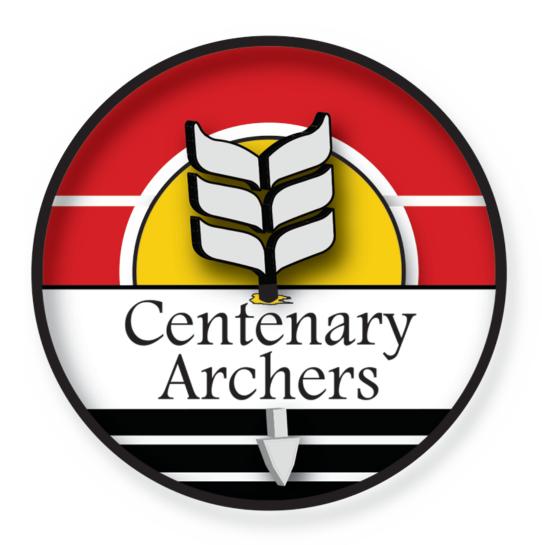
# **Centenary Archers Club Inc.**



# Members Information Booklet

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# **President's Message**

Welcome to Centenary Archers Club where our aim is to provide a safe, family friendly and enjoyable venue for target archery.

This booklet contains important information specific to our Club - I encourage you to read and understand these contents and if you have any questions please discuss with a Committee Member.

Our Club is a not-for-profit association incorporated in Queensland and all our Committee Members and Office Bearers are volunteers.

We are a club affiliated with Archery Queensland (AQ), South Queensland Archery Society (SQAS) and Archery Australia (AA) and we comply with the Rules and Policies of all those organisations. Copies of the rules and policies of the Club, SQAS, AQ & AA are available from -

centenaryarchers.org.au

archerysgas.org.au

archeryqueensland.org.au/

archery.org.au

We trust you will enjoy being a member of Centenary Archers and that you will continue to make archery your sport of choice.

Strafford Stark

President

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#### Location

Our Club and Shooting Range are located at:

Wacol Station Road Parklands 427 Wacol Station Road SUMNER

## **Shooting Times**

Generally, our Club is open for members from 12:30pm each Saturday until about 17:00.

We also conduct Come 'n Try classes and Beginners Courses on Saturday mornings from 10:00 until 13:00. On the days that these classes are conducted active financial Club Members are welcome to also use the Club facilities from 10:00.

Temporary Members can ONLY shoot after 13:00, no exceptions!

#### Who can shoot at our Field

To ensure the safety of members and visitors the Centenary Archers Committee has determined that the only archers permitted to shoot on sanctioned Club days are -

- ♦ financial Archery Australia members; and
- ♦ financial members of Clubs affiliated with World Archery; and
- ◆ Temporary Members who have successfully completed a Come 'n Try course at the Club within the past 12 months. (Temporary Membership Conditions apply).

Refer Policy for more details.

#### **BEFORE You Shoot**

Archers are responsible to ensure that their actions do not impinge the safety of other people using the field or the local fauna.

Therefore, Before You Shoot -

- 1. SIGN ON at the desk;
- 2. Pay Ground Fees (if applicable);
- 3. Check your archery equipment (incl bows, arrows, release aids etc) is in good working order and safe to use on our field;
- 4. Check that you are wearing enclosed shoes while on the archery field;
- 5. Ensure that your AA membership is current you could be asked to present your AA card to a Committee Member or Club Official;
- 6. Ensure you are wearing appropriate safety equipment (eg arm guards, finger tabs and chest guards);
- 7. Ensure you do **not** wear clothing that is of a camouflage configuration;
- 8. Ensure that long hair is tied back so it is not in danger of being caught in the bow string;
- 9. Ensure that necklaces and other items of jewellery are not in danger of being caught on the bow string; and
- 10. We recommend archers and visitors wear appropriate clothing and hats and use sunscreen (which is available at the 'Sign On' desk) as protection against Queensland's harsh sun.

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# **Director of Shooting (DOS)**

The DOS controls the shooting on the field - generally using a whistle or horn. The Club uses the following universal signals to control shooting -

- 2 (two) whistles archers move to the shooting line;
- 1 (one) whistle archers may commence shooting;
- 3 (three) whistles archers stop shooting and move to score & collect arrows;
- 5 (five) or more whistles emergency stop, archers **stop shooting immediately** (this signal indicates a danger on the field, either people or local fauna are in the shooting zone).

The instructions of the DOS are designed to maintain a safe shooting venue for archers, visitors and fauna.

All persons on the field of play are required to comply with DOS instructions. Failure to do so may result in removal of that person from the Club grounds.

## What equipment can I use at the Club?

As a AA affiliated Club, equipment restrictions are enunciated within the AA Constitution. Specific restrictions for our Club are:

- Any Recurve, Longbow or Compound bows, arrows and other equipment that would be permitted into an AA QRE or Tournament;
- Bow weight (poundage) must be 60 lb or less;
- · Only target arrow points no hunting points or broad points;
- · No crossbows of any style, no exceptions.

Each archer is responsible to ensure their equipment remains within specification. Equipment Inspections may be undertaken by Club Officials at any time. The purpose is to ensure that equipment remains within specification for our Club and is safe to shot.

All new / used / home made / modified equipment at the field for the 1st time must be examined by a Club Official to ensure it complies with equipment requirements and is safe for use on our field.

#### **Buying archery equipment**

The club does not have any affiliation with archery suppliers, however we recommend:

- archers purchase their equipment from reputable "known" suppliers;
- Used equipment is not purchased without a physical inspection / trial;
- Purchasing from unknown suppliers on the internet can be fraught with danger we strongly recommend against this practice, unless the purchase is from a known reputable supplier.

# **Risk Management & Incident Reporting**

Archery is an extremely safe sport for both participants and spectators and the Committee constantly reviews identified risks and implements controls where necessary.

We also require that all incidents, that impact the safety of archers or spectators, are reported to a Committee Member and / or an Incident Report completed.

Matters for which a report is made to a Committee Member:

- injuries to any person during club activities (Incident Report completed);
- injuries to animals during club activities (Incident Report completed);
- near misses;
- incidents in which archery or club equipment is damaged or broken;
- matters which are perceived to be a risk of injury to people or animals;
- activities that could damage equipment or cause injury;
- when safety requirements are being disregarded.

#### 1st Aid

The Club has a 1st Aid Kit, a Fully Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and a number of members who are trained in delivery of 1st Aid.

Both the 1st Aid Kit and AED are located within the Target Container - these items should only be used by authorised persons.

A listing of 1st Aid trained members is adjacent to the 1st Aid Kit.

## **Working Bees**

The Club holds a number of Working Bees during each year. These activities are required to maintain Club facilities and equipment.

Every person, whether Club member or not, who is assisting in the Working Bee MUST sign the attendance sheet for that day (this provides insurance coverage).

During Working Bees appliances / tools must be used by members under the following conditions:

240 volt tools MUST:

- have a current Electrical Test Tag issued by a qualified licensed operator; and
- Be inspected for any damage to cord or appliance body PRIOR to use; and
- Operators MUST be 18 or over and experienced in the use of the appliance; and
- Operators MUST ensure all appliance guards and safety devices (supplied by the manufacturer) are installed and operating as designed; and
- Operators MUST use recommended Personal Protection Equipment (PPE).

Fuel Powered appliances MUST:

- be inspected for damage which could impede the appliance's use or safety; and
- Operators MUST be 18 or over and experienced in the use of the appliance; and
- Operators MUST ensure all appliance guards and safety devices (supplied by the manufacturer) are installed and operating as designed; and
- Operators MUST use recommended Personal Protection Equipment (PPE).

All tools MUST be used in accordance with manufacturer's operating instructions and within manufacturer's safety specifications.

Use the right tool for the job!!

#### **Uniforms**

The Club has a uniform shirt which members are encouraged to purchase.

The uniform is designed to have the archer's name printed on the sleeve as a means to promote inclusiveness and camaraderie within the Club.

Orders for uniform shirts are dependent upon the numbers required at any one time. (a min shirts order is required for an order to be placed with the manufacturer).

#### **Dress Code**

The Club does not have a specific dress code for general shooting however members should dress appropriately taking into account -

- · Weather conditions
- Enclosed shoes MUST be worn on the field of play
- · Loose fitting clothing may be caught up in the bow string and injure the archer
- Be Sun Safe caps are NOT recommended as they do not protect the ears or neck of the wearer

<u>Tournaments</u> - We encourage members to wear their Club uniform when visiting other archery clubs and when shooting in Tournaments etc. If not wearing a Club or archery shirt, archers should wear a white shirt.

For safety purposes (and as a requirement of Archery Australia), clothing with a camouflage design (no matter the colour scheme) MUST NOT be worn on the field of play.

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## **Car Parking**

There are several areas reserved for parking - all are above the field of play.

When parking ensure you do not block:

- · the flow of traffic; or
- · access to the field for emergency vehicles.

Be aware of hazards including:

- · bogging during and immediately after heavy rain;
- branches that may fall from trees;
- · people moving across the parkland.

#### Do not park:

- on the lower field as this is reserved and by invitation only;
- · in or on the field side of the Swale drain

# Coaching

The Club has Archery Australia accredited Archery Instructors who undertake Come n Try and Beginner Courses on a regular basis.

We also have a visiting Archery Coach.

The names of Archery Instructors is posted on the notice board.

All Instructors and Coaches at the Club are volunteers. They give their time, experience and knowledge to improve the skills of Club members. Archers requiring assistance should ask for help from an Instructor or Coach.

But, Members should remember and respect that our Instructors are also archers and should be allowed to practice their sport when they wish.

Only Archery Australia accredited Instructors / Coaches are permitted to provide coaching services to Club members - no exceptions.

No person may provide coaching services to Club members for personal gain without the express permission of the Club Committee as a whole.

#### **Club Equipment**

Club equipment is for the benefit of Members and may not be removed from the Club grounds without the express permission of the Club Committee.

Club equipment falls into 2 main categories - archery equipment and workshop equipment.

<u>Archery equipment</u> is used primarily for Come n Try Class and Beginners Course participants, but when not required for those purposes the equipment is available for hire by Club Members.

Workshop equipment is used to repair / tune Club / Member's equipment or for Club working bees.

Before any Club Equipment is used it must be inspected for damage and only be used in accordance with manufacturer's operation and safety instructions.

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# **Workshop Equipment**

Workshop equipment can be dangerous if not used in accordance with manufacturer's operating and safety instructions.

Who can use Workshop Equipment?

Only those members who have demonstrated to the Committee that they can operate the equipment appropriately and safely. See a Committee member for training.

Bow Press - users must be trained in the proper use of this equipment.

Arrow Cutter - users must be trained in the proper use of this equipment.

<u>Battery Tools</u> - users must be trained in the proper use of this equipment.

240 Volt Tools - users must be trained in the proper use of this equipment.

#### **Member Protection**

Our club is committed to ensure the safety of all members and visitors at our club, field and events. We subscribe to the Archery Australia, Archery Queensland and South Queensland Archery Society Member Protection Policies.

Our Member Protection Officer is available to help you if you have any concerns in this regard.

#### **Codes of Behaviour**

Our club is inclusive and we expect Club members and visitors to Respect each other within the bounds of the Codes of Behaviour enunciated by Archery Australia, Archery Queensland and South Queensland Archery Society - see Links below.

## **Archer & Target Etiquette**

We expect that all archers:

- Are polite and courteous to other archers and spectators;
- Do NOT touch another archer's equipment without 1st obtaining permission;
- Do NOT touch another archer's arrows on target without 1st obtaining permission;
- Do NOT use inappropriate language;
- Do NOT disparage another archer's ability or equipment;
- Do NOT move targets while arrows are embedded in the target;
- Do NOT coach archers unless appropriately qualified by Archery Australia.

To protect the arrows of archers, ideally the max number of archers shooting on a target should be:

- 122cm target face, 4 archers;
- 80cm 10-ring target face, 3 archers;
- 80cm 6-ring compound target face, 4 targets per butt, 1 archer per face.

Join an existing Target before getting another target from the container. If spaces are available on targets ASK the other archers on that target before joining. Never just assume it is OK to join.

Put away equipment after use. Do NOT leave for someone else to put away.

Targets - If you are the last person to use a target please put it away in the container. Remember the target stake and flag are stored on the target frame;

Other - any other club equipment (chairs etc), please put away appropriately after use.

# No Smoking

Our Club is a 'smoke free' site.

Smoking is permitted in designated areas only. Cigarette butts and associated rubbish must be placed in rubbish bins.

## **Alcohol & Drugs**

Our Club grounds are subject to a lease agreement with Brisbane City Council. As such the consumption of alcohol is **not permitted** within the Wacol Station Road Parklands precinct.

Under no circumstances are you to be impaired by alcohol or drugs while participating in Club activities.

A blood alcohol level of zero applies.

#### **Tournaments**

The Club holds monthly Club competitions the results of which go towards the Ross Larsen Medal (see below) at the end of each year. We also conduct OzBow events designed specifically to test skills and encourage entry into competitions.

Enter Tournaments and QREs using the Archery Australia SportsTG system and Archers Diary system.

Events (eg mid-Month & end of Month & OzBow shoots) are entered via Archers Diary.

In all cases Archers Diary and a physical Archery Australia Scorecard are used to score the event.

Events, Tournaments and QREs start at a specified time.

Arriving late to an Event is discourteous to those archers who have arrived on time. Archers arriving late to an Event may not be permitted to 'makeup' arrows. The decision on make up arrows will reside solely with the DOS in consultation with the Event organiser and the number of arrows to be made up.

Tournaments and QREs are conducted under Archery Australia or World Archery Rules.

Events are used to prepare archers for Tournaments and QREs and the results may be used to determine the Ross Larsen Medals and Presidents Medals.

#### **Ross Larsen Medal**

Ross Larsen has been a member of our Club since inception when a couple of archery enthusiasts met to shoot in Ipswich in the 1960's.

Ross is a past Committee President, Vice President & Secretary - all positions which he has held for many years while steering the Club towards its current position.

He has been a role model and mentor to innumerable young and old archers and in 2019 the Club recognised Ross's service to the Club by creating the Ross Larsen Medal.

The Medal is presented annually to an adult male and female and a youth male and female as the aggregate winners (based on handicap) of eligible Club Mid Month and End of Month competitions.

Points are also awarded for participation at the Club's Working Bees.

#### **OzBow**

OzBow @ Centenary Archers "OzBow" is a re-design of Archery Australia's Oz Bow Program particular to Centenary Archers Club.

OzBow is to encourage and introduce Centenary members to:

- Tournament competition;
- · Tournament etiquette; and
- · Stretch them to new distances

From February to November test your skill from 20 to 60 metres to achieve a predetermined score.

Achieve the score starting at 20 metres then progress to the next distance. (see table for required scores). Cost is \$30 per bow type per archer (plus Ground/Hire Fees).

After completing all relevant distances you should consider entering Club, RGB & National Tournaments.

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# **Rounds to Shoot**

Below are some of the more common Rounds we shoot at the Club -

#### 720 Rounds:

Round	Distances	Face Size	Arrows	Notes
FITA 50/720	50	80	72	6 ring
FITA 70/720	70	122	72	
Launceston	50 / 30	80	72	
Townsville	70 / 60	122	72	

#### 900 Rounds:

Round	Distances	Face Size	Arrows	
Darwin	40	122	90	
Drake	30	80	90	
Geelong	30	122	90	
Grange	60	122	90	
Holt	50	80	90	
Canberra	60 / 50 / 40	122	90	
Short Canberra	50 / 40 / 30	122	90	
Junior Canberra	40 / 30 / 20	122	90	
Melbourne	50	122	90	
Newcastle	20	122	90	
Perth	70 / 60 / 50	122	90	
Samford	40	80	90	

#### Field Set Up

Bow Tuning Zone Max 15 M	20 M / 30 M Zone Lanes 16 to 22 for CnT	30 M / 50 M Zone Safety Zone Lanes 22 to 28	60 M / 70 M Zone	D I S T A N
Lanes 1 to 9	Lanes 10 to 21	<b>Lanes</b> 22 to 28	<b>Lanes 29 to 35</b>	C E

Note: during Come n Try events, lanes 22 to 28 will be closed and cordoned off to provide a safety barrier for archers.

The field has been setup to provide a safety barrier between the Come n Try classes and other archers and also to maximise the visibility of the DOS over the field of play.

In each zone targets at the longer distances should be placed at the Right side of that zone.

# **Target Selection**

To preserve our targets as much as possible it is important to choose the correct target.

By their very nature Compound arrows fly faster than Recurve arrows, therefore target selection is important to minimise damage to target Butts and arrows.

Compound Archers generally have 3 x double thickness areas on the target butt, they will also have a back-stop behind the target butt to prevent arrow 'pass throughs'. These targets are for individual 80 cm target faces.

If compound archers are using a 122cm target face the target *must* have a back-stop.

Recurve Archers will generally use targets with 1 x double thickness area on the target butt. For distances shorter than 30 M it is recommended that targets butts with a back-stop are used for higher poundage bows.

#### **Target Placement**

With markers at 10 M spaces each marker has a number which represents the target lane.

Place the target at the required distance ensuring:

- Centre of the GOLD is directly above marker for that distance;
- The target stand MUST be staked to the ground using target stakes;
- Place the Target Flag atop the target butt;
- · Place the target number under the target butt.

# Fees & Charges

#### Membership Fees:

Membership Fees are renewable on the anniversary of your joining the club using the Archery Australia On-Line Renewal function. Visit: <u>Archery Australia Home Page</u> to renew. Note - processing charges may apply.

#### Ground Fees:

- \* Annual Ground Fees (AGF) are optional and payable on the anniversary of the member's membership. The AGF offers a discounted ground fee for those archers who are very regular shooters.
- \* Daily Ground Fees are payable each time you shoot at the club **before** shooting begins.
- \* Please have correct money
- \* No IOUs

Membership Fees								
Membership Category	an	7		Club annual fee		TOTAL annual fee		
Junior (under 18)	\$	60.00	\$	30.00	\$	40.00	\$	130.00
Adult (18 & over)	\$	90.00	\$	35.00	\$	60.00	\$	185.00
AA Life Member	\$	0.00	\$	35.00	\$	60.00	\$	95.00
SQAS Life Member	\$	90.00	\$	0.00	\$	60.00	\$	150.00
Club Life Member	\$	90.00	\$	35.00	\$	0.00	\$	125.00
Family Group - 1 adult & 3 Juniors	\$	180.00	\$	70.00	\$	140.00	\$	390.00
Family Group - 1 adult & 2 Juniors	\$	180.00	\$	70.00	\$	120.00	\$	370.00
Family Group - 2 adults & 2 Juniors	\$	180.00	\$	70.00	\$	160.00	\$	410.00
Family Group - 2 adults & 1 Junior	\$	180.00	\$	70.00	\$	140.00	\$	390.00

Ground Fees					
Archer		Fee			
Adult	\$	5			
Junior (under 18)	\$	2			
Member Equipment Hire & Ground Fee	\$	10			
Temporary Member	\$	20			
Visitor - AA member	\$	10			
Visitor - AA member & Equipment Hire	\$	20			
Annual Ground Fee - Adult	\$	200			
Annual Ground Fee - Junior (under 18)	\$	80			

# Links

Archery Australia Home Page

AA Shooting Rules

AA Policies & Procedures

South Queensland Archery Society Home Page

Archery Queensland Home Page

World Archery Home Page