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# Equipment Selection

[www.sherbrookearchers.org.au](http://www.sherbrookearchers.org.au)

## *What equipment should I buy?*

There are thousands of different types of bows to choose from so we suggest that you take your time and ensure you purchase equipment that will suit you.

Take the time to search the internet to find something that you like or visit some of the retailers in Melbourne.

Arrow Rest Archery	U12 21 Power Road, Bayswater	<a href="http://www.archeryparties.com">www.archeryparties.com</a>
Fine Fletchings		<a href="http://www.finefletchings.com">www.finefletchings.com</a>
Mt Evelyn Archery	13 Russell Street, Mt. Evelyn	<a href="http://www.mtevelynarcherysupplies.com.au">www.mtevelynarcherysupplies.com.au</a>
Planet Archery	71 Grange Road, Cheltenham	
Urban Archery	51A Freight Drive, Somerton	<a href="http://www.urbanarchery.com.au">www.urbanarchery.com.au</a>
Arrows Plus	17 Wallace Ave, Point Cook	<a href="http://www.arrowsplus.net">www.arrowsplus.net</a>

## ***Please do not buy any equipment until you have talked to one of the Coaches.***

Buying equipment, especially for a family, can be expensive so it is important that you have been exposed to all the bow types and divisions in which you may participate.

On the next few pages are some ideas on the types of equipment that we know works well and are cost effective.

There are also some examples of equipment that we suggest you stay away from.

It is important that you have settled into your technique. Some people can do this in their first week, others may take a few weeks; so please be patient.

When you are ready to purchase some equipment please see one of our Coaches and get measured up to make sure what you need is what you get.

When you arrive at the Retailer they may say we don't have that finger tab, or sight, etc. in stock and will try to sell you an alternative. Please be aware that not all finger tabs are the same. If the Coach recommends a certain model for you then we suggest that you follow that recommendation.

### **Target/Field Archery VS Bow Hunting**

Sherbrooke Archers is primarily a Target and Field Archery club. As you search for bows you may come across some really good specials on compound bows with a Five Pin Sight and a Whisker Biscuit Arrow Rest.

These are hunting bows (pictured) and are not suitable for the majority of archery that we do at the club.

The Five Pin Sight is good for hunting and you can set it to the distances you are most likely to hunt game with. (5m, 10m, 15m, 20m and 25m) In target archery you will need a minimum of 10 sight settings so a proper target sight is required.

The Whisker Biscuit Arrow Rest will slow and destabilise the flight of the arrow. Our club uses a foam target which requires arrows shot from a compound bow to have a lubricant on them. This type of arrow rest spreads the lube along the whole of the arrow making them slippery and hard to grip when removing from the target.

Target and Field Archery requires a bow with a full length stabiliser to ensure ease of aim and maximum bow performance. A hunting stabiliser is too short for this purpose.

If you wish to purchase a hunting bow please talk to one of the Coaches first.



### **Competitive Archery VS Social Archery**

It is difficult to know if you want to do competitive archery until you have tried it. There are some lovely wooden recurve bows that are quite cheap to purchase but you cannot do competitive archery, such as barebow recurve, with them.

The first example is a wooden hunting bow. If you wish to go hunting as the prime purpose of doing archery then these bows work very well. To get any performance out of them they need to have a heavy draw weight. When hunting you may only shoot a few arrows a day so the draw weight is not a problem. At the club you may shoot over 100 arrows a day so a heavy bow will tire you out quite quickly.

A light weight version of these bows do not have any performance and you will be disappointed with them.



The next bow to be wary of are the new versions of the traditional coaching bows.

If you have any long term vision of doing competitive barebow recurve or sighted recurve archery then these bows are totally unsuitable.

Because they are made of wood they have to be glued together. This means you cannot use high performance arrows or high performance strings with them or they will break. Because they are so thick they are also difficult to fit pressure buttons to.

If you want to purchase a wooden recurve bow then please talk to one of the Coaches first.



# Barebow Recurve

Infitec Challenge Riser (Available colours Blue, Black, Red, Platinum, White and Yellow)  
(Available in sizes that make 66", 68" or 70" bow lengths)

Infitec Challenge Fibre Limbs (Available from 20-40lbs in 2lb increments)



Fastflight String, Arrow Rest and Pressure Button

A&F Finger Tab, Finger Sling and 350 gram weight



**Only \$445\***

# Freestyle Recurve

(Includes the Infitec Challenge Bow plus;)

Cartel 30" Stabilizer

Win and Win 360 Finger Tab

Cartel Sight

Beiter Clicker

**Only \$595\***



# Accessories

Arrows from **\$25.00** each – made up

Quivers from **\$40.00**

Arm Guards from **\$6.50**

\* Prices subject to change with fluctuations of the Australian Dollar

**Arrow Rest Archery** U 12 21 Power Road Bayswater VIC 3153  
[www.archeryparties.com.au](http://www.archeryparties.com.au)

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# Barebow Compound

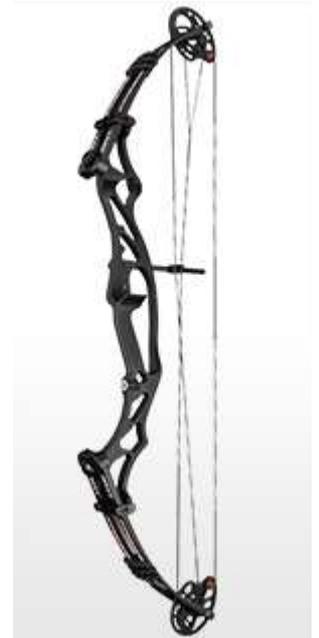
Hoyt Freestyle Compound Bow (Available colours Green, Orange, Purple, Cobalt Blue, Jet Black)

Weights 30-40lbs, 40-50lbs, 50-60lbs

Draw Lengths 24.5-26.0", 25.5-27.0", 27.0-30.0"

Fastflight String, Arrow Rest and Pressure Button

A&F Finger Tab, Finger Sling and 350 gram weight



**Only \$1295\*^**

## Freestyle Compound

(Includes the Hoyt Freestyle Compound Bow plus;)

Cartel 30" Stabilizer

Trophy Taker Launcher

Sure-loc 550 Supreme Sight with Titan Scope

Jim Fletcher Peep

Jim Fletcher Release Aid

**Only \$1995\*^**



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^ Other models available on request

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## What Arrows Should I Buy?

For Recurve and Compound bows we recommend the Easton Carbon One Arrow.



For these arrows we recommend the 59 grain Insert with the 41 grain screw-in Point. The long insert offers more protection to the shaft from frontal impact. The screw-in point allows them to be unscrewed if they get embedded in timber.

The Insert/Point combination gives you a point weight of 100 grains. The points are available in five (5) different weights which makes tuning your arrow flight a lot easier.

We recommend a short fletch (around 1.8") and the Easton G Nock.



The following chart gives you the different sizes available for your bow weight and draw length.

Carbon One	24"	25"	26"	27"	28"	29"	30"	31"	32"
21-27lbs				900	810	730			
27-32lbs			900	810	730	660	660		
32-36lbs		900	810	730	660	660	600	550	
36-40lbs	900	810	730	660	660	600	550	500	450
40-44lbs	810	730	660	660	600	550	500	450	410

For Longbow and Traditional Bows we recommend the Fine Fletchings Wooden Arrow or the Easton Legacy Aluminium Arrow.



For the Easton Legacy Aluminium Arrow we recommend the RPS Insert with the RPS Target screw-in Point (90 grains). The screw-in point allows them to be unscrewed if they get embedded in timber.

The Insert/Point combination gives you a point weight of around 100 grains. The points are available in eight (8) different weights which makes tuning your arrow flight a lot easier.

We recommend a short feather around 3.0" and the Easton Conventional Nock.



The following chart gives you the different sizes available for your bow weight and draw length.

Legacy Alloy	24"	25"	26"	27"	28"	29"	30"	31"	32"
32-36lbs		1916	1916	1916	1916	2016	2018	2018	2117
37-41lbs	1916	1916	1916	1916	2016	2018	2018	2117	2216
42-46lbs	1916	1916	1916	2016	2018	2018	2117	2216	2216

# Longbow

Beginner's Kit **\$499**

- 62" Longbow, 12 wood/aluminium arrows, side quiver, arm guard, finger glove

62" Longbow **\$279**

- Excellent for beginners and those who want a lighter draw bow.
- Can be made in weights of 20, 25 & 30lbs @ 28".

71" Longbow **\$369**

- Suitable for archers 5'6" and taller and those with a long draw.
- Can be made in weights of 30-70lbs @ 28"



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# Horsebow

Composite Horsebow **\$469**

- For advanced users, arrow is shot off of the knuckle (no arrow shelf on bow).
- Comes in several different limb profiles, with your choice of wood or horn siyahs and timber. Can be made in weights of 30-60lbs @ 28".
- Contact [info@finefletchings.com](mailto:info@finefletchings.com) for more information.



# Arrows

12 Wood Arrows **\$129**

Made from spine and weight matched Sitka Spruce shafts. Hand finished. Matched to your bow and draw length. Comes ready to shoot with point, nock and 3" feathers. Feathers and nocks come in your choice of a range of colours.

Shaft stain, Cresting, Barred Feathers, and Crown Dip of your choice at additional cost.

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# Accessories

Leather side quiver with belt clip and pocket **\$89**

Back quiver **\$89**

Suede arm guard **\$20**

Bow glove **\$20**

3 Finger Leather String glove **\$20**

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Fine Fletchings [www.finefletchings.com](http://www.finefletchings.com)

All bows come with a leather grip, string and bow sock. All bows available in a variety of different timbers. Stock subject to fluctuation, custom orders always available.