

Mole Valley Bowmen

Summer 2017 Program

Events at St Martin's

4th June Ted MacDonald Memorial Shoot and BBQ.

For more recent members, Ted was our former chairman who passed away in 2001, and this shoot is in his memory. The round is "handicapped" so that we all – experienced and new archers – can shoot against each other on an equal playing field, Please be at the field for around 11.30 so that we can be ready to start shooting at 12.30. The BBQ is afterwards around 5ish. Friends and family are welcome. The club provides the meat so please bring a salad or pudding. Please see notice boards near the time for more details and to sign-up.

1st July – School Fair (11am to 4pm)

Run by the PTA, we run a 'have-a-go' stand to support the school. See Glenda Watson for details

16th July – Home match

We host a friendly 'Western' round against Surrey Bowmen and Malden Bowmen. All very relaxed with tea served afterwards. 12:30 for a 1:30 start. Please bring Sandwiches, savouries or cake. (Please let Jenny know if you are bringing cake)

3rd September – Club Champs and AGM

The official end to the outdoor season. Tea is served afterwards. 12:30pm onwards. AGM around 6pm.

Friendly Matches – Away

6th August – Surrey Bowmen
(12:30pm)

13th August – Malden
Bowmen (2pm)

Club Competitions

During the summer we run National and Metric rounds as internal competitions for Gents and Ladies

Shoot any variation of each and submit your scores each month over May to August. The best three out of the four will be used. Please see the notes for more details.

Major Events away from the field

These are events we run where lots of help is needed in various guises.

(There will be no shooting at the field on these dates)

14th May – Cowpie Rally.

Run by the Young Farmers we do a 'have-a-go' stand for the public. Hard work but a real money spinner for the club. Also helps to recruit new members! Help needed throughout the day, for collecting arrows, blowing up balloons, etc. See Glenda Watson for details.

21st May – The Wand / Clout

Held at Therfield School this is a low-key fun shoot where the normal targets are replaced by a 6ft post made from 4 inch wide foam. 100 yards for Lords, 80 yards for Ladies and 60 yards for juniors. Help needed for 8am to late afternoon, even if you intend to shoot. You can 'have a go' on the 30th April at St Martins as a taster. Again this year we have added a Clout in the morning, Instruction will be available on the day as if haven't shot one. Please also help with supplying a raffle prize and/or a homemade cake. (Please let Jenny know if you are bringing cake)

See Mark Leddin for details.

24/25th June – 39th Annual Shelia Brown Shoot.

Also held at Therfield School this is our major event of the year. We host up to 100 archers from all over for a record status York/Hereford/Bristol shoot in memory of our first president. Some help is needed on the 24th June to mark out the field. A lot of help is needed on the day from 7:00am. As with the Wand/Clout we need cakes and raffle prizes. (Please let Jenny know if you are bringing cake) See Ian Stewart for details.

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Month	Date	Round	Month	Date	Round
April	Sun 9	BC Final Session + Practise	June	Mon 26	Practice (Metric)
	Mon 10	Last Indoor Session		Thu 27	Metrics
	Thu 13	Practice (Imperial)	July	Sat 1	School Fair – 11am to 4pm
	Sun 16	No Shooting – Easter Sunday		Sun 2	WA 70
	Mon 17	Bank Holiday		Mon 3	Practice (Imperial)
	Thu 20	Practice (Imperial)		Thu 6	Nationals (L/Bow P)
	Sun 23	Nationals		Sun 9	Westerns (match practise)
	Mon 24	Practice (Metric)		Mon 10	Practice (Metric)
	Thu 27	Practice (Imperial)		Thu 13	Metrics (P)
Sun 30	Westerns or Wand Practice	Sun 16		Home Match (12.30 set up)	
May	Mon 1	Bank Holiday		Mon 17	Practice (Metric)
	Thu 4	Nationals (L/Bow P)	Thu 20	Metrics	
	Sun 7	Metrics	Sun 23	Albions, Windsors	
	Mon 8	Metrics (P)	Mon 24	Practice (Imperial)	
	Thu 11	Practice (Imperial)	Thu 27	Nationals	
	Sun 14	Cowpie	Sun 30	Cycle Race – No Shooting	
	Mon 15	Practice (Imperial)	Mon 31	Practice (Metric)	
	Thu 18	Nationals	August	Thu 3	Practice (Imperial)
	Sat 20	Mark Out for Clout/Wand		Sun 6	Match – Away Surrey (12.30)
	Sun 21	Clout/Wand – 8am onwards		Mon 7	Nationals (L/Bow P)
	Mon 22	Practice (Metric)		Thu 10	WA 70
	Thu 25	Metrics		Sun 13	Match – Away Malden (2pm)
	Sun 28	WA 70		Mon 14	Metrics (P)
	Mon 29	Bank Holiday		Thu 17	Practice (Imperial)
June	Thu 1	Practice (Imperial)	Sun 20	Warwicks	
	Sun 4	Teds Shoot + BBQ – 11.30 on	Mon 21	Practice (Imperial)	
	Mon 5	Nationals (L/Bow P)	Thu 24	Nationals	
	Thu 8	Practice (Metric)	Sun 27	St George, Albions, Windsors	
	Sun 11	Half WA1440	Mon 28	Bank Holiday	
	Mon 12	Metrics (P)	Thu 31	Metrics	
	Thu 15	Practice (Imperial)	September	Sun 3	Club Champs & AGM (12.30)
	Sun 18	American, St. Nicholas		Mon 4	Nationals (L/Bow P)
	Mon 19	Nationals		Thu 7	Metrics (P)
	Thu 22	Practice (Metric)		Sun 10	BC First Session + Practise
	Sat 24	Mark Out for Sheila Brown		Mon 11	Start Indoor Shooting
	Sun 25	Sheila Brown – 7am onwards			

Key

Postals
Improvers Session @ 12.00pm
Match
Event

Additional Notes

Shooting Times

Shooting will start at 2.00pm every Sunday and at 6.30pm every Monday and Thursday unless stated otherwise. Please try to be there if possible to help set up the field. The shooting program is not set in stone but please set up the field for Metric or Imperial as stated. If possible please leave two or three bosses on the trolley for those who may arrive later. In order not to scare horses next door please shoot on the school side of the big trees.

Club competitions

The club National and Metric competitions will run over 4 months - May to August. To take part you simply have to submit one score per month for either or both competitions as you wish. How many attempts you make and on what dates does not matter - just submit all of your scores to Louise (records officer), either in person or put them in the rack in the container, and the best scores each month will be used for the competitions. Your best 3 scores across the 4 months will count towards your overall total. There are separate trophies for ladies and gents. The competitions are open to all bow styles and are judged on a handicap basis, so that everyone competes on an equal basis.

There are a few rules:

1. Only scores shot at St Martins can be included
2. For the National competition the round shot must be one of "National" rounds shown below and it must be shot on a night shown as National or Imperial Practice
3. For the Metric competition the round shot must be one of "Metric" rounds shown below and must be shot on a night shown as Metrics or Metric Practice
4. As the competition are judged on a handicap basis, new archers without a current handicap will need to submit three scores (any recognised round) to gain a handicap, before scores will be counted for the competitions.

Rounds

The 'National' rounds consist of 6 dozen arrows shot as 4 dozen at the longer distance and 2 dozen at the shorter distance as below. Scoring is 5 zone i.e. 9,7,5,3,1.

The "Metric" rounds also consist of 6 dozen arrows but shot as 3 dozen at each distance as below. Scoring is 10 zone i.e. 10, 9, 8 down to 1, with the inner ring scored as 'X'(but for adding up purposes is 10)

New National 100 & 80 yards
Long National 80 & 60 yards
National 60 & 50 yards
Short National 50 & 40 yards
Short Junior National 40 & 30 yards

Long Metric 90 & 70 metres
Long Metric I 70 & 60 metres
Long Metric II 60 & 50 meters
Short Metric 50 & 30 meters using 80 cm target face
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In addition, there are Short and Long Metric III, IV and V rounds.

Additional Notes (con't)

Summer Postal League

We've entered teams into the Selby Summer Postal League. Similar to the indoor postal leagues, the matches will take place once per month from May to September, and are marked [P] on the program. We have entered two recurve teams of three archers, who will shoot the Short Metric round, and a longbow team of two archers who will shoot the National round. The longbow and recurve teams will shoot on different days to allow archers who shoot both bow types to take part in both leagues. The teams will comprise the archers who shoot the best scores on the day, so everyone is welcome to take part.

Any questions? Ask Louise Colville or drop her an e-mail (lecolville@hotmail.com).

Western

A one-off competition run at the same time as the home match (16th July) - 1:30pm sighters - 12:30pm for setting up the field.

Inter-Club matches

Matches with other clubs are marked on the shooting programme as either home or away. These matches are friendly contests with other local clubs and anyone is welcome to come along and shoot. The rounds are usually Nationals or Westerns at wide range of distances. On days where there are away matches the St Martin's field is still available for those not wishing to "go away". Please see Mark Leddin or John Wright for more details.

Bank Holidays

These are recognised shooting days for the Club so any archer wishing to take advantage of some extra practice may do so as long as they follow AGB rules of shooting, ie: set out the field safely and always shoot with another archer. These are treated as a Sunday so 2pm for the start of shooting.

Improver Sessions

These are held on the first or last Sunday of each month at 12pm for those that want them. Please see Paul Day or Ian Stewart for details if you want to attend one (or all) of these to help with your shooting. Dates will be 30th April, 28th May, 2nd and 23rd July and 27th August.

Parking

Please use the main car park at all times. If full please use Station Car Park . Do not park on the side road leading down to the school, as this is an access way for vehicles.

Leaving the Field

Please don't tread mud over the playground!

Lost Arrows

Lost Arrows are not allowed. All arrows must be found since these are children's playing fields. However, if after all efforts have been made please remember to notify both the School and the Club Secretary (Glenda Watson) if you lose an arrow on the field as we have to minute these for insurance purposes. We need to know roughly where it was lost and have a description of the arrow (e.g. type, length, fletching colour etc.) Forms are in the container and copy should be dropped through the door of the School and the other sent to Glenda. If you see the caretaker (William) you can hand the form to him. Please also let us know if it is found at a later date.