

TOURNAMENT LITERATURE

In recent years many of us have found target Tournament Organisers often give insufficient information about their Tournaments. They just do not appreciate how changing conditions require action on their part to avoid possible chaos.....and who would they look to on the day to sort things out?

If the obvious keeps on being stated in this paper, perhaps there is a good reason. I have tried to include all the essential items, while many of the local conditions will be laid down by the Organisers. None the less, visiting Competitors will appreciate knowing in advance what the Organiser has in store for them. I have tabulated the information which should be included in each document with comment as appropriate.

The order of the item may well be altered to suit typographical layout requirements or local preference.

Correct designation of Tournament Officials.

TIME

- (a) Assembly
- (b) Equipment Inspection If shooting a FITA, sufficient time for equipment inspection must be allowed (at least 1/2 hour).
- (c) Sighters

**ROUNDS
HANDICAP or
CLASSIFICATION
of Entrants**

Specially important for the Novice Rounds, Junior Meetings, etc.

RULES -

"The Meeting will be conducted under GNAS/FITA Rules of Shooting"
Any special conditions MUST be published before Entry
(condition shall not conflict with GNAS or FITA Rules).

to archers.

For Example:-"This meeting will be run as a Class 1 Tournament in accordance with GNAS Rules of Shooting Appendix "K" (Shooting be conducted without marking arrow holes and without time control other than spot checks by the Field Captain on individual Bouncers cannot be re-shot and will not score).
FITA Rules Part V11 will apply

ENTRY FORMS

Sometimes these are on tear-off slips, but are often on separate sheets of paper. Block entries are found useful by some Organisers, while others prefer single name forms so that they can be filed in alphabetical order for speedy recovery. Entry Forms should always be taken to the Tournament Ground, yet many a time I have found organisers have left them at home when they are required to settle a query.

or A Statement should always be included whether professionals will will not be permitted to enter.

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| BOWS - | <p>The Prospectus should always state the categories of Bow to be catered for:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Target Bow (b) Long Bow (c) Cross Bow (d) Compound Bow <p>We have long been used to seeing the Long Bow being shot among Composites. Organisers should be ready to accept or reject the crossbow which can severely damage his targets.</p> |
| ORGANISER | Name, address and telephone number |
| LIABILITY | In self-defence a statement on these lines can prevent red faces: "TheArchery Association/Club, the.....(Ground owners). Ltd...their Agents or Servants, cannot accept responsibility for vehicles or property left on the Grounds |
| DRESS | Should the Organisers have a specific dress requirement (viz. GNAS Rules 107") it MUST be set out in the Prospectus |
| MEMBERSHIP | It is now customary to require Competitors to produce their GNAS Membership Cards when booking in. This should be stated. |
| ENTRY FEES | State to whom cheques should be made payable. |
| CLOSING DATE | The Competitor may need to refer to the Organiser after he has sent in his entry form. |
| PRIZES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List of principal Trophies and Medals, Best Gold Prizes, Gold Sweep, etc. (b) provision for return of Trophies Optional but useful reminder! |
| FACILITIES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Car Parking (b) Refreshments (c) Access for the disabled. (d) Provision of Toilets <p>All basic requirements, but especially important if they cannot be provided!</p> |
| DIRECTIONS | Some newcomers to the event will need a map or directions of how to reach the ground and do not forget to advise the invited Judges. |

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Helpfully yours
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