

Black Arrow FAC first open shoot 21st August 2016

Amid great excitement and apprehension we arrived at our wood early that morning, we have only had our wood 5 months, the amount of work that has been done by our members and a few friends is astounding. Many of our members have not been involved in open shoots, either shooting or helping, it would be a big learning curve for them, they put on a brave face and got stuck in setting up the catering, admin, checking the course, arranging parking etc. etc. and welcomed 48 archers to our wood.

All were soon absorbed in the buzz of coffee, tea and bacon butties, our visiting archers were clearly keen to see our wood and try our shots.

Our marshals got all the groups on their pegs ready for a 10.30 start.

Twice round 20 targets awaited our visitors, we decided we wouldn't stop for lunch as it would ease the load on catering, as the first groups came in for their tea break it was clear they were enjoying themselves, lots of compliments were heard.

Everything went really well, we received lots of good feedback from our visitors, and our members were clearly proud of what had been achieved. A big thank you to our members, you did a great job, we are proud of you all

We would like to thank all who came along and supported our first shoot, we are aware that there are a few things we could improve, we are working on it.

After clearing up and packing everything away we finished the day quite weary, but we are all looking forward to the next one, hopefully next spring.

We would also like to thank you for the messages you have sent since the shoot, we are so glad you enjoyed yourselves, we are looking forward to shooting the course ourselves this weekend.

Results and photos are on our website. www.blackarrowfac.org