



The 11th Northern Flight, Clout  
And Crossbow Championships.

Held at Grange Park, Preston

Sunday August 29<sup>th</sup>, 1965

Under breezy weather conditions, over 90 entries competed and enjoyed a good days shooting. A cross wind continued throughout the day thus minimising the chances of any records being broken.

Roy King of Blackpool, who was the second archer in the UK to bust the archer's four minute mile (over 500 yards) at the 1965 National Flight Championships at Oxford came second at this years Northern, but with a distance of only 445 yards 1 foot 5 inches.

Mr. W. M. Marshall of Preston won the new "Mini" Flight Trophy, presented by Jack Flinton for flight bows of up to 35 lbs (this was shot for, for the first time this year).

As a novelty event after the main shoots, an arrow throwing contest was held. In this, to the amazement of spectators and archers, the youngsters outstripped the men. Standard target arrows were used and thrown with the aid of a length of string hitched half-way up the shaft (as the arrow flies away, the knotted end of the string drops off its shaft). The winner of the event was young **Stephen Foster of "Loyne Archers"**, Lancaster who threw and sailed his arrow to a distance of 134 yards 1 foot 8 inches (for further details of this type of event see page 243 in Sir Ralphe Payne Gallwey's book, "The Cross-Bow" and page 53 last issue 'BA').

This year once again the cross bows shot under the 500 yards mark. Although the winner **J. Belcher** still has one bolt missing (in orbit?).

Jack Flinton sent his apologies at not being able to attend at this years championships and was missed by all.

Mr George Birnie of Galashiels, presented trophies to the prize winners.

**Results.**

**Open Flight.**

	Yd	ft	in
Northern Flight Champ. – W. Marshall (Preston)	465	0	11
2 <sup>nd</sup> Gentleman – Mr R. King (Blackpool)	445	1	5
Lady Champion – Mrs W. Hodgkinson (Eccles)	256	2	5
2 <sup>nd</sup> lady – Mrs. C. Kay (Blackpool)	247	0	8
1 <sup>st</sup> Junior – J. Halsall (Preston)	288	2	2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Junior – S. Foster (Loyne)	232	0	0

**"Mini-Flight" (up to 35lbs)**

1 <sup>st</sup> – W. Marshall (Preston)	387	2	6
2 <sup>nd</sup> - R. King (Blackpool)	354	2	2

**Target Bow (up to 35 lbs)**

1 <sup>st</sup> gentleman – R. King (Blackpool)	288	1	6
2 <sup>nd</sup> gentleman – J. Smart (Maryport)	287	2	1
1 <sup>st</sup> Lady – Mrs. J. Scutson (Eccles)	228	1	3
2 <sup>nd</sup> Lady – Mrs Williamson (Eccles)	221	0	8
1 <sup>st</sup> Junior (under 17) – S. Lomas (Crosby)	215	2	33
2 <sup>nd</sup> Junior (under 17) – S. Foster (Loyne)	209	2	9

1 <sup>st</sup> boy (under 14) – P. Dunkerley (Preston)	121	1	6
<b>Target Bow (up to 45 lbs)</b>	Yd	ft	in
1 <sup>st</sup> Gentleman (H. Wilson (Blackpool))	293	1	8
2 <sup>nd</sup> Gentleman – L. F. Saunders (Duddon)	289	2	99

### Arrow Throwing

Longest throw – Master S. Foster (Loyne)	134	1	8
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### Clout

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1 <sup>st</sup> Gentleman – J. Standing (Walverdon)	24	53	0
2 <sup>nd</sup> Gentleman – D. Weaver (Blackpool)	28	48	0
1 <sup>st</sup> lady – Mrs Rogers (Blackpool)	15	28	0
2 <sup>nd</sup> lady – Mrs. Charlton (Preston)	13	25	0
1 <sup>st</sup> junior – Master M. Parker (Preston)	21	47	0
2 <sup>nd</sup> junior – J. Halsall (Preston)	19	23	0
3 <sup>rd</sup> junior – C. Wilson (Preston)	8	16	0
Team Winners – Preston Archers	72	164	3
2 <sup>nd</sup> team – Blackpool Bowmen	74	139	0