



*Northern Counties Archery Society.*

## Judges Information Update August 2015

### National Tournaments 2016

The invitation form for the National tournaments has been released and is available for download from the AGB website under the miscellaneous section of the judge's area.

There are quite a number of tournaments next year because of the selection shoots for the Olympics and a European championship.

All judges can apply to judge at these events, but it is only Regional and above that will be considered for selection initially.

If however insufficient numbers of Regional & National judges apply, lower grade judges will be considered, therefore if you want the opportunity to try judging at a large tournament please apply. They are usually hard work but very enjoyable, and it does give you the opportunity to meet a wider group of judges than you might otherwise encounter and see how they work.

The form is attached to the email this newsletter came with to save you the headache of trying to find it on the AGB website.

If you have read through the J10 Judges guidelines, the revised version of which was released earlier this year you will be aware that both Regional and National judges are required to apply to be available for a minimum number of tournaments during any 4 year reaccreditation period, details of which are shown on the form.

### Judges National Conference 2016

The invitation forms for the conference have also just been released and are available for download from the conference section of the judge's area of the AGB website.

The conference has moved next year from Lilleshall to the International hotel in Telford which is only a few miles down the road. This is following the discussion that took place at last year's conference and the decision to try another venue due to the falling stands at Lilleshall and the general way our conference has been handled by Lilleshall over the past few years.

This invitation form is also attached to the email this news letter came with so you have no need to try and find it either on the AGB website, unless that is you really fancy a challenge.

Please remember there is a requirement for Regional & National judges to attend one conference in any four year reaccreditation period.

I would also like to remind you that NCAS sets aside a fund each year to help towards the travelling costs of the judges attending the conference. The maximum you will receive is 28p per mile, but this depends on the number attending each year. If the total claim is higher than the fund provided by NCAS the mileage rate will be pro-rated accordingly.

### Assessments

At the end of August Scott Gibson of Cheshire took his Regional assessment at the Cheshire Tri Clout Tournament. Scott was put in Charge of the Sunday shoot which was the Cheshire Championships, with just short of one hundred archers shooting. I am very happy to inform you all that Scott passed both the practical assessment and the written exam and has subsequently been upgraded to Regional judge status. The judge registrar will be informed in due course of Scott's achievement.

### Regional Reassessment exam

The Regional reassessment exam is scheduled to be released around the end of September or the beginning of October, an exact date has not yet been decided upon.

I shall be looking at arranging the next regional seminar for near the end of October so that we can use the seminar to go through the paper. Hopefully all the Regional judges taking the exam will attend to get the benefit of discussing their answers with each other and with all the other judges who are also invited to attend and to have ago at answering the paper, consider it a training exercise.

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Hopefully the seminar will be at our usual spot in Wetherby, but this is dependent upon the room still being available.

I will let you all know exact details once I have booked it.

### National Judge Application

This is a reminder that the deadline for submissions by Regional judges who want to apply for assessment for National Judge Status in 2016 is fast approaching.

Any Regional judge who has fulfilled all the criteria as outlined in the National Judging Scheme (J10) must complete and forward the J03 application form to me in sufficient time to allow me to approve it and forward it on to the Chairman of the National Judge committee by 30th September.

Please note that I will be away on holiday from the 4<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> September, so if you do send any forms please do it via email, which I can then pickup and forward on.