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ADELAIDE ARCHERY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Online Club Meeting Tuesday 19 May

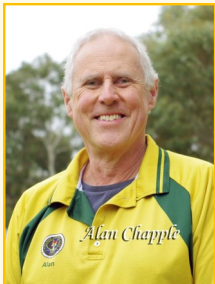
16 members attended the last club meeting, plus 3 apologies. This is comparable to regular attendances, so although there is much less business there is no lessening of interest in the club's affairs.

Most Club Officers, continue to look after their areas of responsibility.

Thanks to **Andy Stanford** for the screenshot



SHOOTING NOW AND LATER



ASSISTANT RECORDER, ALAN CHAPPLE, has setup 'practice events' in Archers' Diary for every day of the week, with 2-3 sessions each day. These appear to be working well and there has been no problem with too many people showing up. However, there has been an issue with people opening flags and butts then closing the padlocks.

Padlocks should be LEFT OPEN in case the last person on the field does not have a key.



TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, CHRIS DROWN, notes that from 8 June we can look forward to increasing the participant group size to 20 and restarting indoor archery. Clubs can start planning on that basis. Two flight per shooting day seems a good option to allow up to 40 archers at programmed shoots. It seems likely that the 1.5 m minimum separation will continue. There may be a transition to competition without spectators from the 8 June, but it is not clear if that is practical with the restrictions which will still be in place.



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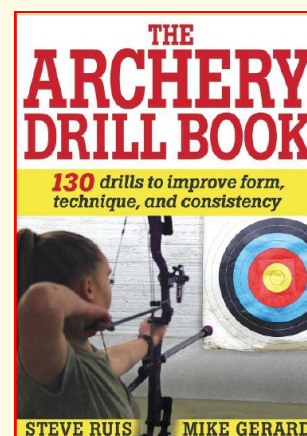
The latest copy of the online magazine Archery Focus has been emailed to members. A black and white copy of the May 2020 edition of Archery Focus magazine has been printed and slotted into a display binder. It will be placed in the rack in the club house for members to view whilst in the room once access is allowed.

A review/stock take of library books and holdings is still in progress, but has been delayed by the closure of the club rooms. I have discovered a number of books have never been catalogued and a list of these will be provided to members once I have completed the review.

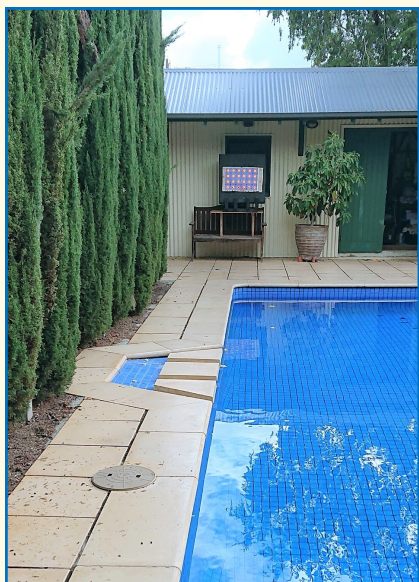
Some books that have been out for very long loan periods have been returned, including one very popular title that had been out for **almost 5 years!** Some titles are still missing, however, and again I ask members check if they are in possession of any items from the AAC library and return them as soon as possible, please.



Tom Dorigatti	Bow Simulators—How to Get Them Right
James Park, Ph.D.	Arrow Dynamics: Arrow Spin
Steve Ruis	Where Drills Fit Into Your Practice Sessions
Sue Palsbo, Ph.D.	The Masters Archer, Part 3
Al Wills	Book Review: <i>Coach Yourself!</i>
Larry Wise	Book Review: <i>Understanding Winning Archery</i>
Veronica-Mae Soar	Helping the Helpers, Pt 6 of a Series
AER	My Range is Closed, Now What?
AER	Trying Remote Coaching



**A Book that Helps
Develop Consistency,
Technique, and Ability**



Another home practice range—this one is Daniel Caon's

SNIPPETS

IN-HOUSE EQUIPMENT SUPPLIER?

Chris de Mellow will investigate Chris Balla's suggestion of engaging with the club as an in-house supplier of equipment. He will ask for clarification of the concept and present this at the next club meeting.

BUDGET SUBMISSIONS

The Treasurer, **Kylie Steyn**, has requested submissions for expenditure to be included in next year's budget. These should be emailed to treasurer@adelaidearchery.org.au as soon as possible.

A RUN ON BUTT KEYS

There has been an increase in the number of butt keys borrowed during this period. An additional 12 were cut, but quickly snapped up.

SOME MUSINGS FROM ALAN CHAPPLE

As we all know, Archery SA does not recommend setting up a home archery range, nor using such a range. Therefore, at no time in this article do I want to imply that the pictures of some features of my backyard represent, in any shape or form, an archery range, and even if they did, at no time would I be tempted to use them as such.



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Notice the double row of bricks to stop the straw from getting in the swimming pool after random impacts have dislodged the straw. We think of everything!

On a bright sunny day, we folded back the tarp to make sure that the straw was dry, and let it bake in the sun.

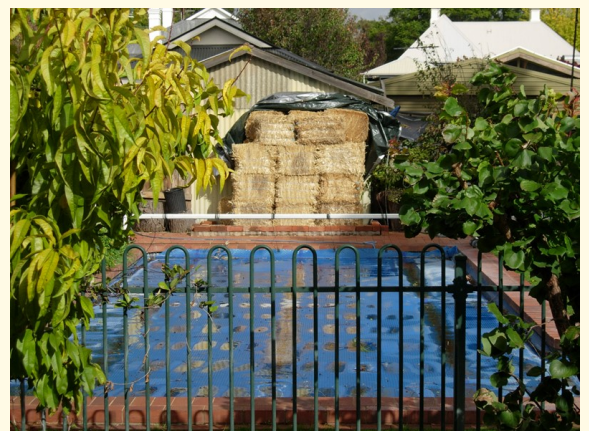
On seeing the bales revealed in all their glory, a friend of mine suggested that it would be ideal as a practice archery range, but again, I resisted temptation, and informed him that his idea was inappropriate and not recommended.



I did note, however, that the pool cover roller was a little disconcerting, being between the aiming mark and the logical target bale. (centre bale, third row up). It was a good thing that this was never to be used as a practice range.

I was intrigued, though, as to whether one could stand at a twenty metre mark, and still achieve a clear shot. Hence, a measurement was taken back to an approximate 20 metre mark. I found it interesting.

However, intrigued by his suggestion, I stood at the 13 metre mark, at the other end of the pool, and contemplated the forbidden. I found that, because of the general debris on the pool cover, it would be relatively simple to find an aiming mark for a longbow shot amongst the gumnuts and twigs which were currently on the pool cover. Much easier than some indoor ranges.



As can be seen, the view between the peach & apricot trees is interesting, to say the least, and I noted that a good aiming mark for this range would be slightly below the upper rail of the pool fence. This would take a degree of faith in that what one is aiming at is not actually what one is planning to hit.

I also noted that, given that the joins between the bales provided very little retardation, should I actually place an arrow in that join, I could well and truly put a couple of holes in the heritage listed shed. Not that I would engage in such an activity.....

CLUB SHIRTS

Selecting a new uniform is always a fraught process, not everyone will be happy with the result, and sometimes the chosen design/fabric/supplier turns out to be less than successful.



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So having decided that our current shirts are not suitable, the procedure for choosing a new one is being reported in detail, and every club member will have the opportunity to help to select the successful shirt.

Last month's meeting decided that the new shirt should fulfil the following criteria:



Previous designs

- Fabric should be cool when worn (i.e. not polyester);
- It should have a male fit and female fit option;
- It should have a short and long sleeve option;
- The shirt should be available within a short timeframe;
- The price should be competitive;
- The supplier should accept small order quantities;
- The graphics can be simplified (assuming they must be stitched) e.g. coloured sleeves or collar or stripes;
- The supplier must be able to put members' names on the shirt.



At the May meeting it was decided that the club could follow a process something like this:

- A supplier who can satisfy the above criteria will be chosen;
- We shall obtain (i.e. buy) samples so we can see and feel them;
- The Executive will select say, 4 designs, which the members can vote on;
- Round one voting for all club members on the 4 designs, narrowing the field to 2;
- Round two voting for all club members, to choose between the top 2 designs.
- We then have a winning design.

The next step would be to collect members' orders and place first bulk order with the supplier.

We could also order some shirts without names in various sizes that could be loaned to members while they wait for their individual shirts to arrive, as it may take 3-4 weeks for them to get here.

A BLAST FROM THE RECENT PAST—2019 LONGLY TOURNAMENT FOR LONGBOWS. MOST ARCHERS JOINED IN THE FUN WITH a VARIETY OF PERIOD COSTUMES



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