Trustees report to the charity commission 1st January 2025 to December 31st 2026

Kendal Bowmen, Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

2025 was a successful year in which the club continued to advance its charitable objectives, which are:

The provision of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefits of the inhabitants of Kendal and surrounding areas by the provision of facilities for archery.

and

The advancement of the amateur sport of archery in Kendal and surrounding areas for the public benefit by the provision of facilities for participation in the sport of archery.

The work done by Kendal Bowmen January 2025 to January 2026 towards these objectives:

Kendal Bowmen worked to raise public awareness of the sport and the club by putting on "have a go" events at local shows. The club is also visible through its website and by links through Archery GB.

These events help to provide the steady flow of newcomers to the sport, and volunteers ran two, six-week beginners courses for people interested in taking up archery in 2025, held indoors in winter and outdoors in summer. 19 beginners completed the course and a good percentage went on to join the club.

Practice sessions for club members were held three times each week throughout the year. Practice sessions were arranged on the field course and for clout shooting.

In addition to practice sessions, KB ran seven competitions in 2025 across a range of disciplines, one indoor target, two outdoor target, two clout and two field.

These events support amateur archery in the Kendal area, as well as the broader community of archers who attend these events from Cumbria, the Northern Region and across the UK.

Safeguarding

The coaches and the safeguarding officer are up to date with safeguarding training. The club policies and procedures are in line with those of Archery GB (our national governing body) relating to safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults. The healthy support and camaraderie that the club members, old, young, new and more established continue to offer each to other promotes an enjoyable, supportive and inclusive environment in which to learn and enjoy our sport.

Facilities

The new woodland field course near to the previous was used in 2025 for archery practice and competitions.

Kendal Bowmen continues to look for land that may be suitable to buy and develop for its own archery range. This continues to be challenging within the local area as suitable land is generally prime agricultural land and normally sells for well above its asking price. Careful management of funds and significant fund-raising efforts in previous years has given a stable financial position with good reserves and substantial funds in the capital account to help towards purchase of a venue.

The Treasurer's statement accompanying the accounts.

The finance accounts have been checked and summarised for the calendar year of 2025.

Kendal Bowmen continues to be in a stable financial position and able to add to our reserves with a long term aim of accruing enough to purchase our own venue.

Kendal Bowmen Year Review from 1st January, 2025 to 31st December, 2025

	Income	Expenditure	Balance
Current Account on 1st Jan 2025			11023.68
Membership			
2024 2025	627.00		
Archery GB		330.00	
CCAA		27.00	
NCAS			
2025 2026	4139.00		
Archery GB		2600.00	
CCAA		258.00	
NCAS		130.80	
	4766.00	3345.80	1420.20
Shoots (figures do NOT include entry fees paid into club accounts in previous accounting year)			
Portsmouth	340.00		
Venue		480.00	
Stripe Fees		9.48	
Portsmouth 2026	185.50		
Stripe Fees		2.59	
Longbow	208.00		
Catering		59.86	
Stripe Fees		7.54	
Longbow 2026	64.00		
Stripe Fees		2.19	
Metric Clout	1270.00		
Venue		180.00	
Facilities Hire		180.00	
Flags & Equipment		25.98	
Tassel Award		49.50	
6 Clout	15.00	15.00	
Judges Gifts		73.35	
Refund		20.00	
Metric Clout 2026	40.00		
Archery GB Record Status		25.00	
3D field April	632.00		
Judges Gifts		50.00	
Sundries		4.50	
Medals		29.76	
3D field April 2026	492.00		
Stripe Fees		12.83	
3D field August	866.00		
Judges Gifts		19.50	
Stationery		18.00	
Sundries		18.89	
Stripe Fees		14.40	
NFAS field	315.00		
Imperial Clout	990.00		
Venue		280.00	
Facilities Hire		180.00	
Tassel Award		51.00	
Equipment		43.62	
Judges Gifts		200.00	
Imperial Clout 2026			
Archery GB Record Status		30.00	
Albion	347.00		
Judges Gifts		18.00	
	5764.50	2100.99	3663.51

Venue			
Indoor Hall	1835.00	1392.00	
Kendal Cricket Club		500.00	
	1835.00	1892.00	(57.00)
Have a Go			
Countryfest	1000.00	40.00	
Kendal Family Festival		15.00	
	1000.00	55.00	945.00
Beginner's Course	1500.00		
Venue		75.00	
Stripe Fees		31.02	
	1500.00	106.02	1393.98
Maintenance			
Shed for Woods		312.95	
Wood for indoor bosses		54.48	
Fletching Glue		7.00	
Equipment			
Beginners' Bow Limbs		80.00	
Finger Slings		49.11	
New Club Arrows		464.00	
Fibreglass Arrow Nocks		11.18	
Target Faces		162.00	
Target Pins		20.00	
Miscellaneous			
Badge Sales	26.00		
Advertisement			
Website Hosting		139.20	
Stripe System		44.00	
Stationery		84.69	
Other			
Child Protection Course		42.00	
	26.00	1470.61	(1444.61)
	14891.50	8970.42	5921.08

Current Account on 31st Dec 2025			16944.76
Total in two savings accounts on 6th March 2026	23139.86	32336.64	
includes following interest	363.74		
Total interest earned on savings accounts since last accounting year		363.74	
Total in cash on 6th March 2026			72421.26