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AUSTRALIA OPENS 2025 INTERNATIONAL SEASON WITH BRONZE AT ASIA CUP #1

Strong Performances Across Recurve and Compound in Bangkok

Australia's archers made an impressive start at the 2025 Asia Cup #1 in Bangkok, Thailand, with the Men's Recurve Team of Ryan Tyack, Jai Crawley, and Chris Jackson securing a bronze medal, in addition to some strong performances across both individual and team events.

The tournament provided valuable exposure against Asia's top-ranked archers, setting a strong foundation for an exciting season ahead.



Bronze for Men's Recurve Team

The Australian Men's Recurve Team of Ryan Tyack, Jai Crawley, and Chris Jackson, coached by Alice Ingley delivered a composed and disciplined performance throughout the competition, claiming a bronze medal after an impressive run through the knockout round

Round of 16: Defeated Singapore | Quarterfinal: Defeated Bangladesh | Semifinal: Lost to India

🏅 Bronze Medal Match: Defeated Kazakhstan

The Australians displayed exceptional composure in high-pressure moments, remaining unbeaten in shoot-offs, producing scores of 30 and 29 to edge out their opponents in tight encounters. Their ability to execute in crucial moments was a standout factor in their podium finish.

Individual Recurve Performances

In the individual competition, several Australian recurve archers advanced through to closely contested matchups.

Ryan Tyack led the charge, reaching the quarterfinals, while Jai Crawley and Lexie Feeney both progressed to the elimination rounds before exiting the competition.

In the Mixed Team event, Jai Crawley and Lexie Feeney delivered a strong performance, upsetting 8th-seed Bangladesh before taking the top-ranked team to a shoot-off. Despite their eventual loss, the pair showcased excellent teamwork and technical execution.

Compound Team Continues to Build on International Stage

For our compound archers, coached by Pat Coghlan and Peter Feeney, the Asia Cup provided valuable international experience. Harry Neve, Matthew Gay, Ken Sun, Anna Twining, and Jersey Liu all posted competitive qualification scores, with Harry and Matthew both registering 690.

In the team competitions, the Men's Compound Team secured a 9th-place finish, while the Mixed Team placed 13th. In the Mixed Team event, Harry Neve and Anna Twining produced a strong showing against Kazakhstan, but despite their impressive scoring, their opponents proved too strong on the day. The duo's performance, however, highlighted their potential as a formidable combination for future events.

PARTICIPATION UPDATE



STATE PARTICIPATION LEADS

The 5 state participation leads have hit the ground running to be promoting archery, increasing exposure and finding opportunities to increase participation in the sport of archery. It's been great to see the support for these roles as the team have been welcomed into each state's RGB and clubs. They have taken the time to listen and get to know the environment to be providing support for the clubs and members and creating opportunities to get more involved in introducing non archers to the sport.

A key part of building the sport is ensuring there is support for the clubs and volunteers to have the tools and support in place to engage with these new members. This means acknowledging the work volunteers do, which we are so grateful for, and also to be providing opportunities for increasing coaching and officiating courses to help share the load across the clubs.

The participation lead group regularly meet to share ideas and resources and develop new programs and initiatives. There has been a real increase in interest and engagement from community groups to be running more archery programs with Scouts, Girls Guides, PCYC and inclusion to the Duke of Ed program. Currently the team is working with the ASC to build out the programs to be included in the Australian Sporting Schools curriculum and with the ASC volunteers networks to provide resources to support volunteers. Included here are a few of the key areas they are working to support the community.

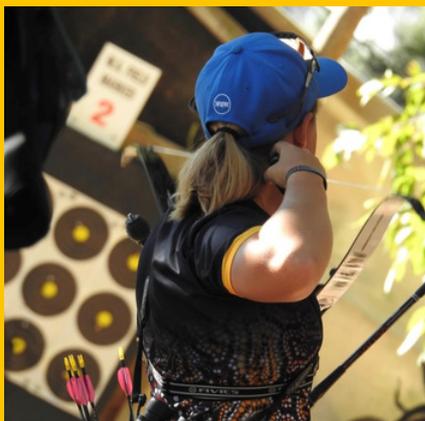
We look forward to sharing more update and developments in this space as we welcome new participants into the sport we all love.

COMPETITIONS & EVENTS

NATIONAL FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

An exciting National Field Championships was held on the 7 and 8th of March at Twin City archers in VIC. Warm conditions and little wind created an ideal outdoors weekend of competition for compound, recurve and barebow archers to battle it out. Congratulations to all the winners and newcomers to the event for producing such great results.

Thanks to Twin City archery and their volunteers for hosting a successful event and for all the athletes and supporters who made their way to Victoria for the event.



NATIONAL PARA CHAMPIONSHIPS

21 - 23 March - 2025 SOPA, Sydney

NATIONAL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

17 - 21 April - 2025 Tuggeranong, Canberra

COMING SOON

COURSES AND CLASSIFICATION EVENTS

TRAINER ASSESSOR COURSE

March 25 and 26 - 2025
AIS, Canberra

Archery Australia is holding a Coaching Presenter / Assessor training on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th March in Canberra at the AIS.

If members are interested in completing the course please contact the coaching coordinator at your RGB. Costs associated for travel and accommodation will be at the cost of the RGB. If you are interested but will miss this date then please register your interest for future events as another course will be run later in the year.

PARA CLASSIFICATION HUB

August 16 - 2025
Adelaide

Archery Australia will be hosting a Para Classification Hub in Adelaide on Saturday 16th August 2025.

Those interested in seeking National Classification for Para Archery should keep the date free and watch out for updates to the Medical Information form required ahead of the event.

Check this out on the Archery Australia Website under Events - 2025 Events

Date	Event	Rounds Shot	Venue / City	Location
16th - 19th January	Archery ACT Field Champs	Matchplay	AIS	Canberra
26th January	Archery SA State Field Championships	Marked Field	Eden Field Archers, SA	South Australia
31st January	Archery ACT Field Champs	Matchplay	AIS	Canberra
1st - 3rd February	Archery ACT Field Champs	Matchplay	AIS	Canberra
15th - 16th February	Archery Tasmania Field	Marked Field	Paringa Archery Club, TAS	Tasmania
15th - 16th February	Archery ACT Field Champs	Marked Field	TBA	ACT
16th - 23rd February	Asia Cup #1	Matchplay	Bangkok	Thailand
7th - 9th March	National Field Championships	Marked Field	Twin City Archers, VIC	Victoria
21st - 23rd March	National Para Championships	Matchplay	SOPA, NSW	New South Wales
15th - 16th March	Archery Tasmania Northern Target	1440 Rounds	Paringa Archery Club, TAS	Tasmania
15th March	South Queensland Short Course	900 Rounds	Samford Valley, QLD	Queensland
16th March	South Queensland Clout	Clout	Mount Petrie Bowman, QLD	Queensland
30th March	Archery VIC State Short Range	900 Rounds	TBA	Victoria
5th - 6th April	NSW Metropolitan Championships	Melbourne Round	Coast Archers, NSW	New South Wales
8th - 13th April	Hyundai Archery WC #1	Matchplay	Haine City	United States
16th - 21st April	National Youth Championships	900 Round/Marked Field/Matchplay	Tuggeranong	ACT
19th - 20th April	North QLD Target Champs	-	PIA Club - Rockhampton	Queensland
3rd - 4th May	NSW Short Course Championships	900 Rounds	SOPA, NSW	New South Wales
4th May	Max Manuel Memorial Tournament	Various rounds	Oakbank Racing Club, SA	South Australia
6th - 11th May	Hyundai Archery WC #2	Matchplay	Shanghai	China
10th May	Archery ACT	Clout	TBA	ACT
11th May	Archery VIC State Target	-	TBA	Victoria
17th - 18th May	South Queensland State Field	Marked Field	Lismore City Archers, NSW	Queensland
17th - 18th May	North QLD Field Champs	Marked Field	TBA	Queensland
24th May	Archery ACT Short Course Champs	900 Rounds	TBA	ACT
26th - 31st May	European Para Cup - Leg 1	Matchplay	Rome	Italy
31st May	Great Barrier Reef Masters Games	-	Barrier Coast Archery QLD	Queensland
31st May	NSW Field Championships	Marked Field	Westlakes, NSW	New South Wales
31st May	Great Barrier Reef Masters Games	-	Barrier Coast Archery QLD	Queensland
1st June	NSW Field Championships	Marked Field	Westlakes, NSW	New South Wales
3rd - 8th June	Hyundai Archery WC #3	Matchplay	Antalya	Turkyie
14th - 15th June	South Queensland State Target	900 and 1440 Rounds	Samford Valley, QLD	Queensland
14th - 15th June	Townsville Target Archers	Fita Rounds	Townsville - QLD	Queensland
15th - 20th June	Asia Cup #2	Matchplay	Singapore	Sinaggore
17th June	Archery SA State Clout Championships	Double Australian Clout	Oakbank Racing Club, SA	South Australia
6th - 7th July	National Indoor Championships	18m Round	Various venues	Australia
8th - 13th July	Hyundai Archery WC #4	Matchplay	Madrid	Spain
22nd - 26th July	Uni Games	Matchplay	Dusseldorf	Germany
2nd August	Archery WA State Field	Marked Field	Whitemann Park, WA	Western Australia
7th - 17th August	World Games	Field	Chendu	China
16th - 17th August	New Zealand National Indoor	Double WA 18m Indoor	Palmerston North	New Zealand
17th - 24th August	WA Youth World Championships	Matchplay	Winnipeg	Canada
23rd August	Archery ACT Target Champs	1440 Rounds	TBA	ACT
23rd - 24th August	Archery Queensland Target	720 and 900 rounds	Various venues	Queensland
31st August	Archery SA State Field Championships	WA Marked Field	TBA	South Australia
2nd - 3rd September	WA Congress	-	Gwangju	South Korea
5th - 12th September	WA World Championships	Matchplay	Gwangju	South Korea
6th - 7th September	NSW Target Championships	1440 Rounds	Penrith City Archers, NSW	New South Wales
7th September	Archery WA State Clout	Clout	Whitemann Park, WA	Western Australia
20th September	South Queensland Matchplay	Matchplay	Samford Valley, QLD	Queensland
21st September	Archery SA State Matchplay	Various WA and AA Rounds	Oakbank Racing Club, SA	South Australia
21st September	NSW Clout Championships	Clout	Penrith City Archers	New South Wales
22nd - 28th September	WA World Para Championships	Matchplay	Gwangju	South Korea
27th - 28th September	Archery VIC State Field	Marked Field	TBA	Victoria
11th - 12th October	NSW State Matchplay	Matchplay	TBA	New South Wales
11th - 12th October	Archery Tasmania Southern Target	1440 Rounds	Hobart Archers, TAS	Tasmania
12th October	Archery WA State Target Championships	-	Whitemann Park, WA	Western Australia
18th - 19th October	South Queensland WA Target	900 and 1440 Rounds	Samford Valley, QLD	Queensland
18th - 25th October	Masters Games	Various	Canberra	ACT
1st - 7th November	Faza Para Tournament	Matchplay	Dubai	UAE
2nd November	State Target Championships	Various WA and AA Rounds	TBA	Western Australia
9th November	Archery VIC State Clout	Clout	TBA	Victoria
17th - 23rd November	National Target Championships	1440/900/Matchplay	AIS	Canberra
6th - 7th December	Archery Tasmania Target Championships	720 Rounds	VDA/Huon Archers, TAS	Tasmania
10th - 15th December	Asia Cup #3	Matchplay	Riyadh	Saudi Arabia

STRATEGIC EVENT

In February the Archery Australia (AA) Board met with the presidents or representatives of each Recognised Governing Body (RGB) and AA management for the Play Well and Win Well Strategic event.

Coming together provided a collaborative opportunity to review and reflect at the mid-way point of the Archery Australia 2022 - 2026 Strategic Plan and commit to how we work and support each other to activate the Play Well Participation strategy and Win Well High Performance (HP) Strategy.

The event provided an opportunity to share stories and successes and build relationships to learn from each other. The current work being done in each of the RGBs is inspiring. The developments in the Play Well (participation, engagement and development) was positively received, and there is anticipation building to implement the Win Well HP strategy on the appointment of new HP staff.

Everyone involved left feeling enthusiastic and energized about the pathway forward and the opportunity for growth in the future for archery across Australia.



Let's Meet The Team

Gina Rees

Archery Australia is pleased to announce Gina Rees as the new **General Manager of High Performance**.

Gina brings an impressive background in high-performance sport management having worked across hockey, wheelchair basketball, snowsports, rugby sevens, and football shaping elite sports programs leading them through some of the world's biggest sporting events. Most recently Gina served as General Manager for the Matildas at Football Australia. She played an integral role supporting athletes on the world stage as part of the team for the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 and the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

Gina will bring her expertise to archery, focusing on building strong, sustainable high-performance programs that will develop talent into medal contenders on the road to Brisbane 2032. *"I'm really looking forward to implementing the High Performance Strategy and achieving success at major tournaments. My vision is always to support the person first, ensuring they have world-class programs and support around them to reach their full potential"* Gina said.

While new to archery, Gina is eager to immerse herself in the sport and build strong connections within the community. *"I love working with great people and am excited to be part of Archery Australia's journey towards Brisbane 2032,"* she added.

Please join us in welcoming Gina to the Archery Australia team!



PLAY WELL, WIN WELL AWARD

An initiative of the Athletes committee, the Play Well, Win Well award is a community award presented to an archer, coach, official or volunteer that embodies the Archery Australia values and helps our athletes to Play Well, Win Well. Because how we win is just as important as when we win.



This is a great way to acknowledge the work of the people in your archery community for the time and commitment they put into the sport and making the club a better environment for everyone.

To nominate someone for the Play Well, Win Well Award, please let the athletes committee know via email; athletescommittee@archery.org.au

ATHLETE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Archery Australia (AA) would like to acknowledge and thank the impact and effort of the Athlete Committee (AC) who have completed their second and final term.

The AC is the athlete voice for Archery Australia. A representative group of current and former athletes who provide feedback, ideas, insights and lived experience to the AA CEO and board from the athlete's point-of-view.

Over the past 2 years the committee has consulted on a number of initiatives and decisions made by AA, including the Indigenous artwork 'Motion Forward' and training shirts in conjunction with our Share a Yarn ambassadors, and development of AA's online learning platform The Range. The AC has raised issues and provided feedback on behalf of athletes and represented the Athlete Voice in the development and review of key policy documents.

Chair of the Committee, 2008 Olympian Lexie Feeney says that the committee plays a critical role in the AA's direction toward Brisbane 2032.

"The athlete voice is so important to how sports are developing policies and delivering programs with eyes on LA 2028 and Brisbane 2032, because at the end of the day, we as athletes are who so many of these policies and programs are for. I can see the value Peter Bromley, (AA CEO) places on the AC, and I am excited for the impact and change we will continue to make for all athletes in archery moving forward."

EOI for Athletes Committee Coming Soon

The Athlete Committee will soon be calling for nominations for the next Athletes committee. Keep an eye out on our socials and website for an EOI to be released in the near future.

To connect with the Athletes' Committee or for any questions, email athletescommittee@archery.org.au





A reminder that the Sport Integrity Australia Website has a great range of educational resources for all levels of athletes, their parents, teachers, coaches and support personnel.

The [Integrity Education Webinar Series](#) has a huge catalogue of topics considered to inform and educate sporting organisations, members, administrators and athletes to review any time.

Here are next range of webinars coming soon!

PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHILD SAFE PRINCIPLES IN SPORT

13th March - 7:30pm AEDT
REGISTER

The Ten National Principles, how they apply to sport and importantly, provide you with some practical actions you can take to embed them within your club for current child safeguarding capability and help you to guide ongoing improvement.

I'M A GRASSROOTS COACH, WHAT'S MY ROLE IN INTEGRITY?

18th April - 7:30pm AEST
REGISTER

This session is designed to empower grassroots coaches with the knowledge and tools to create an environment that encourages respect and stamps out poor behaviour.

SPORT INTEGRITY 101 FOR COMMUNITY CLUB VOLUNTEERS

15th May - 7:30pm AEST
REGISTER

This will empower and educate community volunteers around best practices for promoting fair play, keeping yourself and children safe in sport, and provide strategies and resources to tackle common volunteer challenges.

HANDLING MEMBER PROTECTION CONCERNS

5th June - 7:30pm AEST
REGISTER

Poor behaviour is the responsibility of all members of a sporting community. This will aim to help you understand & implement member protection safe practices that will empower all members to ensure behaviours shown within your sporting community are acceptable, and to navigate situations where these expectations aren't met.



NATIONAL INTEGRITY FRAMEWORK

A safe, fair and healthy sporting environment



ANTI-DOPING

Australia's national anti-doping organisation



EDUCATION

Educating the benefits of keeping our sports clean



SAFEGUARDING

A safe space to play sport and be active



COMPETITION MANIPULATION & SPORTS WAGERING

ARCHERY THROUGH THE YEARS

THE 1970S: BUILDING A LEGACY AUSTRALIA'S ARCHERS CEMENT THEIR PLACE ON THE WORLD STAGE

After a groundbreaking start in the 1960s, the 1970s saw Australian archers continue to make their mark on the world stage, proving that the country was not just a participant but a true contender. The decade was defined by consistency in international competition, with Australia earning multiple Paralympic and World Championship medals.

The 70s

At the 1972 Heidelberg Paralympics, Roy Fowler—a name already etched into Australia's archery history—secured a silver medal in the individual event, followed by a bronze medal in the team event alongside Alan Conn and Tony South. Their success continued the momentum that had begun in the previous decade, reinforcing Australia's reputation as a powerhouse in para-archery.

Meanwhile, Australia's presence in World Archery Championships was growing. In 1977, the Australian women's recurve team, led by Carole Toy, Maureen Adams, and Shirley Chessher, claimed bronze at the World Archery Championships in Canberra—a significant moment as the championships were held on home soil.



Front L to R – Carole Toy, Shirley Chessher, Terry Donovan, Lynette Eagles

Just two years later, Carole Toy added to her legacy by securing bronze in the individual event at the 1979 World Archery Championships in West Berlin, further proving that Australia's archers could compete with the best in the world.

With major milestones at both the Paralympic and World Championship levels, the 1970s cemented Australia's place on the international archery map, setting the stage for even greater achievements in the decades to come.



Roy Fowler



Roy Fowler



Alan Conn