# Mount Petrie Bowmen Inc.



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## Street and postal address

Archery Rd Belmont Shooting Complex 1485 Old Cleveland Road Belmont, Queensland, 4153

#### Websites

- Mount Petrie Bowmen www.brisbanearchery.org.au
- South Queensland Archery Society www.archerysqas.org.au
- Archery Australia www.archery.org.au

#### **Club Constitution, Policies and Insurance**

Mount Petrie Bowmen is a not-for-profit, volunteer managed, membership-based community sporting club governed by its Constitution, as approved by the Queensland Office of Fair Trading. Members are asked to respect the work done by volunteers and to contribute to working bees and other activities.

The Mount Petrie Bowmen Inc (MPB) constitution and policies are available on the MPB website at –

http://brisbanearchery.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/MPB-Constitution-Adopted-20-Feb-2016.pdf

MPB Inc holds liability insurance to the value of \$25,000,000.00. This coverage is provided by Archery Australia Inc through Sportscover Australia Pty Ltd. Shooting elsewhere than at the MPB facility or other Archery Australia affiliated club is not covered by this policy., eg., practicing at home.

## **Official Opening Hours**

- Saturday (Club day) is from about 9.00am until the end of shooting
- persons seeking to make 'on-site' enquiries must come on Saturday morning as we may not be able to be of assistance once the afternoon shoot has commenced
- Tuesday and Thursday evenings from about 6.00pm to the end of shooting
- the outdoor range is open to financial Club members with their own equipment during daylight hours, Club Shooting Calendar permitting

#### **Shoot Starting Times and Shooting Rounds**

- all rounds to be shot, including start times, are published in the Club Shooting Calendar on the Club website
- for Saturday shoots, you must nominate for your shoot a minimum of 30 minutes before commencement by adding your name to the shoot blackboard under the shoot of your choice
- for week night shoots, you must be present by 6.30pm if you wish to record an official score
- for evening indoor QREs you need to be there by 6.30pm
- if you wish to record an official score you must register on Archer's Diary beforehand for the round of your choice
- all late comers are to report to the Director of Shooting (DOS)
- only listed rounds on the Club Shooting Calendar will be shot, unless otherwise approved by the DOS
- regardless of which target rounds are scheduled there will usually be a Novice Shoot available on Saturday (e.g. Newcastle, Geelong) – Club Shooting Calendar permitting
- records and classifications can only be claimed on shoots listed in the Club Shooting Calendar for that day

#### **Who Can Shoot at Mount Petrie Bowmen**

financial members of MPB

- visitors who are financial members of other Archery Australia affiliated clubs may shoot on Saturdays and Tuesday and Thursday evenings. They may not shoot on the outdoor range, other than on Saturday
- registered tournament competitors
- persons undertaking introductory courses and other activities run by the Club
- Archery Alliance members may shoot up to four times a year, on Saturdays, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Archery Alliance members may not shoot on the outdoor range other than on Saturday
- All visitors must comply with Archery Australia rule s.6.1.3.2, Archery Australia Shooting Rules. Specifically, a compound bow with a variable peak weight range above 60lb cannot be used. For other bows, the maximum draw weight, as measured at the archer's draw length, cannot exceed 60lbs.

## Range, New Target and Equipment Hire Fees

For Club members, range fees are payable –

- any time on Saturday, for both indoor or outdoor
- Tuesday and Thursday nights for the indoor hall

For visitors, ie., financial members of other AA affiliated clubs, ABA, 3DAAA and FAA clubs, see MPB website "Opening Hours" for further detail.

## Range fees -

- \$7.00– 18 years and above
- \$5.00– under 18
- \$12.00 visitors who are financial members of other AA affiliated clubs, ABA, 3DAAA and FAA clubs, on presentation of a current membership card

Equipment hire - \$8.00 payable each time.

New target - \$3.00, payable any time you choose to use a new indoor target face, except when shooting in a registered tournament where targets are provided (i.e. Indoor QRE or Silver Arrow Indoor).

Club members with their own equipment may shoot on the outdoor range at any time during daylight hours without paying range fees, other than on Saturday, and subject to the Club Shooting Calendar. Safe shooting practices must be adopted at all times.

## **Control of Shooting**

- for official Club shoots and tournaments, all shooting will be controlled by the DOS (Director of Shooting) or the nominated Assistant DOS
- any instructions or requests by the DOS will be acted upon immediately
- shooting will be controlled by whistle blasts or the electronic timing system, under the control of the DOS
- rapid repeated whistle blasts by the DOS this means there is a possible emergency. You should stop shooting immediately and step back from the line. If you are about to shoot an arrow, let down. Do not shoot it.
- all shooting will cease 30 minutes before the nominated time for the scheduled shoot
- all archers are required to assist in getting the field ready for shooting and packing up after the completion of shooting

- if you wish to use the indoor hall on Saturday afternoon when the Club shoot is outdoor, you must seek permission from the DOS first
- you must report to the DOS if leaving the shooting line at any time during a shoot (e.g. finishing early, equipment failure)
- if you need to leave the shooting before completing the event you must put your target butt away before leaving
- should the scheduled outdoor shoot be cancelled by the DOS, it may be replaced in the calendar by an AA 18m or 25m Indoor round.

## **Out of Hours Practice**

- practice butts must be returned to the covered area when finished, other than those with a sign to the contrary
- relinquish the butt on the 20m line if requested by an older, disabled or frail member
- only financial MPB Club members may shoot on the outdoor range out of hours
  Archery Australia High Performance Team members excepted
- you must adopt safe shooting practices and co-operate with other archers to achieve this

## Safety Rules

- you are responsible for your own safety and that of others using the Club's facilities. Everyone is expected to comply with safety rules
- covered footwear must be worn when shooting or entering the field of play.
  Sandals, thongs, open-toed shoes, etc., are not permitted
- alcohol or drugs must not be consumed by any person, spectator or visitor, while shooting is taking place. No one may shoot when under the influence of either
- armguards, chest protectors, close-fitting clothes, hats, water and sun screen are recommended
- bows must not be drawn with an arrow unless the bow is pointed at the target and the field of play is clear of archers and officials
- when drawing a bow, the bow sight must not be above the height of the target butt (refer to AA website for further information on high drawing)
- aiming a drawn bow, with or without an arrow, at another person is forbidden
- never run on the field of play
- when crossing the field of play, walk behind the archers on the shooting line
- do not disturb or cause interference to other archers when on or leaving the shooting line
- regularly check your equipment to ensure it is safe and always use matched arrows that are labelled with your name/initials
- do not dry fire a bow, ie., release a fully drawn bow string without an arrow
- headphones or ear coverings must not be worn while shooting or in front of the shooting line
- stay behind the shooting line unless directed by the DOS
- approach the target butt from the side, and check for arrows in the ground
- when pulling arrows, stand at the side of the butt, use two hands (one on the target and one on the arrow close to the butt), and ensure that no one is standing behind you. Only 2 people can remove arrows at the same time (one from the left and one from the right side of the butt).
- field course when looking for arrows behind the target, place a bow in front of the target butt to signify that someone is behind the butt

 spectating children must remain under the immediate supervision of their parent/guardian. They must not be permitted to move around the Club environments unsupervised, or act in such a way as to distract those shooting

## **Conduct**

- excessive talking, laughing and other noise must cease once the whistle has blown and shooting commences
- when you have finished shooting, step back from the line, and remain quiet to allow other archers to complete their shooting
- skylarking, bad language and equipment abuse shall not be tolerated from any Club member, visitor or spectator. They may be asked to leave the grounds
- do not criticise other archers' equipment or handle their equipment without their consent
- help other archers look for lost arrows so the shoot is not delayed
- in the event of equipment failure, step off the shooting line, hold your bow above your head, and call to the DOS
- paper score sheets must be correctly filled in and signed, otherwise your score and record claims may be disallowed
- all scores are to be entered into Archer's Diary (arrow by arrow) by the archers either during the event or immediately after the completion of the event if there has been a technology failure
- novice shooters should be given support and encouragement by other archers.

## **Dress Code**

- MPB is a family friendly environment, so we request that you wear modest sunsafe clothes, specifically, shirts that have sleeves and reach the top of your pants. No short shorts or tank tops
- please, no offensive slogans
- always wear fully enclosed shoes
- the Club uniform is not compulsory. Shirt samples are available to try on at the Club house.

#### **CLUB COMPETITION INFORMATION**

#### **Overall Club Champion**

The Club Overall Champion is calculated on a combination of an archer's best scores shot in the Club championships rounds for each of the 4 World Archery disciplines (Target, Field, Indoor, Clout) for one division and bow type.

Should any scheduled Club championship round be cancelled by the DOS due to unforeseen circumstances, it will be rescheduled for 2 weeks hence, provided the date does not coincide with a scheduled SQAS, AQ or National event. If this is the case the Club championship round will be shot on the next available Saturday. The Championship Policy is available on the Club website.

# **Midweek Evening Indoor Handicap Shoot**

Every Tuesday and Thursday night there will be either an 18m or 25m indoor shoot (25m will be shot on the first Tuesday and Thursday of each month unless otherwise determined by the DOS or Club Shooting calendar). Scores submitted between 1 February and 31 October inclusive each year will be used to accumulate points which will determine the overall winners of the indoor handicap shoot each year.

## Saturday Tanah Shield Handicap

The Saturday Tanah Shield Handicap shoot is conducted on the results of the Saturday competition between the first Saturday in February and the last Saturday in October inclusive each year. The Saturday Tanah Shield Handicap competition rules also require that an archer submit a minimum of one score in each of the four disciplines (Target, Field, Indoor, Clout) to be eligible.

## **Other Information**

For detail on age divisions, shoot details (eg., how many arrows at what distances for you age division), go to the Club website –

http://brisbanearchery.org.au/competition-2/who-shoots-what/