

# BYRON SHIRE ARCHERY CLUB

## HANDBOOK

### V1.4



#### **ABOUT US:**

The Byron Shire Archery Club was opened in 2014 to provide the community with the opportunity to enjoy archery in a safe and controlled environment. Whether your desire is to loose a few arrows at a target or strive for the Olympic Gold medal, an archery club is the perfect place to start.

#### **WHERE WE ARE:**

Our club is located at the Cavanbah Centre, on Ewingsdale Road Byron Bay. Our field is the Herb Elliott Athletics field in the North-East corner of the complex. We open on Saturday's from 8am and Wednesday evenings from 5pm.

#### **WHAT WE OFFER:**

A safe and enjoyable space to practice archery, in a fun and friendly environment for most ages\*

The club has a small range of equipment available for hire at a minimal cost.

Our club currently has 4 accredited archery instructors, Paul, Damien, Colin and Matt and 1 head coach, Vinnie Bleakley. All are experienced instructors and archers having competed on a national and international level.

We regularly hold and attend interclub shoots locally, and encourage archers of all abilities to travel, if they desire, to shoot with other archery clubs and at tournaments.

All club communication is provided via email and via our Facebook page. These methods are where you find all upcoming events, notices etc.

\*Please note due to the physical and mental demands of target archery a minimum age of 8 is required to participate. Children under the age of 12 must undergo an assessment of strength and aptitude before membership will be granted.

### WHAT WE EXPECT:

- \*We want all archers to have a fun and enjoyable time, while helping maintain a safe environment.
- \*BSAC may require any applicant who has not completed a recognised beginner's course or who cannot demonstrate current membership of an Archery Australia club to undergo an assessment of their competence, and of their equipment.
- \*Any bow/arrows used will meet World Archery target archery standards. BSAC reserves the right to inspect and weigh any bow at any time to verify conformity with the World Archery standard. This is a maximum draw weight of 60#
- \*The range is at all times under the control of the "Range Captain". Each archer is to obey the "Range Captain's" orders at all times.
- \*Covered footwear must be worn at all times.
- \*Never run on the archery range.
- \*Sun protection is highly recommended at all times.
- \*Avoid loose fitting clothing, and tie back long hair.
- \*Parents/guardians must sign-in their under 16-year-old children on club days and special events. Children under 10-years-old must have a parent on site at all times.
- \*We do not offer a babysitting service. Children being continuously disruptive will not be invited back. All paid membership fees will be forfeited.
- \*Targets can only be removed from the shed with an adult present at all times.
- \*Arrows must only be aimed at and shot at a target.
- \*Smoking is not permitted at BSAC.
- \*Littering is not permitted.
- \*Consumption of alcohol is not allowed on club grounds.

- \* Members are expected to assist in the set up and take down of the field when possible. If you are the last archer on a target and finish shooting, the target needs to be returned to the front of the shed.

### CLUB ETTIQUETTE:

Some archers take their shooting very seriously while other archers see the sport as a leisure activity. Due consideration should be given to those who might become upset by distracting behaviour.

All members are advised:

- \*Not to talk loudly or disturb other archers while they are shooting.
- \*When finished shooting, quietly step back from the Shooting Line to the Waiting Line to give other archers a chance to finish without interruption.
- \*Never to remark on another archer's shooting during an end unless there is a safety issue.
- \*Never comment on another archer's shooting as this may upset or distract them.
- \*Always to pass encouraging remarks and never to be disparaging.
- \*Always to signal the Range Captain if a problem occurs and never bother another archer.
- \*Never touch or remove other archer's arrows in the target unless asked to remove them.
- \*If asked for advice, never to presume the duties of an Instructor or Official.
- \*Always pay attention to and co-operate with officials.
- \*Never upset other archers on the field by complaining.
- \*Never touch, move or alter equipment belonging to someone else without his or her prior consent.
- \*Always exercise the greatest care when scoring.