



# BOWMEN OF THE DEANS ARCHERY CLUB

*We welcome all new members to the club and thank you for taking an interest in Archery, it is a great sport, keeps you fit and you meet some good people, to become a member of the club you need to have firstly undertaken a beginners course (if you have already taken this and hold a training certificate then you are eligible to join).*

*We run two types of courses depending on your needs:*

**Taster Session** – *these are one off session designed for people who just want to see what archery is like, or want to just shoot a few arrows at a target, without committing to a full formal course.*

*These are run on specific dates which you can select to suit yourselves, you will be given a brief H&S instructions and brief tuition on shooting, then be allowed to shoot at a target. The session will last for 2 hours and give you a good feel for whether you like archery or not. The session costs £20 for adults and £10 Juniors (we cannot take under 10-year olds).*

**Beginners Course** – *these are run for people who are interested in taking Archery as a hobby sport and are considering joining a club afterwards and cover a more in-depth training of bow usage, types of bow, sights etc.*

*Course training takes 4 hours and is usually split up over Selected Monday evenings at Oaklands Sports Club Cinderford or Sunday afternoons or Tuesdays Thursday evenings outdoors at King George V field Coleford, dates of all courses are listed and you need to attend the 2 sessions to complete the course, the cost is £50 per adult and £40 per child (under 18), unfortunately we are unable to undertake any training of children under 10 years old, as we find they struggle too much pulling the bow.*

*The objective of the course is to gain a certificate which states you have completed a Beginners Course and ensures you are safe enough to shoot unsupervised as a Club Member.*

*You will be asked for certain information contact details, age, height, left or right handed, eye dominance etc. on separate sheet this information is to ensure we have enough equipment for attendees and if for any reason we have to contact you at short notice e.g extremely bad weather then we can get hold of you.*

*All equipment is provided to train you Bows, Arrows, arm guards etc*

## **Not Sure Which is for You?**

*If you are not sure what you want to do then the best thing is to try the taster, see if you enjoy it and would like to take it further as a Hobby and like the Club, before spending more money on a Beginners Course, then if you decide **'Yes I would like to do more'** then take a Beginners Course, you will already have some of the skills required.*

*If you are sure you want to take up Archery as a Hobby and join a club then do the Beginners Course straight off.*



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## ***Booking a Course***

*We can only run a course when we have at least 4 people in total to attend as it does not make it financially viable due to our overheads, we will not take any monies off you until this is achieved and if your selected course does not have enough applicants on it you will be contacted so you can select an alternative date.*

## ***Instructions***

- 1) Select type of course and dates you wish to attend. (List attached)*
- 2) Contact us with your selection and the number of people via either using the contacts link on the website or email [sec@bowmenofthedeans.com](mailto:sec@bowmenofthedeans.com) I will book you in for the course or nearer the course dates contact you to select another date if there are not enough people.*
- 3) Once we have enough people attending & the course is going ahead, I will email giving you joining instructions and details on how to make payment, and requesting the details below.*
- 4) Once I have received the course fees, I will confirm this with you as a receipt. Please note once the fees are paid they cannot be refunded due to the overheads we incur unless in exceptional circumstances, so please be sure you can attend all dates*

## **Information needed on each attendee.**

### **1) Names**

**2) Contact Phone, contact email – a phone number is important in case we need to contact you to postpone at short notice.**

**3) Age (if under 16 to be accompanied by an adult)**

**4) Any Disabilities or Illness which would affect undertaking Archery, e.g back or shoulder, short sightedness.**

## ***Becoming a Member***

*Once you have the training certificate, you can then join a club, hopefully this one. To practice Archery you need to be insured and this is nationally via affiliations to the National Association GB Archery and Area Association GWAS (Great Western Archery Society) and the County Association GAS. If you join us as a club, affiliation to these and your insurance is included in the annual membership fees given below. If you are already a member of another club and hold a GB Archery membership card, you can still shoot with us as an Associate Member or on the odd occasion by turning up at venues and paying a fee.*



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## ***Our Shooting times***

*The indoor Winter hours, at Oaklands, Foxes Bridge Rd, Cinderford, Gloucestershire GL14 2PQ, are Tuesday 19:00 to 21:00 and Thursday 19:00 to 21:00*

*Sunday's are at King George V field 12:00 all year round*

*Outdoor shooting will be as usual at King George V field Tues and Thurs evenings 17:00 till dusk starting in the spring.*

## ***Equipment***

*You are for a short while welcome to use the training equipment to shoot, as long as it is not needed for training schools. After a while you would be expected to get you own personal equipment advice on this can be given and a reasonable beginner set up would cost around £180. We also offer after the initial period a hire service.*

## ***Membership Fees***

*Adults*

*GNAS £48*

*GWAS £6 (region)*

*GAS £12 (county)*

*BoD £40*

***Total £108***

*Juniors (under 18) Overall payment £39.00*

*Mid Senior (18 to 24) Overall payment £55.00*

***The above are annual fees, there are pro rata fees available from BOD and GNAS (National Association) whom insure us and these will be given upon request.***

*If you are still interested in being put on the training waiting list or have further queries please contact me, either at this email [sec@bowmenofthedeans.com](mailto:sec@bowmenofthedeans.com) or via the club site. Alternatively if you have undertaken the beginners course and wish to join then you can either turn up at a shoot and sort out your membership there, or I will send you an application form.*

## **Payments**

If you have monies to pay then bank transfer is preferable, but if you wish to pay by cheque or cash then contact me for details.

- 1) Account Name 'A Rose' Bank Transfer Sort Code: 09-01-26 Account No: 05558518

**REGARDS**

**TONY ROSE**