

MASSEY ARCHERY CLUB

26th ANNUNAL SAFARI & 2015 NZ LONGBOW CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday 28th February & Sunday 1st March 2015

- ☐ Five 3D Target courses (10 targets) – each course differently themed
- ☐ Specialties
- ☐ Knife & axe throwing
- ☐ Hunter round
- ☐ Knock down silhouettes
- ☐ William Tell
- ☐ Bow birds- The only automated Bow Bird Thrower in NZ!!
- ☐ Top 6 shoot out for Longbow, Recurve and Compound divisions
- ☐ Safari Spit Roast Dinner Saturday Night
- ☐ Social Evening with Live Music

Food and refreshments available each day, including breakfast & lunch

Tournament Fees (including Safari Dinner and Band):

- Seniors.....\$60
- Juniors & Cubs (17 & under)\$35
- Family (2 adults & 2 children under 17)...\$130
- Dinner/Social Evening Only - \$15 for non-competitors

Divisions

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| * Cubs | * Junior Open | * Ladies & Mens Recurve |
| * Bowhunter Release | * Junior Barebow | * Ladies & Mens Longbow |
| * Veterans | * Junior Sighted | * Ladies & Mens Barebow |
| * Specialties | * Ladies & Mens Sighted | * Ladies & Mens Open |
| * Novice | | |

Registration – 8:00am

Bow Birds (Saturday) – 9:00am

Muster – Saturday 10:00am, Sunday 9:00am

Courses close 1.00pm Sunday

- ☐ Cash Prizes and Spot Prizes
 - ☐ Camping and limited billets available (contact the club)

Pre-registration is required by 5pm Wednesday 25/02/15. Send your details and cheque to:
The Registrar, Massey Archery Club, PO Box 79054, Royal Heights, Massey

ARROW MAKING

A special part of the Safari is a competition for the best home-made arrows.
You have from now until the safari to make three (3) identical arrows, which will be judged by two magnificent arrow-smiths,
Colin Hollingsworth & Tom Lambert.

Rules for entry are as below.

All shafts are to be of wood and one piece, however footing at nock and pile end are allowed.

120 grain weight target piles only.

Arrows must weigh the same, (within 50 grains of each other).

Fletches must be of natural feather, be of the same length, and have a minimum of twelve (12) inches of fletch. These can be glued or bound.

Centre of gravity must be the same, within a half inch (+ or – a quarter inch)
Shafts must be straight.

Piles and nocks must be on straight and be of the same pattern on all shafts. Arrows may be self-nocked, or have plastic nocks.

Cresting must be even and match up exactly on all shafts. Cresting is optional; however it makes for a more attractive arrow and scores more points.

Spine must be the same on all shafts (+ or – 10 AMO units).

All shafts must be exactly the same length, and useable (not models).

While plastic nocks, gluing of fletches and no cresting are optional, arrows will be judged on skill and aesthetics, so the more traditional and attractive the better.

So, all you arrow-makers out there, get constructing. We want to see as many of you as possible.

There will be an award for the best set of arrows, and of course bragging rights for the successful entrant.

The History behind the SAFARI

Massey Safari

The Massey Safari is the club's premier event and is New Zealand's longest running significant club-based Bow Hunter Tournament. It is consistently one of the top shoots in the country, and is now entering its third decade. It is usually held over the last weekend in February, and a special course is set out that is shot both days and contains a combination of specialties, 3D targets and mat targets.

In addition to this course the following events are also run:

Bow Birds. Bow Birds involves shooting special flu-flu arrows with a long bow with frisbie-like targets that are thrown in the air. Bow birds are only shot with a Long Bow.

William Tell. Archers have an opportunity to shoot at an apple resting on a dummys head. This event is only shot with a Long Bow or Recurve.

Knife Throwing. Axe Throwing.

Specialities. Target shots that are challenging, difficult and fun.

The Safari is a must for club members and is well attended by archers all over the country, as well as from our Sister Club in Australia.

History of the Safari

The initial idea for a Safari started from an idea thought up by Tom Lambert in early 1987. He had been reading Australian archery publications and saw an article about a traditional shoot to be started up in Maryborough, Queensland. This shoot was to be known as the Longbow Muster and in discussion with other members of the club it was agreed it would be a great thing to support this event and see what it was about. Tom unfortunately wasn't able to make it but a small team of Massey members made their way over in June 1987. They came back enthused with the type of shooting they had experienced and the camaraderie that a relaxed shoot could bring out. So once back they set about enthusing the club and planning the Massey equivalent, to be named the Massey Safari. A lot of work was involved with the first shoot. The first course set was a 28 target course with four specialty shots, the fore-runner of what came to be known as the Longwalk Course. There were a lot fewer divisions in those days, basically Longbow and Open with all those new-fangled compound things being put in the Open Division. Inaugural winners of the Massey Safari were Gordon Boyd in the Longbow and Trevor Irvine in the Open.

New Zealand Longbow Championship

The Massey Safari is held in conjunction with the New Zealand Longbow Championships.

In June 1988 a group of Massey archers made their way across to Maryborough, Queensland, to the Longbow Muster, not only to take part but also to promote the Massey Safari as the reciprocal shoot for Aussies wanting a trip to Godzone. Aiming to give the Safari credibility, it was decided to brand it as the New Zealand Longbow Championships from 1989. The 1989 safari was therefore the inaugural New Zealand Longbow Championships with Gordon Boyd becoming the first champion, a title he successfully defended the following year. The Open division was won by D Phillips however the compounds were split up with a Barebow Division catering for the big numbers. Mike Allen from Dargaville won the first of his eight titles in this year, and proved to be the dominant Barebow Archer in the country until the mid nineties.

REGISTRATION FORM

Division	Sexes	Rules
Open	Mens and Ladies	All the gear you can fit on
Bowhunter Release	Unisex	Compound with release and pins
Sighted	Mens and Ladies	Compound or Recurve with any sights, finger release
Barebow	Mens and Ladies	Compound, no sights, finger release
Veterans	Unisex	Any bow, archer aged 55 years or over
Recurve	Mens and Ladies	Recurve, no sights, finger release
Longbow	Mens and Ladies	Longbow, Wooden Arrows, Mediterranean Release
Junior Open	Unisex	16 and under - All the gear you can fit on
Junior Bowhunter Release	Unisex	16 and under - Compound with pins
Junior Barebow	Unisex	16 and under - Any bow, no sights, finger release
Cubs	Unisex	12 and under - No sights, finger release

Fees:	Senior	\$60.00
	Junior/Cubs	\$35.00
	Family	\$130.00
	Dinner	Dinner is included in fees for archers, additional tickets can be purchased for family or friends at \$15 each, under 10yrs \$10.

Archer	Division	Staying For Dinner (y/n)	Amount
Additional Dinner Tickets	Number Required ===→		
Total Payable			

REGISTRATIONS MUST BE IN BY 5PM WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2015

- To Register At The Club - Give your form and payment (Cash, EFT, Cheque) to the bar staff.
- To Register Online - Bank Account: 03-0156-0790360-000 (for EFT payments, put your name & SAFARI as a reference). Email your registration form to masseyeditor@yahoo.co.nz
- To Register By Mail - Send forms and payment to The Safari Registrar
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