

Jolly Archers of Houghton and Wyton

Policy to deal with Covid-19

1. It is unlikely that we can revert to shooting as we did before Covid-19 without adopting some new practices.
2. Archery at Jubilee Park has some features that are positive in a relaxation of policy. We are:-
 - a. An outdoors activity.
 - b. An individually based, no contact, sport.
 - c. We have our own ground available 24/7 which allows archery to be spread over a whole week keeping gatherings to an acceptably low level.
 - d. We have enough room to keep our social distance easily.
 - e. Our ground is closed to the public.
3. Despite the changes in Government guidelines key measures remain in place:
In particular:-
 - a. Respect others' space.
 - b. Stay at home if you have any symptoms of Covid or have been in close contact with anyone who has, or you have been advised to self-quarantine by the NHS Track and Trace app.
 - c. Wash your hands, or use sanitiser gel, regularly.
4. Archery GB guidance notes must be followed – See document **Return to Archery -July 2021** which can be found on the AGB web site - <https://www.archerygb.org/clubs-facilities-development/club-information-covid-19/> .
5. Additional risks associated with Covid-19
 - a. Anyone infected with the virus or associated with anyone who has or had Covid-19 symptoms going to the field.
 - b. Unable to maintain social distancing.
 - c. Gathering in significant groups.
 - d. Sharing the same equipment.
 - e. Touching infected surfaces.
6. Our ground is safe with limited access.
 - a. It is registered as an archery range with Archery GB.
 - b. It is a private ground of approximately three acres.
 - c. It is hedged on all sides with restrictions at all entrances.
 - d. No easy access to members of the public.
7. Revised field layout
 - a. Eight bosses only - 18ft apart using our tournament distance markers (positions 1,3,5,etc). This exceeds the distancing requirement specified by AGB.
 - b. Tables on the field set out well apart.
 - c. Clubhouse is now available, but masks should be worn while inside the clubhouse.
 - d. The Football Club toilets can now be used (Key in the main container). Members should wash/sanitise their hands before and after using the toilets and masks should be worn while in the building.

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New Shooting Rules at Jubilee Park

1. Every member shooting at Jubilee Park is responsible for policing these rules to ensure that we can keep shooting in a safe environment in these difficult times. The rules may seem excessive but are essential to allow us to shoot and are aimed at protecting our personal wellbeing.
2. Archery GB Rules of Shooting apply, except when our new practices exceed its provisions.
3. Please read the Archery GB guidance note **"Return to Shooting (July 2021)** . The guidance is to be followed.
4. Members must not come to the range if they:-
 - Show symptoms of Covid-19 or any other infectious disease.
 - Have had symptoms of Covid-19.
 - Has someone in their family that is symptomatic of Covid-19 even if you feel well.Symptoms of Covid-19 include:-
 - A new persistent and dry cough.
 - A temperature.
5. Please notify the club through the Chair, or any committee member, if you develop any symptoms after attending the range.
6. Toilets can be used but members should wash/sanitise their hands before and after using the toilets and masks should be worn while in the building.
7. Use sanitary gel before and after shooting. Sanitiser spray and gel is available in our signing in container.
8. While the requirement to maintain social distancing of two metres has been dropped, members are requested to respect others' space.
9. Archers are reminded that they should use gloves when putting up/taking down target faces or when moving bosses.
10. The Club Calendar will remain suspended and there will be no club activities for the time being.
11. Shooting is to be on an individual (not as a club) basis.
12. For club shooting, a maximum of two archers per boss is allowed. The names of both archers should be recorded when booking a target.
13. In order to minimise contact we have implemented a Booking In system (See instructions below). Do not attend the field unless you have a booking or are doing essential club maintenance. Remember - **"Book, turn up on time, shoot, go home"**.
14. You must use your own equipment, or equipment loaned to you by the club (any loaned equipment should remain with you until the government restrictions are lifted further). Sharing of equipment is not permitted. Take all your equipment home.
15. Only use target faces and target pins allocated to you by the club or provided by yourself. New faces and pins can be taken, initially, from the club container. Put up your own target face and re-use where possible or dispose of it at home. Using gloves to put up and take down faces is necessary to minimise contact with the boss.

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16. Draw your own arrows from the boss.
17. If you need to move a boss it should be moved by one person where possible, wearing gloves.
18. After the session, archers should sanitise their hands, clean their equipment and anything else used at the session.
19. The club will not record scores, and therefore the achievement of awards is suspended, for the moment. This avoids any risk associated with using score boards and pens.
20. Where attendance of a parent/guardian (non-participant) or carer for a disabled archer is required, it should be limited to one per archer, with social distancing strictly observed while watching the session.
21. One to one coaching is allowed but see the separate guidance provided for Coaches by Archery GB – **PART 5 – COACHES & COACHING - Version 5.02.**