

# BUCKINGHAMSHIRE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION

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Vegas target night at South Bucks Archers...

## WELCOME...

**Hello everyone,**

Thank you to all who attended the AGM where we heard reports regarding BAA activities and spending during 2022-23, presented awards and elected the Committee for 2023-24.

The BAA Committee consists of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Organisers, Records Officer, Equipment Officer, Match Organiser, Coaching Coordinator, President, SCAS rep and one representative of each member club which is usually the club secretary. Two Committee positions are still vacant following the AGM. These are the Indoor Tournament Officer and the Clout Tournament Officer. Please email [secretary@bucksarcheryassociation.org.uk](mailto:secretary@bucksarcheryassociation.org.uk) if you would be interested in filling either of these positions.

BAA is now following most of its member clubs on facebook (other social media to follow in due course). If your club has a facebook page that we've missed, please let me know. It's a good way to share BAA information and club news and connect the BAA community further.

All the best for 2024.

Mary Blumbergs

## POSTAL LEAGUE UPDATE

Did you make the Bucks AA team for the SCAS Inter-Counties? How have you got on in the individual rankings? Check the latest results here-

<https://www.bucksarcheryassociation.org.uk/bucks-postal-portsmouth-23-24>

So far 105 adults and 10 juniors from five clubs (NPA, Shenley, Silver Arrow, South Bucks and Whiteleaf) have submitted scores. Well done and keep them coming!

If your club is not listed and you want to submit scores, check with your club secretary or records officer. The round is a Portsmouth, and all BAA club archers are eligible to enter.

Archery GB is running the annual postal January Challenge competition. Archers are split by bow type + gender within categories: 1 year in archery or less / under 25 years in archery / over 25 years in archery.

All scores submitted must be shot in January and entered into the system no later than 5<sup>th</sup> February. Full details and entry here- <https://archerygb.org/competitions/virtual-archery-competitions>

## CLUB NEWS...

Milton Keynes Archery Club organised a series of archery taster sessions at the annual Wheelpower Sports festival in December. Held at Stoke Mandeville Stadium, birthplace of the Paralympic Movement, the festival is an inclusive event for anyone over the age of 5 years with a physical disability to discover sport in a safe, welcoming and friendly environment. 42 people attended the festival and were able to try a variety of sports including athletics, archery, boccia, pickleball and wheelchair rugby. Milton Keynes Archery Club was supported by BAA Chairman Alan Crowe and BAA coaches. A very busy but enjoyable day for all. [Click here for a short video of the day](#)



## COUNTY NEWS...

The BAA Archer of the Year award is presented to an archer in respect of their service to the county, or their club, or in recognition of their own personal progress or achievement. Congratulations go to John O'Keeffe, who received the most votes from those present at the AGM.



In addition, our County Champions received their medals, or bars; while members of the County Barebow team received their medals and certificates.



BAA will be having a review of its equipment over the next few months and is asking clubs and members to report if they are holding any BAA equipment, trophies...etc. Please email [secretary@bucksarcheryassociation.org.uk](mailto:secretary@bucksarcheryassociation.org.uk) with details of any items. Thanks.

It is with sadness that I report that Val Williamson passed away on the 20th December. Val was an active member of NPA; a paralympic archery, silver and bronze, medalist and a former Bucks AA President. Val was awarded the British Empire Medal for services to the community in North Buckinghamshire in 2020. The Milton Keynes Living Archive published a short film about the life and times of Val. [Click here to view](#)  
She will be greatly missed.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

BAA OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS-

Date: Sun 1st Sept

Venue: Silver Arrow Archers

Round: UK Record Status York/Hereford/Bristols

Details: to follow

BAA FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS-

Date: Sat 20th Oct

Venue: Whitemark Bowmen

Round: 28 target marked animal round

Details: to follow

BAA AGM-

Date: Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov

Venue: Buckland Village Hall

Details: to follow

## CONTACTS...

Click name to contact-

Chairman- [Alan Crowe](#)

Secretary- [Mary Blumbergs](#)

Coaching- [Julie Morling](#)

Records- [John O'Keeffe](#)

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<https://www.bucksarcheryassociation.org.uk/>

You can also find us on facebook-

<https://www.facebook.com/archeryinbucks>