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Adelaide Archery Club Christmas Dinner



Wednesday 23 November 2022

Bring a partner or friend to join in the fun

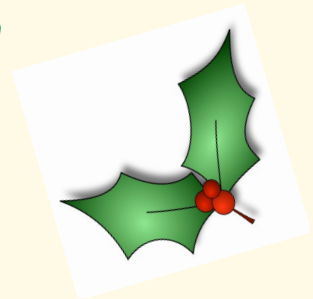
Where: The Junction- 470 Anzac Highway, Camden Park

Venue: Function Rooms (Enter Western or Beach Side)

Time: 6:30pm

Cost: \$45.00 Per Head

Dinner: 3 Courses (When booking, nominate a main meal of chicken or beef for each person)



**ADVISE ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENT NEEDS BY EMAIL
BEFOREHAND.**

Drinks: Available @ Bar (Pay for your own drinks as you go)

Dress Code: Wear all the jingle bells and tinsel you can find

To Book: Contact TERRY LINE: gline@bigpond.com or 0428 104 866

**IF A GROUP WANTS TO BE SEATED TOGETHER, NOMINATE ONE PERSON TO
MAKE THE BOOKING AND COLLECT PAYMENTS**

Closing Date: All bookings and payments are to be finalised on or before
Wednesday 16th November 2022

Trivia, Games and Prizes

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Congratulations!

AUGUST HANDICAP AWARDS

Keyring: **TAMMIE PAXTON** with a handicap adjusted score of 972

Longbow Wooden Arrow: **JILL VARDON** with an adjusted score of 864 (two in a row, good on you, Jill)



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CLOUT: Please note that the Clout on 29 October is not a registered event: register in Archer's Diary or iScored and pay 20.00 on the day. Check facebook.com/TorrensValleyArchers/

TOURNAMENTS November 2022

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

Sunday 6 November: Archery SA Tyro Tournament and AJ Barter 50plus Tournament, hosted by Hills Archers at Mylor Oval, 1.00-5.00pm

Sunday 20 November: Archery SA State Target Championships hosted by AAC at Mylor Oval, 9.30am-4.30pm

Sunday 27 November: Longly Longbow Tournament at Southern Vales Archery Club, Morphett Vale, 1.00-5.00pm

Sunday 4 December: Rosney Johns Memorial Junior Tournament at Southern Vales Archery Club, Morphett Vale, 9.00am-4.30pm

OTHER EVENTS

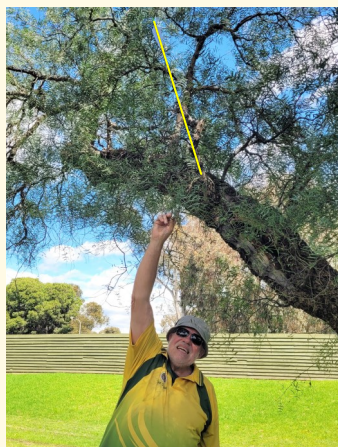
Saturday 29 October: A HALE OF ARROWS: Torrens Valley Archers Jim Hale Memorial Clout Tournament at Birdwood High School, 9.00am-3.30pm see above. Register in Archer's Diary or iScored

Sunday 13 November: AAC Club Championship 1.00pm; Junior and Tyro Event 8.30am Register in Archer's Diary

Wednesday 23 November: AAC Christmas Dinner, see page 1 of Newsletter



Dieter, Kevin and Steve, who took the photo, share the honours on this end at 70m



Steve scores the tree hit (you can see the arrow outlined in yellow, directly above his hand against the blue sky)

ANNUAL WAND SHOOT

The wand is shot from 90, 70 and 60m at a narrow vertical strip on the butt. 13 longbow, 3 recurve and one compound archers were brave enough to join in the contest.

There were varying results, with hilarity at some of the outcomes, from three archers hitting the wand in one end, to an arrow lodged in a tree.

Andy Stanford scored 19 hits with his compound bow.

Greg Opie at 12 hits with his recurve only just beat **Michael Forester** who scored a superb 11 hits with his longbow.

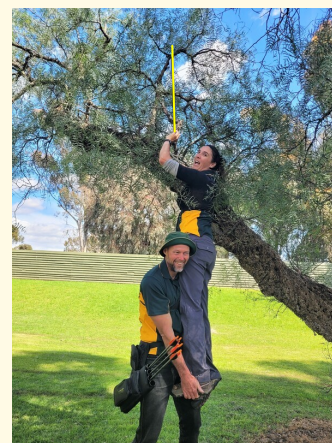
Georgia Benjamin managed a respectable 4 hits with her recurve, while **Annette Humphries** was the top scoring female longbow with just 2 hits.



Mark takes aim at 90m



The shooting line at 90m



Georgia and Michael to the rescue

Photos: Steve Sykes

VALE
GORDON PAWSON OAM
1920-2022



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Gordon took up the crossbow in later years so that he could keep on shooting

Gordon joined the Adelaide Archery Club in 1956 and held a variety of club offices during the following years.

Over a period spanning more than fifty years, he made a significant contribution to the development of the sport of archery in Australia at every level of activity, particularly the development and practice of archery and the development of junior archery.

At the state and national level Gordon was instrumental in establishing the administration of the sport to international standards.

In 1985 Gordon volunteered to organise an archery section for Camp Quality Adelaide, supporting children with cancer and their families with a day of fun activities.

It has become a tradition of the club ever since to hold a Camp Quality Archery Day once a year, and also to assist at the Narnu camp Quality cluster day.

Gordon received many awards:

- Life member of the Adelaide Archery Club 1973
- Olympic Council Merit Award 1987
- Archery Australia Bronze Plaquette Award 1990
- Life member of Archery South Australia 1992
- Medal of the Order of Australia 2000
- Australian Sports Medal 2000
- Torch bearer, 2000 Sydney Olympics

Gordon was a modest man of gentlemanly demeanour who achieved so much and helped so many archers selflessly and equally. He commanded enormous respect and affection within the archery community.

Extract from the honours list of Adelaide Archery Club.

For the full article go to the club website.

**THANK YOU GORDON,
REST IN PEACE**

Photos from the archives

SNIPPETS

FROM THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, CAROL ASHLEE

The AAC will host the Max Manuel and State Target tournaments in 2023.

The **Major Duncan Clout** was held on the Monday public holiday of the long weekend in October. The weather was ideal, slightly overcast to start with and hardly a breath of wind. 17 archers took part with 16 completing the event. Thanks to **Kevin Buckett** for assisting with the heavy lifting to get the tournament started and to everyone else who helped pack away.

Steven Hann was first in the recurve division, and **Michael Forester** took out the longbow division award.

Thanks to all who assisted with Youth Nationals on 15/16 October.

Club championship:

13 November is our club championship, and the calendar does not list the rounds for the Junior/Tyro in the morning. Practice starts 8:00am, with scoring at 8:30am.

- U18, U21, Tyro seniors: Short Canberra
- U16: Junior Canberra
- U14: mini-Canberra (30,20,10)

Senior (open) championship is per the calendar: Adelaide round, practice 12:00pm, scoring starts 1:00pm.



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SILVER QUIVER TOURNAMENT

On Sunday 18 September, 40 courageous archers braved the windy weather to shot our Silver Quiver Tournament. The club welcomed members from the Barossa Archery Club, Mid-North Archers, Great Southern Archers and Eden Field Archers.

Our Tournament director for the day was **James Henricks** and everything went very smoothly.

After 60 arrows were shot at long distances, the archers were offered a delicious lunch. Thank you very much to **Terry and Graham** for the catering, and to **Annette and Helen** for their help as well.

The rain was kind and waited for us to finish our 60 arrows at the shorter distances before it started. Perfect timing! The chocolate brownies and fruits were great while we awaited the finalisation of the results. *Christine Favre*

FROM THE LIBRARIAN, STEVE SYKES

Archival Archery Magazines

Another box of old magazines has been placed in the club room and members are welcome to take a look through these and help themselves should they want any to take home for reading

FROM THE GROUNDSMAN, TONY WARD

The Council has completed the current weed and feed process. They also sprayed weed killer around the Target bases and the safety fence. I have also started to spray the distance markers with weed killer to hopefully keep them clear of weeds.

Allmake Mowers picked up the line trimmer and mower last Wednesday for a service. It turns out both units have some serious issues. The mower has a blown head gasket and partially blocked carburettor and some other minor issues. The line trimmer has problems with the clutch and gearing.

The mower will be returned tomorrow and the line trimmer when the parts have arrived. All up the cost of the repairs is about \$1,245.

It is very important that these units are serviced annually to prevent these sorts of issues.

FROM THE RECORDER, NAOMI JOHNSON

To those of you who alerted the Recorders to failures and errors of iScored so that we can manually correct, it is much appreciated. Please continue to use the recorder@adelaidearchery.org.au email, write it on your scoresheet or contact **Naomi or Alan**.

PRE LOVED ARCHERY GEAR

SWAP MEET

SATURDAY DECEMBER 03

10.00AM-12.00PM

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO COME
BUY, SELL OR SWAP

SOME GREAT PRE LOVED ARCHERY GEAR

RECURVE, COMPOUND OR TRADITIONAL,
COME DOWN AND HAVE A LOOK, YOU
MIGHT FIND A BARGAIN



Adelaide Archery Club
Cnr. Bundeys Road &
Memorial Drive
North Adelaide

ARCHERY SOUTH AUSTRALIA SEARCHES FOR A NEW HOME

As you may know, Archery SA has been searching for a new home ground for some time, as the tenure at Mylor is limited.

One of the locations under review is The Pines at Gepps Cross. Archery SA is working on a Master Plan with a wish list, in term of facilities, car-parking, access, overhead protection..... To present to the Office of Sports and Recreation. Some facilities could be shared with Hockey SA.



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Bow International FROM THE LIBRARIAN, STEVE SYKES

Aside from the usual newsy snippets, interviews and reports from events in various countries (such as the World Cups 3 and 4), feature articles in issue #162 cover the following topics:

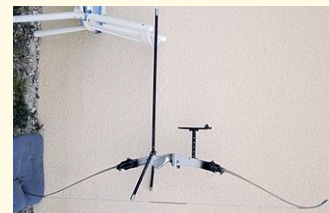


Archery Equipment

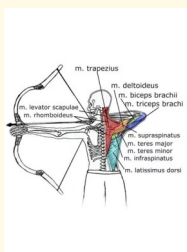
SECOND HAND NEWS - There is a thriving second-hand market for archery gear out there, and you can get yourself some serious bargains if you know what to look out for. This article covers some of the problems that may be encountered and what to look out for if you are in this market for gear.

CHOOSING A TRADITIONAL BOW - Firstly, if you really like the look of the bow – go for it! This may not sound like the most professional piece of advice but, strangely according to the author, it works. This article covers processes and the philosophy behind buying a traditional bow.

REVIEW SHREWD: RevX STABILISERS - Some time ago, US manufacturer Shrewd released a new stabiliser system. With the very thin, small-diameter Revel series, Shrewd made a breakthrough and achieved a significantly higher level of recognition in Europe. Shortly afterwards, it released another stabiliser system, the RevX, which is reviewed here for those interested *although the prices, given in GB pounds, may be a bit eye watering for some!*



ARCHERY FITNESS: ROWS - To be able to push past plateaus in your archery it is important to look after your back muscles. Most people are familiar with the rowing machine, found in almost every gym. Here, however, the article focuses on rowing with weights in order to develop the back muscles and strengthen your shot.



BOW DRILLS: THE SECRET OF SUCCESS - Bow drills, bow holds, reversals: whatever you call them, this is one of the best ways to improve your strength without having to spend hours at the range every day. Being able to fully control your body while handling your bow, for a large number of shots, and over an extended period of time, is a prerequisite for good performance in recurve archery. This article on page 34 explains how you can improve strength without the need to be at the range every day.

STARTING OUT - the next in this series covers starting to compete and tournament readiness. If you are on the verge of, or already experiencing your initial venture into tournament events, this article is for you, and looks specifically at what you need to be aware of in proper preparation for your competition experience.

ASK THE EXPERTS - covers three subjects viz. adjusting for fine tuning, how do you know if your nocks fit correctly, and switching from recurve to compound. The latter discusses issues with a slippery aluminium compound grip on warm days!

As usual this edition of Bow International will be placed on the table for members to read in the club room until the next one arrives. As it unfortunately got a bit wet at delivery, it is somewhat damaged and readers should treat it with some care please.

THE ENGLISH LONGBOW: ORIGINS - It won fame and victory on the battlefields of the Hundred Years' War (1337-1453), turned into a sporting device during the Renaissance, in the 19th century conquered the US, and is still being used and admired all around the world today. The English longbow has a long, rich history to look back on, but what do we actually know about its origins and historical development – and what is it that makes a longbow English? Read on



AN OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

In this, and the next two or three issues, the newsletter will print the reports of the club officers, which were tabled at the AGM on 20 September.

I hope you can take the time to read about the activities undertaken to run our club



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Treasurer (Kylie Steyn)

The financial statements of the club have been audited for the year ended 30th June 2022 and are attached. Income exceeded expenditure for the year with a surplus of around \$34k, noting we are carrying a liability of \$24,500 in member loans as of 30th June, which will need to be repaid over the next few years. (see the Minutes for details)

Building officer (Junior Alexander)

The past year for the building has seen several incursions. The big metal box in the office has finally been livened up, which means we are connected to the NBN. The big metal box has only one node connected which is ours. (A huge box for one connection). It would have been nice had we been told that we were disconnected from our broadband provider, this caused our alarm system to be idle for many weeks. Thanks to Stano who supplied us with a wireless network connection to reconnect us with our alarm provider.

The graffiti boys returned again and decided this time to decorate the outside walls, this is why we have a patchwork on the south clubroom wall. They also left their signatures on the safety fence twice. We also had an invasion of white ants into the equipment room. The whole clubroom was checked for the little pests, fortunately they were confined to the equipment room only. They had come through some cracks by the walls and made their presence in behind the equipment room draws. The exterminators were called in and the area right around the clubroom was injected to stop them hopefully from future penetrations. They also started to make their presence felt in the tree behind the clubroom. (It will take many years before they devour the tree as I was told they are of the slow eating variety).



The clubroom is very short on storage space so can members please not bring equipment or accept equipment or any of members' unwanted goods to the club, we do not want it. As per last year's report, members still seem unable to clean up after themselves or put things back where they got them from.

Groundsman (Tony Ward)



The installation of the bore meter and its reporting requirements was a lot more painful process than what it appeared. That process has now been completed and going forward should be a quite simple annual process.

Over the past year the spraying of the grounds for broadleaf and clover, as well as applying fertilizer, has reduced the number of weeds and improved the general appearance of the grounds.

The Fence was eventually repainted, but it did not take long for the graffiti artists to make their presence known. Between the council and my sidekick painter, Gerard Davies and I, we have managed to keep this under control.

Some of the tasks I wanted to get done this year, with targets 1-3 re-sowing the lawn, and the ground markers being lifted, did not happen, but hopefully this year I will get that done.

I would like to thank the people who have helped me out at times during the year - their help is greatly appreciated.

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