# STARTING A CLUB WITH ARCHERY NEW BRUNSWICK

There are many benefits of becoming a member of Archery New Brunswick for both clubs and individuals. Clubs have access to borrowing start-up equipment, members have access to Coach Certification Workshops, Judge Workshops, Athlete Development and assistance and also club and member insurance. All of ANB's Chairpersons contact info is on the website: www.archerynb.ca

Starting a club is fairly easy. In order to register a club, the club must have an executive consisting of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The option is available to combine the Secretary& Treasurer's positions, as there must be a minimum of 3 persons on the Executive. Once the Executive is in place, then please contact the Membership Chair for registration forms and fees required. When the club is registered, these individuals are registered at the same time, and payment must be made for the club & all executive. \*\*\*Also registration is to be renewed each year.

At the time of registration, the club will appoint one member of the club to represent their club as their ANB director. This individual will represent the club and the club's concerns at all ANB's Board of Director meetings. This individual has one vote for the club and is the liaison for information to be brought back to the club and its members.

Once the Executive is in place, the Executive should develop a Constitution for the Club, which outlines, the rules and regulations and membership fees. It is up to each club to set their own rules and regulations on their operating procedure and their membership fees.

Once the club is formed, then two members of the Club must become Safety Officers in order for the Club to qualify for liability insurance. For information on the Safety Officer training, please visit Archery Canada's website <a href="http://archerycanada.ca/en/judging/range-safety-officers">http://archerycanada.ca/en/judging/range-safety-officers</a> and follow the instructions provided.

The Club must also have their own club membership card. In New Brunswick, the bow is classified as a firearm under the Provincial Dept of Natural Resources guidelines, and the club must register their club card and their physical address of their Club Range as well as contact information for their Executive each year with DNR. The club card acts as a travel permit for transporting the bow back and forth to the range and to tournaments. Also, please note that the bow is required to be in a case or wrapped in a blanket and securely tied when transporting the bow to and from the range and tournaments.

\*\*\*DNR has advised that if an individual is prohibited from possessing firearms, then a travel permit cannot be issued.

The club's membership card with the appropriate signatures is to be sent to:

Manager - Client Services Program Fish and Wildlife Branch PO Box 6000 Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1

Anyone starting a new club may wish to contact any of the existing clubs for advice. All ANB affiliated clubs are listed on the website. All clubs are usually willing to help anyone starting out. The executive or membership from new clubs should also visit a couple of tournaments either as a spectator or competitor. This will familiarize them with the setup and how a tournament is run. It will also it will give them the opportunity to interact with other archers and officials.

A few websites that you may wish to check out for further information is Archery Canada: <a href="http://www.archerygb.org">www.archerygb.org</a> and also a British site <a href="http://www.archerygb.org">http://www.archerygb.org</a>

In addition, the club may also wish to check with a lawyer regarding getting the Club incorporated. Incorporation is a possible protection for the club's executive to protect them from possible liability. This is another possible avenue for the Club, however, you may wish to obtain legal advice on this matter for the benefits of incorporation to the Club.

# JUDGE CERTIFICATION

ANB has a Judge Certification Chair, who is responsible for anyone who wishes to become a Local Club Judge, a Provincial Judge or go on to become a National Judge etc. To become a Local Club Judge, you would contact ANB's Judge Chair and arrange for the information and the tests. A local club judge, allows an individual to judge social shooting activity in the home club that is not on ANB's tournament schedule.

A Provincial Judge Candidate is a local judge who wishes to move up through the Judging stream. This individual would contact the judge chair and request to start the process to mentor under a Provincial Judge at the ANB sanctioned tournaments. Once the mentoring requirements are met, the Judge Chair will certify the candidate.

\*\*any tournament that is posted on ANB's schedule requires a Provincial Judge to officiate.

## **COACH CERTIFICATION**

ANB has a Coach Certification Chair. ANB offers Coach Certification workshops each year for the various National Coaching Certification Programs that are approved by Coaching Association of Canada. These are done in conjunction with Archery Canada. The courses are open to all ANB members in good standing. All clubs are notified via email through their Club president and

Club ANB director when a coach course is being offered. For further information, the contact information can be found on the website.

### ATHELETE DEVELOPMENT

ANB has a Provincial Coach who conducts clinics in various locations around the province that are held for athletes and their coaches who wish to advance their training and skills. The Provincial Coach is also responsible for the training camps for the Canada Winter Games team selection, and also the training once the team is selected. All clubs are notified via email through their Club president and Club ANB director when a clinic is being offered. For further information, the contact information can be found on the website.

### CANBOW ARCHERY SKILLS AWARD PROGRAM

CanBow program is a National Program that offers young archers under the age of 21 an opportunity to improve their shooting skills and knowledge. It is a four level skill program where badges are earned on each level through shooting and knowledge progressions. As levels are completed, the participants earn national certificates. The program is for FITA (target) archery and also for 3D archery. It is usually run on indoor facilities, but can easily be adapted for outdoor facilities.

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