**The Red Kite Field Master Tour Round 3** was held on the 28 July 2013,

It was presided over by Cyril John president of the Welsh Field Archery Association

The Field Masters Tour (FMT) over previous years has attracted a steadily increasing number of archers, for those who don’t know about it, it is set over five separate competitions, each round can be won by any archer, the scores of all five rounds are then added together to find an overall winner for each of the shooting divisions.

This year the rounds are

Round 1 Mkd Animal – Completed at Fonmon

Round 2 Hunter – Completed at Red Kite

Round 3 Field – Completed at Red Kite

Round 4 Hunter – August at Fonmon

Round 5 Field – September at Dinefwr

This was the Third tournament of the tour of 2013, Located just outside Broad Oak, Carmarthenshire. The round was a Field, which allowed archers to submit a classification score, for the third quarter of the year.

The event was well attended from a variety of clubs and included a good but ever present contingent of Llantwit Major Archers. And saw a number familiar and new faces of archers from the surrounding area,

The Committee would like to welcome Daniel Goodwin for his debut appearance into the competition scene, we hope you enjoyed the experience and will continue to shoot with us at this level.

Some of the archers who participated in the event used it to help reinforce and hone their field craft skills in preparation for the UK and Irish Championships which this year are being held in Scotland in August.

The weather was a good test for all archers as the majority of the day it was sunny and warm for the most part, but as the day went on archers were met with the occasional outbreak of heavy rain and gusty winds which helped focus the archer’s train of thought as to how to shoot the exposed terrain.

Although the course had not changed, the hot weather we had in the weeks before leading up to the event, the undergrowth in places had grown thickly causing to act like a barrier in places and in others it allowed the wind to affect the arrow flight

The competition was fierce amongst the male recurve freestylers and most of the other shoot divisions. For most of the day as only a few points divided the top archers. As a result frustration set in early into the minds of some archers, but they managed to pull themselves together and submit a good score but as a result it changed the leader board. The next two competitions will put all the archers in to a fierce battle for the title of Welsh Field Masters Champion 2013.

It was noted that the log cabin was very popular with the archers having vital refreshments and those that sought shelter when it came to the break.

Everyone seemed to of enjoyed themselves as light-hearted humour was often exchanged between archers and all appeared a little more sun tanned, wind-blown, and damp at the end of the day.

The Llantwit Archers would like to thank Red Kite for the food and hospitality.

The committee would also like to congratulate all juniors and cubs who shot extremely well.

The Scores for all Members of Llantwit Major Archery Club are show below.

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| Name | Shoot Style | Score | Placement |
| Dave Home  | AMFU | 522 | 1st |
| Colin Ketley | AMFU | 500 |  |
| Geraint Thomas | AMFU | 537 |  |
| Richard Doore | AMFSR | 457 |  |
| Nathan Trew | AMFSR | 456 |  |
| Peter Hatherley | AMFSR | 407 |  |
| Phil Williams | AMFSR | 365 |  |
| Mat Symmonds | AMFSR | 482 | 1st |
| Paul Watson  | AMBBR | 314 | 1st |
| Teresa Goodwin | AFBBR | 251 | 1st |
| Graham Anderson  | AMHB | 209 | 1st |
| Mike Mattingley | AMHB | 200 |  |
| Sandra Russell | AFHB | 206\* | 1st |
| Elise Mattingley | JFLB | 29 | 1st |
| Ieuan Graham | CMBBR | 440\* | 1st |
| Owian Langford | JMBHR | 74 | 1st |
| Katheryn Mattingley | CFLB | 177\* | 1st |
| Daniel Godwin | CMFSR | 220 | 1st |

\*Denotes Welsh Record