**Hampshire Open Indoor Archery Weekend 2021 9th-10th Oct 2021**

**TO’s Report**

Hampshire Open Indoor Archery Weekend 2021 incorporated, Hampshire County Championships & SCAS Regional Championships at Places Leisure Centre, Eastleigh, Hampshire.

Lady Paramount for the weekend was Ffion Edgeley from Forest of Bere Bowmen

Sat 9th Oct was a WA25m & WA18m open tournament, and we had a large number of archers from across the SCAS Region including Essex and Cambridge, to name just a few and amongst them was Matt who we haven’t seen for years. It was just nice to catch up, have a laugh, and shoot together.

HAA pda’s were one of the main topics v Essex’s Danage timing system. Holiday pending in Essex….

After a conversation with Charlotte Hicks re a spelling error on the target list and chatting about how much admin work the event, takes of my time and others behind the scenes, we joked about the submitting of claims to AGB. So, Charlotte very sheepishly, came up to me, after the WA25m to say that her son, “Oliver” had broken the European & World Cadet & Junior records. We carefully filled out the claim form, as well as the UK records. Ok, a little bit more admin work as well as the paid job on Monday, but hey Ho, that what it is all about .The afternoon was the WA18m round and as I was about to print the results for the combined rounds and guess who was back at my desk asking for the forms! Oliver had broken the European & World Cadet & Junior records for the WA18m as well.

Several archers also claimed WA target awards and Jennifer Cam has also claimed a new UK record. (All pending ratification) Well done to all!

At assembly I briefed the archers that the venue had changed their closing times and that we had to vacate the premises by 4.30pm. Time was tight(snug in my words) if we have any issues, but we did not, and the day went very smoothly. With all the medals presented, I was on my way home by 4.35

Sun 10th Oct was the HAA championship and SCAS Regional Championships. This was going to be a battle of Essex v Hampshire for team glory, but more important than silverware was meeting up with friends. Some friends that Julain and I have not seen for years. Gavin with his son Daniel. There were several junior archers, practising for the National Indoors and shooting for ranking points as well as hoping to be County or Regional winners.

I did the scoring for Brian in the session one and was able to have a good chat to him about his club “Noak Hill” It sounds like the club has, some great facilities.

After session one, Charlotte was back for the claim form for Oliver a new Portsmouth record. The afternoon session was more relaxed. One Parent was very complimentary about HAA medals, so much so, he wanted the name of the company where we purchased them from!

The awards table was ready, and we finished shooting at 3.35ish.With the reports printed from Ianseo and the LP ready for a speedy presentation ceremony. More awards to present, than Saturday and be totally packed away by 4.30? Snug, very snug! But could we, do it? Not quite 4.38

Many for the archers, had not been to the venue before, extremely impressed with hall and said they would be back on the 5th & 6th Feb 2022.Luckily Eastleigh has an assortment of hotels, major road links and airport. Great when everything is running smoothly but on Sat morning there was a problem on the M27, and we had archers stuck in a traffic jam. Not a fantastic way to start the morning, for any of them or for us on a shorted time in the hall.

Thank you to those that helped on Friday evening setting up, taking down, door watchers, IT helpers, registration, and cake makers. Judges: Lee, Georgina, Nick, Phil and Graham

All results are on HAA website, SCAS website and Ianseo

NB, no awards for Barebow classes for SCAS .

Carla Piper

**Hampshire Target TO**

**Feedback from the archers**

Wendie -Thanks for a great weekend, really enjoyed it, great venue! Please could you book me for the Feb one too! If you could confirm dates, costs and ref I'll transfer to you. Thanks again

Zep - thank you for such a well organised and enjoyable weekend

Brian- just wanted to say a massive well done and thank you to the Hampshire team for putting an excellent weekend’s shooting. All of the Essex archers commented on how much they enjoyed the weekend.

Charlotte - Many thanks for turning this round so quickly. We appreciate all your efforts organising the tournament and the extra administration that Ollie created! Fingers crossed it’s all ratified. Rob has confirmed this evening that it’s all been submitted to World Archery and World Archery Europe.