



## *Hi Folks*

Another year draws to a rather chilly close but things are still hotting up in the Blue Arrows club. The Christmas party is well booked up, with loads of raffle prizes to be won and lots of fun to be had.

The Head to Head is well under way and the draw has taken place for the next round of contests.

Unfortunately my own H2H came to an abrupt end when I was defeated by one point by '*Robin of Ipswich*' (alias **Rob Garnham**) who goes on to face his next opponent under his real name.

**Roy Bates** was also knocked out of the contest by **Dave Morrow** but we are still awaiting the results of Dave's drugs test before this can be verified.

**Derek Tullock** was defeated by **David Fellman** which made me think that the handicap system might be biased against the more senior members. However, my faith was quickly restored when I saw that **Ade** had met his Waterloo in the battle against **Ray Butler**. Ray put on an amazing display with a final score of **165**, the highest yet, which was more than sufficient to cope with Ade's **141**. However, the downside for Ray is that his handicap will now plummet.

In **Rob Spindley's** match against **Kerry Bunting**, Rob put on such a scary face that Kerry decided to concede. A dastardly tactic which, in my opinion, should result in at least one point being deducted from his handicap. (All H2H results are on the website)

*Well, that's it for 2016. I have enjoyed doing your mag for another year and hope you have enjoyed reading it. It just remains for me to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.*

*Jim*

## IMPORTANT REMINDER

**SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER**

**Sorry there is no shooting today**

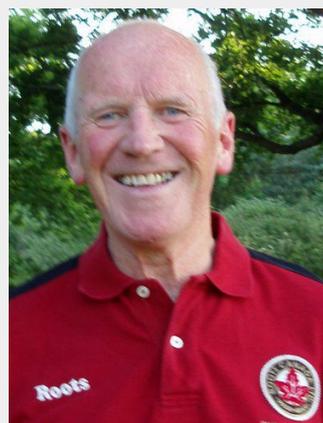
**you will just have to get on with that  
Christmas shopping!**

## Head to Head

**Highest score yet**

**Ray Butler with a score of 165**

**Can anyone beat it?**



## Travelling Treasurer



Your Treasurer is going to be missing from the Club for an extended Christmas break, visiting family in California and Adelaide. I know, it's a hard life! My last Club night before leaving will be 1<sup>st</sup> December and my first Club night afterwards will be 12<sup>th</sup> January. I will, of course miss you all, but will try to cope! Temperatures in Adelaide will be 30 degrees plus, so it's Christmas on the beach, chucking a few prawns on the barbie!

I will collect the December subs from those who pay me in cash each month on 1<sup>st</sup> December, but January subs should be paid to Ade please, who will be happy to take your money! Any other monies coming to the Club should also go to Ade, with the exception of any new members joining while I am away. Please direct any new members to Alan, who will take any money due from them when he sorts their paperwork.

Well, I'm off to pack my rucksack. Have a good Christmas and I hope 2017 is on target for you all.

*Sarah*

## Australian burglar shot with bow and arrow

**Abridged extract from BBC News article spotted and submitted by John Goode**

A burglar in Australia was shot in the buttocks with a bow and arrow after being confronted by an angry homeowner.

The intruder stole cash, car keys and other property from the house in Sydney on Sunday afternoon.

The homeowner, a 68-year-old man, used a wooden bow to challenge the thief as he tried to steal a car.

The robber fled the vehicle and jumped a fence but was shot from behind as he ran to a parked getaway car.

He managed to use the vehicle to escape. It was not immediately clear from reports how serious his injuries were.

**"We believe that the arrow is still with the injured party",** said the police.

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**What I want to know is - How on earth did he manage to drive that car???**

## December Birthday Wishes go to



**Piers Skilton**



**Jordan Henry**



**Matthew Skilton**



**Ray Butler**



**Stephen Wood**



**Dale Jennings**



**Abi Bloomfield**

**Ruben Exius -Genco**



**Dave Morrow**

**Best wishes to you all**

### Latest archery gear – the high velocity sight?

Draw, aim, release, whoosh .....and clatter as Alan's sight goes soaring off into the wild blue yonder. (Well at least a few feet down the range).

I thought it was a new high velocity sight being tested but apparently not!

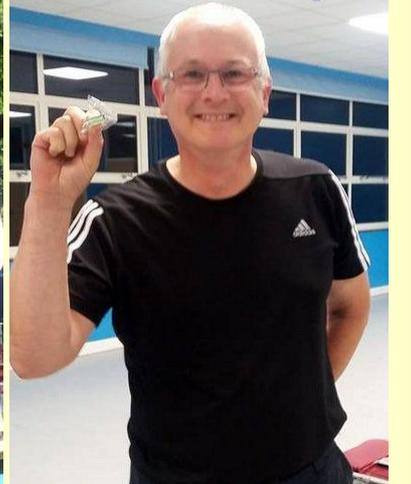
The verdict at the subsequent enquiry was that Alan must have had a screw loose. Others thought his screw was actually missing. I couldn't possibly comment!

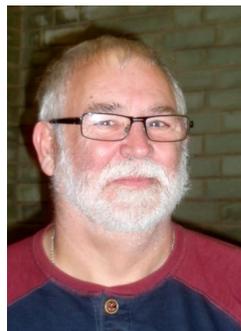
A brief lookback at 2016



Look chaps I've invented the wheel!

Help come Baaack !!



**Terry Ruffles****Welcome to the club****HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL**

*I'm sure you recognise  
this happy chappie*

*John Goode*

*Of course*

*who else?*

**Head to Head - The next round**

The next round of the H2H looks like giving us some exciting matches.

Chris Vince and Jon Hammond go H2H each with the top handicap of 2.

Zoli with a handicap of 2 has to face Ellen Southgate sporting a handicap of 10. A few good ends from Ellen will make Zoli's task very difficult.

I see Rosie and Rachel are facing each other with equal handicaps. I'll have to get a photo of that for the mag and I can't ask Rachel to do it!

John Humphreys and Rebecca Bunting also face each other with equal handicaps.

My own nemesis Rob Garnham goes on to face Alan Munson who gets a 2 point lead with the handicap system so again an exciting match to watch (and boo or cheer as appropriate).

Looking forward to seeing them all played out.

1	John Humphreys	Rec 9	9	Alan Munson	Rec 4
	Rebecca Bunting	Rec 9		Rob Garnham	Rec 2
2	Jay House	Rec 5	10	Mike Gissing	Comp 2
	Matthew Skilton	Rec 7		Ray Butler	Rec 5
3	Steve Phillips	Rec 9	11	Chris Vince	Rec 2
	Mike McLeod	Rec 4		Jon Hammond	Rec 2
4	Jason Brummitt	Rec 9	12	Lorraine Hockley	Rec 9
	Piers Skilton	Rec 3		Colin Betts	Rec 4
5	Zoli Olajos	Rec 2	13	Charles Currie	Rec 9
	Ellen Southgate	Rec 10		Ruben Exius-Genco	Rec 10
6	David Fellman	Comp 2	14	Stephen Wood	Rec 9
	David Morrow	Rec 5		Steven Edwards	Rec 5
7	Yvonne Butler	Rec 6	15	Rob Spindley	Rec 3
	Mark Smith	BB 9		Dave Hamilton	Rec 4
8	Andy Rogers	Comp 3	16	Rosie Reynolds	Rec 9
	Seirian Southgate	Rec 10		Rachel Goode	Rec 9