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FOR SERVICES TO ARCHERY



Archery South Australia

- President, 2011-2017.
- Vice President, 2003-2010.
- Board Director, since 2020.
- Communications Officer, since 2017.
- Life Member, since 1995.
- Secretary, 1990-1995.
- Journal Editor, 1985-1998.
- Treasurer, 1982-1986.
- Publicity Officer, 1983-1985 and 1981.
- Member, State Team, 1985.
- Manager, State Team, 2001.
- Life Member, Eden Field Archers, 1995.
- Committee Member, Mylor Oval, since 2017.
- Accredited Coach, since 1978.
- Event Judge, since 1988.

Archery Australia

- Vice President, 2002-2006.
- Life Member, 2010.
- Board Member, Archery South Australia Delegate, 1997-2002.
- Volunteer, Olympic Games, 2000, 2012.
- Chair, Constitution and Rules Committee.

Archery Competitions

- World Championships committee, 1987.
- National Championships committees.
- Australian Masters Games.

TOURNAMENTS January/February 2023

See Archery SA website for details & to enter these events: <https://archerysa.org.au/events>

Sunday 29 January: Archery SA Australia Day Field at Eden Field Archers, St Marys, 10.00am

Sunday 5 February: AAC City of Adelaide Tournament at Adelaide Archery Club, 10.00am-1.30pm, afternoon tea available

OTHER EVENTS

Friday 17 February: Archery SA Presentation Dinner, at Stirling Golf Club, 35 Golflinks Road, Stirling, 6.00pm for 6.30pm, 37.00 per person

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HANDICAP AWARDS ADJUSTED SCORES
NOVEMBER
SPOON: GIANNI CAPURSO 1014
LONGBOW- WOODEN ARROW JOE VARDON 851

CONGRATULATIONS

DECEMBER
SPOON: MARK BURNS 1059
LONGBOW WOODEN ARROW: JEFF NICOLL 877



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Bow International magazine FROM THE LIBRARIAN, STEVE SYKES

During the Christmas/New Year break two editions of Bow International arrived. The articles highlighted here are just a selection to be found in both editions, which as usual will be placed on the table for members to read in the club room until more arrive. Edition #164 is currently available until the end of the month when it will be replaced by edition #165. Members are reminded that once the current edition is replaced by a new one, **it is available on loan**, as are all books and magazines held in the library.

Asides from the usual newsy snippets, interviews and reports from events, some of the feature articles that may interest members cover the following topics:

Issue #164 first...

NEW PRODUCTS This covers the HOYT FORMULA XD RISER The latest evolution of the Formula brand is perhaps not a radical departure design wise. It's certainly sleeker, and recognisably Hoyt.

WHEN TO SHOOT AND WHEN TO GYM Lucy O'Sullivan looks at an important training question for serious archers; so read on...

STARTING OUT FIELD ARCHERY THE SPORT'S ULTIMATE CHALLENGE For those just starting, it is time, according to the author, to explore the challenges and rewards of archery's supreme test: the field course. Despite the need to develop a special skillset, there is nothing more invigorating than a day in the woods, matching your archery know-how with nature's terrain. It need not be that daunting, and the learning process and the skills developed are supremely satisfying.

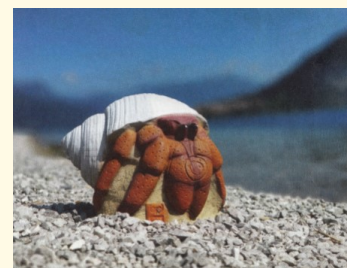


1972: FIFTY YEARS OF ARCHERY AT THE OLYMPICS In September 2022, archery celebrated a half-century of being a modern Olympic sport. This was 50 years since the start of the archery competition at Munich in 1972 — the return of the sport to the modern Olympics after a 52-year absence. After being included at four early editions of the Games from 1900 to 1920, a lack of international governance and standardised rules saw the sport dropped from the Olympic programme. After many years of lobbying, much of it by FITA president Inger Frith, it finally returned in 1972, in a Games a Games ultimately overshadowed by the 'Munich Massacre'.

And now issue #165....

2022 WORLD CUP FINAL Tlaxcala, Mexico, shone brightly in one of the best season-closers for years with many frequent attendees saying it was the greatest World Cup Final they had ever been to.

THE BOW 2022 SEASONAL GIFT GUIDE Though obviously late for us, the annual gift guide suggests many presents for archers. Personally, the hermit crab 3D target at £99 would make a useful item of beach gear allowing a change of post-Christmas beach sport replacing the mandatory sand-based cricket match!



CAMS: EXPLAINED In this article, Duncan Busby demystifies the defining feature of a compound bow.

FLETCHING – BY NUMBERS This interesting article looks back at the use of two and four fletchings on an arrow and reveals why three is the standard used today.

STARTING OUT THE ESSENCE OF ACCURACY For those just starting it is worth making the observation that the obvious objective of an archer, of any discipline, is consistent accuracy. So allowing for human frailty, what constitutes our best chance of achieving at least reasonable repetitive accuracy?

THE BOWYERS: PETER MUIR For the traditionalists, this article by Hugh Soar looks at the life and work of Peter Muir, one of Scotland's most celebrated bowyers. Four men dominated the bow-making scene during the 19th-century heyday of archery as a social recreation – Thomas Waring, Thomas Aldred, James Buchanan and Peter Muir. In Scotland it was Muir who reigned supreme. He was born in Kilwinning, Ayrshire, in February 1809 as the youngest of 10 children of William Muir, carpenter and maker of bows.



ASSISTANT TO THE ASSISTANT!

Special thanks to **Kevin Buckett** who helps Assistant Equipment Officer, **Paul Bergin**, to make the target faces. This is a time-consuming task, and one that we don't notice until we need new faces! Kevin will take over the job while Paul is away.



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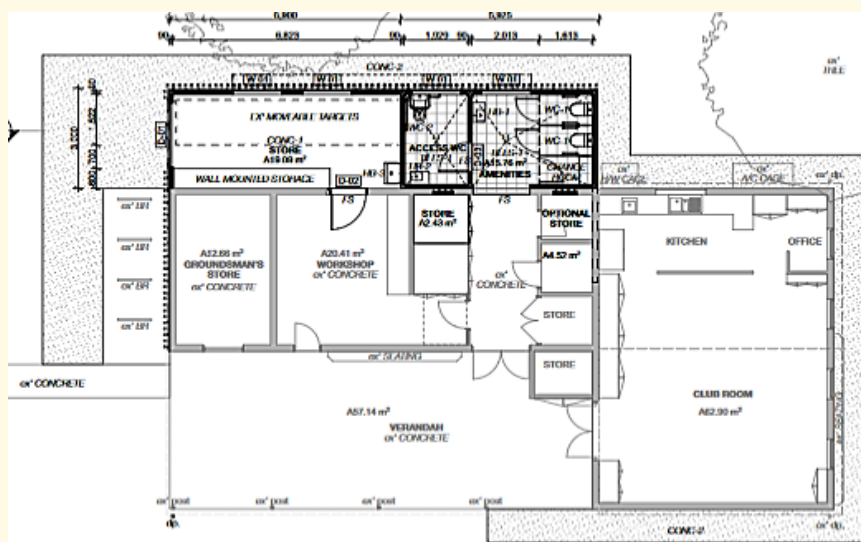
CLUB ROOMS EXTENSION GRANT APPLICATION

A revised grant submission has been lodged. President, **Daniel Caon**, received a call from (Federal) MP Steve Georganas' office, who promised to provide a belated letter of support for our project to the SA department. A copy of this letter has not yet arrived. Pulteney Grammar School also sent a letter of support.

The timeline for the grant is:

- Screening: January 2023
- Assessment: February 2023
- Applicants notified: March 2023
- Funding provided: April 2023

If you are not familiar with it, or need a reminder, this is the plan:



FROM THE COACHING COORDINATOR, JAMES HENRIKS

Coaches are required for the Pulteney Grammar course which is expected to start on Wednesday 8 February; please help if you can.

AND a reminder about the **Camp Quality Family Day** on Sunday 5 March. We usually host between 80 and 100 children with cancer and their families for a day of shooting, including morning tea and lunch.

Watch for the notice on the board



We shall need volunteers for a number of different tasks:

- setting up and packing up
- Purchasing food;
- Preparation on the day;
- Barbecue;
- Kitting out the archers;
- Helping on the line.



SPORTS SA CHANGE OF PLANS

Sports SA are cancelling their STARCLUB program. It will be replaced by the national program from Sport Australia, called 'GAME PLAN'. They do have an initiative called 'CLUB OF THE FUTURE' to assist clubs with planning and policies.

FROM THE GROUNSMAN, TONY WARD

The Irrigation System has been switched to summer cycle and checked for correct operation. Testing found that two of the sprinkler heads and a station were non-operational. The sprinkler heads have been replaced and the station rewired. All is now operational. Thanks to **Jeff Nicoll** for his assistance.

Some of the sharp corners on the targets have been ground down (thanks **Junior Alexander**). Hopefully this will reduce the risk of injury while pulling arrows from the target covers, etc.

A CONTINUING OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

The newsletter is printing the reports of the club officers, which were tabled at the AGM on 20 September.2022. I hope you can take the time to read about the activities undertaken to run our club



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Tournament director (Graham Winston, resigned)



Graham resigned from the position part way through the year, as work commitments meant he was interstate for many weeks and unable to do the position justice.

The SA calendar was very full this year with club tournaments, state tournaments and other clubs' tournaments being available to keep archers busy.

The club hosted several tournaments at Mylor, requiring our members to setup the field. While those members generally go onto to shoot the event it means they have to arrive very early. These events generate additional income for the club.

Social Coordinator (Terry Line)

The year that was saw most events go ahead as planned with one cancellation due to excessive heat and another, being the mid-year dinner, because I could not get my act together.

We have finished the year on Sunday with the Silver Quiver Tournament. Apart from some very black chicken (yes, I do mean burnt) we have all survived another year. I will finish this year off with the Xmas dinner and the end of year Xmas BBQ.

As always, thank you to the stalwarts, who are always there to assist, be it food prep, serving, doing dishes, set-up and clean-up. It is always appreciated. Special thanks to Helen, Jan and Mr Line. You all make it fun.



Publicity Officer (Annette Humphries)



I could not produce a newsletter without the help of many club members who have contributed many articles and photographs (sometimes with the help of a little arm-twisting).

Librarian, Steve Sykes, and Junior Co-ordinator, Andy Stanford, have rarely allowed a month to pass without giving me an interesting article, and Alan Chapple has written some very entertaining accounts of club activities. Members who have sent me photographs are too numerous to list them all, but Mariagrazia Panetta, Chris Lech and Andy Stanford, in particular, have supported the newsletter.

As always, the newsletter is a mixture of reports from meetings and descriptions of tournaments – target, field, clout and indoor – as well as archery events shot for fun and friendship, such as the Longly, the Gazelles, St Sebastian's Day, and archery golf. There are also social events, and volunteer contributions to organisations such as Camp Quality.

Happily, a very funny joke or photo occasionally lands in my inbox, which I can reproduce for everyone to enjoy. (the one I regret having missed was when a magpie stole a bow stringer and left it high up in a gum tree!)

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