



Established in 1973

Hertford Company of Archers Archery Parties

Introduction

Hertford Company of Archers (HCA) is an established and thriving archery club based just outside Hertford, at The Butts, Meadow Lane, Hertford Heath (beside Haileybury College). We are members of GNAS our National body and abide by their rules and recommendations. We are delighted to hold on your behalf, Archery Parties, for children or adults at our field.

Costs/Deposit

We charge £20 per head up to a maximum of 12 individuals for 2 hours shooting. Cheques should be made payable to 'Hertford Company of Archers' and will need to have cleared at least 4 weeks prior to the event which will include a 25% non-refundable deposit. This is a requirement of our Public Liability Insurance policy so payment on the day will not be acceptable.

Format

This can either be a 10 minute briefing with 1.45hrs shooting or a 10 minute briefing with a 1hr shoot and a ½ hour competition.

Cancellation

In the event of cancellation at less than 48 hours prior to the agreed date, the monies will be kept by HCA in their entirety, unless cancelled by The Club for safety reasons, in which instance all monies will be refunded in full.

Age and Supervision

All our coaches are CRB'd and a copy of our policy can be made available on request. Children under 14 must be supervised with a recommended 1 adult to 3 children ratio. The host parents must provide this number of adults to supervise the children in order for HCA coaches/members to focus on the archery.

Adult groups wishing to hold a party will have one HCA Coach/experienced archer per 3 adults.

Dates

Those wishing to hold an archery party will be asked for 3 dates/times with their preferred date/time highlighted. Subject to these not clashing with club days/events we will do our best to accommodate such requests. Please note, we need **at least 6 weeks'** notice of your event so that we can minute it at a Committee Meeting (for insurance purposes).

Catering

The bbq and gas will be made available, for a fee of £10. You must bring your own food which you will cook yourselves. HCA will not be responsible for any catering arrangements.

Safety

SAFETY IS OUR PRIME CONCERN. STRICT DISCIPLINE MUST BE OBSERVED.

You will be provided with lightweight beginner bows and arrows and instructed in their use. Shooting will be on a one to one basis with a coach or experienced archer.

Targets will typically be 10 yards from the shooting line.

All archers must obey the Field Captain's whistle. Failure to do so could endanger someone else and will mean you are asked to leave the shooting line. Always check that the area is clear before and during shooting. A clear signal will be given to indicate it is safe to shoot immediately prior to arrows being shot. A second signal should also be given to indicate that shooting should be brought to a halt either for the collection of arrows or for safety reasons.

Field Captain's commands must be obeyed in order to meet the terms of our insurance.

You will be fully briefed on the use of your equipment, fire exits, availability of first aid etc.