The Signing-in book:** A signing-in book is on a table under the shooting shelter (usually by the door to the kitchen area). ALL members (except Juniors on Saturday mornings) shooting at Up Yonder are required to sign-in the book EVERY time they visit the field AND sign-out prior to leaving. Parents are requested to sign the book as well please because knowing how many people use the field is very useful for grant applications the club makes to funding bodies.

**Lost and found arrows:** Along with the signing-in book is a book for recording any arrows you lose and any that you happen to find. If you lose an arrow and cannot find it straight away, you **MUST** fill-in the book before you leave the ground. Please record your name, description of the lost arrow and which target was being shot at when it was lost. Likewise, if you find someone else's lost arrow, put a note in the book and put the arrow in the "Lost Arrow" tube by the door to the kitchen area. If you do find an arrow, please then put it in the Lost Arrow tube by the door to the kitchen area of the container. Please note that the Lost Arrow tube is **NOT** for damaged fletchings and nocks. Take these home with you.

**Photograph register and Guest Book:** And also on the table is a book for signing if you are taking photographs or videos and a book for anyone who is shooting as a Guest. You need to sign the photo book on EVERY occasion when you are taking photos or making video recordings. And ALL visitors are required to sign in and



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out. The cost for visitor shooting is £5 per visit – payment method by arrangement.

**Litter and Rubbish:** There are NO facilities for rubbish collection from Up Yonder. Any litter you create (e.g. paper coffee cups, broken laces, plastic bottles and packaging from archery items) must be taken home by you. The three bins under the shelter at the left-hand side are used for storing usable target faces only. Please DO NOT put shot-through useless target faces back in these in bins - take them home and put out with recycling.

### Helpful hints for members:

- **Targets/Bosses:** Over the winter months these are to be stored under (or as near to as possible) the shooting shelter when not in use as they have a habit of being blown over in strong winds. The targets are on wheels to help you move them around. The targets also have covers over them to protect them from the elements. Once you have finished shooting, please replace the cover unless someone else has indicated that they wish to use the target. Please see also the notice above about the need to arrange the targets in an inverted V shape for range safety.
- **Targets/Bosses (again):** Those archers who like to shoot short distances with small target faces, please do not always put the target faces dead centre on the boss. Move them around to spread the wear and prolong the life of the boss.
- **Target Faces:** If you need to replace a target face as the one on the boss you intend to use has been shot to pieces, PLEASE take the old one home with you and recycle it with your paper recycling. PLEASE DO NOT leave old, shot-out, target faces lying around at Up Yonder nor stick them in the bins with the usable faces.
- **Distance markings:** The shooting line is the first row of white bricks in front of the shelter and across the field. White bricks in the ground and black-on-white markers on the fence denote distances in yards. Yellow/orange bricks on the ground and black-on-yellow markers on the fence denote distances in metres. Tape measures are available in the kitchen area for measuring ad-hoc distances.
- **Shooting shelter:** If the weather is inclement you may shoot from under the shelter. Also be aware when you arrive that others may be doing this too. If shooting to a certain distance you will need to use a tape measure to find the right distance for your target.
- **Toilets:** We are able to use toilets to the right hand side of the shelter (with the shelter behind you), in a building in the car park used by the livery stables. The door to the toilets is a heavy metal door. There is a wooden gate from our field into the livery car park.
- **Car Park:** Please use the car park behind the shooting shelter. Do not use the car park by the livery stables (i.e. where the toilets are).
- **Access to the kitchen area:** This is gained via a key available for a £5 deposit from Membership Secretary Anne Norbury ([anne.norbury@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:anne.norbury@blueyonder.co.uk)). The kitchen has cold running water, a kettle, a microwave plus a selection of cutlery. PLEASE clear up after yourselves and TAKE YOUR RUBBISH/LITTER HOME as there is no waste collection.
- **When can I shoot ?** Anytime daylight hours other than 9.30am to 12noon on a Saturday (as that's Junior Club).
- **Gates:** At the end of the drive into Up Yonder, you will encounter a large wooden gate. The owners of Up Yonder unlock this ca. 7am. When arriving and leaving, please close this gate behind you.
- **Whistles:** You will have learnt on your beginners' course about range safety and the use of whistle commands to control shooting. Other than organised shoots during the year, it is unlikely that the field will be under whistle control. It is important, therefore, to be aware of all archers around you and wait until everyone has finished shooting before collecting arrows.
- **Shooting etiquette:** As there is often no fixed time for shooting, club members will come and go at any time. When you have put your equipment together, done your warm ups and are ready to shoot but you see that others are already shooting, please wait for the next end before shooting – i.e. so that nobody finishes shooting only to see that you have just started and still have 5 arrows to go.
- **Horses:** If there are any horses in the field adjacent to our range, then they are in quarantine. **Please do not, therefore, stroke/touch them or give them any food.**
- **Anything else:** If I get reminded of other useful tips, I'll add them to the next newsletter.