

## Clash of the Classics Shoot II Report

Get ready for an epic showdown! Three giants of traditional archery, each with their unique style, are competing for the ultimate honour of being crowned the greatest

This long-awaited day has finally arrived, and traditional archers are eager to rise to the challenge. Even those who have never competed in this class before are ready to test their mettle!

The sun peeked through the clouds, giving the archers a welcome relief and the hope that the rain would stay away – and it did!

Jed spiced things up with a new classic: 'old skool vs new skool' – Longbow and Primitive taking on the newcomer, the American Flatbow!



Jed kept us entertained with the rules and a bit of humour (no fistfights allowed ④). With spirits high, it was time to battle it out for the Clash of the Classic II crown

Black Arrow members joined the fun, non comp of course! hopping between roles to enjoy a few arrows...well it certainly would be rude not too! Admin operations ran smoothly of course making



short work of reorganising a few peg changes and our resident paparazzo capturing all the fun and some excellent



motion ones, whilst also marshalling the company.

Catering was once again unbelievable and totally



delivering across the board feeding the very hungry toxophilites with lots of wonderful delights, making sure there was plenty of choices for all.



Of course, the cake was awesome and powered

everyone to complete the course in record time.

With the starting pistol fired, we were off on another great adventure filled with laughter, banter, and encouragement to hit those elusive spots.





It's all about having a lot of fun, dramatically failing to hit anything and trying something new for a change,



this is what makes the Clash so special.

Everyone in good spirits and thoroughly enjoying shooting with their friends.



There were a few blanks, arrows sent back to nature, and more than a few trees struck, accompanied by the triumphant call of TREEEEEEEEE!!! Again, I and a few others got snagged, trying to power through the trees unsuccessfully, but hey, it's a stick and



string, so we get a bit of leeway right!



avid Sanderson

Thanks so much for the shoot today. great course great company and an excellent chicken casserole 👍



The Panther and Ibex were noted shots of the

day with so many loving the framing and capturing the essence of how it should be done. Wow, they are so well set, and I thought that was a lot closer! The Riddler has been at it again looking to out fox and con you into a false sense of security ensuring you shoot short. He is good at this and enjoys besting us but not

all, as a few did get past him again with spectacular



shots...well done guys!!! You know next time; he'll be out to get us all and it'll be near impossible!!! Even Sir Rob wondering



what's next, but not too seriously though!

This was an intriguing shot and took some finding, can you spot the arrow in the treeee!! on the left?



We had an exceptional array of traditional bows for the three classes with



many differing styles, wood variations and all pristinely looked after. Some exquisite ones that were brought out just for this occasion too!

There was a great competitiveness between the archers wanting to attain the prestigious title, all in good spirits and plenty of friendly repartee.

The marshals transitioned

around the course seamlessly helping and supporting archers on those close calls ensuring everyone had a great experience and no hold ups.

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Trae OK 3h · 😁

A huge and massive Thank You to all at Black Arrow for hosting Clash of The Classics. Everyone that turned up had a great day. The course, the food and the laughs were amazing as always.



## Dazz 'Tug Boat' Green 1h . 🔿

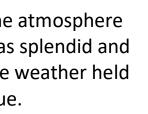
Absolutely cracking day today at your shoot. A huge thank you to all involved to make the day even more memorable. Many thanks to the three I shot with. Kay, Andy and laweless. Many thanks for your company and the banter

So, who won, I hear you call? Was it the

## Longbow, Primitive or American Flatbow????

The atmosphere was splendid and the weather held true.

It was exciting medal ceremony with applause for the winners and newcomers to the style especially to see which class rules supreme this time.





Harry Thorpe is with Andrew Thorpe. 1h · 😁

Massive thank you to black arrow for their shoot today. It was our 1st time there, definitely won't be our last. Brilliantly laid course, beautiful woodland, and fantastic catering! Had a few misses, but this absolute beaut of a hit, which made my day!



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Thank you everyone at **Black** Arrow Field Archers. For hosting a really great day. All hats off to Jed for organizing the Clash of the Classics which was so much. Lovely company in my shooting group, Trae and Jed.

Always love turning up to BAFAC, great staff and course.

Till next time

The well-deserved champion of the Clash of the Classics II is *Trae*, crowned winner overall and bestowed with a new bow – what an achievement!

Amazing shooting and taking the honours for the *Primitive* Class.

Thanks for the awesome feedback, there will be another 'Clash' even bigger and better with more challenges and twists.

Watch this space as Jed has a few ideas already ruminating and starting to emerge ready to astound you all!

Not to forget that the Riddler will be helping or hindering again, so get practicing to best the course.

A massive thanks to all the archers, members, and volunteers who made this day a triumph and success.



## Congratulations to our newly crowned champion!