



The Inter-Counties Clout at Kidderminster was open to Recurve, Barebow, Longbow and Compound Teams; each of three archers per bowstyle with 2 scores to count. It began with bright sunshine and a steady breeze. It could almost be called 'pleasantly cool'. New shooters to the County were welcomed and then the teams began their single end of sighters. By mid-day the sun was still shining with a steady wind from the right and by the third end of the afternoon things were positively tropical.

Archers in the Team had fun throughout and shot well. Scores put in in the barebow class by Northants, however, proved difficult to beat. In the longbow class Paul Agar had lost the bow he usually used when it snapped at the Kettering shoot three weeks previously. His borrowed stand-in bow, however, simply didn't make the distance. The County prides itself on having a team in depth, though, and Paul's fellow longbow shooters, Julie and Catriona shot well enough to take the trophy. Our recurvers also shot well; perhaps helped by the interesting skyline offering lots of useful things to aim at. Our trio of compound archers all shot well but couldn't quite beat Lincs who take their Clout very seriously.

Our Team Captain, Caroline, was too ill to attend so County Secretary Alan Tonge stood in as official photographer and eater of biscuits. Interestingly Derbyshire was so convinced they would win the longbow trophy again that they didn't bring it with them... sorry guys, next time consider ALL the possibilities - like NOT winning against LRCAA!



Bowtype	Rank	County	Score	Highest Individual	Team	Score
Barebow	1	NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	527	Glyn Jones	NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	281
	2	DERBYSHIRE	481			
	3	L&RCAA	439			
	4	NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	338			
	5	LINCOLNSHIRE	0			
Compound	1	LINCOLNSHIRE	609	Mark Fenwick	LINCOLNSHIRE	319
	2	L&RCAA	575			
	3	DERBYSHIRE	546			
	4	NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	500			
	5	NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	0			
Longbow	1	L&RCAA	494	Catriona Charters	L&RCAA	278
	2	DERBYSHIRE	455			
	3	NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	343			
	4	NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	330			
	5	LINCOLNSHIRE	0			
Recurve	1	L&RCAA	617	Ashleigh Cowie	L&RCAA	313
	2	DERBYSHIRE	508			
	3	NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	492			
	4	LINCOLNSHIRE	222			