

Citation for Derrick Lovell MBE

Derrick started judging in 1976, at this point he was already an experienced organiser running the Kent County shoots with 72 targets. In those days it took many years to get from Candidate Judge to National Judge, something he achieved in 1986. Derrick's passion has always been Field Archery and in those days you qualified separately as a Field and a Target Judge. Derrick achieved National in both.

In 1993 Derrick went to Cyprus to sit the exam to become an International Judge, he passed and became an International Judge later in February 1993. During his International career Derrick was a well-known and respected Judge attending many tournaments around the world, including the being Chair of Judges at the Sydney Olympics in 2000. Derrick has officiated at many prestigious Target and Field Events round the world, including being Chair of Judges at the World Field Champs in 1996, the World Games in 1997, 2001 and 2009 and the Target World Champs in 1999. He was also a regular at Conferences and ran training on Field Judging for International Judges. In 2009 he had to retire from being an International Judge due to the age limit and was awarded the title of Judge Emeritus. Derrick is still fondly remembered by many Judges, particularly for his amazing knowledge and experience in Field and 3D and is hugely respected.

Derrick served on the World Archery Field and 3D Committee for many years and still serves on their Rules and Constitution Committee.

Derrick was the SCAS JLO for many years and was fundamental in moving Judging forward in the UK. Even after he retired from being JLO he continued to support the incumbent JLO and has been a great help. Derrick would often conduct Judge assessments for SCAS and regularly ran training on Field Judging for SCAS. Derrick joined the National Judge Committee (as it was called then) in 1986. He served on there until 2015. Derrick has helped and encouraged so many Judges through his career, his impact is incalculable.

Derrick has also served on the SCAS Council as Trustee for many years, and continues to do so. Derrick has also served as Archery GB President

As mentioned Field Archery has always been Derrick's passion. He has been instrumental in developing that side of the sport and made Field archery what it is today.

We owe Derrick a huge debt for all he has done for Judges and Judging and for all he has done and still does for Archery.