



# On Target

## ADELAIDE ARCHERY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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### ELECTRONIC SHOOTING TIMERS TO BE PURCHASED

For the past few weeks the club has been trialling the use of electronic timers for starting and finishing each end. The Archery SA timers we are storing at our club can now only be used for AJADs and official tournament events. Previously AAC Field Captains could use them at any time.

Therefore, we have been considering purchasing our own system.

Feedback has been generally positive, and the timers have certainly made the life of the Field Captains very much easier. Also, archers seem to be able to shoot within the time allowed without any difficulty.

**Steve Hahn**, one of our club members, is now selling timers at his shop, Archery Supplies. He put aside two sets while the club was deliberating as to whether to buy from him or buy any at all.

The cost of two sets of timers is about \$8000.00, but given the favourable state of the budget, and the general approval, the attendees at the recent club meeting voted, nine for and five against, purchasing the timing system (four screens).



**CRIS LECH, EQUIPMENT OFFICER**

### CLUB INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday 5 June was the day for the club indoor championship (shot outdoors with indoor distances and target faces). Thirteen archers called it off as the weather was appalling, but ten brave souls were there, and they each shot all 120! (with a few misses, though....)

Everyone really deserved a medal, but winners in their classes were:

**Steve Hahn, Mariagrazia Panetta, James Azli, Arthur Calvert-Smith, Ivy Yu, Brendan Cummins, Steve Sykes, and Peter Stamatakis.**

*Mariagrazia Panetta*



### TOURNAMENTS JULY-AUGUST 2022

**Saturday 2 July:** Southern Vales Archery Club The Bulls Tournament at Morphet Vale, 1.30-4.30pm, for longbow and barebow recurve

**Saturday 6/Sunday 7 August:** Whyalla Bowmen Berger Nielsen Memorial Shoot at Mullaquana, Whyalla, 9.45am-3.00pm, Saturday clout, Sunday canberra, short canberra, junior canberra

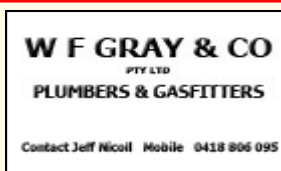
**Sunday 14 August:** Great Southern Archers Fairweather Invitational Field Shoot at Strathalbyn, 9.00am-4.00pm, 24-target round

**Sunday 21 August:** Archery SA Clout Championships, 9.30am-4.00pm

**Sunday 28 August:** Cressy Bowmen Invitation Tournament at Salisbury South, 10.00am-2.30pm

**\*8-15 July:** World Games Archery Events

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



## HELP FOR BEGINNERS AND NEW MEMBERS

*Remember how lost you felt when you were starting out? Either a kind member helped you (and you still remember them) or else you struggled through on your own.*

*Many new archers drop out at this stage as it is all too hard.*



**SO PLEASE BE PATIENT AND GIVE NEW ARCHERS A HELPING HAND**



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### SNIPPETS

#### FROM THE GROUNDSMAN, TONY WARD

The safety fence's north side is now painted, and the ground distance markers are all exposed after a good running over with the whipper snipper.

#### FROM THE TREASURER, KYLIE STEYN

Club officers who are responsible for a budget line are reminded that the 2022/23 budget year commences on 1 July.

They will be able to spend (and report) on items within their area without seeking approval at a club meeting (unless it is a huge amount!)

### BOW INTERNATIONAL MAGAZINE, FROM THE LIBRARIAN, STEVE SYKES

Available for member perusal in the club house, Issue 159 of Bow International has quite a varied content:

The major headline is an ambitious **"How to Fix Everything"** and a number of articles cover *'mastering the mind'*, *'building a strong core'*, *'analysing recurve errors particularly left, right, high and low shots'*, and *'how parents can get it right when supporting their offspring on the archery field'*. This last article includes an image of a sign at an American baseball field that could well be adapted worldwide at kids' sports events. (right)

There is a thought-provoking article on **"Sport and Politics"** centred around fallout from the current dreadful situation in Ukraine.

A new concept series, entitled **"Starting Out"**, specifically designed to focus on newcomers to archery. The first article covers *'Recurve; First Principles'*.



**"Ask the Experts"** has two questions this month, concerning switching from plastic vanes to spin wings, and shooting with both or just one eye open.

Want a university scholarship for archery? Then go shoot in Korea, or at least read the feature: **"Inside the Korean Archery Association"**. The image of the shooting line at a Korean youth tournament on page 13 is, on its own, worth looking at. (left)

If you need an archery podcast to listen to, read pages 16-17!

Coverage of the **2022 WA Para Championships in Dubai**, which were held over from 2021, is presented. The senior outdoor WA Para Championships event is biennial and was first held in 1998 at Stoke Mandeville, which is the birthplace of the Paralympics.

Associated with the Para Championships is a truly inspirational article on Matt Stutzman, the 'armless archer' who achieved an individual world title at Dubai.

Finally an activity that could easily become dear to many Australian archers is a news feature on **"Ski Archery"**. Referred to as the archery biathlon, perhaps it's time for Archery Australia to look at holding a winter event at Thredbo??? (right)





# Congratulations!

## MAY HANDICAP AWARDS

Keyring: **ANDREW REYNOLDS** with a handicap adjusted score of 945

Longbow Wooden Arrow: **JOE VARDON** with an adjusted score of 813



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## SNIPPETS

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Club membership has reached an all-time high of 261, meaning a big increase in numbers on the shooting line. This is a major reason to purchase the electronic timers as it is increasingly difficult for the Field Captain to manage such a large field.

### FEROM THE EQUIPMENT OFFICER, CHRIS LECH

Thanks to **Stanno** ((**Andy Stamford**)) for the new plaques hanging on the sign-up board. They are certainly more colourful and informative. Stanno has also made plaques for all the new AJADs rounds.

### FROM THE COACHING COORDINATOR, JAMES HENRIKS

Please consider volunteering as an instructor for the upcoming July course. Put your name on the list on the board. Ask James for more information.



At the AJADs' novelty shoot, **Tom Newton** shot the rope on the 3D ball and won 1000 points!

## AJADS' MID-YEAR NOVELTY SHOOT

AJAD's Mid-Year Novelty Shoot was run and won on Saturday 25 June. It was not just left to the juniors, though: parents and coaches also took part, with **Heidi Monkman** beating the other coaches and **Andrew Reynolds** top scoring among the parents.

In the juniors section, **Elsa White** won the girls' division, and **Hayden Calvert-Smith** won the boys'.

Everyone enjoyed the day and many comments were passed that they can't wait for the next one at the end of the year.



Andy Stamford



## HOW DO I KNOW IF A TOURNAMENT IS CANCELLED OR CHANGED AT THE LAST MINUTE? (EASY, CHECK YOUR EMAILS/FACEBOOK!)

It is not practical to expect someone to sit down and phone every person who has entered a tournament; however, technology comes to the rescue.

All club members are informed as a group via email, using the bulk email facility provided via the SportsTG (GameDay) membership database. (This is the mechanism by which minutes, newsletters and other events are also emailed to members.)

Last minute changes are also posted on the club members only **Facebook** page (they may also be posted on the open access page, but it's a good idea to sign up for the members only page, as this keeps you in touch with all kinds of other information, as well as tournament changes).

## Building Extension Grant (*continued...*)

President, **Daniel Caon** and member, **Sonja Baram** recently met with Elena Tieri, representing Federal MP for Adelaide, Steve Georganas, to discuss our request for grant funds. It was a productive discussion and Elena was very supportive. She could see all the positives and could see no reason why our club would not be successful.



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## YOUR CLUB EQUIPMENT TEAM



Chris Lech



Paul Bergin



Kevin Buckett

Equipment officer, **Chris Lech**, was joined earlier this year by **Paul Bergin** as assistant equipment officer (target faces). Paul volunteered to replace **Keith Casperson**, who was unable to continue in that role.

As you will have noted on the previous page, club numbers have increased to 261; an extra 60 or so archers shooting means that many more repairs and replacements for target faces are needed. This in turn means a lot of extra work for Paul.

At times Paul can be overwhelmed by the number of target faces needed week in and week out and has recently requested help from fellow club members.

Thank you to **Jean-Michel** and **Christine Favre** for helping Paul Bergin prepare a new lot of target faces for us to shoot at.

And now we are delighted that **Kevin Buckett** has put his hand up to help Paul on a regular basis. Welcome to the team, Kevin!

## History of AAC Tournaments (*continued*)

### MEMORIAL SHOOT since 1993

A Memorial shoot has been held during the winter months for some time. It was always a historical round. After several years, it was suggested that we invite past members of the club to the event and offer them afternoon tea. When the invited guest numbers started to fall a proposal was put to invite guests every two years. Afternoon tea was brought by club members.

### PRACTISE CLOUT/FIELD since 2013

This event occurred due to new members saying they would like to try these events but without going to other clubs and making a fool of themselves. It was decided to use a public holiday Monday as the grounds are less likely to be used on this day. A single clout was to be shot in the morning and a 12-target field course set up in the afternoon on the club grounds.

### TWILIGHT SHOOTS since 1999

Held between November and March inclusive on Tuesday evenings at 6pm.

Uniform is not necessary as archers are likely to come direct from their workplace. Field Captain and rounds are chosen on the night.

Preferably 60 or 72 arrow rounds to ensure round is finished before it gets to dark. It was also held on Saturday evenings from 5pm; this ceased in 2008

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