

SAA News & Articles 2013

22-December 2013 - Frank on PAralympic Squad

Frank Maguire has joined the Paralympic squad following his team gold at the World Para Championships earlier this year. Frank is 56 years old and lives in Cumnock in Ayreshire. Full news story Archery GB website

17-November 2013 - Naomi Jones in the Medals Again

Naomi Jones from EUAC shooting for Archery GB has won Bronze for ladies compound in the First Stage of the Indoor World Cup that was shot in Marrakesh this weekend 16-17 November. The second event is in Singapore, third in Telford (Great Britain) - replacing Nimes this season - and the fourth is in Las Vegas (USA). News item on Archery GB website

6-November 2013 - Well done Frank, team Gold Medallist!



Scottish archer Frank McGuire won team Gold on Wednesday in the Gents' Open Compound Team match at the World Para Archery Championships currently taking place in Bangkok. Along with GBR team members John Stubbs and Richard Hennahane the trio saw off Canada 214-208 then Finland 220-218 before beating Slovakia in a semi-final shoot-off to meet Italy in the Gold final and winning their match 227 to 225

Keep up to date on the World Archery website and see the news on Archery GB

21 October 2013 - Postal League Appeal

Thank you to all the clubs who have already registered and shown an interest in taking part in the postal league this winter. Although there has been a good response, it is disappointing that numbers are not higher, which would make for a more exciting and interesting contest.

Can I please encourage you to support this! A volunteer has willingly come forward to run this for us and all you have to do is shoot a score every month, in the comfort of your own club and send the scores in, for the chance to win some medals, with absolutely no extra costs to worry about!

So come on, letÕs get this show on the road and show some support Đ this is for all you Òsocial clubÓ archers out there - and competiveness!

Would you please note, you only have a short time left as OClubs have until 31st October, 2013 to submit their entries for the new postal leagueO.

You can contact Richard directly on rdr@talktalk.net

20-August 2013 - Junior Commonwealth Euronations Update



The Scottish Junior Team and Academy had a brilliant time at the Junior Euronations event held at Largs over the weekend. The new Scotland kit was much admired and even Monty the mascot wore his t-shirt with pride! More info to follow, so watch this space!

(click on the image for a larger version - opens in a new window)



11-August 2013 - Congratulations to our Scottish Outdoor Champions

At the Scottish Champs hosted by Glasgow Archers on 3 & 4 August - Claudine Jennings(EUAC) - Ladies Compound, remained undefeated, claiming her eigth outdoor title in nine years. Compound Gent Champion for the sixth time, was Alistair Whittingham(EUAC).

Ladies Recurve was won by Kyshiea George(Penicuik) with the Gents title going to Stuart Barby(Penicuik) the current British Indoor Champion.

Robert Campbell (Glasgow) again took the Barebow, while Murray Elliot(Balbardie) secured the Compound Senior Trophy as well as second place in his first Championship shooting compound. Edinburgh University once again took the Recurve Team Trophy.

Full Results are available on the Outdoor 2013 calendar

20-July 2013 - Junior Home Nations Update



After almost a year since being selected as first intake to the Scottish Archery Academy, some of the young archers who have worked hard at Academy sessions as well as training at their own clubs came together as a relatively new but enthusiastic national team to compete in a field of over 200 archers at Lilleshall.

The Scottish Home Nations team comprised Eugenia-Helen D'Arcy, Fraser Chape, Geordie Harrow, Curtis Hirst, Kristina MacEachern, Emma MacLachlan, and Fraser McPhie.

Although the Scottish team came fourth in the Home Nations competition, it must be remembered that the average age of the team was quite young. The team should be proud as they all achieved personal and team goals. There were several personal bests, and special mention must be made for Eugenia D'Arcy, who achieved first place and Section 4 Cup in the Metric 3 Junior Ladies Recurve on Saturday 6th, and then went on to win first place and the Judderwick Cup in the Bristol 3 round of JNOC on Sunday 7th.

The weather throughout the weekend, in contrast to last year's JNOC which was cancelled due to flooding, proved to be exceptionally sunny, dry and hot throughout, with temperatures peaking at around 30 Celsius. The team did well to maintain performance as the heat was oppressive and constant rehydration was required.

Lady Paramount Helen Woodcock said: "The standard of shooting has been really high and the behaviour of the archers exemplary. They have been a real credit to the sport and to themselves. I really cannot praise them enough."

As both the SAA Performance Director and parents can testify, the Scottish team certainly reflected these values. Members of the SAA can be assured that the Scottish Academy has established strong foundations to encourage development of aspiring young archers for the future.

On behalf of all parents and members of the Academy, recognition and thanks much be given to Lana Needham, SAA Performance Director, and her team, for all their hard work. As in any new enterprise, a huge amount of unseen planning, preparation, travel, decision making and sheer determination have been required to establish the Academy, not to mention the very professional nature of the Academy days themselves.

By Erik MacEachern

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29-30 June 13 - Eastern Area Mid-Summer Success

The Archery GB National MidSummer event took on a new shape this year becoming the National County Team Tournament with Counties invited to send teams. Congratulations Claudine Jennings, Hope Greenwood and Elayne McLean Gold medal winners at the National County Team Championships. The Eastern Area Recurve Ladies Team of Victoria Barby, Lizzie Bell and Leigh Christie has come third. Points were allocated for team members' placings in the 70m or 50m ranking round and the Head to Head shot on Saturday and a full FITA shot on Sunday.

23-27 June 13 - Stoke Medals for Scottish Para Archers







(Thanks to Chris Santavy for permission to publish these photos)

Frank Maguire, Brad Stewart and Paralympian Kate Murray brought home a clutch of medals this year from a windy Stoke Mandeville international and BWAA National Championships

In the BWAA Nationals, it was Gold for Kate in the womens recurve W2 class and Bronze for Brad in the mens recurve W2 class and Bronze for Frank in the mens compound open

In the international element of the event, Kate showed her experience to also take individual Bronze and team Silver. Brad placed 5th overall and Frank placed 9th overall Well done to everyone! Full results can be <u>found here</u>

20 June 13 - Pentangle Perfect Weather

Last weekend was a busy one for teams with the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) Archery Outdoor Championships taking place at Lilleshall as well as a The Pentangle taking place on Sunday at Penicuik.

For the Pentangle, teams from Durham & Northumberland (DNAA), Cumbria (CCA), Eastern Area, West of Scotland and Northern Area enjoyed a perfect weather day for archery. Success was spread among the teams with The Eastern Area winning Recurve Gents, Recurve Ladies and Overall Recurve, DNAA took the full sweep with Compound and Cumbria won the Longbow team contest. Individual winners were:-

Recurve - Kyshiea George, East; Mark Robertson, DNAA Compound - Claudine Jennings, East; Mike ALexander, North

Longbow - Christine Mernin, DNAA; Chris Evans, DNAA.

Full Results - Outdoor 2013 calendar





20 June 13 - Scottish Student Success at BUCS

BUCS had Indidual and Team events on the Saturday followed by the International Ranking Round and Head to Heads on the Sunday. On Saturday Edinburgh University picked up a Recurve Team Bronze while Napier University took the Bronze in the Novice competition pushing Edinburgh Novices into 4th.

Rebekah Tipping of University of Aberdeen took BRONZE in Ladies Recurve while clubmate Amy Bode took GOLD in in the Novice category with Bethan Koller of Edinburgh Napier taking the BRONZE; Edinburgh's Jennifer Mankin took GOLD in Novice Ladies Barebow with a new BUCS record, Edinburgh's Malin Berg took GOLD in Novice Ladies Compound with Nadezhda Shivarova of Strathclyde University getting SILVER. Edinburgh's Vlad Cecati took BRONZE in Novice Gents Recurve.

For the seniors, Hope Greenwood and Naomi Jones won SILVER and GOLD in Experienced Ladies Compound, respectively, with and Huw Vaughan-Jackson won Silver in

Experienced Gents Barebow, also setting a new BUCS record!

Yesterday's first ever BUCS H2H saw even more impressive performances from EUAC! Naomi Jones and Hope Greenwood took GOLD and SILVER respectively in the Mixed Compound category. Margaux Meslé won GOLD in the Ladies Recurve category. In the Male Recurve category, Robbie Crick placed 4th. And in the Mixed Unsighted category, Huw Vaughan-Jackson won SILVER, with Alexander Gilliland placing 4th. Well done to everyone who shot this weekend!

News article on Archery GB website. Full Results are available from the BUCS website on the calendar for 15 June

07 March 13 - European Indoors Medals



Claudine Jennings finishes 9th and Naomi Jones gets silver. Well done!!

Naomi and Claudine along with Nichola Simpson, the GBR ladies compound team, lost 229 to 230 to Russia in semi final and then were very strong against Poland with a 232 (equalling the European record) to win bronze. Nicely done ladies.

26 Feb 2013 - British Record for Naomi

Naomi Jones has broken the British Record Compound Ladies score for a Fita 18 by 2 points taking it to 588 at Brighton Bowmen's competition on 24 February. This takes the British Record to 1 point less than the European Record that was set by Swede Petra Ericsson in 1997. This tops off a great indoor season for Naomi.

18 Feb 2013 - High Flyers Again

Edinburgh University archers Claudine Jennings and Alistair Whittingham shot the Great Britain qualifying score for the 2014 world indoor championships this weekend at Bedford. This is a fantastic preparation for Claudine who flies out with Edinburgh University team mate Naomi Jones to Poland for the European Indoors in Poland, representing Archery GB, at the end of the month supported by Alistair as team manager. Alistair's qualifying score is made all the sweeter by becoming the first SAA compound shooter to clear the 590 mark at 18m FITA with a new Scottish record of 591.

11 Feb 2013 - Fun in Vegas

The third leg of the Indoor World Cup took place in Las vegas at the weekend followed by the Grand Final and all incorporated into the famous Las Vegas weekend of shooting. Naomi Jones(GBR) went into the third leg in joint first on points along with Danelle WENTZEL (RSA) but got knocked out in 6-4 before the quarter finals by the eventual Gold Medalist - team mate Andrea Gales. World Archery described the Womens' Compound Event as tough.

Competing in the Open Vegas event Malcolm Alexander from Grampian Bowman had a stunning performance despite being ill. Fri 282 (10th), Sat 288 (4th) and Sunday a disappointing 273 but only dropped one place to finish in 7th place overall.

05 Feb 2013 - Perth Junior Archers Enjoy New Facilities



The Perth Junior Archery Club celebrated a major milestone this week with the opening of its new facility based at Craigclowan School.

The eagerly awaited opening ceremony was performed by Councillor Bob Ellis, chairman of the local sports council.

A £400 development grant from the Perth & Kinross Sports Council was presented by Councillor Alexander Stewart.

After the formalities, one of the founding members, Logan Stuart, enjoyed the honour of shooting the first arrow.

Douglas Bentley, the Club Chairman is delighted that having a specific venue for junior archers will provide the club with a huge boost for the future.

"The Junior club is now open to all our current junior members, as well as to those juniors who completed a beginners' course with us last year.

"We have set up this new club because of the numbers of juniors who have shown an interest in archery and we ask that our current junior members now attend on Wednesdays from 6-8.30pm." The Club are still recruiting juniors and running courses so please contact Perth Club if you are interested.

The Club has also honoured one of its founding members Pauline Leitch in recognition of all her hard work in starting the club by awarding her Honorary Life Membership. News article on Perth Club Website

04 Feb 2013 - Congratulations to our Scottish Indoor Champions



The Scottish Indoor Championships took place on Sunday 3 February at Lasswade High School Centre and organised by Elayne and Norrie McLean along with archers from Peniuck and Lasswade clubs. Recurve Gent was won by British Champion Stuart Barby(Penicuik) - pictured left, Lady Recurve by Elizabeth Bell (EUAC). Compound Lady is Claudine Jennings(EUAC) who pipped Nimes wimmer Naomi Jones by one point. Gents Compound- Ranald Hutton(Penicuik). Full results are available on the current calendar.

20 Jan 2013 - Naomi Does it Again!



Naomi Jones from Edinburgh University has struck Gold again, this time at the Nimes Tournament - Indoor World Cup stage 2. Naomi qualified in 11th place out of 100 Compound Women. She then won her matches 6-4, 6-5 and then 6-0 in the semis with 9 straight 10's against local French archer Sandrine Vandionant who has several World Cup Podium finishes. In the Gold-Silver match against Marcella Tonioli, the world No. 2 from Italy took an early 3-1 lead. Naomi however fought back taking the match on her last arrow.

15 Jan 2013 - Scottish Student Archers Volunteer

SSA, a group drawn from every student archery club in Scotland, will organise this year's British Universities and College Sport's Indoor Archery Championships hosted at the Telford International Centre on March 2nd 2013.

BUCS Archery Sports Advisory Group chair Steven Johnson said "The Sports Advisory Group are very happy SSA have come forward to host BUCS Indoor. It will be hard work for the organisers but definitely worth it to have the opportunity to run the biggest single-day archery competition in the UK. more from the Scottish Student Sport website



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