



WHITELEAF BOWMEN

CONSTITUTION

2025 Revised Edition

Revised	Item 2b	AGM 2003 "Equal Opportunities" added
Revised	Item 8b	AGM 2003 Honorary Member
Revised	Item 16a	AGM 2003 Change to Committee
Revised	Item 16b	AGM 2003 Deleted
Revised	Item 16c	AGM 2003 Committee "Job Sharing"
Revised	Item 16l	AGM 2003 Year now 1st Nov - 31st Oct
Revised	Item 12	AGM 2006 Conditions Expanded
Revised	Item 2a	AGM 2007 New Objective
Revised	Item 3b	AGM 2007 Change to Dissolution Procedure
Revised	Item 7a	AGM 2007 Change to Amendment Procedure
Revised	Item 9	AGM 2007 Added Non-Discrimination Clauses
Revised	Item 23	AGM 2007 Change to Misconduct Procedure
Revised	Item 8d	AGM 2008 Change to Junior Membership Definition
Revised	Item 3b	EGM 2011 Change to distribution of club funds
Revised	Item 8c	EGM 2011 Change to Ordinary Member Definition
Revised	Item 14a	AGM 2011 Change to clause re Subscription
Revised	Clause 8a vi	AGM 2014 Addition of membership clause
Revised	Clause 8g	AGM 2014 Added definition of Life Member
Revised	Clause 15a	AGM 2016 Subscription Renewal Date
Revised	Clause 15b	AGM 2016 Non-payment of subscription date
Revised	Clause 8d	AGM 2017 Accompaniment of Juniors
Revised	Clause 15a	AGM 2017 Change to cause re Subscription
Revised	Clause 15b	AGM 2017 Lapse of membership
Revised	Clause 23a	EGM 2021 Number calling EGM
Revised	Clause 22g	EGM 2021 Number of members for quorum at AGM
Revised	Clause 17a	AGM 2022 Update committee posts
Revised	Clause 21a	AGM 2022 Update banking year end
Revised	Clause 21c	AGM 2022 Amend banking authorisation
Revised	Clause 13	EGM 2024 Amend condition for fee exemption
Re-written on formation of two clubs		AGM 2025

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The club shall be called **WHITELEAF BOWMEN**.
2.
 - a. The object of the Club shall be to provide facilities for, and promote participation of, the whole community in the sport of Archery.
 - b. The Club operates an Equal Opportunities Policy, which aims to ensure that no person receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of colour, creed, or national origin, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or marital status, or is disadvantaged by any condition which cannot be shown to be justifiable.
 - c. The Committee will be that of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club and the club will be a subset of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club.
3. The Club will have access to the funds and property of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club but will have no claim or ownership whilst that club is in existence.
4. The Club shall be affiliated each year to Archery GB, the Southern Counties Archery Society, and the Buckinghamshire Archery Association. Such affiliations will automatically imply acceptance of the Rules and Regulations of those bodies.
5. The Postal address of the Club shall be that of the Secretary for the time being, or such other address as may be decided by the Committee from time to time.
6.
 - a. The Constitution shall not be altered or amended except at a General Meeting of the club.
 - b. Members wishing to move a Proposition designed to alter or amend the Constitution shall submit such Proposition in writing to the Secretary not less than 42 days preceding the Annual General Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

7.
 - a. There shall be the following classes of members:
 - i. Ordinary Member
 - ii. Junior Member
 - b. **Ordinary Member:** Any person interested in Archery shall be eligible for admittance as an Ordinary Member, subject to the approval of the Committee. They must already be a member of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club.
 - c. **Junior Member:** Any person interested in Archery, not having attained the age of 18, shall be eligible for admittance as a Junior Member, subject to the approval of the Committee. They must already be a member of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club. A prospective Junior Member shall be required to provide the Membership Secretary with the written consent of a Parent or Legal Guardian in support of his application. All Junior members must at all times be accompanied by a parent or guardian-
8. Membership of the Club shall be open to all persons irrespective of ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion, or beliefs; or of age, sex, or disability, except as a necessary consequence of the requirements of Archery as a particular sport.

9. It shall be a condition of Membership that all Members accept the jurisdiction of the Club and shall conform to such conditions, shooting rules, and regulations as may be determined from time to time. All members must also be a member of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club.
10. The Club will refuse membership or expel from membership any archer who is refused membership or expelled from membership of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club, or who refuses to join Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

11. All Members, as defined in Clause 7a, will be responsible for paying their own fees to join Archery GB, SCAS and Buckinghamshire Archery Association. Proof of said payments will be required to shoot at any Club run open tournament. A current Archery GB membership card will be sufficient proof.
12. All members as defined in Clause 7a must have paid their subscription to Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club which may be due from a different date to Archery GB membership.
13. Whiteleaf Bowmen has no involvement in the setting of fees by bodies specified in Clause 4.
14. The fees due to the bodies specified in Clause 4 relating to the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Welfare Officer and Coaching Officers will be met by the Club at the Committee's discretion.

MANAGEMENT

15. The management of the Club's affairs shall be entrusted to the Committee which will be that of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club.
16. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and Coaching Officer shall all be Ordinary Members as defined in Clause 7b. The other members will all be members of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club and may also be members of Whiteleaf Bowmen.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

17. The Club shall ordinarily hold a combined Annual General Meeting with Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club in October of each year at a time and place to be determined by the Committee.

MISCONDUCT

18. If, in the opinion of the Committee, any Member, as defined in Clause 7, shall have been guilty of misconduct prejudicial to the good name and order of the Club, the Committee may, after affording to such Member a reasonable opportunity of a hearing, suspend indefinitely or expel such Member from the Club without being called upon to state the reason to any but the Member concerned. This may be separate from the misconduct clause of Whiteleaf Bowmen Archery Club.

CONSTITUTION

19. Each new Member, upon joining the Club, shall be presented with a copy of the Constitution and a copy of such other Rules and Regulations which the Committee may have issued.

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