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## **A History of the English Longbow by Bernard Dennis**

**Bishop Lloyd's Palace, 7.30 p.m., 11th April 2016**

The power of the English Longbow as a weapon of war was immense. The skills of the various "trades" involved in producing Longbows and war arrows in prodigious quantities was something we take for granted in present times. In the medieval period this would have presented huge logistical problems because of sources of basic raw materials and transportation difficulties.

The talk is illustrated with examples of a "self" Yew Longbow, an Old Scythian re-curve bow and modern equivalents, various types of arrows and arrowheads used for hunting, war and recreation, the development of the target and explanations of many well-known phrases used in everyday language.

Bernard Dennis is a member of the British Longbow Society (BLBS) and talks about the development of bows and arrows throughout the ages, ranging from the need for hunting, the use in war and recreation, and also the legend of Robin Hood.

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