

DEVIZES BOWMEN

Restricted shooting at Nursteed School

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Restricted Shooting (phase 2) at Nursteed School

We are now able to start indoor shooting at Nursteed School. However, the Government and Archery GB have strict regulations about how we are to do this. Following are the specific rules we are putting in place that must be followed. In the interests of protecting everybody, please read it all before attempting to use the facilities.

The government advice can be read at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>, and the Archery GB guidelines at <https://www.archerygb.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Guidance-Notes-for-Archers-Phase-21.pdf>

Number of participants

At present, we can't simply open the club on a Friday evening and have everyone attend who wants to like we used to. We need to strictly limit the number of people shooting at any one time. This is because Archery GB has imposed strict rules on target spacing and Nursteed hall is quite small. We will allow six people maximum at one session, including families from the same household (this is different to the Green Lane rules). Juniors can (and must) have a parent or guardian attend which doesn't count as one of the six however. Face masks must be worn – you won't be allowed in without one.

- **Maximum of six people at the hall at any one session**
- **No spectators or visitors allowed (although parents/guardians are required)**
- **One Archer to one target only (or one family to one target if living together)**
- **Obviously, don't come if you have any symptoms or are particularly vulnerable**
- **Face masks must be worn at all times – except when on the shooting line.**

Sessions and booking

Because we are limited to six people shooting at a time you will need to book in advance. The first session dates will be announced soon.

There must be at least 2 people for any session to go ahead. **If you book to shoot one of the sessions, you must turn up at the start of the session, it's not fair to book and then turn up an hour into the session.** You must book to shoot. If we don't get the numbers then we may have to cancel the indoor as it is quite expensive. While we figure out how it's going to work, you will be able to book one session in advance. This is to ensure everyone gets a chance to use the facility. We will try our best to be fair to ensure everyone gets a go. Please make sure you book early.

- **The booking initially will be by contacting Chris Bartlett or Nick Hunt.**
- **There must be at least two archers present to shoot for a session to go ahead**
- **You must turn up at the start time of the session booked**
- **Do not turn up 'on spec' without booking. Only book 1 session in advance**

Devizes Bowmen, incorporating Devizes Junior Bowmen was established over 50 years ago and is affiliated to Archery GB, Club number 615. Club details can be found on our website www.devizes-bowmen.co.uk. Please Contact: secretary@devizes-bowmen.co.uk for further information

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- **Initially, we will ensure that there is a committee member at each session to assist with any questions.**

Targets and safety equipment

Unlike Green Lane, targets and safety equipment need to be put up at the start of the session and taken down and put away at the end. Only three targets can be used so please don't bring in more than three stands and three bosses. You must wear a facemask when setting up and tearing down the equipment.

Everyone shooting needs to arrive at 7:00pm sharp to help set up. Please don't arrive earlier as we mustn't put Reg (the Caretaker) under any additional risk. He will open up at 7:00 pm and leave us to it. Finish at 8:45 pm and pack up to be away for 9:00 pm or shortly after for the same reason.

Put up the safety net (and pull it high to cover the new projector). Put one target left, one Right, and one in the middle, but please don't put it directly under the new projector. Put up the window boards and the foam in front of the doors. Please also put the protective wooden screen in front of the projector.

When you have finished, put all the equipment away by 9:00 pm

We will be shooting two details of three people (six arrows) and will be sharing target faces between the two details. Please use the provided target faces.

- **Only set up three targets, one left, one right and one centre (but not directly under the projector)**
- **Wear a facemask for setup and teardown.**
- **Set up the safety net and the wooden window & projector covers and foam door covers.**
- **Only start setting up at 7:00 pm and pack away at 8:45 pm**
- **Maintain distance as much as possible while setting up/tearing down.**

Equipment and hygiene

Please ensure you sanitize your hands before you start to set up and wipe down everything when you are done. This includes all the door handles, the stepladder used for putting up the safety net and the handles on the trollies. Nice though it is, please don't share food or drinks. You can use the toilet but please ensure you wipe it down after each use.

- **Clean your hands with hand sanitizer before you start to set up**
- **Wipe down all door handles, stepladder and trolley handles with disinfectant when done.**
- **Touch only your own equipment or the equipment loaned to you from the club**
- **Wipe down everything in the toilet if you use it (loo handle, taps, door handle etc.)**

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Shooting details

We will have a maximum of six people shooting at any one session organised into two details. Three people will shoot **six arrows** on each detail, collect their arrows, then leave ready for the next detail. When not shooting, remain outside the hall and wear a facemask. When on the shooting line (and only then) you can remove your mask to shoot. Replace your mask before collecting arrows and leaving the hall. The shooting line can remain at 18 metres at the rear.

By all means take a break and have a natter and re-organise who's on what detail – but remember only three people in the hall and masks at all other times.

Beginners

We appreciate that because of the timing of the lockdown, we have several beginners who have never shot indoors. Don't worry – you are more than welcome! We do ask that for your first session you go with one of the coaches so they can go through things with you.

If you are still using a club bow, you should hold on to it for the moment and not lend it to anyone else to use. You should also pick up a set of arrows to hold onto for the moment – do not leave them in the container. **Note that you must not shoot them anywhere other than the sessions at Green Lane or Nursted School.**

- **Make sure your first shoot at Nursted is with one of the club coaches (Martin, Rob or Chris).**
- **Bring your own equipment or use the club bow if you still have one. You will be loaned a set of arrows and you must use only those arrows, take them away with you and never shoot them anywhere else.**

Booking

For now, if you want to book to shoot at one of the sessions or discuss adding an extra session, contact Chris or Nick on the whatsapp group, or if you are unable to by email at chris@wilcot.org. There will be no formal coaching indoors.