

# Merlin Field Archers

(and Paradox Archers)

## OPEN MARKED WA FIELD UK RECORD STATUS

**Date:** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
**Venue:** Merlin Field Archers, Melbourne Rd, Ashby-de-la-Zouch LE65 1RS, UK  
(Map available on website)  
**Round:** WA Marked Field Round  
**Organiser:** Lisa Cooper  
**Email:** tournaments@merlinfieldarchers.co.uk  
**Chairman of Judges:** Bernie Dicks  
**Judges:** Janet Short  
**Programme:** Assembly at 10.00am – Start shooting 10:30am  
Practice Targets available from 9.00am.

**Entries:** The closing date for entries is 1st June 2026 – **spaces limited to 96 archers.**

Entry Fees £12 Senior, £8 Junior.

The bank details for bank transfer (preferred) are:

Account Number: 84102886

Sort Code: 40-30-24

Cheques payable to “Merlin Field Archers”

No refunds will be given after the closing date.

Archery GB Membership Cards will be required to be shown for insurance purposes.

Archery GB Dress regulations do not apply – please dress appropriately for the weather – bright colour is recommended for a field shoot

**Directions:** see [www.merlinfieldarchers.co.uk](http://www.merlinfieldarchers.co.uk)

**Awards:** will be made as follows:.

Medals will be awarded in each recognised Archery GB division on an Open basis, and will be dependent on the number of entries in the division.

- 1 or 2 entries - 1 medal
- 3 to 4 entries - 2 medals
- 5 or more entries - 3 medals

**Shoot format and course:** The course will comprise 24 targets (The Merlin course has 28 targets, but only 24 will be used)

All Juniors may shoot the appropriate peg for their age and bow class, or may shoot from a colour of peg that is of greater distance than that specified. For the awards all Juniors age groups will be taken together in each division.

The pegs for each classification and age group will be as follows:

- Senior Recurve and Compound Limited and Unlimited will shoot RED pegs
- Senior Barebow, Traditional, Longbow and American Flat Bow will shoot BLUE pegs
- Juniors (both Boys and Girls) to shoot the appropriate pegs as follows:
  - Recurve Freestyle Juniors - U18 Red Pegs, U15 Blue Pegs U12 White Pegs  
Barebow, Traditional, Longbow, American Flat Bow and Compound  
Barebow Juniors - U18 Blue Pegs, U15 Blue Pegs U12 White Pegs
  - Compound Limited and Unlimited Juniors - U18 Red Pegs, U15 Red Pegs U12  
White Pegs

All butts on the course will be layered foam.

**Refreshments:** Hot and cold refreshments will be available to purchase.

**Drug testing:** 'Record Status Shoots will be liable for drug testing and competitors approached to give samples must comply: If they refuse, that refusal will be treated as a positive result. The signature of a Parent or Legal Guardian consenting to a junior archer being tested for drugs is required if they will not be attending (NOTE This must be Parent or Legal Guardian - a senior archer accompanying the child cannot give this consent.). An address should also be provided where they can be contacted in case of problems. (See Entry Form)

**Photography:** Forms will be available for completion on the day for registering the name and contact details of anyone wishing to use photographic/filming equipment (including mobile phone cameras).

Online Entry Form: <https://form.jotform.com/260736160624353>



**For Email or Postal PDF:**

<http://www.merlinfieldarchers.co.uk/MerlinMarkedWAEntryForm2026.pdf>

**GUIDANCE NOTES FOR THOSE ARCHERS WHO HAVE NOT SHOT FIELD BEFORE**  
**AND GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

On arrival please register at the Merlin Field Archers Club House and present your equipment to the Judges for inspection.

There will be practice available from 9.00 am to 10.00 am with targets close to the Car Park and Club House.

Archers will be divided into groups of three to four and allocated to a starting target. Following assembly and introductions groups will then proceed to starting points and start shooting on the signal at 10.30am.

You will need to take all the equipment you need with you including spare arrows.

Shoot from behind or beside the peg (not in front) the colour peg being as appropriate to your Class and Junior Age, as outlined on the entry form. The distances will be on the pegs. Please start scoring on the appropriate target number on your scoresheet. There will be two sets of scoresheets, which are to be completed by two different archers in each group and the target and running totals should be compared and checked by those scoring.

We will shoot the course as one continuous round with refreshment breaks as you pass the Club House. The two archers listed first in each group will be the first pair and the second two the second pair. The first listed archer in each pair will stand on the left of the peg and second in each pair to the right. Pairs will alternate shooting first on each target. If there is a group of three then the single archer will shoot from the left of the peg unless they agree otherwise at the start of shooting. Archers shoot from the same side of the peg on all targets.

Three arrows are to be shot at each target. Please note that all arrows are to have the archer's name.

The distances (in metres) and associated target face sizes in centimetres are as follows for each of the two 12 target units:

Number of Targets	Diameter of Field Faces in cm.	Distance in metres		
		White Post(s)	Blue Post(s)	Red Post(s)
3	20	5 - 7 - 10	5 - 10 - 15	10 - 15 - 20
3	40	12/10/15	15 - 20 - 25	20 - 25 - 30
3	60	15 - 20 - 25	30 - 35 - 40	35 - 40 - 45
3	80	20 - 25 - 30	40 - 45 - 50	50 - 55 - 60

The 80cm and 60 cm faces will be a single face on the butt, the 40 cm with have 4 faces arranged in 2 columns of 2, and the 20cm faces will be arranged as 4 columns of 3. On the 40 cm faces the first archer up on the left shoots all of their arrows at the top left face, the first archer up on the rights shoots the top right face, the second archer on the left shoots the bottom left face, and the second archer on the right shoots the bottom right face. On the 20 cm faces the first archer on the left shoots one arrow into each of the first column of faces, in any sequence, the first archer up on the right, the third column, the second archer up on the left, the second column and the second archer up on the right, the fourth column. Where an archer has 2 arrows in one of the 20 cm faces the lower value is to be scored.

Please try to resolve any questions of line cutters, bouncers etc within your group (for bouncers, shoot another arrow) and if agreement cannot be reached, call one of the Judges. There are two score sheets per group and in case of discrepancy the lower score will prevail. Correct any mistakes before the arrows are drawn and all archers are to initial the changes which should be validated by a Judge when you next see one on the course. Scoring:

Inner yellow zone	Score 6
Outer yellow zone	Score 5
Inner black zone	Score 4
Next black zone	Score 3
Next black zone	Score 2
Outer black zone	Score 1
Miss	Score 0, mark M

In case of a lost arrow, search for a few minutes then move on. You can also search after the event. Do not stray too far from the target or you may enter the overshoot area from another target. Always leave an archer in front of the target whilst searching to stop the next group from shooting before the target is clear. Do not overtake the group in front. If any equipment or arrows are found, please hand these in to the organisers at the first suitable opportunity.

Please do not retrace your footsteps, only leave the course at a safe point following the direction arrows. At certain points on the course there may be safety warning signs and safety barriers, which archers should not cross.

In case of equipment failure, the other archers in the group should shoot and score and then you may have up to 30 minutes to resolve your problem. Other groups may shoot through. Rejoin as soon as practical to shoot your remaining arrows and then your group should continue round the course.

Only take a break as you pass the Club House or half way station.

At the end of the shoot please check, sign and hand in both copies of the score sheets to the organiser.

Enjoy your shooting.