

# Paringa Archers Newsletter



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## August 2024 Newsletter

### President's Notes

The last Working Bee was a big effort from the eight members that attended.

- The Club roof had sheets replaced by Tony and Richard (to remove the skylights from the men's and ladies toilets. No more "leaks"!)
- Indoor targets had a major overhaul by Robert and Trevor,
- Range targets repaired by John and Heather,
- Range drains cleared by John and Heather,
- Gazebo footings dug and cemented for no2 gazebo by Jeff, Richard and Geoff,
- Driveway wattle tree pruned (major bonsai) by John,
- Club house gutter cleaned by Richard.

I would also like to give a special mention to the women taking an active role in club activities this year. Their help in running Come N Trys, taking part as Committee members, running the raffles, as active shooters, attending working bees and keeping the club clean has certainly brought a real change to the club. Thank you for your efforts.

Tight groups,  
Jeff Garner – [president@paringaarchers.org.au](mailto:president@paringaarchers.org.au)

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### Storm Damage

As you all will know, the weather of late has been rather 'interesting' to say the least! Hope you are all safe, have power back on, and there isn't too much damage around your own homes.

You will have noticed some emails recently, concerning the club grounds and damage there. At the time of this newsletter, the park ranger notified that Trevallyn Reserve, including the club grounds, has been closed until further notice. Hopefully this won't be for long, so keep an eye on your emails for additional notification.



Trees down on Reatta Road near the club entrance

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There has been some damage around the club grounds, but mostly confined to the field course, so looks like some working bees coming up to help with the clean up!



Lucky no one was under this!



Some water did get into the indoor range but otherwise ok



Where did target 23 go?!



Pretty hard to find target 3 as well!

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## Competition News

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Shoot

The sunny weather bought out quite a few for the second Saturday shoot, in all 14 members took part.

A variety of 720 rounds were shot at 20, 30 and 50m. All were on 120cm faces except for the compound 50/720 round which is shot on a 6 ring 80cm face.

The highest 20m round was shot by Bill Greer shooting recurve with 613, closely followed by John Dodos shooting 602 with his longbow. Top score in the 30/720 round was easily achieved by Trevor Curran with 622 and Dean did well shooting a 605 with his longbow.

The AA 50/720 round was shot by Jeff Garner with recurve and Terry Jackson with compound. Close competition in the compound WA 50/720 round saw Steven Finearty just ahead of Peter Mulholland by 4 points.



### Indoor QRE

An indoor QRE was conducted on Wed 14<sup>th</sup> August. Once again, some good scores were shot. Todd managed yet another Elite Gold score of 585 for a WA 18m compound indoor – very respectable! Of the two recurve archers Jeff Garner managed to get back into the 500's with a 518, and Graeme put his scores back above 400 with a 407. Some good scores also from Jeff Green and Trevor Curran.

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Shoot

Some light rain saw most registered shooters opt not to compete for the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday shoot. Jeff Garner, Jeff Green and Todd Bowerman did brave the weather, but only Jeff Garner put scores up on Archers Diary.

## Upcoming competitions

### Other Calendar Events for August

All entries via Archers Diary

September 7	QRE Field Van Diemen Archers
September 14	QRE Target 720 round Hobart Archers
September 18	Wednesday Night Indoor QRE Paringa
September 22	QRE Target 1440 morning, 720 afternoon Burnie

## Social shoots

### Monthly fun shoot

A good turn out as usual for the monthly fun shoot with almost equal numbers of longbow and barebow shooters and Jeff Garner a lone representative for recurve.

Probably the happiest archer of the day was Yann, who managed a PB of 900 over the two rounds – well done! The only other with a score over this was Trevor, shooting 1002 with his barebow recurve. Mark Smythe also shot well with a longbow score that came close to the 900 mark, with 892. Also, good to see Dean turn up and shoot 'real' traditional, with an English style longbow and wooden arrows.

### Mini Clout

Unfortunately, bad weather caused the cancellation of the mini clout this month.

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## Decathlon

That bad weather tried its best to rear its head for the decathlon, but fortunately held off until just after the round was finished. The ground was pretty wet and it was sometimes hard to find somewhere dry to stand on the shooting line, even some of the blunt arrows were sticking in the ground (mud) when they landed!

Nine members took part in the shoot, and as usual it was most enjoyable. Thanks to Tony, there was one new challenging target where extra points were gained by shooting an arrow through the middle of various size tubes attached to the centre of indoor faces at 20m. Needless to say, it was hard enough just to hit the target faces. Those tubes were pretty safe!

In the end, the coveted decathlon gold was taken by Yann, followed by John and Paul.



The notorious swinging ball target claims another arrow!

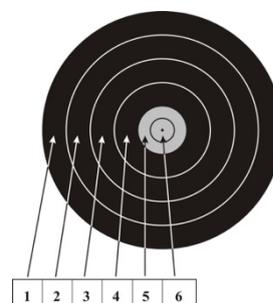
## Field Shooting

This section covers a brief introduction to field shooting, it's not just braving leeches, snakes, and hilly terrain – and just recently, dodging falling trees - but I promise it can be great fun and a good addition to target and indoor.

There are various types of field round, the most common of which is shot in Tassie is the World Archery (WA) round. This consists of 24 targets all laid out at differing distances and three arrows are shot per target.

There are both marked and unmarked WA rounds. This means the distances are either known (marked), or you must work out the distance yourself (unmarked). Mostly it is the marked round that is shot.

The targets are a little bit different to target and indoor and consist of 6 rings. The middle two rings are coloured yellow and score 6 in the centre and then 5. The other rings are scored from 4 to 1. Like target, if you hit the dividing ring it is scored as the higher value.



Face sizes vary across the course and are listed in the table below. Each face is used 6 times across the 24 targets.

To shoot field there are different coloured pegs to shoot from. Yellow pegs are for U18 Barebow, and all Longbow; Blue for Barebow, U18 recurve and U18 Compound; Red for all other Recurve and Compound.

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You stand behind the peg when shooting and because the terrain can be uneven, you are permitted within 1m to the rear and side of the peg. You are also permitted within limits, to scrape out or build up the terrain so that you can stand a bit easier. This does not mean you can carry around a shovel to make even footings!

There can be up to four archers per target but never less than three. Only two shoot at one time, one either side of the peg. Sometimes the terrain does not permit two shooters at the same time and in these instances one archer at a time can shoot.

The shooters are designated to shoot in pairs. The first pair will shoot at the first target designated to the group. The other pair shoots the next target, and each pair will rotate shooting at all subsequent targets. Each person either shoots on the right or left of the peg and maintains this throughout the shoot. As you will see in the table, the 40 and 20cm targets are in groups of 4. With the 40cm targets the first two shooters will shoot the top left and top right. The next two shooters shoot at the bottom targets. With the 20cm targets the first two shooters will shoot at the first and third rows, the second two shooters shoot at the second and last rows.

What was all that I hear you say! If all that seems confusing, and you haven't shot field before, every effort is made to ensure that experienced shooters are assigned to each target so they can help explain the rules. In a formal shoot there are also judges positioned around the course should you get in any difficulty.

Speaking of judges, if there are any doubtful line calls during scoring, there may not be a judge at your target and it is a bit hard to call for one, so to decide a line call it is based on a general consensus between the archers themselves.

There is quite a bit more to field shooting, especially where slopes are concerned, or judging distances in an unmarked round. I will cover about shooting on slopes in the next newsletter. If you want to give field a try though, and haven't shot before, a great way to try it out is with the mini field shoots that occur every now and then at Paringa. These are at a distance of 10m.

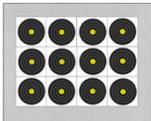
*Please be aware that at present some of our field course has been damaged by fallen trees. It would be prudent to avoid the course until it has been assessed for any further risks.*

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Field face sizes and distances

Target Face	Face Size	Round	Yellow Pegs	Blue Pegs	Red Pegs
	80cm	Marked Unmarked	30-35-40 20-35	40-45-50 30-45	50-55-60 35-55
	60cm	Marked Unmarked	20-25-30 15-25	30-35-40 15-30	35-40-45 20-35
	40cm	Marked Unmarked	10-15-20 10-15	15-20-25 10-20	20-25-30 15-25
	20cm	Marked Unmarked	5-10-15 5-10	5-10-15 5-10	10-15-20 10-15

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## Scheduled Events

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Day	Morning	Team	Afternoon	Team	Evening	Team
1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday			Club 90 arrow shoot	Karen Neil	Come N Try, Coaching	Jeff Garner Clint Freeman
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	Social shoot		Social shoot	Roger Emery Dean Emery		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	Come N Try	Alex Johnston (Dos) Trudy Johnston John Dodos Emma Hutchinson	Club 72 arrow shoot	Jeff Garner		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Mini Clout		Mini Clout	Roger Emery Dean Emery		
	Coaching		Coaching	Jeff Garner		
4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Come N Try	Dean Emery (Dos) Debbie Draeger Tony Delphin Brian Swinton Peter Mulholland	Club 90 arrow shoot	John Dodos		
5 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
5 <sup>th</sup> Saturday			Decathlon shoot	Roger Emery Dean Emery		

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\$115

**STRING/CABLE FITTING**

(This includes cam timing, draw length set and centre serving to suit nocks)

\$80

Colours currently available in "812": Black

Colours currently available in "X": Black, Flo Yellow and Flo Green

Colours currently available in "8190": Black, Blue and Buck Skin

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