

Achieve

Massive well done to Dean Hamilton – first archer in N. Ireland to score over 700 points in a 720 round, completed recently at Bucks & Bounty shoot, part of the AGB National Tour.

Huge well done to Sinead Byrne – taking part in her first international competition representing GB at the European Youth Cup in Slovenia. She won her first round head-to-head to get to the ¼ finals and only lost out by one point to the ranked number one archer.

Breaking news – to be ratified, but a new UK Field Record by compound archer **Jake Walsh** with a massive 826 points for the two days.

Nurture

Level 1 Coaching Course – started last month, a group of archers are soon coming to the final stage of their course, so ANI will have another seven level 1 coaches. Congratulations to them all.

Archery Have-a-Go at Skiffifest at Strangford Festival, Delamont – Talent Pathway Coach, Damien Lennon, will be running this event 8/9th June. Anyone interested to help, contact Damien.lennon@archerygb.org

Involve

Membership fees committee – are you interested in helping with the review of membership fees? ANI has called for volunteers to set up a small committee to feed into the AGB review and to look at the ANI membership fees structure. So far, no one has come forward, so if you are interested in this important subject, contact ANI Admin.

Inter Club Competition 15th June at Lisnagarvey School, Lisburn – comments made in last year's survey included a number of requests for shoots for beginners and less experienced archers which were more fun and less competitive. Well this is perfect for that. It's to be run on a handicap score basis, choose your preferred distance, any style and the top four scores from each team of any size will count for the club prize. Details and entry forms are out now. There's to be a barbeque as well. Come along for a fun and relaxed shoot.

All British & Open Field Championships



Archers in N. Ireland have been talking about the ABO and how it is going to be held at the National Trust property of Mount Stewart for what seems like a long time, but now it's suddenly come upon us. Nearly 200 archers from all over the UK and other parts of the world will gather this coming weekend. The venue is superb and the Lough Cuan Bowmen team has done sterling work to prepare the courses and the organisation and are ready and waiting. Enjoy the shoot and best of luck to the NI Home Nations Team, which will be announced in the next couple of days.

Last month we announced a new member of the ANI Board; this month we have to say goodbye to Muriel Kirkwood. She has served ANI well and was there from the start of the new organisation but now finds it time to move on. Thanks Muriel and best wishes.

Marc Scott, ANI Chairman.

The ANI Board maintains clear and open communication channels, so if you have any issues, send these to either the Secretary or directly to the Chairman. If you want more of a say in key decision making in your sport, there are still opportunities to join the Board or one of the new committees being established.

ANI Tournament Calendar

May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 BAB - Bluebell, Loughbrickland, Arrowhead	19 BAB - Bluebell, Loughbrickland, Arrowhead
20	21	22	23	24	25 ABO Field Champ LCB - Mount Stewart MCoA - Metrics	26 ABO Field Champ LCB - Mount Stewart MCoA - Bristols
27	28	29	30	31		

June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1 NICSSAC - Ralph Best Memorial Shoot	2 LCB - Com Gille (3D)
3	4	5	6	7	8 BAB - Primrose, Loughbrickland, UKRS	9 BAB - Primrose, Loughbrickland, UKRS
10	11	12	13	14	15 ANI - Inter Club Competition	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 NI Academy Double 720, WRS	23 NI Academy 720 and H2Hs, WRS
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5	6 British Junior Championships LCB - Double American	7 British Junior Championships
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 ANI Combined Target & Field CoB - Boucher	21 Archers' Memorial w/end COB - Boucher
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 BAB - Hunting Trail, Loughbrickland
29	30	31				

Abbreviations used on the calendar:-

Governing Bodies: ANI = Archery NI; AGB = Archery GB; AI = Archery Ireland

Clubs names: BAB = Ballyvally Archers Banbridge; BAC = Banbridge Archery Club; B&D = Bangor & District; CA = Causeway Archers; CoB = City of Belfast; EBAC = East Belfast; LCAC = Lisburn City; LCB = Lough Cuan Bowmen; MCAC = Maiden City; MCoA = Muckamore Company of Archers; NICSSAC = NI Civil Service Sports Association; NFAC = Northern Flights; QUAC = Queen's Uni; ROAC = River Oak; UUAC = Ulster Uni; YT = Yew Tree; 7T = Seven Towers; NIPA = NI Performance Academy

Shoot status: WRS = World Record Status; UKRS = UK Record Status; NIRS = NI Record Status; H2H = head-to-head