

Archived News 2010

JANUARY 2010 -

-Mike takes Silver at Llantarnam Archery Club's Double Portsmouth - and more importantly a big box of Maltesers in the raffle.

- Many Castle Bowmen members shoot at the Welsh Indoor championships, for some it is their first time at a big tournament. There were mixed results, but on the whole the day was enjoyed by all.

- Shooting outside in the Snow renames the club 'Castle Snowmen'

- Castle Bowmen start shooting back at St Davids - on Sunday 10th.

FEBRUARY 2010 -

- At the Cambria Bowmen 'Frostbite' shoot Tina comes away with a bronze medal, as does Stephen, with Rick taking a well earned Silver medal.

- Mike shoots at the British Indoor Championships. Shoots well to qualify for the Head-to-Head knock out round, and Finally, only just, misses out on getting into the quarter finals. This result means Mike is ranked 15th in Britain for indoor.

- At Llandaff City Bowmen's Portsmouth Tournament Stephen and Serge shot P.B's, and Mike takes the Silver Medal.

- Castle Bowmen finally have their annual late-Christmas dinner. This time at the excellent Woods Brasserie in Cardiff Bay. Lots of great food and good company. Many thanks must go to Richard for arranging it & Serge for being an excellent host.

- Lots of good results for Castle Bowmen at the Senior Glamorgan Indoor Championships. Notably Suzanne, shooting in her first tournament, took away a bronze medal. Mike also shot well to take Gold and become's Glamorgan Recurve Champion. Jessica had the honour of acting as Lady Paramount.

- Castle Bowmen host the Glamorgan Senior Indoor County Championships.

MARCH 2010 -

- Well done to Jess for completing the Sport Relief 3mile race, in an impressive time as well.

- A group of Castle Bowmen made the trek through the Brecon Beacons to shoot at Builth Wells. It was fairly successful, as we came away with a number of raffle prizes and Mike & Stephen collected classification medals each.

- Dan is presented with 2 certificates from Glamorgan Archery Association for breaking 2 county records.

- Wendy is presented with a certificate from Glamorgan Archery Association for breaking a county record.

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APRIL 2010 -

- Stephen attains his 3rd Class Classification badge.

- Mike wins the Gent Recurve Trophy and Gold Medal at Cleve Archers Spring York Tournament, just over the Severn bridge. Nice weather conditions certainly helped.

- At a Sunny (but breezy) Llantarnam Mixed Hereford tournament, Wendy shoots a 1st Class score to take the Lady Barebow Gold Medal. With Mike holding the top spot on the leaderboard the whole day to win the Gent Recurve Gold medal & Trophy. And together Mike & Wendy win the trophy for the highest scoring recurve married couple. A large tin of Chocolates was also won in the Raffle; So a good day out for Castle Bowmen.

- At the 2009/2010 Glamorgan Squad final session- Rick, Serge and Sam, along with 11 other squad members shoot a FITA 900 & H2H round - With Serge winning the round with a score of 769, setting a new Glamorgan record - Rick was 3rd with 722 and Sam 5th with 708. Serge came second in the head to head. - Castle Bowmen showing their strength in outdoor competition early in the season.

- Castle hold their Annual Easter Shoot - The 1st FITA 70m & H2H round under the new rules to be shot in Wales. This year attended by many of the 2010 Commonwealth Games Welsh Archers.

May 2010 -

- The four members of Castle Bowmen shooting at Blandy-Jenkins Archers world record status FITA faced warm but windy conditions, which made the shooting difficult. Even so, Wendy picked up a Silver medal, Rick recorded a PB, Serge claimed his 1000 FITA Star badge and Mike won some wine in the raffle.

- After a long hot day of shooting Castle Bowmen come away from Llandaff City Bowmen's 'Westerns' tournament with a couple of raffle prizes, a few P.B's and an impressive haul of Medals:- Mike, Wendy, Neil, Dan, Stephen and Alex take Golds in their respective categories, with Rick and Jess winning Silvers. Also with Rick, Mike, Wendy, Neal and Alex claiming county records (subject to ratification).

- Neil attains his 1st class Classification.

- Stephen continues to improve and gains his 2nd Class badge.

June 2010 -

- Castle Bowmen organise another superb tournament for new archers - 'The Doug Woodley Shoot'. On a very hot and sunny day there were many Winners in many categories for Castle Bowmen members, with Rick, Stephen, Dan, Jess, Sioned, Neil, Meurig and Alex all taking home a medal. Sioned also took on the role of Lady Paramount.

- Serge and Neil both attain the classification of 'Bowman'. Well done to them.

- Serge, Rick and Stephen shoot well at Neath Archers record status tournament and all record PB's. Serge also claims his White Rose award.

- At Cymric Archers Double FITA STAR held in Pembrey Country Park, Wendy is awarded the Lady Barebow Gold medal.

July 2010 -

- Castle Bowmen do well at the Glamorgan Outdoor Championships, with Serge taking Bronze in the York round. Jess takes Gold in the National with a PB. Stephen takes Gold in the Hereford. Serge, Stephen and Rick also shoot PB's, with Serge claiming a Black Rose award and Rick claiming White Rose and White Daffadil awards also. Unfortunately after being well ahead for a definite 1st place Neil had to retire.

- At Cleve Archers World record Status FITA STAR Sam shoots a PB in tricky conditions, ending the tournament with a magnificent X-X-X.

- Mike takes 1st place at Cleve Archers World Record Status FITA 70m & H-2-H Tournament. After coming 5th in the Qualifying round he battled bravely to overcome all adversaries to take the Gent Recurve Trophy.

- Neil comes a very creditable 3rd at Supermarine Bowmen's Record Status FITA at Swindon.

- Ed gains his 2nd class classification badge - well done.

- Sioned gains her 2nd class classification badge - well done.

- A whole group of newer Castle Bowmen archers gain their first classification badge - Ed, Sioned, Alastair, Nick and Alex all receive their 3rd Class badge.

August 2010 -

- At Exmouth Archers Premier event FITA weekend Sam shoots a PB at the FITA 70m & H2H. Then the very next day shoots a PB for the Gents FITA - Well worth the trip down there.

- Steve finally achieves his life-long goal of gaining a Class 1 Classification badge.

- Paul attains his 3rd Class classification.

- Nick, as sole Castle Bowmen representative, shoots well to bring home a silver medal from Cambria Bowmen's Western Tournament.

- At the Gwent County Championships Castle Bowmen are magnificent. Sam, Serge and Mike shoot PB's, with Mike recording his first MB score. Serge claims his Blue Daffadil award and Mike claims his Red Daffadil award. Wendy takes Bronze in the Hereford round. In the York round Serge takes Silver and Mike takes Gold.

- Alex tries a FITA 70m round for target day - a brave choice for a Junior Barebow - WELL DONE

September 2010 -

- Castle Bowmen wins the Summer league postal shoot - well done to all who participated.

- Cambria Bowmen's annual BBQ shoot was a good tournament for Castle Bowmen. On the Jr Windsor round, Alex shoots a PB and picks up a Silver medal. On the Windsor round, Tina and Jess shoot PB's with Jess receiving a Silver medal. On the Albion round, Wendy, shooting Longbow, takes Gold with a PB score, Stephen, also with a PB wins the Blue colour spot prize, and Dan takes a Bronze medal. On the St George round, Rick shoots a PB and also gets a Bronze medal and Mike takes Gold and the highest overall Gent Recurve Trophy.

- At the 2010 Welsh Outdoor Target Championships Sam picks up a well deserved silver medal shooting the Hereford round. On the York round Mike takes the Gold, Trophy - and title of WELSH RECURVE CHAMPION !! yay.

- At a wet and windy WRS FITA STAR held at Chepstow by St Kingsmark Bowmen, Wendy shoots a PB and wins the Lady Barebow Trophy (see photo gallery). Also, Mike takes Bronze in the hotly contested Gent Recurve category, and both Serge and Rick shoot well to record PB's for the round.

- Alex, Tina and Mike are chosen to shoot for the Glamorgan Team and represent the county at the Welsh Archery Association inter-counties tournament.

October 2010 -

- Alex wins a silver medal at the Welsh Junior Indoor Championships - Well done !!

- Well done to Serge for making it onto the Welsh archery training squad for this year.

- Start of the Indoor season at St Davids for Castle Bowmen. Shooting in the dry at last !

November 2010 -

- Mike is chosen to represent Wales and be part of the Welsh recurve team ~to shoot at the British Indoor Championships, to be held in the Midlands in December.

- Castle Bowmen organise the Glamorgan Junior Indoor Championships ~ In which Alex wins a Gold Medal in his category, with Jonathan and Keanu winning Silvers ~ well done to all .

- Glenn wins the Gwent Indoor Championships hosted by St Kinsmark Bowmen.

December 2010 -

- In the Welsh rankings for 2010 - Castle Bowmen placed very well again :-

Wendy came Top of the Lady Barebow category again,
& Neil, in his first season was 9th in the Gent Barebow,
and in the Gent Recurve category :-

Sam came 17th,

Rick was 15th,

Serge came in 10th,

Glenn was 5th in Wales,

and Mike ranked one higher at 4th in Wales.

- Castle Snowmen continues - It doesnt matter what the weather, we'll shoot in it.

At the British Indoor Championships in Telford ~ Wales comes 3rd in the Recurve team event.