



Caldy Bowmen Archery Club

Rules of Shooting

Only members of Archery GB can participate at club shooting events. All club members are automatically registered as members of Archery GB, by the club, upon payment of their shooting fees. Visiting archers shall be asked for proof of membership of Archery GB. If this is unavailable, they will not be permitted to shoot.

Exceptions to this rule are only allowed during sessions supervised by Archery GB qualified coaches, such as beginner's courses and archer assessments.

1. Everyone is to arrive promptly at the designated time and to help in setting up the field.
2. Warning signs must be placed at the outer boundary of the overshoot area (150 yards from the shooting line) and along the side safety area, prior to commencement of shooting. The signs must be placed so that they are clearly visible from all potential access points to the field, forward of the shooting line. Particular attention should be given to locations where the range may be obscured from sight by vegetation.
3. Equipment set up is to take place behind the waiting line.
4. A field captain is nominated; all shooting is controlled by him or her by the sounding of a whistle.
 - a. If you see a potentially dangerous situation, shout **Fast** for all to hear and identify the problem to the field captain.
 - b. If you hear someone shout **Fast**, do not shoot any arrows even if you are at full draw. Safely let down the bow from full draw and point the bow at the ground in front of you. Once the danger has passed wait for the field captain to blow the whistle before re-commencing shooting.

5. Caldly Bowmen Target days will be Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. All scores recorded on those days will be used for Handicap and Classification purposes.
6. Members may shoot on the outdoor field at other times but must not conflict with any other activity taking place.
7. At least **two** Senior Members must be present at any time.
8. Juniors may only shoot in the presence of at least two Senior Members. This is to ensure the safeguarding of juniors and to protect adults.
9. If only two members are present, members **must shoot in turn** since an observer is always required to act as a lookout, in order to identify hazards.
10. Never place an arrow on your bow unless you are on the shooting line.
11. Due to the difficulty of finding **carbon only arrows**, we **do not permit** their shooting at Caldly. They can be shot indoors at Leasowe.
12. Always keep count of how many arrows you have shot. Only keep the minimum necessary number of arrows in your quiver whilst shooting. All arrows must be accounted for. Missing arrows must be located before shooting recommences. If a missing arrow cannot be found after extensive searching report this to one of the committee members as any lost arrows need to be reported to Caldly Club. If an arrow shatters, make every effort to find all the pieces as even small parts could cause an injury to others using the field.