

## Obituary for Ken Harris, High Elm Archers



We have so many treasured and warm memories of Ken, a man clearly devoted to his family, and also as both good friend, and as a wonderful fellow archer.

Ken was so keen an archer that he took up the difficult and time consuming task of becoming a coach. His enthusiasm, patience, easy going nature and good sense of humour made him an excellent teacher. He was able to help new archers achieve their potential at a club level and then guide them further on where to find more specialised coaching. His enthusiasm for the sport of archery was infectious and ever present. He could be relied upon, at all times, to inspire people to find the fun in shooting - whether it was at a normal club shoot, our competitive fun shoots or when he was involved, so heavily, in High Elm Archers demonstrating old and modern forms of archery in Liverpool's Anglican Cathedral in September 2008. This was the first time bows had been shot there. He also put an incredible amount of effort into our have-a-goes and beginners courses.

Ken was always up for a laugh, a party or a barbecue and always had a ready smile.

He was a dear friend who would share freely his knowledge and skills, be it about archery, carpentry or a myriad of other topics. He did so much behind the scenes for our Club, especially for our annual Bill Fraser Western shoot, such as repacking and repairing archery targets, building target frames, not to forget the individual boxes to keep the club training bows tidy; the list could go on.

It was an honour to have known him and he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.

Michael Warren, High Elm Secretary