



Yorkshire Archery Newsletter

Winter 2017-Spring 2018

68th AGM of the YAA

Notice of the 68th Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Yorkshire Archery Association has been arranged for Saturday 10th March 2018 at Barnsley Archery Club, Barnsley Rugby Club, Shaw Lane, Barnsley at 10:30 AM in the Holgate suite. I look forward to seeing you there but should you be unable to attend please try to ensure that your club is represented.

Agenda for the 68th AGM

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the 67th AGM
 - Points of Accuracy
 - Approval
3. Matters Arising
4. Chairman's Report
5. Secretary's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
 - Approve accounts
 - Set Affiliation Fees
 - Appointment of a Validator
7. Officers reports
 - CCO
 - JLO
 - Junior Officer
 - PRO
 - Tournaments (Target, Clout, Field & Longbow)
 - Teams
 - Safeguarding
8. Committee Recommendations
 - Proposed changes to the Constitution
9. Election of Officers and Members of the General Committee
10. Confirmation in post of Safeguarding Officers

Andy Wilkinson

Yorkshire Archery Association Secretary

AGB competitions review, presentation and discussion

Jon Nott, Archery GB's Competitions and Events manager, invites you to a session in Haxby, York on the 10th of March. This session will discuss the future of archery competitions in the UK. If you're an archer, tournament organiser or a coach, please come and let AGB know your thoughts.

For full details and the contact email address for registering your interest, please see the article on the YAA website or YAA Coaching website.

Kath Fitzpatrick

Yorkshire County Coaching Officer

Tom Musgrove

It is with great sadness that I was informed that Tom Musgrove passed away on Monday September 4th 2017. Tom was an amazing person and coach and I count myself privileged to have known him as a coach, friend and mentor for so many years.

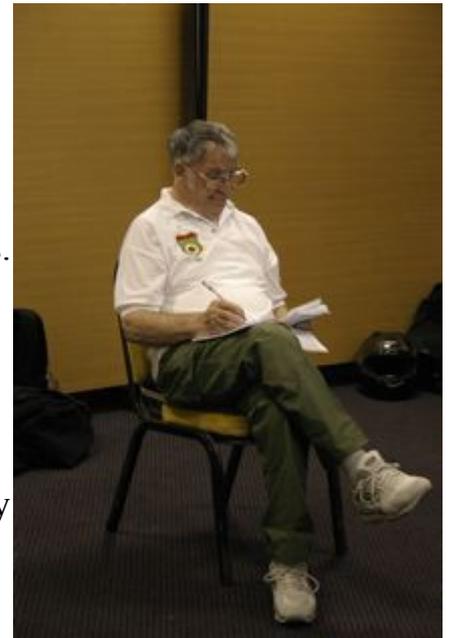
Tom and Stan Snow were synonymous with Yorkshire archery and coaching when Mick and I came into archery in the early 80s. Tom was a Senior Coach before I was born! He went on to be a National Coach, working with the country's top juniors in the national squad, and was also responsible for the original Leader course. He was an avid learner as well as an educator, being one of the first to gain the new NCF-developed Degree in Sports Coaching, following this up with a Diploma in Sports Psychology – just to see and understand the relatively new field.

He had an enquiring mind and would love nothing more than to debate new ideas and research he had read – and playing devil's advocate just to see if you would stick to your opinions! I don't know what Tom's epitaph would be, but whenever I think of him I can always hear him say "of course".

A great man and coach and I for one will miss just knowing that he's there if needed – as he always was.

Kath Fitzpatrick

Yorkshire County Coaching Officer



Break-in and theft at Aire Valley Archers

Aire Valley Archers had their club house broken into in January 2018. Approximately fifty beginner and intermediate bows were stolen, along with a petrol-powered strimmer and a Viking metal detector. Please be on the lookout for anyone trying to offload this type of equipment, and contact us directly or via the YAA.

Keith Riley

Aire Valley Archers

Louise Smith – National Judge

I am pleased to inform you that Yorkshire has a new National Judge. Louise Smith took her written assessment and interview down at Lilleshall and passed. This follows her successful practical assessment at Netherhall Archers in June.

Well done Louise, congratulations from the Yorkshire Judging Team.

Karen Winsett

Yorkshire Judges Liaison Officer

Student archery schedule 2018

The dates of student archery championship events in 2018 have been announced. They are:

- BUCS Indoor Southern Regional: 24th February, K2 Crawley
- BUCS Indoor Northern Regional: 24th and 25th February, UCLan
- NEUAL Indoor Championships: 3rd March, Salford
- BUCS Indoor Finals: 11th March, Bristol
- BUTC: 25th March, Birmingham
- NEUAL Outdoor Championships: 12th May, UCLan

Bethany Dexter

Pennine Archers

Martin McKenzie

The Valley Bowmen of Huddersfield are extremely sad to announce the sudden death of Martin McKenzie, at the untimely age of 62 years.

Martin, of Huddersfield, and a long time member of the club, suffered a heart attack on August 29th. A keen longbow archer, Martin had just acquired a new bow from Aidy Hayes and had been seen enjoying some good shots at the field only a couple of weeks ago.

Martin's wife Janice and his adult children Martin, Hannah and David have offered to donate a bench in his memory to the club, which they hope will offer a peaceful spot for new archers to sit and reflect.

Will Kempf

President

Valley Bowmen

Yorkshire archers at the British Target Championships

Congratulations to all YAA archers who took part in the British Target Championships in August.

Special mention must be made of Sheila Hudson of White Rose who won the Ladies Longbow title with first places in all three elements (hits, golds, score), and Martin Jordan of Chantry who took third place in Gents Longbow.

Exciting new programme at Arrowhawks Archery Academy

Arrowhawks Archery Academy brings national talent development and academy programmes to Yorkshire

Winter training will begin again in October as part of an academy provision which will be starting in York through the new Arrowhawks Archery Academy. This will bring the national talent development pathway into a regional and county locality through three venues in York.

As many know I have worked with Archery GB on the national academy for just over six years. In the past couple of years the number of juniors coming into talent development from the north has drastically reduced, though there is an increase from the midlands and south. It was evident that something needed to be done in the north since the regional AGB Academy closed a year ago and everything moved to Lilleshall, significantly increasing costs for northern juniors. With support from the National Academy team, I have stepped out of the Academy this year while remaining involved with the talent coach team so that I can devote some time and resource to developing northern talent, both recurve and compound.

To do this I have secured use of facilities in York and registered a club, Arrowhawks (one venue is at the York Bird of Prey Centre), to provide a basis for the academy.

Although it won't be a club in the usual sense, with no beginners or regular weekday shooting other than training and coaching sessions, it will aim to provide for recurve and compound juniors and also provide facilities for YAA senior squad sessions as well as open coaching days and coach development.

This is being developed with the support of Archery GB and archers in the north will be referred there for additional support, as well as existing and past national academy members. It is not an ATC as such so that we have greater flexibility, but will be similar in operation. The existing YAA junior squad will be part of this development with coaching teams for under 12 led by Lesley Wallace, 13-20 academy led by myself and senior squad led by Ian Foster. There will also be support for university students in specific sessions.

There will be costs for sessions and block booking for the academy will be available as we do have venue costs and travel costs to cover for the coaches. However, the aim is to keep this affordable for all, not to make profit.

The strength and conditioning programmes from the national academy, developed by the English Institute for Sport, will also be brought in supported by Bev Detoef and Lynette Williams, both qualified in physical training as well as being archery coaches.

Further details will be posted on the YAA and YAA Coaching websites as soon as dates are set; anyone interested in joining the academy or attending one-off training sessions can contact me by email or telephone at 01226 218518.

Kath Fitzpatrick

Yorkshire County Coaching Officer

Yorkshire Juniors in Linthwaite

There was a small idea of organising something that got junior archers together in one place to do some shooting. The idea progressed into thinking it could be a regular thing over the winter. Then on 28th October 2017 the first session happened!

We had thought we might get perhaps 12 juniors attending, but the numbers who wanted to come kept growing and on the day 20 juniors arrived at the Pennine Archers indoor range with parents and other supporters. Suddenly the range seemed very busy, but there was also a lot of nervousness and excitement mixed in.

Following an energetic warm up we shot some arrows and scored them, archers talked to each other, archers talked to coaches and helped them with the scoring, coaches talked to archers, parents talked to each other, and to archers, and to coaches. Then it went quiet as the archers started to think about and write down their expectations of the sessions, but not too quiet as they were still talking to each other. The coaches were told by juniors and parents that juniors want to shoot, have fun together, play games (and they gave us some new ideas to work on for next time), learn more about preparing for competitions and have a bit of coaching at the same time!

The quiet didn't last long though – an archery team game came next... Working in teams organised by the coaches on the basis of the scores already achieved meant getting to know new people and planning a strategy together. The final result, after a close fought contest, was a draw between The Spooks and Team I Don't Know.

On to Team Head-to-Heads to end the session. This time we had three winning teams: The Spooks, Team I Don't Know and The Three Archertiers. Congratulations to the winners who fought through some very close matches and fought off The Pumpkin Archers, Team Rebels and The Dinos, sometimes only winning the set by 1 point!

And then home for lots of tired archers! The juniors told us they had a lot of fun shooting and meeting new people. They enjoyed working with different people and trying some new things whilst getting some hints and tips to help them improve their performance. They also gave the coaches some ideas and things to think about for the next session on 18th November.

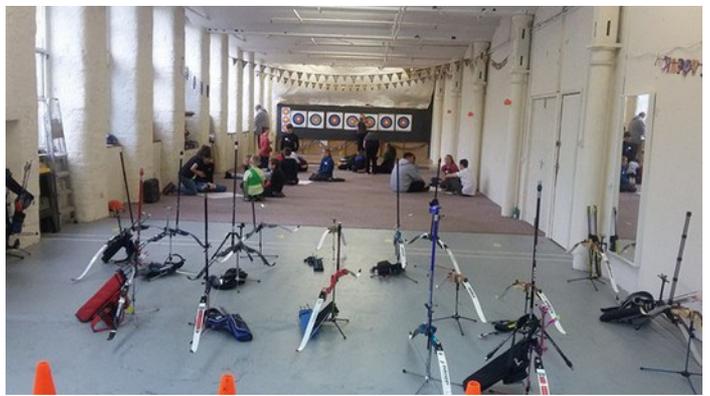
A huge thank you must go to all the parents who brought the juniors, some having set off quite early to get to Linthwaite, and to the coaches who came to help. Without them the session couldn't have happened. Thank you also to the juniors who made it such an enjoyable morning. And finally thanks to the YAA Committee for supporting the idea and making it possible.

If you want to get involved, as an archer or a coach, please email us: yaajuniors@yahoo.com

We are working on ways to make more places available which may include running the session twice on the same day (one morning, one afternoon) so that people can choose which one to attend.

Helen Woodcock

YAA Junior Organiser



Northern Counties Coaching Conference 2018

The Northern Counties Coaching Conference 2018 will be hosted by the Cheshire Archery Association, and will be held at The Whitby High School, Sycamore Drive, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH66 2NU on Saturday the 28th of April. Schedule:

From	To	Activity
9:30 AM	10:00 AM	Arrival, tea/coffee and bacon bap
10:00 AM	10:05 AM	Welcome and introduction
10:00 AM	11:15 AM	The anatomy of the hand
		Coaching juniors and the growth spurt
		Warm-ups and cool-downs
11:15 AM	11:30 AM	Tea/coffee break
11:30 AM	12:30 PM	Using the Hooter Shooter to check compound bow set up
		EAF – another route for aspiring archers
12:30 PM	1:15 PM	Lunch provided – baked potato with topping, tea, coffee and biscuits
1:15 PM	2:00 PM	Insight into clout archery
2:15 PM	3:00 PM	Insight into field archery
3:00 PM	3:30 PM	Observation skills related to the Level 1 stages of shooting, AGB videos and the "high set up"
3:30 PM	3:45 PM	CPD points and license renewal or moving on to becoming a Level 2 coach

The cost is £25, which includes refreshments and lunch.

To book a place on the conference, please complete the booking form and send it off with the booking fee. The form is available from the YAA and YAA Coaching websites.

Erin Prior workshop – Performing Under Pressure

Erin Prior will be running workshops in Haxby, York in March, aimed at helping archers to improve their performance under pressure. There will be workshops on Saturday the 24th of March and Sunday the 25th of March. Arrowhawks archers, parents and coaches have priority for the Saturday, but the Sunday session is open to all.

Book your place through Kath Fitzpatrick.

Kath Fitzpatrick

Yorkshire County Coaching Officer

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YAA Field Championships 2017

Dearne Valley Archery Club hosted the YAA Field Championships at their Savin Royd Woods course on Sunday the 22nd of October. The shoot was the second day of a WA Combined. Archers shot 24 marked targets in cold, overcast, and occasionally windy and rainy conditions for the county titles.

Here are the county's Field Archery champions:

Archer	Club	Score	6s	5s
Ladies U15 Recurve (blue peg)				
Emma Rose Culshaw	Dearne Valley AC	167	1	3
Ladies Recurve (red peg)				
Michelle Kiddy	Dearne Valley AC	298	10	15
Ladies Compound UL (red peg)				
Louise Smith	Pennine Archers	325	16	21
Gents U18 Recurve (red peg)				
Joe Fairburn	Wharfe Valley Archers	351	22	27
Gents U18 Compound UL (red peg)				
Luke Stocks	Danum Archers	313	11	18
Gents Recurve (red peg)				
Robert Prince	Dearne Valley AC	295	8	19
Matthew Gardiner	University of Bradford	288	9	17
Mark Tinker	Dearne Valley AC	261	5	11
Gents Compound UL (red peg)				
Aaron Bainton	Bowmen of St Mary	351	24	24
Colin Fairburn	Wharfe Valley Archers	329	13	20
Gareth Beeby	Pennine Archers	321	10	26
Gents Barebow (blue peg)				
Oliver Hartfield	Sheffield University	243	5	9

Yorkshire archers at the National Indoors

Yorkshire archers put in some brilliant performances at the National Indoor Championships. The Juniors were on the Saturday, the round a Portsmouth.

Adam Carpenter won the U16 Compound title and tied for overall Champion with the U18 winner.

Orlaith Titchener took third place in Ladies U12 Compound.

Rosie Elliott won the Ladies U14 Longbow title and also overall Champion with a score of 448, which is a new UK record, beating the old one that had stood for 16 years.

The Seniors competition was on the Sunday. The round was a WA 18 followed by a head-to-head.

Sheila Hudson won the first round scoring 477, a new UK record. She then went on to win the head-to-head and so became the Ladies Longbow Champion.

Congratulations to them all from the YAA and all Yorkshire archers.

Rob Elliott

Chantry Bowmen

Rosie breaks her own record

Rosie Elliot of Chantry Bowmen broke her own national record of 305 points that she set last year.

She scored an extra 41 points to claim a new record of 346 at the Croesoswallt Double American on Sunday the 3rd of September. She attained the score in the first American round.



Greg Grogan

2017 Five Counties

The **2017 Junior Five Counties match** took place on the 30th September at Norton Archers' ground, Stockton-on-Tees, DNAA. The day was chilly with cloud and sunny spells before lunch and a short shower after lunch before more sunny spells.

Yorkshire sent a full-complement 15-person team made up of: 8 Girl Recurve archers; 4 Boy Recurve; 2 Girl compound and 1 Boy Compound. Yorkshire did not send any Longbow archers as no entries were received. Eight members of the team were representing Yorkshire for the first time with seven members returning to the team.

Yorkshire secured the Girls Recurve Team title with a team of Holly Spink, Elizabeth Ferguson and Megan Tinker.

The event is also the NCAS Junior Championships and there were many individual awards:

- Megan Tinker 1st Girls Recurve shooting Bristol 2
- Elizabeth Ferguson 2nd Girls Recurve shooting Bristol 4
- Holly Spink 2nd Girls Recurve shooting Bristol 5
- Hannah Fox 3rd Girls Recurve shooting Bristol 5
- Hannah Stocks 1st Girls Compound Shooting Bristol 3
- Orlaith Titchener 1st Girls Compound shooting Bristol 5
- Ben Daniel 3rd Boys Recurve shooting Bristol 1
- William Thompson 2nd Boys Recurve shooting Bristol 2
- Luca Jaques 1st Boys Recurve shooting Bristol 3
- Daniel McGarry 1st Boys Compound shooting Bristol 1

Other members of the team were:

- Niamh Titchener
- Jess Hall
- Jess Hardesty Dean
- Caitlin McKeag
- Luke Stocks

The team was managed by Helen Woodcock, YAA Juniors Officer, and Gareth Beeby, YAA County Teams Coordinator.



The **2017 Senior Five Counties match** took place on the 1st of October at Norton Archers ground, Stockton-on-Tees, DNAA.

The day started off quite overcast with a stiff breeze. Unfortunately, the strength of the breeze increased throughout the morning and the event was called off after the 5th dozen due to safety concerns with the wind. As all archers had completed the 5th dozen awards were based on the scores achieved up until that point.

Yorkshire won the Longbow Team trophy with a team of Helen Woodcock, Lorraine Slater, Patrick Revell and Richard Allan.

There were individual highest score awards for:

- Helen Woodcock: Ladies Longbow
- Neil Crickmore: Gents Recurve
- Patrick Revell: Gents Longbow

The full team was:

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| ➤ Shelley Hurst | ➤ Neil Crickmore |
| ➤ Bethany Dexter | ➤ Peter Bargewell |
| ➤ Ann Elliott | ➤ Simon Slater |
| ➤ Marina Rose | ➤ Aaron Bainton |
| ➤ Gemma Breese | ➤ Will Kempf |
| ➤ Viv Oxley | ➤ Wayne Evardson |
| ➤ Helen Woodcock | ➤ Patrick Revell |
| ➤ Lorraine Slater | ➤ Richard Allan |

The team was managed by Gareth Beeby, YAA County Teams Coordinator.



Gareth Beeby

YAA County Teams Coordinator

New YAA timing system available to clubs

A reminder that the YAA's new Danage timing system is available to YAA clubs for use at their own FITA shoots.

The system combines timer, lights, sound, scoreboard, archer rotation indicators and control panels. It's so energy efficient that the whole system can run for a two-day shoot using two car batteries.

Instructions for the use of the system are available from the Judging page of the YAA website.

Please contact Karen Winsett if you are interested in using this system at your club's open shoot.

Karen Winsett

Yorkshire Judges Liaison Officer

The Yorkshire Award



THE YORKSHIRE AWARD is a prestigious award where clubs can nominate individuals or couples who, in the eyes of their club, deserve recognition for services to that particular club.

There is no set deadline for submission of nominations.

If you think someone in your club deserves such recognition, please download the nomination form from the website, complete it, and send it to the county secretary.

Judges expenses form

The Judges Confirmation and Expense Form was designed following comments made by a number of judges. The tournament organiser or club secretary should send the form to the judge well in advance of the event. The judge should return the confirmation of attendance and expected expenses, so matters can be settled in advance of the event.

To prevent double booking of Judges, the Judges Confirmation and Expense Form includes a tear off slip to send to Karen Winsett, the Judges Liaison Officer, when the booking has been confirmed. The form can be downloaded as a Word document from the YAA website:

www.yorkshirearchery.co.uk/Documents/JudgeConfExp.doc

Alternatively, write to the county secretary or phone him for a copy.

If you want particular judges, please write their names on the slip that is to be sent to Karen.

Many thanks for your anticipated support.

Newsletter produced by Tim Mason on behalf of the Yorkshire Archery Association.
The next newsletter will be produced towards the end of April 2018. If you have anything you'd like to be included, please contact me via yaa@phoenixbowmen.co.uk.