

Archery Terms

Addressing the target : Standing ready for target shooting with the body at right angles to the target, feet straddling the shooting line. (Side to the target)

Anchor Point : A definite spot on the face to which a finger of the string hand must come when drawing. Usually the corner of the mouth, the corner of the chin nearest the ear, touching the string to the lips, or touching the string to the nose.

Arrow Plate : The part of the bow on which the arrow rests.

Back : The flat of the bow or the side away from the string.

Belly : The rounded surface of the bow which faces the string.

Draw : The pulling back of the bow string.

Handle or Grip : The mid-section of the bow which the bow hand grips.

Hen Feather : The two feathers on the shaft-end that are not at right angles to the nock and are the same color.

Index Feather : The feather set at right angles to the arrow nock, usually a different color than the other feathers.

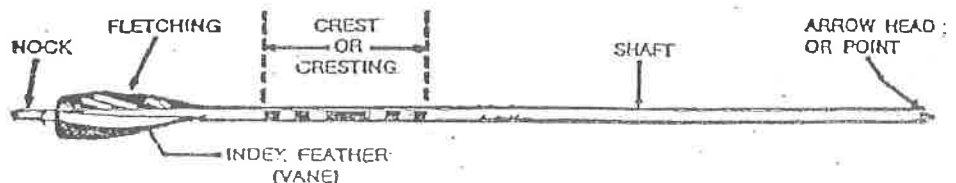
Nock : The groove in the end of the arrow; the groove at each end of the bow for the reception of the string; the act of placing the arrow on the string.

Nocking Point : The point on the string at which the nock of the arrow should be placed.

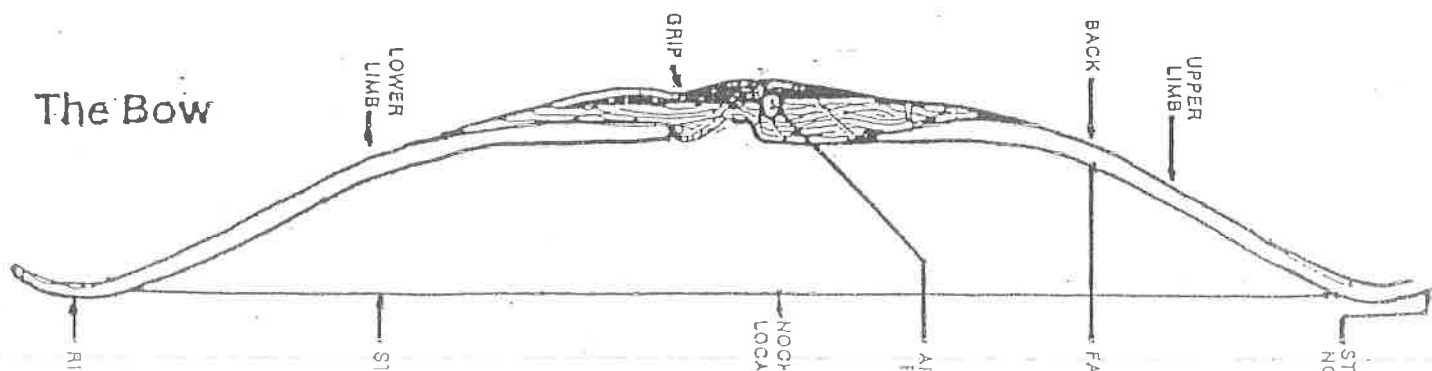
Quiver : The piece of equipment that arrows are placed in when not in use.

Retrieving an arrow that has fallen from the bow : This act is done by reaching out with the bow and pulling the arrow to the archer's feet. If the arrow cannot be reached with the bow, it must be left where it is and is considered shot.

The Arrow



The Bow



Archery Information Sheet

Brief History of Archery

For the past several years, not only has interest in archery grown tremendously throughout the world, but many schools and colleges include archery in their physical education programs. In the 1972 Olympic Games held in Munich, archery appeared as an Olympic event for the first time.

First the bow was originally man's weapon of survival. With it, he no longer had to meet wild animals in physical combat. The bow also aided in inspiring man's love for music. More strings were added to the bow and the harp was born. Robin Hood rose to fame when his long bow terrorized the rich and fed the poor in England. Robin Hood used the famous English Longbow, from which our modern bow was developed. Archery is thought to have been in existence as a sport since 1545 in Old England.

The Target

Scoring is done in the following manner:

- A. White.....1 point
- B. Black.....3 points
- C. Blue.....5 points
- D. Red.....7 points
- E. Yellow.....9 points

**Arrows hitting or passing through the outside of the scoring area or in the wrong target.....0 points

**An arrow that lands between two colors, results in the highest color being counted.

