



WARRINGAH ARCHERS NEWSLETTER January 2020 - Generic



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Across the desk of the President: So what's in store for you the member in 2020.

The 1st January, kicks off some age group variations as people reach those age milestones, please refer to below to ensure that you are ticking the correct age group that you should be competing – this is what kick starts the whole process of Division and records etc., that are eligible to be claimed.

Terms of Divisions: Open (any age group), Master (50-59), Veteran (60-70) & Veteran 70+, Cub (13 and Under), Intermediate (15 and under), Cadet (17 and Under), Junior (20 and under).

Note: Anyone turning 50 in 2020 can compete in the Masters Division from the 1st January, 2020 (*even if your birthday is not until May*) – same applies to our 60 & 70 year olds.

For our younger members, if your birthday falls throughout the year – example you turn 13 in February, then you are still a Cub until the 31st December, 2020.

If you see any discrepancies when you are signing into Archers Diary, please alert the Secretary, or link onto this sight which will provide guidance as to what rounds you should shoot.

<http://www.archery.org.au/Membership/Age-Divisions>

By linking to this sight, you can then **CLICK HERE** on Target / Field & Clout rounds that are shot for each class and division for National Championships and major events

How do I know which Division I am in?

Changes in how divisions look? Due to changes within Archery Australia the way your division looks has changed (example R (Recurve) C (Compound) L (Longbow). So this will always come first, followed your division 'M' Master 'V' Veteran '20&U' Junior 'C' Cadet 'I' Intermediate & 'U' cub (*I know this one is a curve ball*), followed by your Sex 'M' Male 'F' Female An editorial change recently by Archery Australia has removed references to Men/Women/Boy Girls, which were considered somewhat old-fashioned and replaced with Male / Female this also aligns with World Archery terminology.

Recurve Open Male – RM

Compound Master Female – CMF

Recurve Intermediate Female – RIF

Longbow Cadet Male – LCM

Most of you would not have to worry about this, as when you log onto [iscored.today](http://www.warringaharchers.com.au) you division will automatically come up, but good to know.

CHANGE TO SCORING PROCESS

When you compete in tournaments there will be (1) paper scorer (2) electronic scorer. Archery Australia Shooting Rules 7.21.2 Outdoor and Indoor Target Events are quite clear about the rules when there is an error.

A mistake on a scoresheet discovered before the arrows are drawn may be corrected, but the correction must be made and initialed by a Judge or Director of Shooting before the arrows are drawn. If the arrows have been drawn, no corrections to the arrow values as written on the scoresheet shall be permitted.

This rule will apply to all tournaments and Qualification Ranking Events (QRE's) registered on the Archery Australia Calendar. In the case of a QRE where a Judge is not officiating the QRE Official or Director of Shooting must make and initial the correction.

REMEMBER—this rule only applies to ARROW VALUES not totals or additions which may be changed by the scorer.

CLUB T-SHIRTS – limited stock is available of our previous club shirt. Cost to members is **\$10.00**. It would be great if members could wear these shirts on our Handicap shoot days.

T-SHIRT COMPETITION for 2020: What can **YOU** come up with, and what would **YOU** like to see as your club shirt, and something that you like wearing. During the month of January, members can google/source/design a club shooting shirt and submit to the Secretary. The winning design will be determined by General Meeting, and the winner will receive free of charge.....So get your thinking caps on!

CLUB KEYS: Members can purchase club keys that allow them flexibility to come & go from the club by ordering from our website on-line shop. A bond is required to secure a key which is returned should you no longer wish to be a member. It is extremely important that any juniors who have keys, that they must be supervised at all times by an adult, if attending outside club activities. This is a school ruling. In addition, please keep your keys separate to your archery equipment and it should not be identified in any way as being archery keys (just in case you lose your keys and/or archery equipment).

SIGNING ON: All members should sign on in the registration book every time they shoot at the club.

CLUB HOUSE: Our Clubs House Rules are on the notice board down the club, please familiarize yourself with these rules. In addition members may be asked from time to time to give a hand to upkeep the club facilities and assist with working bees to ensure all club equipment is in good order. Give a hand when dates are advertised.

ARROWS: In 2020 ALL MEMBERS must have their initials highlighted on all arrow shafts. For the month of January each time you register, you will be asked to show your arrows to ensure that they comply with the above ruling. Any new members purchasing arrows will be advised of the ruling going forwards.

ANNUAL AWARDS that are PRESENTED by Warringah Archers

MOST CONSISTENT ARCHER COMPETITION

CONDITIONS:

This event is held annually and commences on the 1st January and closes 31st October.

What do I need to do!

- Shoot a minimum of 20 rounds throughout the year (Easy)
- However, only rounds that have two or more distances involved will be considered (Yep).
- Must include a minimum of 4 handicap rounds, 3 Canberra rounds (or equivalent for Juniors), with the good news being, that the balance can be made up of whatever else the archer wishes, as long as it complies with (b) above. (OK)

A perpetual trophy is presented to the winner at the Club Presentation Night.

MOST IMPROVED ARCHER TARGET & INDOOR

CONDITIONS:

Any archer having a rating at the beginning of the year will automatically qualify and/or when they first obtain one.

The objectives of the award are:-

- to recognise the archer who has improved the most, irrespective of how good they were at the beginning of the year
- to allow for the fact that an archer rated 12 can improve in numeric terms more easily than one with a rating of 80.

The calculation is simple and is applied to everyone with a rating as at the beginning of the shooting year (1st January); or *from when an archer first obtains a rating*. The person with the highest improvement rating wins the award.

Maximum Rating = 120

Improvement Rating = $((120 - \text{Rating at beginning of year}) / (120 - \text{Rating at end of year})) * 100$

Example: Archer A goes from a rating of 7 to 22 while Archer B goes from 91 - 95. Who is "the most improved"? Archer A whose rating went up by 15 or

Archer B whose rating went up by 4
Archer A = $((120 - 7) / (120 - 22)) * 100 = (113 / 98) * 100 = 115\%$

Archer B = $((120 - 91) / (120 - 95)) * 100 = (29 / 25) * 100 = 116\%$

In this example, Archer B is the most improved archer because it is harder to increase by 4 at the top end of the rating.

The best part is that you don't have to worry about it, because all the work will be undertaken by the Club Recorder and the winning archer announced at our Club Presentation later in the year.

ArcheryNSW Tournaments & Club Tournaments 2020

Tournaments External to the club:

- Warringah Archers where possible will distribute to club members electronically, so please check your mail regularly.
- External Tournaments on ArcheryNSW Calendar, are listed on our club calendar in **BOLD. State events will be highlighted in BLACK.** Entry forms for events are wherever possible distributed by the Secretary, however, most entry forms are placed on ArcheryNSW website and/or facebook, therefore you should keep as a favourite – <http://www.archerynsw.org.au/>
- It is the responsibility of Club Members to enter themselves and pay all associated fees when entering competitions outside of the club.
- Should a member enter an event / then not turn up, unfortunately there are restrictions to refunds that are available. ArcheryNSW does have a tournament policy with strict guidelines for clubs to follow for late entries / non attendance / withdrawing from events.
- Clothing to be worn: When you are competing in a tournament on the ArcheryNSW Calendar, where possible your club uniform should be worn (i.e. Hat / Club T-Shirt / maroon-navy or white pants).
- Registering at the event: When you turn up at an event, the first thing you should do is **REGISTER**. This then lets the organising committee know that you are there. Failure to register may mean that the organising committee starts shuffling target allocations and space then may not be available for you.
- You may be asked to produce your Archery Australia Registration Card at the time you sign on for an event. Please ensure you keep this with you at all times.
- Most importantly – check the division that you are competing in **before** the competition starts, and request appropriate changes at that time if necessary.

9. At the completion of the shoot – make sure your score card has your full name on it – division / club / total score / hits / X / 10's and please, please sign it and have it witnessed. Check your score is **CORRECT**. Again failure to comply may mean all your hard work in competing can be discarded, or relegated to a lower placing due to score being added up incorrectly.
10. Warringah Archers will be hosting three events in 2020. The Warringah Open (February) Women's Tournament on International Women's Day (March) & Kidbow Tournament (November) entry fees are subsidized by the club, and entry will be on a first come / first in basis
11. **QRE EVENTS:** No dates have been set by the club for 2020 at this point in time, due to the first 3 months being extremely busy. We will notify members when we are prepared to host.
12. **AWARDS:** When competing in events outside of the club and you wish to claim an award, please mark this on your score sheet. The NSW Recorder will then distribute appropriate awards to the club, which in turn will be passed onto you. In 2020 State Awards (Such as the Waratah Awards (1050, 1150 & 1250), All Gold & Perfect Badges, will be free once only), so ensure that you claim accordingly. Anything other than that, however, please ensure that when you are claiming, that any associated costs will be passed on.
13. **Warringah members:** Should always have with them sun block out – **REMEMBER: SLIP, SLOP, SLAP/** water / and a comfy seat as these are not always provided at tournaments.

CLASSIFICATION MEDALS – Yep as at the 1st January, archers are required to re-classify.

What Classification you achieved in 2019 will shortly be uploaded onto the website.



Target – White / Black / Blue / Red / Gold – Classification medals are held at Club level for Target / Indoor / Field & Clout, these are available at a cost of \$7.50 each.

Master Bowmen & Grand Master Bowmen: One score must be shot in a Tournament, with the two remaining scores eligible to be shot at club level. Once achieved these are claimed from ArcheryNSW by the club recorder on your behalf.

Once you reach GMB Level, the club pays for this award on your behalf.

ELITE bronze, silver and gold: The three scores required to obtain these awards, must be shot in tournaments. ArcheryNSW Recorder will monitor the attainment of these scores, and archers will be recognized for their achievements annually at the State Presentation Night.

There is no cost for these awards, costs are being borne by ArcheryNSW

Please check other Classifications & Awards Incentives that are provided Free of Charge to archers when achieved

Financial Assistance to Club Members

Financial assistance will be eligible to be claimed for club members competing in State & National Teams.

Bronze recognition: Members who are selected into a State Team will be eligible to claim \$50.00

Silver recognition: Members who are selected into a National Representative Team to compete in overseas events identified by Archery Australia will be eligible to claim \$100.00. (Trans-Tasman Junior Test / World Cup etc.,)

Platinum recognition: Members who are selected into an Australian Team to compete at World Championships events (Junior/Target/Field/Indoor) and/or Olympic Games will be eligible to claim \$200.00.

Payments will be made at the annual club presentation night following representative status.

ALL GOLD & '60' PERFECT AWARDS

Six Gold badges are awarded for shooting all 6 arrows of an end into the Gold zone of the target face during a competition. Each badge has an insert for the distance shot from 10m to 90 m in target and from 100m to 180m in clout

Perfect End (60) badges are awarded for shooting all 6 arrows of an end into the 10 scoring zone of the target face. Each badge has an insert for the distance shot in meters. In from 10m to 90m in



target and from 100m to 180m in clout. The cost for these awards is \$7.50 each.



BRONZE Medals are presented by your Club Recorder

SILVER Medals can be claimed when achieved in a State Tournament, **GOLD** when you compete in National Championships, and must be marked on your score sheet.



When we record these on our club notice board those identified with an 'M' means it was shot on 80cm face

Field All Gold Pins: For a WA Field Round where the 3 arrows on the one target are all in the GOLD scoring 5s or 6s, regardless of the distance being shot

Field Perfect Pin: For a WA Field Round where the 3 arrows on the one target are all in the 6 ring scoring 18 points. Both Medallions are available to purchase at club level. The cost of these awards is \$6.00 each



Field Perfect Pin



Field All Gold Pin

THE RATING SYSTEM - HOW IT AFFECTS YOU

Ratings, Handicaps, points for and against are methods used in all sports to assist in determining whether a sportsperson is advancing or not in their chosen field.

In Archery we use a system that is set down by Archery Australia. Very basic, for every round shot there is an equivalent rating for that score. The rating tables if used correctly takes into account the type of equipment used and the category of the archer e.g. 20&U Boy, Ladies, U/13, Compound etc.,

Now how to acquire your First Rating! In Archers diary. The handicap system is based on ratings for Target Archery.

Rounds are calculated in the Calculator (The Archer's Diary Rating Calculator or such other calculator, as approved by the Board from time to time).

The administration of Handicaps is the responsibility of club officials and is only offered by the Association as part of Book 2 General Administration Procedures and Book 3 Competition Regulations.

Athletes are eligible for a handicap once they have shot a minimum of three rounds in a Discipline within the same Division. The handicap is from the Calculator.

Example/Round:	Divn	Score	Rating
Geelong	RMale	660	31
Darwin	RMale	600	36
Melbourne	RMale	450	32 = 99

The total rating score of 99 is divided by 3 = 33. Your rating becomes 33.

Athletes' ratings will be adjusted by the Calculator when they record scores to a different standard than their existing rating. It will be adjusted by half the

improvement unless the improvement figure is an odd number; in this situation the adjustment will be by the nearest whole number less than the improvement.

For your rating to improve a score in excess of 2 points on your current rating must be achieved.

Each athlete's handicap will be calculated based on the ratings achieved in the 12 months prior to the date of the event. If the athlete has less than 10 ratings recorded in this period, then up to the last 10 ratings will be used, irrespective of the dates the ratings were achieved.

A handicap will be calculated as long as the minimum number of ratings has been recorded.

An athlete who competes in more than one Division will have a separate handicap for each Division in the Calculator.

Most of this can be found in Archers Diary under "My Stuff". It will highlight your Awards that have achieved in tournaments / your best score shot for a particular round / how you are progressing through the classification system / all the events you have competed in & your handicap.

Why have handicap ratings:

- your rating determines where you will be placed on the shooting line at Tournaments;
- it allows you to obtain classification badges;
- it allows handicap shoots to be conducted;
- But most importantly it tells you how you are performing as an archer.

The higher your rating the better you are performing - A high handicap rating is to be desired it is not a handicap

That's why – **WE NEED YOU TO SCORE**

HANDICAP DAYS: Each Handicap Day the winner will receive a small keepsake trophy. Also everyone who scores over 900 on the day will receive a \$20 incentive voucher, which can be offset against membership / equipment.

In Addition during the months of October/ November & December – members will be split into 3 teams for the – President / Secretary & Treasurers Handicap Team Challenge, where members have the opportunity to secure membership for a twelve month period both in the Adults & Youth section, you just have to attend and shoot on the nominated days to be in the draw and be in attendance on the final day when the draw is taking place. In 2019 the winners were Andrew Catto (Adult) & Tom Freeman (Junior).

NATIONAL POSTAL CHALLENGE: Annually Archery Australia holds a National Postal Challenge in MARCH, which is the F60/900 (Canberra & Associated Rounds). On that day, everyone who turns up to shoot the round, will be entered into the event, and their entry fee paid on their behalf to Archery Australia.

GRAND PRIX FINAL 2019 – is being hosted by Warringah Archers on the 19th January, we have 4 members competing in the event – Jack Chambers-McLean, Peter Whitfield, Maja Kesckes & Maria Wright. Space will be limited on this day, and a round will be posted.