



The 2009 Northern
Counties Flight Championships,
August 23rd, 2009

RAF Church Fenton

Judges, Dave Harrison
Amanda Bartram

Lady Paramount, Miss Rachel Bakes

The 2009 Northern Counties Flight Championships were shot on the 23rd August after a one year break due to extreme flooding in 2008 (the range then was about 1ft underwater with seagulls bobbing gently up and down). What a difference a year had made. Despite intense rain over much on the country in recent weeks, and a weather report promising the chance of rain at some point, we were treated to a fine days shooting al-be-it with a stiff swirling breeze which changed direction several times to the detriment to some, advantage to others. The ground, however, was beautifully dry with the grass cut only a week or too previously (helping to make it easier to find the small flight arrows).

Four ends were shot under the careful gaze of our President and judge Dave Harrison , officiating at flight for the first time (though you wouldn't know it) and Amanda Bartram.

Despite the conditions generally making for difficult shooting, three world records and two National records were broken (one world record having been broken by the same archer only the previous week).

The thanks of the entire entry must be made to the RAF for allowing us to use Church Fenton once again, to Dave and Amanda for judging and to Rachel for acting as Lady Paramount.