



2016 RIO OLYMPIC GAMES

The Archery Australia Board would like to congratulate all our Olympic athletes for their outstanding performance in Rio.

Already thinking ahead, the group have their sights set on Tokyo in 2020.

A first team medal for archery and first for the games, Australia set the pace for the rest of the competition.

From Alice Ingley overcoming illness and Taylor Worth finishing 5th overall to the calm focus of Alec Potts and Ryan Tyack, a hearty congratulations to them all.

The Archery Australia Board would be remiss if it didn't also acknowledge the commitment demonstrated by the HP Department, Coach Shih (Head Coach), Lorinda Rugless (HP Manager), Megan Nally (HP Administration) and Michele MacNaughton (Sports Psychologist) in providing support to get our team to where they are.

The Board also acknowledges the sacrifices the archers and their families have made to help the team on their journey.



NEW ROUNDS

At the last Board meeting the Board approved a new round, the AA50/1440 (36 arrows at 50m on a 122cm face, 36 arrows at 40m on 122cm face, 36 arrows at 30m on an 80cm face, 36 arrows at 20m on an 80cm face). This new round comes into effect from the 1st January 2017.

The Board, following positive feedback from the Youth Committee, has resolved also to replace the Intermediate and the Horsham rounds.

From 1st January 2017 the Intermediate round will be replaced with the already approved AA50/1440 round.

In addition the Horsham round will be replaced with a new round the AA40/1440 which will comprise 36 arrows at 40m on a 122cm face, 36 arrows at 30m on 122cm face, 36 arrows at 30m on 80cm face, 36 arrows at 20m on a 80cm face.

The suite of 720 rounds shall also be changed to replace the AA45/720 and the AA35/720 rounds.

The AA45/720 will be replaced by an AA40/720 (72 arrows at 40m on a 122cm face) and the AA35/720 by an AA30/720 (72 arrows at 30cm on a 122cm face).

If it is felt that these new rounds will be more suited to those divisions which shoot them and in addition by eliminating the 5 metre distance rounds it is hoped to make the target field set up easier at major tournaments

ASSISTANCE ANIMALS

At the August board meeting the board discussed a query received from the Australian Human Rights Commission regarding our policy encompassing the presence of Assistance Animals at archery events.

The Board has begun developing a policy to assist clubs and event organisers in the instance where an Assistance Animal may be required.

Please be advised this policy will be released shortly and clubs around Australia are encouraged to discuss this with their committee and membership.

We are required to comply with Section 9 of the Disability Discrimination Act ("the DDA").

In the interim, if clubs or organising committees are presented with an instance where an Assistance Animal is required at an event the club or organising committees should confirm the validity of the requirement by asking to sight a Certificate from the archers Treating Practitioner and evidence that the animal is a Registered Carers Animal.

All clubs will be kept informed of the progress of this policy.

CROSSBOW—ASSISTED ARBALESTS

From the August board meeting

As proposed by the Ad Hoc Crossbow Committee the Archery Australia Board has approved the inclusion of the division of “Assisted Arbalests” into the Target Crossbow division. This will assist in our commitment with encouraging and supporting disabled arbalests.

The inclusion of Assisted Arbalest will become effective from the 1st January 2017.

2017 Archery Australia STRATEGIC PLAN

Archery Australia has formulated its 2017 to 2020 draft Strategic Plan and will be distributing this shortly to the RGBs for feedback and comments.

The strategic plan will then be up for discussion at the Archery Australia AGM later in the year and then will be finalised at that meeting.

BOW CANT VARIATION AND SIGHT

Archery Australia’s Technology and Innovation Committee aims to obtain competitive advantage for our archers. While this is aimed especially at our top level competitors we are very conscious of the need for all of our members to benefit from any advances we find. Nevertheless, we will occasionally be a little secretive where we want to retain the advantages for particular major events for as long as possible.

One ongoing area we have been studying is the accuracy with which archers set their sights – do that well and it is extra score for free.

Another area we have been studying is bow cant variation. It is a particularly important area of score loss for the longer distances.

You will find articles on each of these in the latest issue of Archery Insights.

The committee would also like to thank Michael Lau (Monash University), Derek Jacobs (Deakin University) and Paul Bysouth for important input into a number of these projects.



PURCHASE OF MEDALS AND AWARDS DIRECT FROM ARCHERY AUSTRALIA OFFICE

Archery Australia will be working on shortly making it available for club recorders to purchase low level medals and awards direct from Archery Australia via its online shop if they so wish.

They will still be able to purchase awards from the RGB if the RGB wishes to continue to buy them and distribute them to the clubs on their behalf.

Purchase of some of the higher level awards will still remain for the State Recorders only.

2017 QUALIFYING SCORES

To have a reasonable probability of winning a major international competition an archer needs to be able to finish in about the top 8 in the ranking round. To have a reasonable probability of winning the team event a team needs to finish about in the top 6 in the ranking round, corresponding to individuals ranking at least in about the top 20.

Hence, it seems reasonable to have an 'A' score of about the 8th ranking place and a 'B' score of about the 20th place.

Note that in every case the scores are continuously increasing over time. To retain constant scores is actually going backwards internationally.

Given those requirements, the relevant MQS scores for 2017, based on recent competitions and the long term trend and taken to a near multiple of 5 are:

World Championships and World Cups

Category	MQS A Score	MQS B Score
Recurve Men	675	660
Recurve Women	665	640
Compound Men	705	690
Compound Women	695	680

MQS base on 70/720 Recurve and 50/720 Compound

World Para and VI Championships

Category	MQS A Score	MQS B Score
Recurve Men	630	615
Recurve Women	590	550
Compound Men	685	670
Compound Women	660	640
W1 Men	635	600
W1 Women	580	560
VI 1	N/A	180
VI 2/3	N/A	230

MQS base on 70/720 Recurve and 50/720 Compound

World Youth Championships

Category	MQS A Score	MQS B Score
Recurve Junior Men	660	635
Recurve Junior Women	635	610
Compound Junior Men	690	670
Compound Junior Women	680	650
Recurve Cadet Men	660	640
Recurve Cadet Women	645	615
Compound Cadet Men	675	650
Compound Cadet Women	660	630

MQS base on 70/720 Junior Recurve, 60/720 Cadet Recurve and 50/720 Junior and Cadet Compound

World Games

Recurve Men	340
Recurve Women	310
Barebow Recurve Men	310
Barebow Recurve Women	280
Compound Men	690
Compound Women	670

MQS based on 24 target marked WA Field Round for Recurve and Barebow Recurve and 50/720 for Compound

MQS Requirements

MQS scores can be shot in Archery Australia Registered Tournament, World Archery Registered Tournament or QRE or World Archery Registered International Tournament.

Qualification for consideration for team selection will be based on an athlete shooting 3 MQS scores one of which must be shot in an World Archery Registered tournament or World Archery Registered International tournament from 1st August 2016 until the date set as the final qualifying date for each Team.

CLUB COACH MANUAL

Archery Australia is please to announce the release of the updated Club Coach Manual.

The manual can be purchased from the Archery Australia Office on 02 9772 2995, info@archery.org.au or online at the Archery Australia Shop.

The contents of the manual include -

- Biomechanics
- Approved Shooting Technique
- Bow Hand
- Follow Through
- Compound Anchor
- Shooting a Release Device
- Shoulder Injuries
- How Arrows Work
- Setting Up a Recurve Bow
- Blank Shaft Testing
- Setting Up a Compound Bow
- Paper Tuning
- Setting Up a Compound Sight
- Clearance
- Stabilisers
- D Loops
- Nock Fit and Nocking Points
- Exercises
- SPT Training
- Barebow Shooting
- Archery's Hidden Enemy
- Shooting in the Wind

Chapters from the Club Coach manual can also be downloaded from the Archery Australia website using the following link—[CLICK HERE](#)

2017 ARCHERY AUSTRALIA AGM

The 2017 Archery Australia AGM will be conducted on Sunday 6th November 2016

Information has been sent to RGBs who are the voting members of Archery Australia.

FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

2017

2017 Australia Open - Brisbane, Queensland - 3-5 March

2017 Australian Field Open - Tuggeranong, ACT - 11-12 March

2017 Para and VI National Championships , Tuggeranong, ACT - 24-26 March

2017 National Crossbow Championships - Adelaide , SA - 2-9 April

2017 National Youth Archery Championships - Morwell, Victoria 8-13 April

2017 National Matchplay Final—TBA - May

2017 National Indoor - Various locations - 22-23 July

2017 National Championships - Perth, Western Australia - 28 Oct - 1 Nov

2018

2018 National Youth Archery Championships - Morwell, Victoria

2018 Trans Tasman - Australia - **Host to be determined**

2018 Para and VI Championships - Tuggeranong, ACT

2018 National Crossbow Championships - **Host to be determined**

2018 Australian Field Open - Tuggeranong, ACT

2018 Australian Open - Perth, Western Australia

2018 National Indoor - Various locations

2018 National Championships - **Host to be determined**

Archery Australia are seeking Expression's of Interest to host a number of National Championships which are yet to be allocated.



2017 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

2017 World Crossbow Championships - Adelaide, South Australia 2 to 9 April

2017 World Masters Games - Auckland, New Zealand 21 to 30 April

2017 World Cup - Shanghai, China 2 to 7 May

2017 World Cup - Antalya, Turkey 6 to 11 June

2017 World Cup - Salt Lake City, USA 20 to 25 June

2017 World Cup - Berlin, Germany 8 to 13 August

2017 World Games - Wroclaw, Poland 3 to 13 August

2017 Summer Universade—Taipei, Chinese Taipei 19 to 30 August

2017 World Para and VI Archery Championships - Beijing, China 12 to 17 September

2017 World Target Archery Championships - Mexico City, Mexico 1 to 8 October

2017 World Youth Archery Championships - Buenos Aires, Argentina 15 to 22 October

