



Bowmen of Ardleigh
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People will be saddened to learn of the death of one of our long-standing members, Albert Fenton, who died on 20th August, 2016 after a short illness.

What can I say, other than at the last shoot Albert attended, the Havering over 45s Shoot in July, he took home another gold medal to add to his collection (and the Worst White!). Albert had been with us since around 1978 and I remember a bunch of us going to Tom Foy's Archery Shop in Hawkhurst, Kent with Albie, his wife Joan and George and Edie Brown to get their first set of equipment after they joined us, Where does the time go?!

Over the years, Albert could always be relied on to support Ardleigh at League Matches (or anywhere else, come to that), either by shooting with us or just to coming and have a look and a chat. He was "always there" and he will be much missed.



The prize-giving at our annual longbow shoot, held on Saturday 18th July 2016. A beautiful day for weather which, at the time, was quite an achievement!

Hopefully, you will find the results of our 63rd Target Championships held on 10th July, 2016 attached at the end of this newsletter.

Our July Spoon Shoot took place on 17th July 2016 and the results are as follows

1st Chris Lowe	Long National,	985 + 522 = 1507
2nd Pam Freestone	Junior Warwick,	1228 + 252 = 1480
3rd Krishan Choudhury	Sh. Jun. Warwick,	1270 + 163 = 1433
4th Gary Prior	Long National,	1022 + 400 = 1422
5th Brian Harris	Junior Warwick,	1122 + 294 = 1416
6th Dave Clegg	Long National,	1022 + 362 = 1384

Pam gets a green 252 badge for her Junior Warwick and a handicap rating reduction to 70.
Chris 522 equals a 35 handicap and after rating adjustment now has a handicap of 38.
Emily scored 88 for her first scoring round (with. 50 points in her last dozen.?)

On 5th August 2016 Dennis Kenny shot a Short Warwick (50/40 yards) and, with his score of 268, achieved his Black 252 Badge.



Shown above, left a diminutive Georgia, Jo Knight's granddaughter having a go and really doing very well. On the right, Digger, the Dagenham and Redbridge Football Club Mascot, also having a go, also doing very well, including bursting balloons. We almost had the impression that whoever was inside had "done it before". Note the left handed style". West and Coe, who sponsor the football club are undertakers. With my admittedly sometimes perverse sense of humour it just seemed apposite that "Digger" also has the "West and Coe" name under his shirt!

We had our usual place at the Havering Show, held on the Bank Holiday weekend, Sunday 28th and Monday 29th August 2016. Our thanks go to all the members and their families who helped with the preparation and during the two days. Although some people enjoy themselves so much they do a full day, there is no compulsion to do a full stint. Any time people is always greatly appreciated. Very busy, especially on the second day when there was an almost permanent queue. I think we all enjoyed ourselves. Those who could kneel and get up again looked after the little ones while the others helping on the line looked after the rest. I always find it amazing that there are people who've genuinely never shot a bow before who have a go with the (very) basic equipment and instruction we use at the show have, without any apparent effort, the most wonderful style. I usually get them to leave their names with us to be notified about our "Come and Try Archery Day" next March.

The August Spoon Shoot, due to be held in conjunction with the Double American on 14th August didn't take place due to a marked lack of enthusiasm on the part of members!

In Our August Essex and Suffolk Summer League Match, we scored 3677 points to West Essex B's 3543, winning by 134 points. The scores were as follows:-

West Essex B		Us	
I. Clampin	804	Sean Hunter	798
K. Sykes	778	Chris Lowe	792
A. Charlemagne	711	Jason Horsley	741
Ms. J. Reed	627	Colin Vaughan	682
A. Gladwin	623	Paul Campion	664
Totals	3543		3677
R. Hammond	608	Dave Clegg	643
F. Percy	604	Mark Turner	636
		Chris Pollard	594

These are the positions after the August matches, showing the aggregate scores for the clubs..

Grays	11404	Shot 3	Won 3	6 points
Oakfield	11065	Shot 3	Won 2	4 points
Ardleigh	14164	Shot 4	Won 1	2 points
West Essex B	10792	Shot 3	Won 1	2 points
Mayflower	10416	Shot 3	Won 1	2 points

We've got our Bye this month and this doesn't need to be shot, so we're not. West Essex B's September Match is away to Grays and Mayflower are away to Oakfield. As you know, I'm not one to analyse and, to a degree, our final position will be decided by the results of the other clubs' results. The final positions are decided firstly by the points total and then by the aggregate score for each club (the aggregate is the total number of points made by a club for all four matches. It's usually one club down into the next division and one club up so I think things will need to go seriously wrong for us to find ourselves in Division 3 next year!

The September Spoon Shoot did actually take place on 4th September and the results were as follows: -

Archer	Round	H/cap.	All.	Score	Total	Hits	
1 Gary Prior	Short Warwick	44	1072	380	1452	48	New Club Record
2 Pam Freestone	Short Warwick	70	1285	167	1452	37	
3 Chris Lowe	Long Warwick	38	1107	320	1427		
4 Jason Horsley	Long Warwick	42	1135	287	1422		
5 Sophie Pollard	Short Jun. Warwick	71	1133	285	1418		New Club Record
6 Chris Pollard	Long Warwick	38	1107	301	1408		
7 Colin Vaughan	Long Warwick	42	1135	266	1401		
8 Ken Dell	Long Warwick	48	1186	213	1399		

A tie for 1st on score but decided by the hits. This is why it's important to note your hits, golds, etc. in the event of a tie.

Thanks go to Terry Jones for overpainting the graffiti on the side of our container. We do have paint left for when it's needed.



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Results of 63rd Club Target Championships

10th July, 2016

AWARDS BASED ON STRAIGHT SCORE

Gentlemen's York Round, Recurve

1	Sean Hunter	846	Championship Trophy and Medal
2	Chris Lowe	808	Medal
3	Colin Vaughan	653	Medal
4	Dave Clegg	579	

Sean also won the medal for the best straight score by an archer with a handicap between 0 and 40. **Chris Lowe** won the medal for the best straight score by an archer with a handicap between 41 and 100. The **Worst White** Award went to **Pam Freestone**.

Gentlemen's Hereford

1	Wayne Scott	676	Medal
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The Ladies' Championship this year was over the Junior Western Round

1	Pam Freestone	572	Championship Trophy and Medal
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Junior Ladies' Recurve Championship, Junior National.

1	Raven-Corey Knight	557	Championship Trophy and Medal
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Junior Gentlemen's Championship, Short Junior Warwick

1	Elliott Reid	210	Championship Trophy and Medal
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Awards based on Handicap

Hammond Trophy

(for the highest score on handicap for the York and Hereford Rounds only as no ladies shot the Hereford this year)

	Archer	H/cap	All	Score	Total	Award
1	Chris Lowe	41	654	808	1462	Medal and Trophy
2	Sean Hunter	37	551	846	1397	
3	Wayne Scott	49	688	676	1364	
4	Colin Vaughan	42	683	653	1336	
5	Dave Clegg	44	742	579	1321	

Munroe Cup

	Archer		H/cap.	All.	Score	Total	
1	Pam Freestone	Junior Western	78	1142	572	1714	Trophy and Gold Medal
2	Raven-Corey Knight	Junior National	50	889	557	1446	Silver Medal

The **Esme Henley Trophy**, (for the Highest Score on Handicap by an archer with less than two full season's experience) was won by **Pam Freestone**.

The Attwood Trophy (For the highest score on handicap by a couple) was not awarded this year.

Thanks go to Tom Hall for presenting the prizes, Jann for organising the entries, medals and awards, Dave Clegg for doing the results and to members and their families for helping with the puttings out and away.