

More popular each year!

- ★ Established since 2012
- ★ Grown each year particularly in the Primary School category.
- ★ Increasing standard each year (we record average arrow scores etc.).
- ★ Lots of new schools getting involved.
- ★ Many teams selected across year groups.
- ★ Increasing number of schools preparing all year.
- ★ Some organising friendly matches.
- ★ Some have trained their own coaches and instructors.
- ★ Some districts need 4 separate heats of 8 clubs to determine finalists
- ★ State, Private and Special Needs Schools engaged.



More teachers and pupils getting involved in official positions!

We have a good number of teachers that are now qualified as Level 1 coaches/ Archery Leaders.

Likewise we have a good number of pupils that are coaches, a big number now at University and coaching there. We have a further eight Juniors currently doing the Coaching Courses and will qualify in the first half of 2017.

We have pupils that are trained as field captains and many acting as coaching assistants.

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School Games

Probably the best School Games in the UK!

Since 2012 we have been working with Xperience Archery and Active Gloucestershire to deliver Primary & Secondary School Games competitions at Levels 1,2 & 3 (School, Inter-School, District and County) and we now have over 130 schools competing in teams of nine for Primary and teams of twelve for secondary. This is an all year round programme culminating in the county finals taking place in June. Throughout the year in-curriculum, lunch time and after-school clubs operate every day of the week across the county with Xperience Archery providing the core resources and the club providing additional volunteer support (Twenty three volunteers last year), the club also provides some of the equipment.



Just 3 of the reasons we support the School Games Programmes

The School Games programme, whilst resource intensive is our Club's most important means of recruiting both archers and coaches.

It is also a superb environment for coach development.

The Primary School Games is also a very fertile environment for recruiting adult members (parents) and lots of volunteer helpers!

School Games Format

Schools select their teams.

Teams of nine for Primary Schools, twelve for secondary. A few have a single year group, most across year groups. A few select on ability most try to engage a range of abilities. Some enter more than one team. Some organise weekly clubs, have a three year strategy, organise inter-school matches as part of their preparation. Others just have a single preparation session and just enjoy the day.



District Finals Incredibly Competitive!

Primary's split district into two or more groups of eight teams, only top scoring teams qualifies for finals from each district. It is incredibly competitive and the standards are rising each year. Primary School use Mini-Genesis and adapted kit in accumulative raw scores, Secondaries use Genesis Bows.



County Finals even more competitive

Qualification Round with sub-teams of 3 H2H's Groups, followed by elimination rounds on a ranked basis, shot over a 3 to 4 hour period. So very exciting, also individual champions! County finals take place at Hartpury College over 2 days.

Literally 1000's getting involved every year!

★ Many schools book in-curriculum practice sessions & have formed clubs, some lunch time, most after-school. Some run the sessions weekly others literally block book to give the whole school a chance to try our sport! The demand for archery is so great that it would be impossible to meet it on a voluntary basis so we work in partnership with Xperience Archery, they organise the sessions and transport equipment, the Club provides coaches to assist with the delivery.



Evolving Programmes

More recently there has been an increase in inter-school matches, outside of the School Games but still with our support. In 2016 we implemented a new competition between the schools on a monthly basis. During a set week the pupils from each participating school record score on an individual basis, the median score is taken for each school and displayed as a league both school and individuals. This is proving to be very popular and the data is also invaluable to chart progress, problem areas etc.

Our Community Sports Partnership

The overall School Games Programme is brilliantly run by our Community Sports Partnership - Active Gloucestershire who in 2015 were recognised as the organisation that organised the best School Games Programme in the UK!

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