



STRATFORD ARCHERS SHOOTING VENUES



Stratford Archers welcome with equal respect all archers regardless of age, background, ethnicity or bow type.

Where do we shoot?

The Club has four regular shooting venues. Our main base is at

The Home Guard Club, Main Street, Tiddington.

All Stratford Archers are members of the HGC by subscription and can use the facilities of this social and sports club. Here we have our equipment store and shoot target archery and run Beginners' Courses

Church Bank Farm, Binton: Private land with a field shoot course.

King Edward VII School, Stratford for indoor shooting during the winter

Shipston High School for occasional winter indoor shooting.

When do we shoot?

We have a published programme of shoots which is on our web-site. Shooting days are usually Sunday morning and Wednesday evening and the programme indicates what sort of shoot and where. Members can and do shoot at other times at the HGC – subject to field availability and the presence of another adult and experienced archer.

What do we shoot?

We accept all types of bow: Longbow, Recurve, Compound, Cross-bow; and all styles of shooting: Target freestyle, barebow, longbow. At the HGC and indoors there is target shooting, at Binton there is field shooting – using paper or foam targets in woodland.

Activities range from informal practice to competitive tournament shooting. We shoot specific "Rounds", have fun-and-social shoots, hold Club competitions, give coaching sessions, hold beginners' courses and coach training courses, run stands at village fetes and organise several "open" tournaments each year.

Club members are encouraged to take part in and help organise all of these activities.

Ongoing coaching plus a handicap and classification awards system encourage improvement of shooting form.

How are we officially organised?

The club and its members are affiliated to the Grand National Archery Society (Archery GB). This includes insurance and the right to take part in other clubs' competitions in the UK and internationally.

How to join?

Beginners' courses start on the first Wednesday of most months – for the next start date see our website: www.stratfordarchers.com or phone the Membership Secretary.

Beginners receive 2 foundation lessons and then 4 improvement lessons at a cost of £20 and £40. All equipment loan and a progress record booklet is included in the course cost. After the course you may join the Club. Further coaching and guidance on the purchase of equipment are available.

How much does it cost?

Membership fees are around £85, £10 for Juniors. (Inclusive of all affiliations and insurance).

The cost and purchase of equipment is best discussed with a club Coach once you have settled into a style of shooting. Basic equipment can be made available for new members to use on site.

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