

# Flight Path



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## Editors comment:

My apologies, this is a little late. I was waiting to get confirmation of the dates for the National Flight Champs so I could include the entry forms here. They have now come through, but we have been requested to change the date from Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August. Let the fun begin.....

## Dates for your Diary: 2014

### National Flight Championships

August 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Elvington Airfield  
Elvington  
Nr York  
World Record Status

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### Northern Counties Flight Championships

August 31<sup>st</sup>  
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Book 5, Article 33.5.7.1, bullet point #7 and article 33.5.7.6, bullet point #3 ("standard target arrows only are allowed without restriction in vane selection"). Both rules are clear and compatible in their statement that only **normal** target arrows used for the purpose of target archer are allowed in these specific divisions. **Arrows for both these divisions must be commercially available target arrows, including commercially available arrow points, although point weight is now restricted.**"

So, according to World Archery, we MUST use commercially made target arrows and points, but there is no restriction as to vane or nock selection. How would that stand up if you used arrow points specially manufactured by a bespoke company specialising in custom-made archery equipment? Would they then be classified as commercial?

The Archery GB rules of shooting are more relaxed on this topic:

## Obituary

It is a great sadness that I learned of the death of Barry Groves. Barry was a keen flight archer, and was actively involved in formulating the World Archery Flight Rules along with Ike Hancock in America and myself. Without his drive, Flight wouldn't be the sport we know today. I remember trying Barry's Class F compound flight bow. He looked at my little 3mm shafts and said "they won't go very far". The look on his face when my furthest was found a few meters behind his at 750 m was priceless.

## Rules clarified.

Arrows: In April of this year, following an enquiry from Archery GB, the technical committee of World Archery issued the following clarification:

*"It is the majority decision of the technical committee that the Compound Target Bow division and the Recurve Target Bow division in World Archery, Flight Archery events must use "their own standard length target arrows" as described in*