

S.I.F.A.

Society Of Irish Field Archers

NEWSLETTER

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Limerick next up on shoot calendar

Littleton go from strength to strength...



Hi all, wow 5 issues already, now I can see how I managed 400 plus club archery newsletters through the years. Please send me on contributions or not I may struggle to assemble content at times and while waiting on input, some of my articles may become irrelevant. IAC were next up with a shoot and another fun day of shooting was had by those in attendance. (Andrew SIFA P.R.O)

IAC HOLD A GREAT SHOOT IN GREAT WEATHER

On Sunday 26th IAC held a 18 x 2 SBG shoot in their Rahin woods. These woods have been out of commission for quite a while for a couple of reasons so it is great to see the club return to hosting shoots. The woods may be thinned but that didn't compromise any shoot layout, instead the gang at IAC made the days shooting visually interesting and challenging as we have come to expect.



Some of the archers camped, taking advantage of the nice spring weather. Over forty archers attended and again the shoot was well laid out, challenging and enjoyable. Well done to all the gang who helped out from IAC. For full results see SIFA website. (more photos on page 2)

NEXT SHOOTS

LIMERICK APR 9th 18x2 SBG

THREE COUNTIES APR 23RD

FIELD ARCHERY Besides the IAC shoot on the 26th March, there was also an IFAF Open shoot in Mayo on the same day which was very well attended. Great to see so many field archers in action across the country.

REMINDER TO SIFA CLUBS...

Andrew is the SIFA P.R.O and wishes that all SIFA clubs will send on any news, photos and contributions from events that they hold or are involved in... ie shoots, fun events, social activities, presentations etc.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF ARCHERY - ARCHERY EXCUSES **PART 5.**

Each issue I will publish a selection of archery excuses and you may smile over as you recall having said it in the past. This was suggested due to a list of 100 top excuses that I compiled some years ago... (continued from issue 4)

41. *All he talked about was farming, farming, farming!*
42. *Am still upset over the ending of that film last night...*
43. *All left handed shots out there today.*
44. *Hate pine forests!*
45. *Can't concentrate, shouldn't be here, told the wife I had to go into work!*
46. *He deliberately stepped on three of my arrows!*
47. *She takes this archery far too seriously!*
48. *Was welding yesterday, my eyes are very sensitive today...*
49. *Can't stop thinking that Trump will press the red button!*
50. *Stomach just wasn't right today. Must have been the breakfast roll.*

LITTLETON UPDATE

Still great progress is being made at Littleton with very good attendances each Friday night. The venue, a newish hall is ideal for archery training. Well done to all who are assisting in getting this club/ offshoot club off the ground. Some of the archers at Littleton are nearing their sign off at 3 Counties woods. Best wishes to all concerned. Keep up the good work.

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PHOTO REWIND... *The late great Jim Boyle (Donegal) with IAC's Eric -2011 / pre 2011*



PHOTO REWIND 2.

Sharon with owls at Mayo -2014



ERIC'S IAC SHOOT REPORT

Many thanks

To all the archers from around the country who turned up to shoot with us last Sunday. The weather was fantastic and the atmosphere was very relaxed all through the shoot. It was a pleasure to be able to do this shoot after our long break and we are now planning our next shoot. All going well we will have a brand new course for you all to come and test yourselves on. Thank you all for your help in getting the gear in after the shoot, it was much appreciated. I think we all agreed the catering by the lads and the wonderful soup by Alex went down a treat (WELL DONE LADS). We hope you all enjoyed your day with us as much as we did and we look forward to seeing you all soon at the next shoot. (Eric Kelly)

SIFA CLUB LIST 2017

AOS DÁNA (WEXFORD)

ASHGROVE (KILKENNY)

CARROWMORE (SLIGO)

IAC (OFFALY)

LIMERICK YEOMEN

(LIMERICK)

LOUGHCREW (CAVAN

/MEATH BORDER)

MARBLE

(FERMANAGH)

THREE COUNTIES

(TIPPERARY)

NEW CLUB EXPECTED

LITTLETON (TIPPERARY)

This club may start as an off shoot to Three Counties

GAP IN

CALENDAR

There are as of yet no shoots on the SIFA calendar after Limerick on October 8th. Hopefully some clubs will take on a shoot after this date. Perhaps a Halloween or pre Christmas festive shoot? It would be very welcome...

ARCHERY JOKES

What did the lustful maiden say to the handsome archer?

You make me quiver!

Blonde joke warning! Did you hear about the blonde who shot an arrow into the air?

She missed! (apologies to all the blonde archers)

What did the archer get when he hit a bullseye?

A very sore and angry bull!

What did the archer say when he almost got shot by an arrow on a course?

Wow that was an arrow escape!

SOME MORE PHOTOS FROM THE IAC SHOOT 26/03/17

