

# BOH Newsletter

## January 2008

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### January 2008

We trust everyone has had an enjoyable Christmas

On behalf of the club, the editors would like to welcome all our new members to the fold – good luck!  
If any one of you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please do. (Email this address or let us know!!)

This month, the newsletter is celebrating its 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday. The last year has been a bit up and down, but we've tried to keep as much continuity as possible. Thanks to everyone, especially the photographers among you!

Good shooting and can we take this opportunity to wish you all the best in 2008

Editors



### Club Secretary's News

The January Portsmouth has been moved to the 8<sup>th</sup> of January (no longer on the 1<sup>st</sup>).

The Club **Annual General Meeting** is on the 10<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm. All members are encouraged to attend, as issues will be discussed that affect us all.

This is the new Bernadini handle – the Luxor. It's a 27inch beast of a bow - most people shoot 25inch handles, with some shooting short, 23inch versions of the 'full' size handle.

However, archers with longer draws might find that they'll struggle to find a long enough bow to accommodate them, and Bernadini may have come up with a solution. With standard, off the shelf handles and limbs, the longest bow is usually 70in, whilst the Luxor will produce a 72in bow with long limbs.

Saying that, one dealer has noticed that it's not just the guys with long draw lengths who have been interested. He reckons that archers have been choosing the new handle so that they can shoot shorter limbs. This gives, theoretically, better speed and stability.

It is, though, a bit of a shock to the wallet – the handle alone costs over £430, even if it does come with a set of weights for barebow conversion, and a couple of handy tools to adjust bits with.

### Shock horror! It's a travesty!!

The BBC has killed off Maid Marian...

In the double bill season finale on Saturday night, Marian was killed by Guy of Gisborne, but not before she and Robin decided to marry themselves with the Merry Men as witnesses.

Jonathan, an avid follower of the series, was deeply upset by the untimely death of Marian, especially as the announcer at the end of the programme stated that Robin Hood would be back on BBC.

Stay tuned...

### League shoots

Please check the notice board for dates.

We shoot in the BA Portsmouth and Frostbite leagues, and the Middlesex Worcester league.

### Gate News

If you haven't been to the club lately, you are missing out on a great opportunity! The first of the year is a special occasion and the gates are closed for the winter on 1<sup>st</sup> January. Everybody else is missing the fun in the 'closed' position, but if you were going to put the padlock back on...



### Aquired !

Victoria gains another animal!

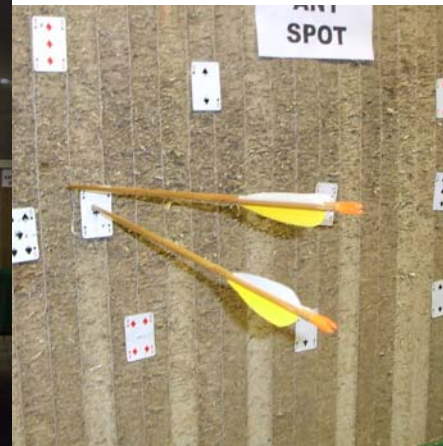
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Clockwise from above: John E's hit the spot; Sandrine's lovely Christmas log; various bodies behind the line; Malcolm and Jon have a heated discussion!  
Photos from JohnE and Barbara



Below: Watching fireworks at midnight, at Harrow on the Hill.



### Quotes of the Month

**Stephen (at the December Frostbite) – my piles keep coming out!**

Len (to DaveF): It doesn't fit. You're fat.

**Len (again): you get a bunch of women together and guaranteed within 5 minutes they'll be telling each other their life stories...**

Barbara (on her camera): I have a dark setting.

Petras (to Barbara): It's called a flash

The deadline for contributions to the next issue is 25<sup>th</sup> January 2008. Does anyone want to contribute?