

I faith, I know the thing thou frink'st: did he
Let fire six shots or only five? Well sir,
In honesty, e'en I know not the count:
But this an English longbow holds the name,
And 'tis the strongest bow yet in this world,
Could blow thy head clear off with but one shot.
A single question thou must ask thyself:

Do I feel lucky?



Well, dost thou punk?

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Code of behaviour for Sherwood Forresters

Most of archery etiquette is simple common-sense, meant to make the sport enjoyable and to preserve good humour and not spoil other people's concentration. Appropriate behaviour helps a club to run smoothly and is a must at tournaments.

A good archer does **not**:

- Talk in a loud voice when others are shooting.
- Make any exclamation(s) on the shooting line which might disturb a neighbour in the act of shooting.
- Walk off the shooting line when a neighbour is at full draw.
- Shoot distances beyond their capability (without the support and advice from a more senior archer).
- Walk up and down the shooting line comparing scores.
- Touch anyone else's equipment without permission.
- Shoot more than six arrows per end **unless** they can comfortably shoot more without holding up other archers.

A good archer **always**:

- Asks other archers before joining a target.
- Offers to pay to replace someone's arrow (or any other piece of equipment) if they break it through their own carelessness.
- Helps to put out the equipment and/or to put it away.

Etiquette when scoring if traditional target shooting:

A good archer:

- When calling scores, does so in groups of three, and in descending order.
- When calling scores, points to each arrow as it is called, without touching the arrow or target face.
- Does not touch any arrow or the target face until all arrow values have been recorded and checked.
- When required to do so, takes their turn at scoring.
- Only withdraws the arrows of others if this has been agreed by them.
- At the end of the round thanks the Target Captain for the work done by them.

The aim of this short guide is to ensure that good humour and respect for the self , the individual archer, the company at each shoot, and the Club as a whole, are maintained.

It matches the standard required in Tournament Archery and promotes the comradeship of the shooting line
The Sherwood Forresters spirit, lived with heart and soul, will be carried beyond the shooting line and into life.