



Archery Australia Board News

April 2012

The quarterly meeting of the Archery Australia Board was held on the weekend of the 21st and 22nd April 2012, below is a summary of the key points from the meeting.

YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SURVEY

Recently the Archery Australia Board conducted a Youth National Championships survey to get a feeling as to what events people in particular the Youth competitors wanted to shoot at the Youth National Championships. It should be remembered that the guiding principles for the Youth National Championships, National Championships and the National Crossbow Championships are:

- *Events that cater for all members irrespective of Category or ability.*
- *The rounds that are shot reflect the history of the sport and the general activities practised at RGB and club levels such as Target, Field and Clout.*

A summary of the outcome of the survey can be found at the back of this Board News.

AGE GROUPS

The new membership database has enabled us to produce accurate figures relating to member details. It is interesting to note currently membership percentages in various age divisions -

0-13 years	11.1%
14-15 Years	7.3%
16-17 years	4.4%
18-20 years	3.6%
21-29 years	9.4%
30-39 years	10.6%
40-49 years	19.2% (47 to 49 5.8%)
50-59 years	18.6% (57 to 59 4.9%)
60-65 years	10.2% (67 to 69 2.7%)
70 year plus	5.6%

TOTALS

Youth - 20 years of age and Under	26.4%
Open - 21 to 49 years of age	39.2%
Master/Veteran - 50 years of age and over	34.4%

An examination of these numbers show 53.6% of the members are 40 years of age and over with 18.4% under 15 years of age. That means only 28% of the members are between 16 and 39 years of age.

When RGBs and Clubs plan events, membership drives or development and training programs they need to consider as to what age groups they should be focusing their attention.

MEMBERSHIP DATABASE

The introduction of the Membership Database is well underway with John Hyde from NSW taking over the implementation and training of the system. John has an extensive background with databases and brings a level of knowledge and expertise to the process.

John has developed and released training packages and manuals for RGBs and Club with will assist them in using the system.

As the new membership year for most of the current members commences on the 1st July 2012 it is hoped that most clubs will be up and running. For many 1st July 2012 will also see the end of the old Pro Rota system for new members joining after the 1st quarter of a year. The new database allows for "Anniversary Date" membership, that is the date you initially join becomes your renewal date for the future

John has to date conducted training sessions in South Queensland, South Australia, and two in NSW. In May training will also be conducted in Victoria, ACT and Western Australia and for North Queensland and Tasmania telephone and Skype training will be utilised.

As clubs come on line individual members will be provided with a Password and Login (which they should change upon first login). This login can be used to access their personal details which they can update at anytime or they can renew their membership online.

Your personal information can be accessed through the Archery Australia website or on RGBs websites who have taken advantage of the free website being offered by Archery Australia.

The Archery Australia website or RGB linked websites are also the entry portal to the Archery Australia Online Shop or the Online Tournament Entry System. RGBs or Clubs hosting events can utilise the Online Entry System which enables people to enter and pay online using a credit/debit card. Of course if you don't want to use your credit/debit card and enter online then manual paper entry forms are still available.

Many who have used the Online Tournament Entry System have found it saves time for both the entrant and host cutting down on both costs and errors.

The Membership Database will also see quicker processing of membership cards as the flow of paperwork that can currently take some 4 to 5 months in some cases to reach the Archery Australia Office will no longer be required making for a much quicker turn around time for membership cards (it is expected people should get their card in days not months as has been the case for many years). It is also hoped as there will be only one entry point of an individuals details incorrect spelling of names and wrong address will be eliminated.

2012 OLYMPIC GAMES

Following the 2012 National Championships the Shadow Team for the 2012 Olympic Games has now been reduced to the following athletes.

Men	Women
Ryan Tyack	Deonne Bridger
Taylor Worth	Alice Ingley
Sky Kim	Elisa Barnard

Reserves have also been appointed - Mat Masonwells and Women Odette Snazelle.

The reserves are not eligible for final team selection unless one of the Shadow Team members takes ill or is injured and cannot compete in the FTQT (Final Team Qualifying Tournament) to be conducted in Ogden Utah in June 2012.

Australia currently has one individual quota position for each gender for the games, a country can only obtain one individual quota position unless they have gained one of the 12 teams position, in this case they will then have 3 individual quota positions in addition to the team position.

Australia gained the two individual quota positions (one male and one female) at the Oceania Continental Qualifying Tournament (CQT) conducted in New Zealand in January 2012.

The Shadow Team and reserves competed in the 1st World Cup in Shangahi, China in early April with some great results.

Men Recurve

1. B. Ellison USA
2. D. Hrachov UKR
3. C. Cheng MAS
17. S. Kim AUS
17. T.Worth AUS
33. R.Tyack AUS
57. M. Masonwells AUS

Women Recurve

1. B Ki KOR
2. Y. Fang CHN
3. H Choi KOR
17. E. Barnard AUS
33. D. Bridger AUS
57. A. Ingley AUS
57. O. Snazelle AUS

Men Recurve Team

1. USA
2. France
3. Ukraine
5. Australia

Women Recurve Team

1. Korea
2. India
3. China
9. Australia

Archery Australia also entered a compound team and their results were -

Men Compound

1. R. Wilde USA
2. J. Fierra MEX
3. D. Genet FRA
17. M. Brosnan AUS
17. D. Jacobs AUS
33. J. Gale AUS
33. G. Phillips AUS

Women Compound

1. M. Tonioli ITA
2. A. Loginova RUS
3. D. Watson USA
- 17 K. Marshall AUS
- 33 A. Deaves AUS
33. S.Gale AUS
33. C. McCall AUS

Men Compound Team

1. USA
2. France
3. Venezuela
7. Australia

Women Compound Team

1. USA
2. Russia
3. Italy
8. Australia

The Shadow Team will next be competing in the 2nd World Cup in Antalya, Turkey in early may. With the final World Cup for 2012 being held in Ogden, Utah in June.

Full results of all World Cups can be found on the World Archery website www.archery.org, you can also follow each match live on the World Archery website

WORLD ARCHERY

As has been previously mentioned FITA is now known as World Archery although at this stage the term FITA will still be used for rounds and awards such as the FITA Star , FITA Arrowhead or FITA 90/1440 Round etc.

EQUAL RECORDS

Archery Australia will follow the World Archery Policy for equal records, equal records will not be recognised and only the first record shot will be recognised.

COACHING REVIEW AND AUDIT

With the support of the Australian Sports Commission recently a review and audit of the National Coaching Program was conducted. Although most of the outcomes were expected the review highlighted the many issues with coaching within Archery Australia, RGBs and Clubs.

The Archery Australia Board received the report with thanks and will appoint a National Coaching Committee, the initial role of the committee will be to review the report and recommendations developing an Action Plan for the Board's approval incorporating priorities, timelines and costings.

TRANS TASMAN

The 2012 Trans Tasman was recently conducted in Rotorua New Zealand. Thanks go to Sue Gliddon Team Manager and Clint Freeman Team Coach.

New Zealand won the Trans Tasman Trophy with 5057 points to Australia's 5033 points.

Australia's team members medal winning achievements

Mixed Team Compound

Gold - Jack Salmon/Renae Farrugia (AUS)

Silver - Ella Hugo/Matt Tonowicz (AUS)

Bronze - Elizabeth Randle/Dean Croskery (NZ)

Mixed Team Recurve

Gold - Jess Greenstein/Brendan Howe (AUS)

Silver - Jess Sutton/Kane Wilson (AUS)

Bronze - Luana Geng/Tomas Wray (AUS)

Individual Matchplay Female Compound

Gold Medal Match Ella Hugo AUS (GOLD) V Elizabeth Randle NZ (SILVER)

Bronze Medal Match Emily Sutton AUS (BRONZE) V Lori Morley NZ

Individual Matchplay Male Compound

Gold Medal Match Isaac Ellery NZ (GOLD) V Simon Bold AUS (SILVER)

Bronze Medal Match Sean Pianca AUS (BRONZE) V and Mat Tonowicz AUS

Individual Matchplay Female Recurve

Gold Medal Match Jess Sutton AUS (GOLD) V Luana Geng AUS (SILVER)

Bronze Medal Match Jess Greenstein AUS V Ashley Paap NZ (BRONZE)

Individual Matchplay Male Recurve

Gold Medal Match Kane Wilson AUS (SILVER) V Alec Potts AUS (GOLD)

Bronze Medal Match Brendan Howe AUS V Sebastain Ashburn NZ (BRONZE)

Target

Recurve 20 and Under Men

1. P. Garner NZ
2. Y. Swery NZ
3. B. Howe AUS

Recurve Cadet Men

1. A. Potts AUS
2. M. Turner NZ
3. T. Wray AUS

Recurve Intermediate Men

1. M. Geng AUS
2. K. Wilson AUS
3. S. Ashburn NZ

Compound 20 and Under men

1. J. Salmon AUS
2. D. Freid AUS

Compound Cadet Men

1. M. Tonowicz AUS
2. M. Barclay NZ
3. E. Dilnutt NZ

Compound Intermediate Men

1. S. Pianca AUS
2. D. Croskery NZ
3. S. Bold AUS

Compound Cub Men

1. I. Ellery NZ
2. H. Crampton AUS

Recurve 20 and under Women

1. J. Greenstein AUS
2. Shenna WU AUS

Recurve Cadet Women

1. L. Geng AUS
2. A. Paap NZ
3. E. Hatcher AUS

Recurve Cub Women

1. J. Sutton AUS

Compound 20 and Under Women

1. R. Hughes NZ
2. R. Farrugia AUS

Compound Cadet Women

1. E. Hugo AUS
2. E. Randle NZ
3. I. Morley NZ

Archery Australia AGM

The Archery Australia AGM will be conducted on Sunday 20th May 2012 at Ciloms Hotel, Melrose Drive, Tullamarine, Victoria. The AGM will be followed by an RGB discussion which will allow RGBs to discuss various programs being conducted in some RGBs.

MOTIONS

A number of motions were presented to the last Archery Australia Board Meeting

Motion 1 - Change to Age Groups, motion **Lost**

Motion 2 - National Teams Competition, motion **Lost**

Motion 3 – National Team Competition, motion **Lost**

Motion 4 – Clout inclusion to Teams, motion **Lost**

Motion 5 – 70+ Age Division – to be trialled for 2 years from 1st January 2013

Motion 6 – Clout rules, amended motion **Carried**

Add sentence to 12.2.2 – *There shall be a clear space between the outer clout scoring flags (white flag) of adjacent clouts of not less than five metres. Clout scoring zones shall not overlap when viewed from the Shooting Line.*

Modify and Add to sentence to 12.7.2 – *If the Organising Committee has determined in the program that the event will be a Double Clout and there is no break for lunch between the first and second Clout, there will be no practice provided prior to the second Clout.*

In the case of a Double Clout, where there is a break for lunch, practice shall be made available prior to the commencement of the second Clout and will consist of one end (1), for championship events (timed) and one end of six (6) arrows for non championships (not timed) events.

Add sentence to 12.6.1 – *For championships (timed) events the athlete may shoot as many arrows as they wish during each end of practice.*

Motion 7 – Longbow rules, amended motion **Carried**

Motion 8 – Reference to World Archery, motion **Carried**

Motion 9 – Change to Tournament Records, motion **Carried**

4.2.3 Conditions of Qualification – Outdoor Target Archery

1. *To attain an Outdoor Target Archery Classification an athlete shall shoot, during the calendar year and under AA or WA Rules, three Target Archery Rounds from those listed in Schedule 9A at equal to or higher than the required rating levels listed in Schedule 4B1.*
2. *Requirements for the qualification rounds to achieve a Classification vary according to the number of arrows in the round:*
 - 2.1 *For rounds of 90 arrows or more: The qualification rounds to achieve a 2nd or 1st class Classification shall include at least 30 arrows at the required distance as shown in the tables below. There is no minimum distance for 3rd class Classification. To achieve a GMB or MB Classification one round shall be at least the same as the 144 arrow round the athlete would shoot at the National Championships or National Youth Championships (as listed in Chapter 3 Appendix 1). This round is to be shot at an event in which athletes from more than one club are competing, that is judged by an AA qualified judge, and is listed on the AA Calendar. Each of the other 2 rounds shall consist of 72 arrows or more (see 2.2 below for separate 72 arrow round requirements), and shall include at least 36 arrows at the distance required in the tables below.*
 - 2.2 *For rounds of 72 arrows: When using 72 arrow rounds for any Classification level the athlete shall shoot a 72 arrow round listed in Schedule 4.A.1 over the distance which their category may claim an AA Tournament Record or longer. The exception is that any athlete may use the WA 50/720 round shot on an 80cm face for Classification claims. The tables hereunder provide the minimum distances required in rounds used to gain a Classification when using rounds of 90 arrows or more:*

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

The AA Board approved a new Risk Management Policy that will be issued to RGBs and Clubs. RGBs and Clubs are encouraged to utilise this policy and to regularly review their activities and venues to identify risks and put in place the necessary management controls.

FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

Below is a list of National Events programmed for the next 4 years, The events listed in RED have to date not been allocated and the Archery Australia Board is seeking expressions of interest to host these events.

2012

2012 National Crossbow Championships – Adelaide SA – 11 to 15 October 2012
2012 Australia Open – Melbourne VIC – 13-14 October 2012

2013

2013 National Championships – Canberra ACT - 16 to 22 March 2013
2013 Youth National Championships – Brisbane QLD – 30 June to 6 July 2013
2013 National Crossbow Championships – Not allocated
2013 Australian Open – Not allocated

2014

2014 National Championships – Not allocated
2014 National Crossbow Championships – Not allocated
2014 National Youth Championships – Adelaide SA – Dates to be determined
2014 Australian Open – Not allocated
2014 Trans Tasman – Not allocated

2015

2015 National Championships – Not allocated
2015 National Crossbow Championships – Not allocated
2015 National Youth Championships – Not allocated
2015 Australian Open – Not allocated

2016

2016 National Championships – Adelaide SA – Dates to be determined
2016 National Crossbow Championships – Adelaide SA – Dates to be determined
2016 National Youth Championships – Not allocated
2016 Australian Open – Not allocated

RGBs and/or clubs are invited to submit an expression of interest in hosting a National Event. Current information on hosting events can be found on the Archery Australia website under About Us/Policy and Procedures.

YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS SURVEY

1. What should the format of the Youth National Archery Championships Target Event be?

Single 1440 arrow target round shot over one day	24.8%
Double 1440 arrow target rounds shot over two days	62.8%
Other	12.4%

2. What should the format of the Youth National Archery Championships Field Event be?

Single Marked FITA Field Round (one day)	28.7%
Double Marked FITA Field Round (two days)	41.9%
Double FITA Field Round; Unmarked one day and Marked the next	29.5%

3. Should the Youth National Archery Championships include the Clout event?

Yes	75%
No	25%

4. If YES, should the format of the Youth National Archery Championships Clout event be?

Single Clout	57.3%
Double Clout	42.7%

5. Should it (20 and Under Division) stay as part of the Youth National Championships or would it be better placed in the National Championships?

Stay as part of the Youth National Championships	73.1%
Move it to the National Championships	26.9%

6. Should the Clout remain as part of the Team Event at the Youth National Archery Championships?

Yes	85%
No	40%

7. Should the format of the Youth National Archery Championships include Matchplay?

Yes	85.5%
No	14.5%

8. If YES should the format of the Youth National Archery Championships Matchplay Qualification and Ranking round be?

A separate day when competitors would shoot their respective 720 round	38.7%
Use the appropriate distance from the Target Event for Qualification and Ranking.	61.3%

9. If a Matchplay Event is held, should it: - mirror the World Archery age groupings of Junior (20&U) and Cadet Divisions with younger divisions shooting up a division (if they so wish) OR - be the same format as the 2012 National Youth Championships with all four age divisions competing against each other shooting at their respective distances?

Mirror the World Archery format (i.e. Junior & Cadet divisions only)	50.4%
Provide for all four age divisions competing against each other (recurve and compound divisions)	43.1%
Don't know	6.5%

10. Should the current format of determining the Best All Round Awards remain unchanged?

Yes	91.9%
No	8.1%

11. If NO, what should happen with the Best All Round Awards?

Drop the awards all together	16.7%
Keep the Best All Round Awards, but remove Clout from the calculation of the individuals' standings	58.3%
Other	25%

12. Should the current format for the Teams Event remain unchanged?

Yes	88.6%
No	11.4%

13. If NO, what should happen with the Teams Event?

Drop the awards all together	0.0%
Keep the Teams Event, but remove Clout from the calculation of the teams' standings	66.7%
Other	33.3%

14. Should the National Youth Archery Championships continue to be held in school holidays (as much as possible), and away from January?

Yes	82.6%
No	17.4%

15. Would you prefer the Youth National Championships be held in January each year with the understanding Archery Australia and the Organisers may take steps to ensure the health and safety of competitors (this could include postponing or even cancelling events during the Championships).

Yes	24%
No	76%

16. Are you male or female?

Male	66.7%
Female	33.3%

17. Which category below includes your age?

17 or younger	29.2%
18-20	5.8%
21-29	3.3%
30-9	3.35
40-49	27.5%
50-59	20.8%
60 or older	10%

18. What group best describes your involvement in archery?

Archer	50.8%
Parent	25.8%
Coach	12.5%
Administrator	10%
Volunteer	.8%
Spectator	0%

19. In what Youth age divisions do you currently compete?

Cub	11.5%
Intermediate	19.7%
Cadet	26.2%
20&Under (World Archery Junior)	18%
None of the above (I don't compete)	29.5%

20. Have you ever shot in a Youth National Archery Championships?

Yes	35%
No	65%