

Guildford Archery Club

Covid-19 Back to Archery Summary of Guidelines for Members

Please read ALL of the following: it contains important information you'll need in order to enjoy your shooting. And please comply with the Club's requests so that we all do our bit to keep the sport safe for everyone as we emerge from the pandemic.

- **Please STAY AWAY from the field if you are unwell** or have been in contact with anyone who's unwell. If you become unwell while shooting, you must let the Field Captain know and go home immediately.
- **Always pre-book your visits to the club and don't just turn up on the offchance if all places are booked.** There are 2-hour sessions throughout the day (finishing after 1¾ hours to allow 15 minutes to pack up) with 12 bosses available at each session. You can book slots here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4BAFAD2DA6F94-gacclub>
- **UPDATED:** You may share a lane either with members of your household or bubble, or with 1 archer from a different household. Shoot as 1 detail; maintain social distancing as required; no spectators. However, please note that juniors must be accompanied at all times by a parent/guardian, who should remain close by and ideally in the roped-off area behind the shooting lane.
- **NEW:** If you wish to share your shooting lane with a guest, they must have current membership of ArcheryGB and you must record their name and AGB number on the SignUp form. You are responsible for them while they are on Club premises and for ensuring that they observe both the AGB Rules of Shooting and Covid regulations. You must also make them aware that they will be expected to produce their AGB card on demand.
- **Maintain Social Distancing AT ALL TIMES and stay in your lane.** Although groups of up to 6 are allowed to gather, please remember that you are there to shoot rather than socialise, so chats between adjacent lanes are fine, but please arrive promptly, avoid leaving your lane and don't linger after your session. Smokers: if you need to stop for a drag, please remain by the wall-mounted ashtray and maintain a 2m social distance
- **Arrive promptly at the start of your booked session.** Please wait in your car or on the grass area between GAC and the Bowls Club (keeping at least 2m apart) until the previous session has cleared the field, then go to the next available lane. Working from the righthand side, please pick a lane with a boss at or near the distance you want to shoot, then set up and keep your kit in your lane for the session. (NOTE: for ease of access, disabled archers may prefer Lanes 3 or 4 and may make use of the plastic benches for their kit.)
Please do not arrive part-way through your booked session, as it can hold up shooting for everyone else while you affix your target face and move your target. If you don't want to shoot the full 1¾ hours, you can just leave at any time after starting.
- **Targets must be at least 6 yards apart.** The field is divided into 12 lanes, with one boss per lane – please DO NOT move bosses between lanes. If you need to move the boss backwards or forwards, please use gloves – if you don't have your own gloves with you, disposable gloves are available.
- **Bring your own target faces and pins.** At your first session, faces and pins will be provided for you on arrival. Please take a face and a set of pins away with you to use in future. DO NOT put any faces or pins back in the storage bin/box.

Shooting

- The first whistle to start the first end of shooting will be within 5 minutes of the start of the session, so to get the maximum use of the time, consider arriving with equipment partially or fully set up
- Depending on numbers, shooting may be in timed ends of 4 minutes, during which archers can shoot as many arrows as they wish
- Single detail only (3 archers max per household/bubble on each boss please)
- Please collect arrows and return as quickly as it is safe to do so
- When moving bosses to change distance, please be as quick as possible
- A 1¾ hour session will provide sufficient time for about 10-12 ends of shooting, if you want to shoot more, please book consecutive sessions
- Remember that **ALL THE USUAL RULES OF SHOOTING APPLY!**
- **Shoot your distance.** Don't shoot further than you know you can reach as metal detectors will not be readily available. If you have your own, please bring it along, but don't share
- If you lose an arrow, **please don't hold up everyone else while you search for it**, but inform the Field Captain: there will be a regular sweep of the field with metal detectors at the end of each session. If it's not found, email: armourer@guildfordarcheryclub.co.uk, give details of lane number, distance, and arrow description and you will be informed if it's found
- **The Clubhouse is CLOSED** except for first aid and toilet use – only one person in each of the three toilet areas at a time please. You **MUST** wash/sanitise your hands thoroughly **BEFORE** and **AFTER** using the facilities
- **Wipes/hand sanitiser/disposable gloves are available** – please ask the Field Captain
- **Take ALL rubbish home** with you. No dustbins will be available
- **Kitchen facilities are unavailable** so please take all refreshments with you
- **Bring your own chair and protection against the weather**, be it hot, cold, wet or dry, for use in your own lane. Groups of more than 6 are **not** allowed, so if it rains, you may not be able to shelter under the canopy, in which case be prepared to sit it out in your car
- And finally, please use the loo **before** leaving home, to minimise use of the Clubhouse!!

Stay safe & good shooting!

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