

Ratpack Field Archers

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Maintenance Updates

Our club maintenance day was on Sunday 5th of October and the majority of goals set were achieved.

Tasks accomplished:

- Most of the bosses have now been upgraded.
- All course alterations have been completed.
- A ground sheet canopy has been erected.
- All of the electrics and plumbing has now been completed.

Tasks still needing to be completed:

- Our entire beginner bows need to be standardised.
 - The generator needs to be fixed.
- More of our ether bosses need to be repaired, and we need to start producing new ones.

We would like to thank the club members who helped out on the day, and throughout the year following the container and equipment move. Upgrading the bosses and the courses has taken a lot of time and hard work; your efforts are much appreciated. New membership cards are currently in print and will be dispensed to those who need one fairly soon.

We now have several new club members. On behalf of the club I would like to welcome you all to Ratpack Field Archers and hope that you will enjoy shooting with us. If you have any queries or concerns please could you speak to a member of the committee and they can forward it to the relevant individual.



Roy Bickerstaffe

26th May 1927 - 3rd August 2014

In the most recent edition of the NFAS Newsletter it was sad to hear that Roy Bickerstaffe, one of the founder members of the NFAS, had passed away. Recent members may not be aware of the part Roy played in the construction of the society we are all a member of. The NFAS (with the approval of his family) are going to try and find a fitting way of honouring Roy's memory so that future members of the society are aware of the society's origins.





Recent Medal Results



An integral part of the world of archery, especially competitive archery, is that many like to attend the various shoots that take place throughout the year. I would like to extend my congratulations to those members of Ratpack who took part in recent shoots and achieved excellent scores and/or medals.

Company of 60 shoot (14th September 2014)

Ben Knight (Gents LB) with a score of 628 and the winning score of his category.

Gary Snook (Gents HT) with a score of 548 and 5th in his category.

Tony Liddon (Gents HT) with a score of 492 and 7th in his category.

Ian Clothier (Gents CL) with a score of 784 and the winning score of his category.

Excellent Scores Everyone!

Health and Safety Notice

I have had reports that some members are not following the course arrows and are shooting the courses in the wrong direction. They have then walked out in front of an individual with a bow drawn ready to shoot. All members need to ensure they follow the set course in the set direction in accordance with Ratpack club shoot rules, and that all shooting lanes are clear before shooting. Health and safety rules are put in place for the protection of others and yourself.

Please be aware...

Brew Time

We all enjoy and brew and a biscuit before and after a shoot. Many club members bring provisions up for us all to enjoy which is greatly appreciated.

I have been asked to mention that if tea bags and coffee are spilt/dropped could the instigator please replace it?



Many congratulations to Andy
Millard who has become a
grandfather for the second time!



committee Members

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