

Aurora September Shoot 2021

A massive thank you to everyone who joined us for our September shoot, it was wonderful to have a full house of archers come along as we revert to some form of normality. We really do value and appreciate your continuing support making all our efforts worthwhile and judging by the great feedback received from those who took part, it's fair to say we 'hit the spot'.

We were even blessed with the weather as we enjoyed a beautifully warm and sunny late summer day, the only downside being the unwelcome attention of the feasting mosquitoes.

Now is the time to thank all Aurora members who helped make the day such a success, amazing folks everyone, never ceasing to amaze us with their generosity, versatility and dedication to the cause. Thank you all so very much.

Aurora means 'New Dawn' and for us, this shoot was indeed the start of a new chapter as the course was set by a completely new team of club members: Steffan, Emma, Adam, Morgan, Tom, David, Ken and Garry (I sincerely hope I haven't missed anyone!!). A 2 x 20 double-pegged track was designed to be challenging but fair, utilising every inch of the amazing terrain with some beautifully staged targets making sure that everyone worked hard for their scores.

Judging by the universally positive and enthusiastic acclaim, they did a fantastic job ensuring that the Aurora tradition remains very much alive and in safe hands for the future. Very well done and thank you all!

This is an opportune moment to offer our heartfelt thanks to Paul, Holly and Stew for their amazing courses over the years – you have set the bar very high but we're always up for a challenge.

One indicator of a return to normality was the full catering on offer, and keeping our guests fed and watered was our amazing catering team headed up by Teresa and Phil ably assisted by Nathan - great work all. For the first time we offered contactless card payment which was well-received and worked seamlessly.

Big thanks to Tom, Molly and all the great people from Radical Bikes for supporting us and once again allowing us to take over their field.

Finally, we must never forget to show our appreciation and thanks to Lord Petre for allowing us to enjoy his superb Parsons Spring woodland. We are fortunate indeed to have this truly unique location, unlike anything else out there and we never tire of its riches.

Looking to the future, as part of the online shoot booking process, we asked a series of questions to elicit people's thoughts on rolling starts to help us understand what works, what doesn't and if it's the kind of thing we should be looking to continue post Covid. Thank you to everyone for providing your feedback which is summarised in the graphic below.

In no way was this a scientific study and I'll let you come to your own conclusions, but looking at the summary responses, amongst other things there is a clear message that folks do miss the fellowship of the mass gatherings, whilst on the flexibility of a rolling start is seen as far outweighing any downside.

So, what does this mean? Like lots of things in life, it's all about striking a balance and looking ahead, here at Aurora we will probably mix it up a bit, and this insight has been very useful in helping steer

our thought process and hopefully may be useful input for other clubs currently assessing their options.

So on to our next Aurora event, we look forward to welcoming you to our New Year shoot on 23rd January. Come along and join us to work off those excess Christmas calories and to play with your shiny new toys. Restricted daylight hours mean that on this occasion we will revert to a mass 9.30am start as there isn't enough time to support a rolling start. Look out for the on-line booking form to be posted soon.

Until then, shoot straight, be safe and enjoy our wonderful sport.

Martin

Aurora Shoot Results 5th September 2021 (2 x 20 3Ds)



AFB - M			Score	Spots	HT - M			Score	Spots	TB - M			Score	Spots	
1	Jones	Mark	666	8	1	Gamble	Neil	672	5	1	Doyle	Andy	724	7	
2	Maxen	Mick	592	4	2	Rand	Steve	664	2	2	Dixon	Steve	720	6	
					3	Davis	Ross	546	3	3	Hillsden	John	702	7	
					4	Moore	David	542	2	4	Pearson	Gareth	698	4	
					5	Proehl	Brian	466		5	Wiseman	Mark	670	4	
					6	Moore	Bob	414	1	6	Mercer	Adrian	656	4	
					7	Chittock	Terry	348		7	Arterton	Peter	648	8	
											8	Patterson	Ron	644	4
											9	Haynes	Andy	640	2
											10	Morgan	Peter	634	1
											11	Lehane	Andrew	602	4
											12	Simmonds	Dan	586	2
											13	Swaffer	Jim	556	2
											14	Robinson	Stephen	496	
AFB - F			Score	Spots	HT - F			Score	Spots	TB - F			Score	Spots	
1	Morgan	Joyce	518		1	Morgan	Olivia	570	2	1	Volovska	Lenka	624	4	
2	Hunt	Caroline	428		2	Parfit	Clair	502		2	Cooke	Bev	544	3	
											3	Lehane	Linda	528	
											4	Morse	Lauren	496	
BB - M			Score	Spots	LB - M			Score	Spots	TB - U16G			Score	Spots	
1	Barcroft	John	784	14	1	Stanley	Ian	660	5	1	Simmonds	Kalli	558	2	
2	Sutton	Lee	668	3	2	Grew	Roger	616	3						
3	Preece	Jim	636	1	3	Warner	Peter	600	2						
4	Rushton	Chris	538		4	Judd	Phil	592	3						
5	Featherstone	Dylan	382		5	Sharp	Keith	558	5						
					6	Nash	Cliff	538	2						
					7	Allen	Mark	502	3						
					8	Sutton	Martin	494	2						
					9	Hill	Kevin	482							
					10	Heath	Toby	476							
					11	Currie	Jamie	420							
					12	Walker	James	378							
					13	Currie	Liam	292							
BB - F			Score	Spots	LB - F			Score	Spots	UL - M			Score	Spots	
1	Burgess	Zoe	510	1	1	Grew	Pennie	566	4	1	Williams	Andy	890	29	
2	Hart	Melanie	448	2	2	Tyler	Alex	556	3	2	Lovell	David	876	24	
					3	Judd	Dawn	494	1	3	Stone	David	844	20	
					4	Sutton	Anita	408		4	Williams	Michael	840	16	
					5	Roper	Katharine	376		5	Humphrey	Peter	838	19	
					6	Peeling	Clare	370	1	6	Browning	Adam	832	16	
											7	Jarrett	Philip	826	19
											8	Sawdy	Jason	810	14
											9	Dickenson	Steve	798	12
											10	Savill	Stuart	790	19
											11	Service	Mark	774	10
											12	Hardy	Barry	708	7
											13	Birch	Graham	702	5
BB - U12B			Score	Spots	PV - M			Score	Spots	UL - F			Score	Spots	
1	Sutton	Liam	542	3	1	Button	Kevin	578	3	1	Dickenson	Sue	780	15	
					2	Cox	Tony	514	2						
BH - M			Score	Spots	XB - M			Score	Spots				Score	Spots	
1	Young	Tim	776	3	1	Melton	Neil	722	8						
2	Rose	Colin	768	12											
3	Andrews	Dave	738	6											
CL - M			Score	Spots											
1	Williams	Duane	840	20											
2	Knott	Andrew	674	5											
FS - M			Score	Spots											
1	Gardiner	Richard	822	14											
2	Lewington	Damien	800	15											

Rolling Start Feedback



For each statement below please choose which column best reflects how you feel about Rolling Starts, assuming that Catering IS available when you answer.

