CONSTITUTION

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The club shall be known as PANDA BOWMEN and hereinafter be referred to as the club.

In this constitution the letters:

G.N.A.S.	shall mean Grand National Archery Society, which trades as Archery GB
N.C.A.S.	shall mean Northern Counties Archery Society.
Y.A.A.	shall mean Yorkshire Archery Association.

The club shall be affiliated to the above mentioned bodies.

The object of the club shall be the promotion and encouragement of target archery primarily, along with other forms, but with the exception of BOW HUNTING.

The shooting regulations as prescribed by the current G.N.A.S. rules of shooting shall be accepted as governing the sport of archery practised by the club and its members.

Nothing in this constitution shall conflict with the constitutions of the G.N.A.S., N.C.A.S. and Y.A.A.

The postal address of the club will be that of the Secretary for the time being.

The constitution of the club shall not be altered or amended except at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the club. Members wishing to move a proposition designed to alter or amend the constitution shall submit such propositions to the Secretary 28 days before the meeting at which such propositions are to be considered. Notice of such propositions which it is intended to move will be sent to all members entitled to receive notice of such meetings.

2. FUNDS

The funds and properties of the club shall be vested in the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for the time being.

All moneys and sums received on behalf of the club shall be the property of the club and there will be no distribution of such among the members.

It is envisaged that, from time to time, "Special Projects" may be financed by extra contributions from members. Moneys for such projects will be kept in separate funds and should the project fail to mature all moneys shall be returned to members as contributed.

3. MEMBERSHIP

There shall be the following classes of membership:
Senior Members (aged 18+)
Junior Members (aged 17 or under)
Honorary Life Members
Disabled Senior Members
Associate Members

Any person interested in archery having attained the age of 18 shall be eligible for admittance as a senior member and may apply to the committee for their own key to the container giving full access to all club facilities and amenities.

The minimum age for juniors is at the discretion of the coach.

A parent or guardian must be present at all times for junior members under 16.

Junior members aged 16 or 17 may shoot without supervision of parent or guardian, but only in the presence of two senior members.

The club retains the right to assess each junior member aged 16 or 17 individually and grant or revoke at its discretion the right to attend the club without parental or guardian supervision.

Junior members aged 16 or 17 can only be left at the club without parental or guardian supervision if at least two senior members agree to supervise the session.

The parent or guardian of all junior members MUST complete parts 1 and 2 of the Junior Supervisory form. Part 1 to be retained by the parent/guardian and part 2 to be retained by the club and be available when juniors are shooting.

Any member whom the club may wish to honour for distinguished service to the club may, at a general meeting, be elected as an Honorary Member for a specific period or for life.

All members shall accept the jurisdiction of the club and conform to such conditions, shooting rules and regulations as may be determined from time to time.

All members must reapply to the new committee before the Annual General Meeting to renew membership. The committee can, at their discretion, refuse to renew membership without giving any reason to anyone other than the person involved.

If, in the opinion of the committee, any person shall be guilty of conduct which makes it undesirable that such a person should remain a member, the committee may after affording such person a reasonable opportunity of a hearing expel such persons from membership, without being called upon to state the reason to anyone except the person concerned, and the committee's decision shall be final subject to any rights under the constitution of:

G.N.A.S.
N.C.A.S.
Y.A.A.

4. SUBSCRIPTIONS

All members shall pay an annual subscription to the club at a rate to be determined from time to time in committee meetings.

Members may join the club at any time of the year and their membership shall run for 12 months from the date of joining.

Club subscriptions will become due and must be paid within a period of 30 days preceding the expiry date of a person's membership.

The membership subscription of the Grand National Archery Society (Archery GB) shall be paid by the member directly to Archery GB, also within a period of 30 days before the expiry date of the membership.

On payment of the aforesaid subscriptions and not before, members thereof shall become members of the Grand National Archery Society and the County and Regional Associations.

Any member, who has not paid the subscriptions due by the expiry date of their membership, shall cease to be a member, unless the committee consider there are extenuating circumstances.

5. MANAGEMENT

The management of the club's affairs shall be entrusted to the club committee.

The committee shall consist of:

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Secretary
Treasurer
Equipment Officer
Records Officer
Welfare Officer

All of the above shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for one year, but are eligible for re-election.

The committee shall meet approximately once every six to eight weeks, the time and place to be decided to suit. Extra meetings may be arranged as necessary.

At meetings of the club committee the chairman, if necessary, is entitled to an additional deciding vote.

At meetings of the club committee 51% of the committee shall form a quorum The Chairman is, if required, entitled to 1 additional deciding vote.

The club committee may appoint sub-committees and may delegate to such committees powers within defined limits.

In the event of an emergency, the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer shall together have full powers to act.

6. FINANCE

The club shall cause to be prepared, and shall present at the Annual General Meeting, a balance sheet showing the financial position at the end of OCTOBER, together with an income and expenditure account for the 12 month period ending on that date.

A copy of the balance sheet also income and expenditure account shall be presented to each member.

A bank account shall be maintained in the name of the club.

All cheques and orders withdrawing moneys from the club's account shall be signed by any two of the following:

Chairman
Secretary
Treasurer

7. GENERAL MEETINGS

The Annual General Meeting shall be held before the end of November at a place and time to be determined by the club committee.

The club committee may, or at the request of not less than 50% of the members, call an extraordinary General Meeting.

Not less than 28 days notice of such meetings will be sent to each member.

Notice of any proposition it is intended to move at such meetings shall be sent to all members entitled to such notice.

8. VOTING AND QUORUM

At all General Meetings:
33% of senior members shall form a quorum.
Each senior member is entitled to one vote.
The Chairman is, if required, entitled to 1 additional deciding vote.

9. TARGET DAYS & TOURNAMENTS

Each day of the year from 1st January to 31st December, for a period of 24 hours per day, shall be designated as a Target day.

Each Saturday from the first in April to the last in October shall be designated a Tournament day, when no casual shooting will be allowed on the Tournament field.

Bosses can only be placed on the ground prior to the start of the session times.

Members abandoning a round/or arriving late in the current session will not be allowed to start practising, unless a practice boss has already been set up, and then the archer must ask permission of the members using the boss to join them.

Priority is given to members wishing to shoot a round.

All rules within this section are adhered to. Shooting at all times shall be from one shooting line only. Tournament time.12.30pm for sighters at 1.00pm unless a long round is being shot and start time can be altered.

Tournament days can alternate between Metric and English rounds.

Any two members, or more, shooting together can if required, nominate the shoot as a Tournament day for the purpose of classification up to Bowman and for club records.

Members must always have their membership cards available for inspection when shooting.

10. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The club championship shall be held once per year, the date and round to be decided at Committee Meeting

11. NEW MEMBERS (BEGINNERS)

Beginners will have a course of 12 hours minimum for a fee to be agreed by the committee. After the course they must join the club or cease all association with the club; they will not be allowed to extend the course of instruction.

A parent or guardian must be present at all times during the duration of the beginner's course for Juniors under the age of 16.

12. DISSOLUTION

A resolution to dissolve the club can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the membership.

In the event of dissolution, any assets of the Club will be sold within a timed period to be determined by the committee upon agreement to dissolve the club, any that remain will become the property of a 3rd party to be agreed upon and named at the AGM or EGM.

After the sale timed period has elapsed and accounts closed, club funds will be divided equally between all full club members who have been members for 3 years.