



Hi Folks

Hope you enjoyed **St.Valentine's day**. I was a bit disappointed myself, I only received two valentines and I'm sure I posted myself three.

The **Head to Head** is reaching the semi-finals and there is a good chance that '*the last man standing*' may well be a woman! Bonny reached the finals last year. Can she take the 2017 title? **Ade and co** have come up with a great idea to liven up the indoor competition. It looks like a great scheme – make sure you sign up. Good shooting. **Jim**

Exciting new format for the indoor competition

Date - Saturday 8th April 2017.

Looks like we are going to have a great day – Ade explains the details

This year it has been decided to change things a little for the Indoor Club Competition. Instead of having a standard Portsmouth or Worcester round we thought it would be good to try something a little different, to give us a little bit of variety.

This year we are shooting an outdoor round - Indoors!

How you may well ask? This is what we will be doing.

As you know when we shoot a round outdoors, targets are at different distances. Starting with the longest first and getting shorter as the round goes on. The target face therefore is at its smallest at the longer distances and bigger as it gets closer.

We can replicate that indoors by putting on different size faces all at the same distance. Small target faces first and then moving to bigger ones as the round progresses.

This is how it will work:

2 dozen arrows (shot in 3's) at 20yds on a 40cm face.

2 dozen arrows (shot in 3's) at 20yds on a 60cm face.

2 dozen arrows (shot in 3's) at 20yds on an 80cm face.

There will be breaks in between as target faces are changed just like outdoors when bosses are moved.

Everyone can reach 20yds and will be a great challenge on the smaller faces but it will become easier as the faces increase in size. **Or will it???**

It will be shot in a normal competition environment so will give those that have not experienced an indoor comp before a chance to get familiar with how they work.

Hall is open at 1pm with assembly at 1.45pm. **There will be one round of sighters at 2pm** and shooting will start immediately afterwards.

Remember the Head 2 Head final will also be taking place after the main competition.

Please let me have your entry asap.

Come on give it a go!

Ade.

More Team success at the Tudor Rose (Sun 12th feb)



Team Trophy

The winning gold team

**David Fellman, Jon Hammond,
Yvonne Butler and Rob
Garnham**

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**Ade presenting Yvonne Butler with her Bronze session and Bronze Overall medals
and Chris Vince with his Bronze session medal.**

March Birthday wishes go to



Rosie Reynolds



Rachel Goode

**Best wishes to
you all**



Steven Edwards



Eddy Chevli



Paul Coombs

Who broke the club records in 2016 and who will beat them in 2017?

2016 was a bonanza year for club records broken or set for the first time by our club members. If you want to get into the club record book then these are the guys (and their records) that you have to beat!



Senior Recurve (Gents)

Zoltan Olajos
WA1440 score 1079
Worcester score 280
and
St George score 763



Senior Recurve (Ladies)

Yvonne Butler
Ladies Western score 636
Ladies Short Western
score 662
and Albion score 531



Senior Recurve (Gents)

Alan Munson
Gents Long Western
score 626



Senior Recurve (Gents)

Chris Vince
Gents Western
score 750



Recurve (Gents)

Ciaran Boak
U14 Short Junior
Western
score 384



Senior Recurve (Ladies)

Rachel Goode
WA 18m Triple
score 302



Recurve (Gents)

Ross Trinder
U18 Andy Harris
score 304



Senior Recurve (Gents)

Jon Hammond
Portsmouth
score 576
and
Andy Harris
score 344



Recurve (Gents)

Balint Olajos
U12 Andy Harris
score 208



Recurve (Ladies)

Rosie Reynolds
U14 Portsmouth
score 376



Senior Recurve (Gents)

Rob Garnham
York
score 919



Senior Compound (Gents)

David Fellman
New Western
score 764
American
score 798

WA1440 (Masters) score 1256



U16 Recurve (Gents)

Piers Skilton with 8 records

Bristol 11	score 1088
Short Western	score 752
Short Junior Western	score 850
WA 18m Triple	score 502
Portsmouth	score 554
Worcester	score 240
Andy Harris	score 331
Short Metric	score 552

Top 2016 Record Breaker - Ade Burch - Longbow with 18 records

2016 saw Ade Burch shooting to county stardom in Longbow archery.

As a result he broke or set every longbow archery record in our book.

2017 target – to break his own records!



W A 1440 (Gents)	575
WA1440 (Masters)	543 (county record)
WA 70 Metre	257
Metric I	385
Long Metric II	190
Short Metric	402 (Beats the county record of 333 (from 1997), but unofficial as it was not shot under formal competition.)
York	304
Hereford	375
St George	332
Windsor	367
New Western	102
Western	572
Short Western	589
National	406
Bray I	200
Portsmouth	459
Double Portsmouth	888
Worcester	189

All records can be found on the Blue Arrows website – check it out!

Head to Head 1/4 finals - first results

Chris Vince with a handicap of **2** took on **Yvonne Butler** with her handicap of **4**.

Despite **Yvonne's** handicap having dropped to **4** she still managed to take the match with a score of **149** to **Chris's** **145** so **Yvonne is the first to make it to the semi-finals.**

Matches still to be shot.

Piers Skilton with a handicap of **3** takes on **Jay House** with a lowered handicap of **4**

Stephen Wood with a handicap of **6** takes on **Alan Munson** still with his **4** handicap

Mike Gissing with a handicap of **2** takes on **John Humphreys** with a lowered handicap of **7**

I received the following email from Rachel and John Goode which left me with a dilemma as I couldn't decide which caption to use.

I'll let you decide which you think is best. Or maybe we should ask David.....

We went to a Worcester competition today in Braintree and David Fellman won a raffle prize as seen in the picture attached.

We'd like to include one of the following captions:



"Mike I love you more than Nick"
"Will you be my date to the Christmas party"
"Say it with flowers"
"Be my valentine"

HALL CLOSURE

**Thursday 16th March
and
Sunday 19th March**

We can only apologise but the shooting sessions scheduled for 16th March and 19th March have both been cancelled. There will not be any shooting on those days in the main hall. The school requires the hall on the Thursday and there is a volleyball competition on the Sunday.

**What has been arranged though is a session in the main hall on
Saturday 18th March between 3pm and 5pm.**

We accept this may not accommodate everyone but at least it does give you an opportunity to shoot if you are able to. Remember Sunday mornings on the field are still available and by then the weather may not be too bad for a few arrows.

As a result of this the Head 2 Head deadline for the Quarter Finals and Semi Finals draw, which was due to be the 16th March, will now be rescheduled.

Depending on how the quarter finals are being shot, we could allow for this to run until 23rd March.

The Semi Final draw could therefore be made on the 23rd March with both semi finals taking place on the 30th March.

If the quarter finals are done sooner i.e. by 9th March we can reschedule the draw for then and revert back to having the semi finals on 23rd and 30th March.

I will speak with all quarter finalist to see when their matches have been arranged for.

The final will take place after the club comp on April 8th.

Ade

Was Alan abducted by aliens?

My sanity has been in doubt for some time now but I usually manage to ignore the signs. Until last week that is when I was out walking and saw what appeared to be an alien spaceship in a field just past the Munson Mansion.



Being an inquisitive sort of chap (i.e. dead nosey) I decided to deviate past Alan's to find out if it was real or just a figment of my fevered imagination.

Unfortunately as I went **down** his road (and the road does actually dip), the spaceship disappeared above my sightline and I completely lost track of it.

Thinking that it probably had an invisibility shield and that I would be finally locked up if I told people what I'd seen I reckoned it best to go back later with the car and the camera. (Maybe it's time I got a modern phone!)

Needless to say I kept my car doors firmly locked as I drove again past the Munson

estate. (Oh yes I've seen all the relevant films '*Invasion of the body snatchers*', '*the blob*', '*the thing from outer space*', '*attack from mars*' etc. If Alan **had** been changed into a mutant zombie I certainly didn't intend to join him.

Eventually, of course, it was nothing so dramatic. I was a bit disappointed to find a notice telling me it was a helium balloon being tested by a firm which specialises in balloons, airships, inflatable hangers and other such 'pop-up' wonders of the modern world.



And Alan has obviously **not** been abducted by aliens and he has **not** had his brain sucked out and replaced by that of an alien slime monster.

or has he.....?????

(Was that notice genuine?)

Jim

Anything to go in the mag?

Send it to me **Jim**

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