

Samford Valley Target Archers

Emergency Evacuation Procedure

Preamble

An emergency evacuation of the club grounds is an extremely rare event and is only to be undertaken when the risk warrants it.

Reasons for an emergency evacuation could include the risk imposed by bush fire, flood, cyclone, storm, violent intrusion or terrorist attack, or other event that imposes a significant risk to archers, volunteers or visitors at the club or on the club grounds.

While flood maps indicate the possibility of flooding of the site, there is no known flooding history of the site since the club has moved to the grounds.

Alert monitoring

The Management Committee shall monitor alerts when there is a pending emergency event that could warrant evacuations.

In the approach of a severe weather event like a cyclone that could precipitate flooding of local creeks and culverts the club shall not be opened on that day.

If the club is open when a potential emergency event may develop in the near future, like the local flooding of creeks, the club is to be closed and evacuated.

If the club is open when an emergency event does develop, like local flooding of creeks from a storm burst, everyone at the club is to stay put until the situation can be assessed. Seek advice from Emergency Services if appropriate. If evacuation is appropriate implement when safe to do so, and under any direction. Under no circumstances are flooded creeks or causeways to be crossed.

Emergency Evacuation Routes

1. The primary route is
 - out by the internal road
 - through the gate
 - across the culvert
 - up the road towards "Samford Common" and MBRC depot
 - and out via the main gate.
2. The secondary evacuation route is
 - out by the internal road
 - through the gate
 - turn left across Samford Creek
 - across the low level causeway
 - up through the park to the residential estate area
3. The third evacuation route is for use only when the primary and secondary routes are not feasible
 - through the fence (not suitable for vehicles)
 - across the paddock
 - to the footpath on the main road

Procedure

Ascertain the nature of the danger and determine if it is appropriate to evacuate and if so by which route.

If appropriate call "000" for assistance and advice.

Muster all people.

Determine if evacuation will be on foot or via vehicles.

Do not evacuate via the culvert or Samford Creek if they are flooded or likely to become flooded.

Determine if it is safer to remain at the venue and close the access gate - but do not lock it.

If a fire risk; determine if it is best to evacuate the grounds or muster in the assembly areas or remain at the indoor facility. The club external wall is not a flammable material and immune to some ember attack. The grounds are mowed on a regular basis and grass on the target fields is kept very short similar to a high cut lawn and so will only support a low fire intensity.

In the event of a violent intruder, implement lock down procedures, call police "000" and instruct people to go to their vehicles and lock themselves in.

In all circumstances try to suppress panic and try to conduct the evacuation in an orderly manner.

Check no one has been left behind.