

Bow Hire Policy/Scheme

- The scheme is being put in place for the first time this year
 - As such it will likely be subject to changes
 - As a committee we will make sure changes are just and do not overly impact the experience of our members
- The bow hire scheme will be run on a semi-volunteering basis
 - A form will be sent out at the start of the year to all members, near the end of the first beginner's course, in which they will be able to apply for the scheme
 - All bows not used for the scheme will be given out on a first-come first-served basis
 - Archers who apply for the scheme without regularly coming to sessions may be asked to reconsider, as the club is limited in the number of bows it can put aside
 - As the second beginner's course ends, bows that have not been used in this scheme may have to be implemented, given the increase in novice members
- **Bows will be distributed following the given order:**
 - All archers competing in the coming week will be given priority over bows, with the aim to have archers use the same bow from session to session
 - All archers coming to sessions often (once/twice a week or more) will be given priority
 - Following this, bows will be distributed to each in this order:
 - Novices Archers
 - Development Archers
 - Social Archers
 - An archer loses their priority for a given session if they arrive at Coombe Dingle after the range has already been set-up and is active, at which point a first-come first-served basis will apply
- **All bows are to be returned to the cupboard once a session is over**
 - Archers will only be able to take bows outside of Coombe Dingle grounds if they will be heading to a competition outside of Bristol in the days following the session
 - Bows taken to competitions must be brought back in a timely manner to avoid any shortages
 - Failure to do so may lead to repercussions, given committee's discretion
- **Bow distribution may be altered in response to applications**
 - If a large number of a membership group apply and outweigh all others, a certain cap on bows assigned to that group may be set-up, as deemed necessary
 - This will hopefully help in fairly distributing bows across all membership groups
- **Bows can be associated to different people, if it is advantageous to do so**
 - If multiple archers come regularly to sessions but on different days, a bow can be "marked" as theirs, so long as the poundage and size suits both archers
 - This "marked" bow will be distributed to these people on their given days, so long as they arrive on time (as stated prior)