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WELCOME

Welcome to the last newsletter of 2009. From now on the newsletter will be emailed out wherever possible to save on time and costs. If you're receiving a paper copy of this then that means I don't have a valid email address for you. If you have an email address that I'm missing then please let me have it.

CALENDAR

Attached is Version 1 of the 2010 calendar. There are a number of items that will be added during the next month so keep an eye out for Version 2. As ever the website will have the most up-to-date version so keep an eye on that.

It's probably worth reminding everyone that the club shoots aren't organised by the records officer. If you're shooting one of the club shoots you should elect a field captain from those present and go from there.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

We've taken the decision not to issue club membership cards anymore. They were pretty much never used for anything so it seemed pointless to continue with them. GNAS cards will continue to be issued as normal.

FAST!

A reminder to everyone - if you ever need to halt shooting you should do so by shouting FAST. This should be done immediately if you ever have any safety concerns about any aspect of shooting.

WEBSITE

One new addition to the website of late is the photo gallery software. As well as viewing photos you are now able to upload albums if you wish. To do this you will need to create an account on the site (link is bottom left on the site).

BOGLET'S

Chris Smethurst sent me the following report:

The Bowmen of Glen Juniors or BOGLET's as they like to be known, have been building their reputation across the county over three weekends this September.

At the first shoot, hosted by Welland Valley Archers on September 5th, in a field of 29 archers, sole BOGLET Zoë Smethurst braved the cold and wind to shoot a personal best score of 528 for a Short Junior National and finished 3rd overall in the girls recurve competition, a great achievement in very testing conditions.

On September 12th, again at Welland, 17 archers turned out on an afternoon that couldn't have been more different, the sun shone and in absolutely perfect conditions for shooting, 4 BOGLET's Adam Johnson, Zoë Smethurst and Callum and Sophie Naylor showed that BOG have strength and depth at every age group.

Adam had the unenviable task of shooting with Welland and GB squad member, Rebecca Lantsbury but achieved an excellent score of 323 for a Short National. Callum, shooting a Junior National, scored 405 in a great return to the chocolate shoot format. Zoë built on the previous week's success and shot another personal best score of 552 for a Short Junior National and finished 2nd overall in the girls recurve category.

However, the BOGLET's newest member Sophie stormed onto the scene shooting an incredible 545 at the special distance (20/10yds) at her first shoot. She was presented with a special medal to mark this achievement and this went some way to compensating her for the fact that until the last end of the first distance she was leading the 'closest to the gold' competition until she was robbed..sorry beaten by Welland's Zak Crawford but only with a dead-centre X.



At the final shoot, held at Bowman of Glen on September 19th, not only were there individual medals to be won, but there was the added impetus of the team competition. Welland had won the Copson Cup on the past two occasions and BOG were narrowly beaten into third place by Foxes in 2008, so competition was fierce.

The day dawned fine and sunny and in a field of 40 archers a large contingent of BOGLET's turned out. Lucy Colledge, Matthew and Thomas Hunt, Callum and Sophie Naylor, Nicole and Anna Pinborough, Zoë Smethurst and Amy and Ryan Spicknall shot the National rounds for their age group or the special distance of 20/10yds.

Amy shooting a Short National scored an excellent 437.

Callum and Ryan both shot Junior Nationals and scored 368 and 340 respectively.



Nicole, Anna, Lucy all taking part in their first chocolate shoot did incredibly well, shooting Short Junior Nationals and further underpinned the BOGLET team score with 3 excellent scores of 359, 227 and 310.

Sophie shooting her first Short Junior National shot incredibly well and scored 409.

Zoë – shooting a Short Junior National, achieving a hat trick of personal bests scored 559, beat Zak Crawford of Welland - a grudge match is being arranged – and came second overall in the girls recurve category for the second week running.

Thomas and Matthew, ably assisted by some fabulous cake, both shot the special distance of 20/10 yds. Thomas scored an excellent 375 and Matthew 290 which turned out to be the hidden score, further increasing his sizeable chocolate haul in the fun part of the shoot.

The team competition was a hotly fought affair but in the end there was only one team in it as Welland Valley A – Rebecca Lantsbury, James Holyland and Zak Crawford – scoring 1693 took the Copson Cup for the third year in succession.

Kirby A – David Phillips, Lizzy Warner and Liam Hannon came second with 1574.

Glen A – Zoë, Amy and Sophie, came a fantastic third scoring 1390.

The BOGLET's certainly did themselves proud and showed that there are some stars in the making coming through our junior ranks.



Merry Christmas Folks!
Mark