



WARRINGAH ARCHERS NEWSLETTER January 2017

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Across the desk of the

President: 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) & Veteran 70+, Cub (13 and Under), Intermediate (15 and under), Cadet (17 and Under), Junior (20 and under).

Note: Anyone turning 50 in 2017 can compete in the Masters Division from the 1st January, 2017 (*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, 2016.

If you see any discrepancies when you are signing all, 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 'J' 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

New rounds:

Another change: ROUNDS for Veteran and Veteran+ Women for 2017 The Archery Australia Board recently approved that all Veteran and Veteran Plus Women categories who currently shoot the WA 60/1440 or WA 60/900, be provided with a commensurate reduction in distance similar to Veteran and Veteran Plus Men.

As from 1 January 2017 rounds for National and Australian Tournament Records and National Championships for Veteran and Veteran Plus Women shall be the AA 50/1440 or AA 50/900.

Archery Australia 50/1440 Round
36 arrows at 50m & 40m (122cm face)
36 arrows at 30m & 20m (80cm face), this is the same round that the Intermediates would shoot:

Archery Australia Short Canberra Round
30 arrows @ 50m / 40m & 30m (122cm face)

CHANGE TO SCORING PROCESS

In response to a number of incidents that have happened over the past few years in regard to the changing of arrow values on scorecards the Archery Australia Board have approved a change to the scoring process that will come into force from 1st January 2017.

Archery Australia Shooting Rules 7.21.2 Outdoor and Indoor Target Events

A mistake on a scoresheet discovered before the arrows are drawn may be corrected, but the correction must be made and initialled 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 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 – stock is available. Cost to members is \$30.00. It would be great if members could wear these shirts on our Handicap shoot days.

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

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 2017

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 Blue.** Entry forms for events are wherever possible distributed by the Secretary, however, most entry forms are placed on ArcheryNSW website, 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. Again these can be found on ArcheryNSW website.
- Clothing to be worn: When you are competing in a tournament on the ArcheryNSW Calendar, where possible your club uniform should be worn (ie 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.
- Most importantly – check the division that you are competing in **before** the competition starts, and request appropriate changes at that time if necessary.
- 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. A recent member shot a QRE and score 327/318, but totaled and signed for 326
- Warringah Archers hosts two events annually – Warringah Open in February (4th) and the

Warringah Kidbow which is November (4th). In 2017 there is a small fee for members competing.

11. **QRE Events:** The club will also be hosting some of these for 2017, and there will be a small fee associated with competing.
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. However, please ensure that when you are claiming, that any associated costs will be passed onto the archer.
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 2016 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 \$7.00 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 quarterly 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

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 \$7.00 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 `*' means it was shot on 80cm face

Field All Gold Pins: For a FITA 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 FITA 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



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. U20 Boy, Ladies, U/13, Compound etc.,

Now how to acquire your First Rating! The beginner or new archer has to submit five completed rounds that have achieved a rating.

Example/Round:	Divn	Score	Rating
Geelong	RMale	660	31
Darwin	RMale	600	36
Melbourne	RMale	450	32
Canberra	RMale	580	44
Darwin	RMale	592	35 = Total of 178

The total rating score of 178 is divided by 5 = 35.6. Your rating becomes 36. Your rating can never drop except under extenuating circumstances.

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

Further Examples: Your current rating is 36. Canberra round is shot: Score of 580 achieved which gives you a rating of 44. Round Rating = 44

Deduct Current Rating 36 – leaves 8 points, divide this by 2 = 4.

New rating is 40.

Or: Your rating is 36. Canberra round is shot: Score of 510 achieved which gives you a rating of 37. Difference of 1 point. You cannot divide this by two, therefore your rating remains the same.

No change.

Or: Your rating is 36. Canberra round is shot: Score of 531 achieved which gives you a rating of 39. Difference of 3 points. You divide the three by two which gives you 1.5. New rating is 37.

Remember: When reading the Handicap tables to determine the rating for the round shot, if your score does not exactly collate with the scores in the book the lower rating score is taken as can be seen below:

- Canberra round: Score of 520 gives you a rating of 38
- Score of 531 gives you a rating of 39
- Score of 525 gives you a rating of 38 as it is closer to the rating for 520.

Now you are all properly confused, I can tell you that all this work is done for you by your Club Recorder (PHEW) ! External competitions that members compete in should also be recorded at club level.

When can my rating change:

- Ratings may change if a club member has
- had an injury for a lengthy period of time,
 - belonged to another club and information has not been passed on,
 - been out of archery and has again rejoined,
 - member changes type of equipment or
 - improved on their current rating.

In any of the above instances, the club recorder should follow the steps above, on the last five rounds submitted.

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**



Birthdays FEBRUARY

Jack Cowle (1st), Jaxon Spinks (4th), Stirling Calandrucchio (11th), Bobby Barr-Jones (20th),

Kane Wilson (21st), Brandt Henriksson (23rd) Mitchell Campbell (24th), Tai Woodley (27th), James Whitley (28th),

Club Records: Due to the changes within Archery Australia, the club will be reviewing the records that it keep at its first committee meeting of the year. Some of these may be restricted like we currently do for Ranking Rounds (example) – a Cadet shoots F60m (Recurve), F50m (80cm) for compound, therefore they cannot claim the 35m round, this is restricted to cubs, and the 45m is restricted to Intermediates.