

Paringa Archers' Newsletter



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July's Newsletter

Presidents Notes

As we reach the six-month mark of this year move into August, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on our collective achievements so far this year. Over the past six months, your hard work and membership has transformed our club in numerous ways. Here's a rundown of our major accomplishments:

1. Completed Field Course Working Bee: Together, we rolled up our sleeves and successfully completed the field course working bee, cleaning up our archery field course to provide a better experience for everyone. In total 5 cubic meters of rubbish was removed.
2. Bird Boxes: Tony created a welcoming environment for our feathered friends by building bird boxes, contributing to our commitment with Parks and Wildlife in conservation and appreciation of nature.
3. PA System Installed: With the new PA system in place, our club events and tournaments will be more enjoyable, with music and an integrated timing system.
4. Hosted National Indoors: Our club proudly hosted a successful National Indoors event, attracting archers from far and wide and showcasing the remarkable facilities we all enjoy as members.

5. New Wood Heater: We installed a new wood heater to keep the club house warm during the colder months, ensuring a comfortable and cozy environment for members.
6. Medal Boards: We have set up medal boards to what can be received by Team Paringa members. Congratulations to all who have earned these achievement awards and medals.
7. Bonfire Night: A great Saturday night alternative to the Christmas party (perhaps in addition to?), where we gathered around the warmth of the fire to enjoy each other's company and watch a couple of members try some night archery with glow sticks.

But that's not all! We have more projects in progress:

1. Honour Boards: We have begun the process of creating honour boards to recognize the contributions of our dedicated volunteers and members. Your efforts are what make our club truly exceptional.
2. Team Building: Work has been started on plans for Team Building events, with a focus on providing a pathway for new members that aren't able to attend Saturday Come N Trys.

We owe these accomplishments to all members. Your involvement, whether through volunteering, participating in events, or sharing your ideas, is invaluable and has made a significant impact on the ongoing success of our club. As we look forward to the coming months, we encourage all members to continue engaging with the committee, sharing your feedback, and participating in our events. Together, we can make Paringa Archers even better.

For and on behalf of the Paringa Archers Committee,
Jeff Garner – President

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Nominated Volunteers for 2023:

President: Jeff Garner
Vice President: Andrew Fluck
Secretary: Alex Johnston
Treasurer: Trudy Owen
Recorder: Geoff Dyer
Tournament Director: Geoff Dyer
Couching Coordinator: Jeff Garner
IT Administrator: Jeff Garner
Public Relations: Emma H
AST Delegate 1: Jeff Garner
AST Delegate 2: Geoff Dyer
Public Officer: Trudy Owen
Club Couch: Jeff Garner
Member Protection Officer: Peter Mulholland

Photography Policy

Safety is the number one priority of all members. This includes not only physical safety but also privacy and member protection and are covered by Paringa, Archery Tasmania and Archery Australia constitutions, policies and rules.

When you pay your membership, you agree to conditions, including *"I agree that as a member of Paringa Archers Club, I am aware that I have a responsibility to respect the Constitution and Rules of the associations and affiliations of Paringa Archers Club, namely Archery Tasmania and Archery Australia."*

Recently there have been some breaches of these policies and rules in the areas of photos/videos and range rules.

Please don't take **photos or videos** of anyone on the Paringa grounds without their consent and in the case of minors, the consent of the parent or guardian.

Range rules can be found on the outside southern wall of the Indoors and the Paringa website. Please make yourself familiar with these rules as they are there for everyone's safety.
Perfect ends, Jeff Garner - President

Longbow shoot.

The longbow shoot for July was held in high spirits with the regular crowd shuffling to the line.

John was particularly eager to see the final scores as I had brought my seldom used English longbow to the shoot this month.

Needless to say he left with a smile and the higher score between the two of us.

For those that are new to the club or are unfamiliar with this club shoot.

It is held on the third Saturday of the month. Start time is approximately 1pm after a short practice session.

We shoot at 30m, 25m, and then 20m with 3 ends of 6 arrows at each distance.

The event is open to all archers with bare bows except compound archers.

So if you shoot Oly recurve leave your bow bare and come for a shoot.

We currently have 8 to 12 people coming on a regular basis and the event is enjoyed by all ages.

We all hope to see you there.

On behalf of Brian Swinton.

Regards, Dean

Mini clout shoot.

On a near perfect day we took to the line to shoot the mini clout. It wasn't long into the practice session before the clout was being peppered by arrows.

In a record day for PB scores we saw the clout hit 8 times by 5 different archers.

After the first flight the difference between top and bottom scores was only 52 points.

In the time we have been running this event I don't believe I have seen such a close contest.

It was encouraging to see some of our shorter distance archers challenge themselves to shoot longer and see for themselves what is achievable when you believe in yourself.

As the day moved on and we shot the second flight it only saw us raise the scores across the board with three archers breaking the 300/360 target.

Congratulations to everyone on their shooting.

It was another fun afternoon shared with good friends.

Hope to see you there next month.

Regards, Dean

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P.S the GoPro case can take a beating can't it 🤖

Regards, Roger and Dean.

Decathlon shoot.

In less than ideal weather conditions we took to the line for the second Decathlon of the year.

Early in the morning we were hard at working setting up the ten targets and slowly as the morning went by the band of merry men and women began arriving for the days event.

The rain came and went during the morning and we shot our way through the first flight.

It's always interesting to hear the comments from other archers as they tackle each different target. Most found relief in the standard 80cm face and took the opportunity to 'rest' whilst shooting at it.

I think we were all a little distracted by the smell of the bbq sausages being cooked off in the background as the first flight came to an end.

Big thank you to Jason for cooking up lunch for us.

We ate, we talked and we laughed during the break and refreshed ourselves for the second flight.

What didn't take a break was the weather.

The continuous light drizzle wasn't enough to dampen our spirits though as we headed back out for the final flight.

Whilst scores were being tallied up after the conclusion of the event it was refreshing to see everybody pitching in to help pack away the decathlon targets and set the range right.

What took an hour and a half to set up was quickly undone in about 15mins, so a big thank you to everyone.

Last thing to do was the scores and the medal presentation.

Our 🥉 bronze medal winner with a great scoring second flight was Ray.

Our 🥈 silver medal winner with a ho hum performance in both flights was Dean.

Our 🥇 gold medal winner with a stellar performance and a broken arrow was Peter.

Well done everyone.

We have some changes in target and target design for the next decathlon as we strive to keep the challenges coming.

We hope to see you there.

Competition News

July

On the weekend of the 8th/9th, Hobart Archers, ran the combined State and National Indoor Championships, using the Paringa Indoor facility. The National championships section is run, concurrently, all over the country with results collated online. **Team Paringa** had 8 entries: Debbie Draeger; Geoff Dyer; Dean and Roger Emery; Jeff Garner; Callum Green; Emma Hutchinson and Peter MulHolland, who entered twice in different divisions. Format for the Nationals is a double AA 18m indoor round (60 arrows) shot first then a WA 18m indoor round (also 60 arrows) second. 120 arrows and 1200 points maximum score.

Results for our team were:

Debbie Draeger, 50+ Female Compound, 1st in State, 15th in Nationals

Geoff Dyer, 70+ Male Compound, 2nd in State, 5th in National

Dean Emery, Open Male Longbow, 1st in State, 7th in Nationals

Roger Emery 70+ Male Longbow, 2nd in State, 6th in Nationals

Jeff Garner, 60+ Male Recurve, 4th in State, 17th in Nationals

Callum Green, U18 Male Compound, 1st in State, 4th in Nationals.

Emma Hutchinson, Open Female Recurve, 1st in State, 15th in Nationals

Peter MulHolland, 60+ Male Longbow, 1st in State, 6th in Nationals

Peter MulHolland, 60+ Male Barebow Recurve, 1st in State, 5th in Nationals

Our State archers, as usual, punched well above our weight in the Nationals with several medals. Toby Chalk (Hobart) took Gold in U16 Male Compound. Sarah Haywood (Hobart) took Silver in Open Female Recurve and Gold in Open Female Crossbow. Ian

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Bessell (Burnie) took Silver in 60+ Male Recurve. Finally, Stephen Potter (Hobart) took Gold in 70+ Male Compound.

In the teams competition, The "Tassie Devils" – Ian Bessell, Cornelis Krabbe and Ross Arnold (all Burnie) took Gold in the 50+, 60+, 70+ Recurve division and "Tas Point, Pull, Punch" – Trev Rawlings, Mark Dixon (both Burnie) and Brent Lowe (VDA) took Bronze in the 50+, 60+, 70+ Compound.

Congratulations to all our archers for some good performances.

August

On the evening of 16th August, we will be holding an Indoor QRE – a "Qualification Ranking Event". This is an opportunity to obtain an official ranking score under close to tournament conditions. This ranking score gives you a place on the national ranking list which you can find on Archers Diary. Enter by registering on AD – free to Paringa members. Round to be shot is the WA 18m Indoor 60 arrows) and bow inspection is at 7.00pm in the indoor.

On the morning of Saturday, 19th, an outdoor target QRE will be held as part of the regional development program. All are welcome to attend the QRE (you don't have to attend the RDP) and rounds to be shot are all WA/AA 720 rounds relevant to your bow and age division. Again, an opportunity to gain a national ranking and learn how to shoot in a tournament. If you don't know which round you would shoot, get in touch and ask, either by email or ask if you see me at the range.

Later in the Year

In December, we are running the State Target Championships on the 2nd and 3rd. Format will be your relevant 720 round, morning and afternoon on both days. So, you can shoot up to 4 rounds in the weekend. The State champs will be decided by the aggregate of each archer's best 2 round scores (ie. Maximum score of 1440). Come along and test yourself. As this is a WA registered event, you can even shoot world records!! I will be opening the event to entries in September.

Above all, enjoy your shooting.

Geoff Dyer

Club Recorder and Tournament Director

Email: recorder@paringaarchers.org.au

COME AND TRIES

We are looking for any members who would be willing to occasionally participate as a backup come n try team member.

The Saturday schedule is the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, we currently have 2 full time teams for these days but sometimes members just can't make it and instead of putting a further load on other team members to try swapping days, we would like to have a separate group of members available we could call on.

The Wednesday schedule is the 1st Wednesday from 6:30pm to 9:00pm.

Any members willing to help please send Jeff Garner your contact details and phone number. It will be up to individual come n try team members to contact relief members and make the arrangements.

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Scheduled Paringa activities per month						
Day	Morning	Team	Afternoon	Team	Evening	Team
1 st Wednesday			Club 90 arrow shoot	Karen Neil	Come N Try, Coaching	Jeff Garner Clint Freeman
1 st Saturday			Club 72 arrow shoot	Jeff Garner		
2 nd Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
2 nd Saturday	Come N Try	Alex Johnston (Dos) Trudy Johnston Kimbal McMahon John Dodos	Club 90 arrow shoot	John Dodos		
Wed after 2 nd Sat			Club Coaching	Jeff Garner		
3 rd Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
3 rd Saturday			Longbow shoot	Roger Emery Dean Emery		
4 th Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
4 th Saturday	Come N Try	Jeff Garner (Dos) Debbie Draeger Tony Delphin Brian Swinton	Mini Clout	Roger Emery Dean Emery		
			Club Coaching	Jeff Garner		
5 th Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
5th Saturday			Decathlon shoot	Roger Emery Dean Emery		

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