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TRANS-TASMAN STARS

Well done to the following young archers who shone at the recent Trans-Tasman Tournament and helped to bring the cup home:

Rashaad Abbas, Henry Williams, Brock Penna, Celeste Kennedy and Savya Patel.



ARCHERY SA VOLUNTEER AWARDS

ARCHERY SA requests nominations, on a yearly basis, for Volunteers from your club to receive awards:

Most Valuable Committee Member: A person who has gone above and beyond in their role as a committee member for your club. **LAST YEAR THE AWARD WENT TO JAMES HENRIKS (right)**



Most Valuable Non-Committee Member: Contributed to the club and does not hold an official position. A person who has gone above and beyond to help around their club. This could be by helping new members regularly, volunteering in a non-official capacity, etc. **LAST YEAR THE AWARD WENT TO GRAHAM WINSTON (left)**

These awards are now open again.

The Award Nomination Forms are located on the ARCHERY SA Website

<https://archerysa.org.au/archery-sa-awards-nomination/>

- o Nominations to be returned by December 31st.
- o Nominations should not include people who have already received an Archery SA award.
- o Nominations to be for the current year.
- o One nomination per club per Award.
- o If you'd like to nominate someone, please email AAC secretary

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 12.30PM

Join some of your fellow archers for a convivial lunch; watch the big race on a big screen, have some fun along the way!

Venue (appropriately): the Lord Melbourne Hotel, Melbourne Street, North Adelaide

Contact Social Coordinator Carol to make a last minute booking: Tournaments@adeladearchery.org.au



Congratulations!

SEPTEMBER HANDICAP AWARDS

KEYRING: **Tony Simone** with adjusted score of 970

LONGBOW WOODEN ARROWS: **Mark Weeks** with adjusted score of 906



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FROM THE LIBRARIAN, STEVE SYKES

Thinking of getting your first or perhaps a new recurve bow? Then Bow International Issue 189 is a place to look. Or perhaps you are considering some new archery gadgets to make life easier, or a new compound arrow rest? Then again, the latest issue of BI would be a good starting point.

In addition, you can find out much **about the 2025 World Cup including gear, stats and venue history**, although this will be in hindsight as the grand final was held in China last weekend.

From a more practical viewpoint, **some of the best footwear for target and field archery** is presented. Flat soles for target archery with minimal cushioning and a wide base to enhance stability are highlighted. With field archery taking you from flat into differing terrains, ankle support to reduce injury risk as well as weather protection are considered.

What's more important, **arrows of the same weight or arrows all with the same front of centre balance (FOC)**? If it is something you agonise over daily, the Dr. James Park's 'Ask the Experts' article may help you come to grips with this issue.

Another expert, psychologist Dr. Karl, answers questions and offers **helpful ways to manage stress** in his piece on Relaxation Techniques to master self-control, particularly those useful in sports.

As is usual, this issue presents a number of articles covering interviews with prominent members of the archery sphere.

The normal history contribution looks at bows and arrows in the lives of the nomadic Turks.

BI issue 189 is available for members to read in the club room until the next edition arrives after which it will be available on loan.



A Longly Tournament all dressed up

TOURNAMENTS NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday 9 November: Southern Vales Archery Club MHAT (Mental Health Awareness Tournament) at Morphet Vale, 1.30-4.00pm, Canberra Round

Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 November: Barossa Archery Club Archery Festival at Tanunda, Field, Indoor and Target 10.00am and 4.00pm Saturday, 10.00am Sunday

Sunday 30 November: Southern Vales Archery Club Longly Longbow Tournament at Morphet Vale, 1.30-4.30pm. Enter and pay on the day; appropriate dress appreciated and encouraged.

CLEANING THE FACILITIES

On our Facebook page 56% of responders chose the option of employing a cleaner. Orange Cleaners have quoted to clean the toilets and sweep and mop the clubhouse each Monday, either weekly or fortnightly. It is \$99 for fortnightly vacuuming, mopping the club house and toilets area, and cleaning the toilets. A second quote will be obtained for comparison.



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AJADS report from Coordinator Andy Stanford

DEC 6TH ARCHERY NOVELTY SHOOT



Voting for the Errol Scott Award has been completed, with results to be announced during the break-up BBQ and presentation on Saturday, 13th December. This year's voting was one of the closest contests to date. This year's Break-Up and Presentation Shoot will again feature a shared-plate format, which has proven very successful in recent years. The event will be held on Saturday, 13th December, with the club providing sausages (as per last year) and a selection of small salads.

I would also like to formally welcome our newest AJADS coach, **Elana Parnis**. (right) Elana has been performing exceptionally well, and her dedication is evident, with many of the AJADS responding positively to her coaching and guidance.



FROM THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR CAROL ASHLEE

The Major Duncan Clout was held in slightly windy and overcast conditions, but it was not hot and did not rain. 22 competitors took part in the event. Of these 8 were members who had never shot Clout before. We also had a couple of club members who came out and had a look at how it is shot.

(these photos are from a previous year)



SNIPPETS

Finance

Member, **Fairuz Azli**, is setting Xero for us, with easier reports.

He praised Treasurer, **Kylie Steyn's** work and recording of our finance.

From the Coaching Coordinator, Pete Beros

The October coaches were **James Henriks, Davide Constanzo, Michael Devonshire Gill, Alan Chapple, Andy Gribble, James Preston, Elana Parnis and Daniel Preston**. **Heidi Monkman** demonstrated recurve, **Alan Chapple** longbow and **Georgina Graham** compound.

Vouchers were given to the participants allowing them to have a free shoot on the following weekend. Field captains are aware of the process. The vouchers are proving to be very popular with 13 redeemed from the June course and 9 redeemed from the August course.

Sports Integrity: The importance of making our website more "complaint-friendly" is emphasised. A New form has been set-up on our website, called "Feedback", next to "Contact us": Suggestion, Report, Complain. **CHECK IT OUT**

From the Groundsman, Tony Ward



We had a break in the irrigation pipe which has now been fixed. Thanks to **Jeff and Brian** for their help. The sprinkler system has been tested ready for summer and all seems Ok at present there are a couple of sprinkler heads that need to be replaced in the future.

THE EDITOR NEEDS PHOTOS!

As I am rarely able to attend events and tournaments, I would very much appreciate receiving any photos and/or stories that your fellow archers might enjoy:

publicity@adelaidearchery.org.au

THANK YOU!



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PROPOSED REWORDING FOR AWARDING LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

If you disagree please email: vicepresident@adelaidearchery.org.au

Current wording as per club Regulations 21st May 2024:

MEMBERSHIP GENERAL, 29.1

Life membership may be granted to any present or past member of the Club who has rendered outstanding service to the Club. A motion to bestow Life membership shall consist of a petition presented to an annual general meeting and signed by at least 20% of the adult membership of the Club, stating the outstanding services to the Club by the said member over a number of years which normally should not be less than ten. Life members shall be entitled to freely take part in any or all of the activities of the Club without further payment of annual subscriptions (the Club will pay (a) the club subscription, and where required also pay (b) the Archery SA fee and (c) the Archery Australia fee).

Discussion:

The 20% of members could be all recent members, who do not know the nominee, so the system could be "gamed"!

An alternative process could be to appoint a sub-committee to consider the nomination. That sub-committee can identify some peers to also review the citation. The sub-committee and the review can then present their findings to the Executive/General Meeting/AGM.

It is noted that the constitution of the club vests decisions in (all) the members, so a small committee limits that, but at the AGM, all those members can then vote.

It was noted we currently have 8 "active" life members.

It was agreed that this rewording would not be decided at this meeting, as it requires further consideration.

Retaining the petition (requiring say 20% of members) has merit, as currently all decisions at the club are made by the members, and Life Membership is a "big deal" so having many members participate in the process is reasonable.

We could combine the petition with the selection committee, whereby the committee is still responsible for nominations, and then creates a petition(s) for circulation to the members.

It was also proposed that any nomination should be endorsed by at least one of the Executive Officers, to ensure the nominee fits the minimum criteria of a Life Membership.

Proposed rewording (changes are highlighted):

MEMBERSHIP GENERAL, 29.1

Life membership may be granted to any past or present member of the Club who has rendered outstanding service to the Club over a number of years, which normally should not be less than ten.

Life members shall **assume** all rights, privileges and **responsibilities of financial members** of the Club without further payment of annual subscriptions (the Club will pay (a) the club subscription, and where required also pay (b) the Archery SA fee and (c) the Archery Australia fee).

Three (3) months prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Executive will convene a committee consisting of no less than three adult members¹, to consider nominations² for Life Membership. Nominations will be the subject of a petition signed by at least 20% of members and then presented at the next Annual General Meeting for endorsement.

1 Who have at least 10 years of membership and ideally include some current Life Members.

2 A Nominee must be an adult member of the club, and the nomination shall state the rationale of why the nominee should be awarded a Life Membership.