

# Mole Valley Bowmen

## Etiquette Guide for a Good Archer

### Club

A Good Archer:-

- Helps set up targets on arrival. Making sure to be clear of any football pitch lines, and does not take the trolley onto the football pitch in muddy conditions.
- Takes down their own target and puts it away when finished shooting if nobody else wants to use it, and/or helps to clear the field at the end of a session.
- Asks before shooting on a target where others are already shooting, to check if there is space and that the distance isn't about to change as a round is in progress.
- Ensures that there are no more than 6 archers or more than 2 details per target.
- If going to the shooting line late, checks and does not start shooting an end when others are about to finish theirs.
- Does not offer any unsolicited Coaching advice.
- Does not shoot more than 6 arrows per end, and always collects them all.
- Waits before pulling arrows until others on the same target have either scored / seen theirs. Then helps look for any missed / lost arrows
- Checks that they have not left any equipment behind on the field when leaving, especially **ARROWS**.
- In the case of a lost **ARROW**. Completes a **Lost Arrow Report** (forms in the container) before leaving the field.
- Ensures that their Boots / Shoes are free of MUD by using the Boot Scraper before leaving the field.

### General – Club and Tournament (based on the Archery GB Rule Book Etiquette Guide)

A Good Archer:-

- Respects other archers need / preference for quiet when shooting.
- Does not go behind the target to retrieve their arrows before their score has been recorded.
- Calls arrow scores in groups of three, for example '7 - 7 - 5' a pause '5 - 5 - 3'.
- Does not walk up and down the shooting line comparing scores.
- Does not touch anyone else's equipment without permission.
- Quickly offers to pay for another's arrow, if breaking it through their own carelessness. (not if hitting another's arrow which is in the target)
- Thanks the Target Captain at the end of each round for their work on your behalf.
- Does not leave any **LITTER**