

Mole Valley Bowmen - A Parent's Guide **(Updated – December 2014)**

Mole Valley Bowmen are a very friendly, committed bunch and we take your child's safety very seriously.

Etiquette

Senior members of the club will explain techniques, rules and etiquette when you attend the Beginners' Course, to ensure that you and your child understand what is required.

Juniors Attending Practice or Matches

If a child is under 14 years of age, a parent or carer must be present at all times. The parents/carer is responsible for the child's welfare while they are present. Unsupervised children will not be admitted to Club shoots or matches.

For members between the ages of 14 and 18, parents are not expected to stay but are welcome to be present. At least 2 adult members of the club will normally be present.

Physical Contact

Sometimes it is necessary to physically place a person in position to achieve the correct shooting technique. Coaching members will check with the person concerned before moving someone into position. In an emergency, it may be necessary to raise one's voice or make physical contact for the safety of the child, or others present.

Child Protection

We adhere strictly to the Grand National Archery Society (GNAS) Child Protection Policy and believe that when dealing with children and vulnerable adults, their welfare should always be of paramount importance. We are

committed to providing an environment where young people can learn and participate in a sport free from harassment and abuse. MVB has a policy of zero tolerance of bullying. All those people working with children have a moral responsibility to safeguard and promote a child's welfare. This club has therefore adopted the GNAS Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy to ensure peace of mind for both adults and children.

Our Child Protection Officer is Ian Stewart
Mobile: 07984440661

Our Deputy Child Protection Officer is Jenny Gordon
Tel. 01372 454815

Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) (Formerly known as CRB) Checks

DBS checks replaced CRB checks on 1st December 2012. It is MVB policy that all elected officers and committee members, will be DBS checked. In keeping with the DBS guidance issued, risk assessments will be carried out, as and when necessary, to determine whether other DBS checks are required.



Happy shooting!

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