

Introduction

The first Grand Western Archery Meeting was held midweek in Taunton in the August of 1861, in subsequent years it moved around the counties of Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Gloucestershire and Wiltshire, with the date of the event being decided by the local voluntary event organiser. In the late 1940's and early 1950's the variable date caused many problems with other established events and it was agreed to try to find a permanent location and date.

In 1954 executive members of the Grand Western Archery Society negotiated a permanent venue for the event with Mr Geoffrey Lutrell the then owner of Dunster Castle.

Policy

With effect from 2023, the Dunster Archery Week is the week encompassing the 3rd Thursday in July.