



# T O N B R I D G E TORQUE

December 2016

**Hello everyone, welcome to this (very late again – sorry!) Autumn edition of the Torque!**

Your Committee has been meeting regularly and hopefully continuing to run Tonbridge Archery Club smoothly and for the benefit of all our Members.

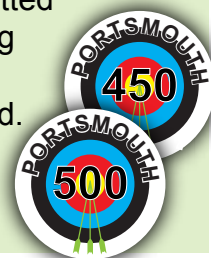
Let me as is customary; offer our new members a very warm welcome on the club's behalf. We hope you have many happy seasons shooting with us. Special mention to our Associate Members who have joined us this year – Welcome!

If you have any questions we are all here to support you, please don't hesitate to ask us anything you like. We all knew nothing at first!

## Indoor Shooting

The Indoor shooting season is well underway and we routinely have high numbers of archers shooting every week.

Personal achievement badges are available for the Portsmouth round. These are for scores of 400, 450, 500, 525, 575 & 600! Only one score has to be submitted to claim a badge. Usual shooting rules apply with scoresheets properly recorded and witnessed. These can only be claimed at club days.



## Club Championships

We held our Club Champs on 18th September. The weather was kind to us and for the first time we catered the event; which we all agreed was a very welcome addition. The results are as follows:

### Gents York

Recurve	1st place	Rob Ellis
	2nd place	Andy Darkins
Longbow	1st place	Steve Wheller

### Ladies Hereford

Recurve	1st place	Lynda Randall
	2nd place	Ginny Darkins
	3rd place	Jenny Redfearn
Barebow	1st place	Sally Stripp
	2nd place	Figen Mardell

### Bristol 3

Junior Recurve	1st place	Tanya-Jean Fuller
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# Christmas Shoot

Our fun fancy dress Christmas shoot took place on 18th December, and was our last fun shoot of the year.

As has become tradition, Members tested their shooting skills to shoot the 'Baby Cheeses' for a prize (of baby cheese) and for shooting a cracker they won the cracker!

Hot drinks and mince pies were available throughout the day.



# Outdoor Shooting

Sunday morning shooting is sometimes available if more than one archer (for insurance and safety purposes) would like. Arrangements can be made in advance between members and a key holder; but this is normally arranged via the Whatsapp group. However Malcolm is still willing to open up if required (01892 524201).

Please remember it has never been easier to put your scores in to Phil or Lynda or me at the end of your shoot, every score counts.

You can of course email them to us afterwards at the address below if you forget. Via our Whatsapp group. (Figen can add you in) Lastly you can even text them in to 07933395268

The GNAS medal for handicap improvement is also up for grabs and goes to the archer that reduces their handicap by the largest margin for the calendar year.

Sue Redsell trophy for the indoor Winter league is in full swing. So far it's quite a close run thing and all to play for. Keep shooting on a Tuesday evening and REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR SCORE IN!

The Goodfellow (attendance) competition goes from one AGM to the next and is also underway!

On a personal note, our Big Birthday Shoot is booked for 30th April next year. To run the shoot with scorers I need 25 volunteers confirmed. If you think you can help me please let me know. This is our showcase tournament and we are very proud of it. Help me make it as big a success in 2017 as it was last year.

Let's all look forward to a great Christmas and Happy New Year's shooting!

And let's continue to make Tonbridge Archers the best and friendliest club in Kent!



# Halloween Shoot



We held our second Halloween shoot. Members dressed up with fangs, cloaks, pointy hats, demon horns and lots of cobwebs. Best costume was won by Katherine although everyone looked great! We shot a National (scary masks, pumpkins ghosts and assorted frightening things pinned to the targets earned archers extra chocolate prizes!) We all had great fun in the process.



## Chairman's Shoot

Held on July 31, we shot the 'Tonbridge' round which is an American with metric scoring - this was devised so that experienced archers could shoot relatively short distances without damaging their handicaps. After shooting, a handicap allowance is added according to the archers' own handicap for that year.

There were trophies and medals to win, with tea, coffee and cakes provided all afternoon.

The results are as follows:

### Gents competition

1st place	Andy Darkins
2nd place	Spider Coles
3rd place	Rob Ellis

### Ladies competition

1st place	Lynda Randall
2nd place	Katherine Robson
3rd place	Jackie Naggie

### Junior competition

1st place	Tanya-Jean Fuller
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## Christmas Meal

Twenty members attended this years Christmas meal at The Camden Arms, Pembury, on 11th December.

It was lovely to see you all and we hope you enjoyed yourselves. If anyone would like to suggest a venue for next years meal or would like us to arrange a Summer event please let Lynda know, and we'll see what we can do.

## TONBRIDGE ARCHERS

**SEW-ON  
PATCHES  
£1.50**



# NEW CLUB RECORDS

## INDOORS

### RECURVE

#### Senior Ladies

GINNY DARKINS WA 25m 508

### Longbow

#### Senior Gents

STEVE WHELLER Vegas 299

## OUTDOORS

### RECURVE

#### Senior Ladies

LYNDA RANDALL WA900 651

#### Junior Ladies

TANYA FULLER Bristol 3 1038  
Sh Western 724  
National 349  
Sh National 454  
WA900 345  
Long Met 3 551  
Long Met 4 427

### Senior Gents

JOHN REDFEARN WA900 511  
ROB ELLIS WA50m (80cm) 391

### Longbow

#### Senior Gents

STEVE WHELLER York 284  
St George 247

### Barebow

#### Senior Ladies

FIGEN MARDALL Long National 238

SALLY STRIPP Hereford 513  
Albion 371  
Long Western 307  
American 423  
Long Warwick 131  
WA900 340

### Senior Gents

PAUL COLES York 746  
(Spider) Double York 1329  
American 690  
WA1440 930  
Dble WA1440 1760  
WA70m 495

### Compound

#### Senior Gents

MIKE JOHNSON L WA1440/Metric 1 1347

# Members' Achievements

**Lots to report here, in no particular order.**

**Fox Shoot 2016** Steve 3rd St George.

**White Friars** Lynda 3rd Hereford Recurve,  
Sally 3rd Hereford Barebow, Tanya 3rd Bristol 3.

**Fox Independence Day** Sally 1st Barebow,  
Lynda 2nd Recurve, Tanya 2nd Jr Recurve.

**Kent Para Champs** Phil 1st W1 Recurve.

**Thomas Wyatt** Steve 3rd longbow both days  
York.



**Kent target Champs** Tanya 3rd Jr Recurve.

**Kent Clout Champs** Rob 1st Gent Longbow,  
Margaret 2nd Ladies Recurve.

**Allington Indoor** Lynda 2nd Worcester and  
Portsmouth Recurve.

**Fox Indoor** Lynda 2nd Ladies Recurve.

A massive well done to everyone who took part. Beginners if you would like to have a go next year we are more than happy to help you apply and you can always join one of our raiding parties!

