

Mole Valley Bowmen

Summer 2022 Shooting Program

Key	Named round / Practice	Improvers - 11:30, with Shooting at 2pm
	Event	Postal Rounds
	Mixed Events	

Start Times unless stated : Sunday 2 pm, Monday and Thursday evening 6 pm.

Month	Date	Round	Month	Date	Round
April	Sun 03			Sun 26	Improvers (11:30), Western Rnds (8 doz)
	Mon 04	Last Indoor Shooting		Mon 27	
	Sun 10	Life Saving (bookings) 11, shooting 2pm		Thu 30	
	Mon 11	Evening Shooting starts 6pm	July	Sat 02	St Martins Fete 11-4 (times tbc)
	Thu 14			Sun 03	Western Round
	Sun 17	No Shooting – Easter Sunday		Mon 04	
	Mon 18	Bank Hol. 2pm start		Thu 07	
	Thu 21			Sun 10	Short Metric Postal Rounds
	Sun 24	Beginners wk1(noon), Shooting @ 2pm		Mon 11	
	Mon 25			Thu 14	
Thu 28		Sun 17		Metric Rounds (6 doz)	
May	Sun 01	Beginners wk2(noon), Shooting @ 2pm		Mon 18	
	Mon 02	Bank Hol. 2pm start		Thu 21	
	Thu 05		Sun 24	American Round (7 1/2 doz)	
	Sun 08	Beginners wk3(noon), Nationals (6 doz)	Mon 25		
	Mon 09		Thu 28		
	Thu 12		Sun 31	Improvers (11:30), Shooting (2:00)	
	Sun 15	Beg.w4(noon) & Postal rounds @2pm	August	Mon 01	
	Mon 16			Thu 04	
	Thu 19			Sun 07	Metric Rounds (6 doz)
	Sat 21	Start Archery Open Day - Arrive Noon		Mon 08	
Sun 22	Beginners & club shooting from 2pm	Thu 11			
Mon 23		Sun 14		Short Metric Postal Rounds	
Thu 26		Mon 15			
Sun 29	Improvers (11:30), Shooting (2:00)	Thu 18			
Mon 30		Sun 21			
June	Thu 02	Bank Hol. 2pm start		Mon 22	
	Sun 05		Thu 25		
	Mon 06		Sun 28	Improvers (11:30), Shooting (2:00)	
	Thu 09		Mon 29	Bank Hol. 2pm start	
	Sun 12	Short Metric Postal Rounds	Sept	Thu 01	
	Mon 13			Sun 04	Club Championships (12.30)
	Thu 16			Mon 05	
	Sun 19	Lost Arrows Shoot with BBQ (Noon)		Thu 08	
Mon 20		Sun 11		Short Metric Postal Rounds	
Thu 23		Mon 12	Start Indoor Shooting		

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The following sets out the club's shooting program for the summer months. It covers notable events for your dairies – generally coloured coded – and a suggested guide, nothing more, to the archery rounds to be shot on other days (see notes at the end for details on a 'round').

Shooting times

Unless the program shows something different, **shooting is from 2pm on a Sunday and from 6pm on Monday and Thursday evenings**. We all have other commitments that sometimes make these times impractical, but we should all do our fair share of setting up and putting away over the season.

Easter Sunday is NOT a shooting day, but we do shoot on all Bank Holiday Mondays – Easter, May and August - as if they are Sunday, that is from 2pm, and not in the evening.

In 2022 there is no late May BH Monday. It has been moved to the Platinum Jubilee Weekend and thus there will be evening shooting only on **Monday 30th** and shooting from 2pm on **Thursday June 2nd**.

Many of the entries in the schedule are blank – there is no event mentioned and there is no round scheduled. It really is up to you what you shoot. Maybe a simple practice session, maybe stretch yourself by getting a sight mark for a longer distance or, indeed, shoot a round for handicap purposes or to enter a score into one of the internal competitions.

Events at St Martin's

Saturday 21st May (Noon to 6pm) Start Archery Weekend (previously The Big Archery Weekend)

A national initiative of ArcheryGB, encouraging clubs to run an Open Day to introduce archery to the local community. Some of you, I know, "found us" through this session in either 2019 or 2021. This will need lots of members on hand and you will hear lots more about it shortly.

Saturday 2nd July – School Fair (times tbc but circa 11am to 4pm for a noon start)

Run by the School's PTA, we are a 'have-a-go' attraction that supports both the club and the school. We will usually need 5-8 individuals to help guide the budding archers, collect arrows, managed the queue etc. Further details later.

Sunday 19th June - The Lost Arrows Shoot and BBQ.

A new club tournament for 2022 that brings together a handful of other named shoots where we both remember and celebrate the shooting lives of past members. At the forefront of our thoughts this year will be John Wright – a larger than life character who was a stalwart of the club for many years but sadly passed away in Sept 2020. The round will be "handicapped" so that all club members can shoot against each other on equal terms. Afterwards we will have a BBQ to which your families will be welcome. Please be there from noon so that we can be ready to start shooting at 1pm. The BBQ will be around 5pm or soon after. The club provides the meat to be BBQd but please sign up to bring a salad or pudding. The whiteboard will have details nearer the time

Sunday 4th September – Club Championships and AGM

The official end to the outdoor season. There are both 'scratch' and handicap trophies to be won so all are encouraged to compete. The AGM will be at 5:30pm with tea and cake afterwards.

Club Competitions & Postal Competitions

During the summer we run two internal competitions AND take part in two postal (virtual) competitions.

The Postal competitions (for Recurve and Compound bowstyles) are shot on fixed afternoons from May to September – shown in yellow – and are a Short Metric round (3doz@50m and 3doz@30m), 80cm face.

The two internal competitions cover National rounds and Metric rounds and there are both Gents and Ladies trophies to be won. These internal competitions run over 4 months - May to August. To take part you simply have to submit one or more scores for either or both competitions each month. How many attempts and on which dates does not matter - simply submit your scores to our Records Officer - Andy Ratcliffe - and he will use mathematical magic - also known as the handicap tables - to re-base scores so that they can be directly compared.

eg you shoot a New National round and score 445. This gets a handicap of 35. The National score for that same handicap is 568 and that will be your National competition score for that month. Alternatively you shoot a National 40 round and score 623. This also gets a handicap of 35 and so your National score for that month is also 568.

Your best 3 monthly scores count toward your overall total.

The National Rounds must be one of the following :

(All shot using 122cm target faces and 5 zone (9-7-5-3-1) scoring)

- New National - 4 doz at 100yards, 2doz at 80 yards
- Long National - 4 doz at 80yards, 2doz at 60 yards
- National - 60y, 50y
- National 50 - 50y, 40y (previously Short National)
- National 40 - 40y, 30y (previously Junior National)
- National 30 - 30y, 20y (previously Short Junior National)

The Metric rounds must be one of the following :

(All shot using 122cm target faces unless stated and 10 zone scoring)

- Long Metric (3doz at 90m, 3doz at 70m)
- Long Metric I (3doz at 70m, 3doz at 60m)
- Long Metric II (60m, 50m)
- Short Metric (50m, 30m) using 80cm face
- Short Metric I (40m, 30m) using
- there are also Long and Short Metric II, III, IV, and V rounds that continue this pattern.

This might sound convoluted but all you need to do is shoot a round at the distances you are comfortable with, submit the scores and the club will do the rest.

Improver Sessions

These are held on the last Sunday of most months: 11:30am setup. No booking required.

Mud

Not so much of an issue in the summer months but please scrape your boots as you leave the field.

Lost Arrows

Lost Arrows are not allowed. All arrows must be found since we are using a school playing field. However, if after all efforts have been made no arrow has been found, please notify both the School and the Club Secretary as we must minute these instances 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.). Blank forms for this are in the container and copy should be dropped through the door of the school and a copy sent to mvb.sec@gmail.com. Please also let us know if it is found later.

Rounds

There is nothing mysterious about rounds. There is a list of rounds on the inside of the right-hand container door.

A round is simply the name given to a set number of arrows shot at different distances, some based on yards and 9-7-5-3-1 scoring – Imperial Rounds, some based on meters and 10 zone scoring – Metric rounds. Most outdoor rounds consist of either 12, 9, 8, 6 or 4 dozen arrows shot in ends of 6 arrows, whereas a typical indoor round is 5 dozen arrows shot in ends of 3 arrows.

Many of the Imperial rounds are named after English place names and are evocative of history e.g. York, Hereford, St George, Albion, Portsmouth, Warwick, Windsor, Bristol, Stafford - the metric ones are maybe a bit less imaginative – Long Metric, Short Metric, WA 1440 etc.

Want to know more or ready to start scoring? Have a word with Andy Ratcliffe or any of the committee members.