



RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery Club



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Club Website

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Visitor Information

General Information

Regular 3D archery target competition shoots are held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's of the month at the Aust. Bowhunters Assoc. (A.B.A) Range, 56 Leviathan Road, Inverell, NSW, 2360.

3D shoot commences at 1pm (winter) or 2pm (summer)

Warm up / practise on target butts from 12pm (winter) or 1pm (summer)

Assistance is always needed to help set up the day's 3D target's & the course; the front gate is usually open from 11am (winter) or 12pm (summer).

Shoot fees

Adults are \$10.00 per person, per day,
Children, 16 years of age or under, are \$5.00 per person, per day.

General Rules and Conditions

All interested members of the public, invited guests or visitors, that wish to participate in club shoot days, must be accompanied by the person that invited you, or the club must have prior knowledge that you have been invited by that member.

Visitors, that are currently not financial members of any archery associations (whether those associations are recognised under the tri-affiliate participation policy or not) are normally invited to a shoot by a current financial member of the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, and who must also be a current financial member of the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA). If general members of the public arrives at the grounds un-invited and those person's wish to join in a club shoot, please ask a club member and that person or the club may invite you to shoot, but those un-invited person/s must satisfy the club, or one of it's members, that they can use a bow and shoot an arrow safely, competently and responsibly. If you don't know how to use a bow and arrow and you want to learn, say so, and we'll teach you. Any children, that are of 16 years of age or under, that enter the club grounds, must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times, irregardless of whether they wish to practise, compete or not.

Visitors can ask to use one of a limited amount of low poundage (up to 45lb) club "recurve" bows and arrows, suitable for adults and youth's, if requested. If visitors ask to use a club bow, and there are insufficient club arrows on offer, some may be sourced or loaned from other club members, if they are present, but only at the club members personal discretion. Do not be offended if club members are reluctant to loan their arrows, as arrows can be extremely expensive, to purchase, and if broken or damaged, to repair. The RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery would ultimately prefer all people that wish to participate in any club shoots to supply their own bow, arrows and any other archery equipment that they feel is necessary and the use of that equipment, if it is allowed, under the conditions as stated in the current "3DAAA Rules of Shoot" booklet, that is available to download via the 3DAAA website. For any further rules and conditions, including a "code of conduct", please refer to the 3DAAA website or ask the club secretary to view a copy.

OH&S, Personal Clothing, Personal Protection Equipment (P.P.E) and Harm Reduction.

The wearing of full, hunting type “camouflage” clothing is strictly forbidden on the range, for safety and OH&S reasons, although camouflage based or accented, archery brand name hats and camouflage based or accented clothing like shirts and t-shirts may be acceptable, upon approval, but normally, street based, casual attire is commonly accepted. Remember, the range course is set in natural bushland, with tick and other insect attacks a constant concern, so please dress accordingly. It is recommended that you wear sturdy, fully enclosed footwear suitable for walking over steep terrain, climbing over large rocks and fallen trees, a peaked or wide brimmed hat, adequate enough to shade the back of the neck, a long sleeved shirt and full length trousers, as summer activities are often held during the heat of the day and excessive sun exposure to bare skin, with the potential for heat stress and / or heat exhaustion can be a serious threat, especially if left unsupervised. It is the responsibility of the individual to provide and wear adequate sun protection, in the form of a 15+ SPF or higher sunscreen lotion, especially if the individual has fair or sensitive skin.

Any pre-existing medical condition, that an individual may be suffering from, however trivial it may seem, must be declared to the group or range officer prior to commencing the range course. Any medical and emergency situations will be treated with the utmost seriousness, and the relevant government authorities will be notified if any situation requiring such assistance becomes necessary. It is the responsibility of the individual to provide for and possibly carry on the range, sufficient enough water to stay adequately hydrated and have enough food to satisfy any hunger for the day, as no meals or snacks will generally be provided, unless it has been prior arranged and notified. Individual male and female toilets are available on the grounds for participants to use (please ask for the key, if they are still padlocked) and a rainwater tank is provided for the purposes of hand washing (please note; the water is not fit for drinking, unless adequately sterilised, entrants drinking the water do so at their own risk).

General Disclaimer

Archery is an age old, recreational sport. It can be a very enjoyable pastime, but by the sport's very nature, a bow and arrow also has the potential to be used as a highly accurate, lethal and sometimes deadly weapon. Bow's, but more importantly, the arrows shot from them, can kill or severely injure. Bow's and arrows have been used for thousands of years as weapons of war and to hunt animals. So with that in mind, RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery asks all participants, whilst they are on the club grounds, especially when on the practise range and / or while competing, to acknowledge the potential dangers associated with the sport and agree to respect the people around you, by acting in a safe, conscientious and responsible manner. Any participant that is found acting in an unsafe manner whilst on the club grounds or range will be asked to leave the club grounds immediately.

Indemnity Clause and Waiver and Conditions of Entry

Upon entering the club grounds, each entrant acknowledges and agrees that it is a condition of entry, that RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery does not accept any responsibility, whether it be criminal or financial, for loss or damage to anything in or on any vehicle or to any archery equipment, irrespective of how the loss or damage occurred, including where it occurs through the act or omission of a member of RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery. Nor does RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery accept responsibility for any personal injury or the consequences of any personal actions sustained by any member of the public, whether as visitors, invited guests, interested passers by, or trespassers, whilst on the club grounds and all entrants enter at their own risk.

Any entrant, upon entering the club grounds, and after reading this leaflet which includes the disclaimer, indemnity clause and waiver, general rules and conditions of entry, acknowledges and agrees to abide by the requirements of the conditions, as stated above and verbally by members of the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery and the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA). If entrants so choose not to agree to the conditions, they will be asked to leave the grounds immediately and will be refused any future use of the practice range and 3D target competition range/s and any other future participation in any club activities, until they choose to agree.

Any unauthorised entry to the club grounds, at any time, will be considered as trespassing, and therefore may be prosecuted by the law.

Membership Information

Visitor invitations will only be extended for a maximum of 3 visits, after which time, if they wish to continue to shoot on club shoot days, they **MUST** become a financial member of the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery and the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA) (also see: Tri-Affiliate Participation Policy section below for further details about visiting members of other official archery clubs).

RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, annual club membership fee is \$11.00 per year, with annual renewals due at the beginning of the fiscal or financial year (1st July). RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery annual membership renewals are notified verbally, usually during regular club shoots or by a notice posted on the club website, but if you are unsure if your membership renewal is due or has previously lapsed, you are invited to contact the club president or secretary for confirmation. Unfortunately at this time, RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery does not have the infrastructure to mail out annual or lapsed membership renewal notices to individual members.

As the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, is an associate club of Inverell's Returned Serviceman's Memorial (RSM) Club, an individual annual associate membership of the RSM Club is also mandatory upon joining, this fee is normally \$11.00 per year, but it can vary, at the discretion of the RSM Club. Normally a financial associate membership to the RSM Club is the responsibility of the individual, but it can be arranged by the secretary at the same time as joining the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, if requested. If you already hold a current membership of Inverell's Returned Serviceman's Memorial (RSM) Club, your current membership card will need to be sighted and the details on it recorded and documented. Once a financial associate member of the RSM Club, annual associate membership renewals are the responsibility of the individual member, as RSM Club membership renewal notices are normally posted to the individual member's postal address, when they are due.

Tri-Affiliate Participation Policy

A new "Visitor and Cross Participation Policy" agreement was drawn up and officially became effective on 1st March, 2010; this was done primarily for the purposes of public liability insurance and to cover members that wish to occasionally compete, as visitors, in the other associations competitions. Since the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery is an officially recognised affiliate club of the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA), and under the terms of the new policy, any visiting financial members of the Aust. Bowhunters of Australia (A.B.A) and Archery Australia (A.A) are welcome to participate in any official RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery shoots. Visiting financial members of other recognised 3DAAA affiliate or associated clubs are also welcome to participate. If visiting members of the Aust. Bowhunters of Australia (A.B.A) and Archery Australia (A.A) then choose to financially join the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, and unless they are already, they **MUST** also become a financial member of the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA).

No person, shall be a financial member of the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, and not be a financial member of the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA), irregardless of whether they are a current financial member of the Aust. Bowhunters of Australia (A.B.A) and Archery Australia (A.A).

3DAAA Membership

If you are already a member the 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA), you have already satisfied the membership requirements of the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery, however your current membership card will need to be sighted and the details on it recorded and documented. If you are not currently a member of 3D Archery Association of Australia (3DAAA), new membership will then become mandatory, primarily for our association and insurance purposes. 3DAAA membership forms are available via the 3DAAA website or by asking the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery club secretary. Membership fees to 3DAAA can vary, depending on the various time period choices on offer. These choice options are stated on the membership forms. Once a financial member of 3DAAA, annual membership renewals are the responsibility of the individual member, as 3DAAA membership renewal notices are normally posted to the individual member's postal address, when they are due. New membership forms can be obtained from the RSM Copeton Waters 3D Archery Secretary or downloaded directly from 3DAAA website.
