

Paringa Archers Newsletter



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President's Notes

Safety while shooting

There seems to be some confusion about shooting safety on the range. Paringa has a [Risk Management Plan](#) that covers safety when shooting.

On the range, when there is no official controlling the line, we use a rule of thumb “**4 targets between shooters and collectors**”. This only applies if all archers shooting /collecting are comfortable with that arrangement, otherwise everyone should shoot and collect at the same time.

Shade Project

Parks and Wildlife have approved the project and it is now with the West Tamar Council for planning permission.

Scoring

If archers want a score recorded for club shoots, then they should become familiar with the Archery Australia (AA), iscored.today app. This app is the official AA scoring app and is used to record scores in Archers Diary (AD). It is the archers' responsibility to record scores.

We will be looking at getting a skip for rubbish removal at the next working bee (end of March?). More rubbish needs collecting from the Field course, Steps need to be cut into the bank behind the waiting line and target butts need more repairs.

Perfect Ends, Jeff Garner – president@paringaarchers.org.au

Archery Australia New Membership Database

Archery Australia has introduced a new membership database which is designed to be easier to use and more convenient than the previous one. Detailed instructions will be sent out via email from Archery Australia starting from March 1st

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Introducing Our New Membership Database

We are thrilled to announce a significant upgrade to our operations: the launch of our new membership database, set to go live on March 1st. This initiative represents our commitment to continuously improve the services we offer to our valued members.

Enhanced Efficiency and User Experience

Our new database has been meticulously designed to elevate efficiency and optimize the user experience for our members. With streamlined processes and intuitive interfaces, managing your profile, tracking certifications, and staying informed about the latest archery news and events will be easier and more convenient than ever before. We understand it is new and may take some time to get use to.

Key Features

Here's a glimpse of what you can expect from our upgraded membership database:

Improved Functionality: Our revamped database offers enhanced functionality, ensuring smoother navigation and greater accessibility.

Profile Management: Easily update and manage your personal information, ensuring that your details are always accurate and up-to-date.

News and Events Updates: Stay informed about the latest developments in the world of archery. From upcoming tournaments to industry news, our database will keep you in the loop with timely updates.

Access Instructions

To ensure a seamless transition, we will be sending out detailed instructions via email to all members on how to access the new database starting from March 1st. These instructions will guide you through the registration process and familiarize you with the various features and functionalities available.

Your Feedback Matters

As we roll out this new system, your feedback is invaluable to us. We encourage you to share your thoughts and suggestions as you explore the database. Your input will help us refine and optimize the platform further, ensuring that it meets the evolving needs of our membership community.

Get Ready for a New Era

Get ready to experience archery membership management like never before. With our new database, we're ushering in a new era of efficiency, convenience, and connectivity for Archery Australia members.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to serving you better with our enhanced membership database.

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Competition News

State Field Championships 2024

The state field this year was held at Hobart Archers over the weekend 17 and 18 February. The weather was quite warm and the course at Hobart is more or less out in the open with some challenging shots on slopes, across water ponds (although dry at this time of year!), and even through tractor tyres!

Three archers shooting a range of disciplines represented Paringa on the second day. John Dodos with his longbow, Jeff Garner with compound and Peter Mulholland with barebow.



No, the sign in the background is not because we are all over 60!



Always one in a crowd!
Told you before Ian, that Tassie Tussle trophy is not for Burnie! 😊

Upcoming competitions

Burnie Archery Club will be conducting the AST Northern WA on the 23rd and 24th March. Novice rounds are available. Registration and Info is available here <https://eventdesq.sportstq.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&EventDesqID=40169&OrgID=8473>

This event counts towards the Archery Tasmania Inter Club Challenge.

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The link to the Event Registration page for each of the registered events is also in the AST Calendar. This can be found on the Paringa Archers website. Events where Registration & Info is currently unavailable will be updated in the AST Calendar when the Registration Links are available.

If you click on the Registered Event in the AST Calendar (found on the Paringa Archers web page) it will display the Event Registration Link field. If you highlight the link and right click, most browsers will give you the option to go directly to the registration page.

Loxley traditional shoot

We have the numbers and it's happening. It will be the largest contingency of Paringa archers to travel to a single event. (See email at end of Newsletter)


Should we take the Team Paringa banner to stand behind? Let me know. (See email at end of Newsletter)

It's all traditional and it's on. Don't forget to bring your trad lunch. Details for transport will be passed on to participants, stay tuned.

Still not too late to enter. Entries need to be submitted to the Loxely club by the 9th of March 2024 to ensure you can participate. Payment details are on the flyer.

Tradparinga#

Regards,
Dean



Loxley Traditional Archers




ROBIN HOOD TOURNAMENT

Saturday 16th March 2024

Closing date for registration: Saturday 9th March 2024

A medieval styled archery tournament for archers of all ages & experience (Basic experience required). Enjoy traditional targets and tests of skill in a fun and safe outdoor archery environment.

Venue: Havenview Primary School, Cnr Old Surrey Road & Marriott Street, Havenview, Burnie
Sign in: 9.30am
Start time: 10.00am
Divisions: Open Men, Open Women, Junior
Targets: A selection from Popinjay / 5 ring colour Target / Wand / Hole & Split in Wall / Spinning targets / Knights / Bugs Eye



What You Need: (Compliance with these conditions is essential for competing.)

- **Bow*:** Longbow / Barebow recurve / Horsebow (Strictly no Stabilisers or Plunger Buttons)
- **Arrows:** Wood or aluminium points fletched with feathers (Wooden Blunts supplied)
- **Equipment hire:** Bows, Arrows \$5 - Please advise if required.
- Some form of **MEDIEVAL STYLE CLOTHING IS ESSENTIAL** – to get into the spirit of things!
- We are more than happy to help with ideas and have some clothing for hire at \$5 if required.
- **BYO Food, Drink, and chair** – Lunch approximately 12pm
- **Entry Fee - \$10.00**
- ***No metal handles (grips) / risers.**
- ***No modern spring / flipper rests.**
- ***No Plunger buttons or Stabilisers.**

For more information: Contact Peter Starr
Phone: 0402 783 158

To register: Email: loxleyarchers@gmail.com

Please note this is an Alliance Cross Participation event - all archers welcome.

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Paringa Decathalon

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Saturday March 30th 2024

Practice 11am - Round 1, 11:30am

Lunch

Round 2, 1:30

Shotgun Start

10 different targets, 6 arrows per target

2 archers per target.

Flu Flu arrows and blunts will be provided where required.

Bare Bow recurve or Longbows, maximum 40lb

Club bows available if you need them.

Distances mostly 30mtrs or less,

Variety of targets to test your skills including.

2 variations of Popinjay targets & other targets

Featuring the "wheel"

Come and test yourself and have some fun.

Registration, please text Roger 0458596310 or email rogeremery@bigpond.com

Medals for 1st 2nd & 3rd awarded on the day.

Look forward to seeing you there.

The next Paringa Decathalon will take place on the 5th Saturday of the month on March 30. All sorts of different rounds are shot with bare bow recurve or longbow and you can borrow club equipment if need be. Everything is at short distance, very challenging and lots of fun.



One of the Decathalon events is the wand. No, it's not something from Harry Potter! You shoot 6 arrows at a thin 'wand' and get different points for hitting various markers on the wand, or the wand itself.

This is steeped in history, where medieval archers would shoot at a piece of willow about 6 feet high and six inches wide at 100 paces. This was to simulate hitting an enemy (a very skinny one mind you) at distance with a longbow. Conveniently, the round also simulated, and was good practice, for shooting through the arrow slit in a castle wall.

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Wednesday Night Indoors

Don't forget that most Wednesday nights a shoot is conducted at the indoor range. This shoot is a great way to hone your skills in a relaxed environment. Indoor rounds are shot at 18m, so nice and close. Sometimes a 25m round will be arranged.

The time for the shoot is 7.30pm practice for an 8pm start. There are 2 rounds of 10 ends each and only 3 arrows per end. So nice and quick. Shooting is usually completed around 9-9.30. Check Archer's Diary for entry registration.

Best thing of all are the chocolate and drinks after!

Saturday Shoots

Other shoots not to forget, and also great fun, are the regular Saturday shoots. These are conducted on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. Registration is on Archer's Diary and there is a good selection of rounds to participate in. There is usually a good turnout and the one on Saturday 24th February saw some 14 members having a great time, with some very good scores.



Closest to camera, Todd is on his way to another Elite Gold Score – well done!

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Monthly social shoot

Our February social shoot was held in great spirits as always.

The regular line up shooters were ever present and some new faces also which is always welcome.

The new time slot, format and calendar day has only increased the popularity of the event. It's the 1st Saturday of every month on the club calendar, check it out. Do yourself a favour and shoot the round at least once.

We all hope to see you there.

Regards,
Dean

Mini clout shoot

Well, it's clout so anything can happen!

We had the usual multiple clout hits in practise.
All wasted as no one cares if you hit the clout in practice.
Sorry, mini clout.....

I love this clout community, I'm just gonna say it.
A better bunch of people to stand next to and shoot arrows into the sky I have never met.
Sorry, mini clout.....

The competition and skill level of the archers now are making me question whether we have a 70m and 60m line.

On any day this event brings true meaning to the term club spirit, friendship and fun.
See you next month.

Regards, Roger and Dean.

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Shooting Tip of the month

It may seem a bit opposite to what we want to do, but don't get too hung up on trying to hold dead still in the middle when aiming. It is rare that anyone can hold really still while trying to aim. Many top archers will say that rather than hold solid the middle, they tend to let the sight picture have a natural, but small, floating movement in and around the center.

Just as an experiment, hold your arm out straight in front of you and point your finger as if to aim at an object in the distance. You will notice that it is not easy to hold dead still, you will still float around a little bit, and this is before you add the draw weight and mass of a bow! Compound shooters with magnification scopes notice this a bit more as the scope not only magnifies the target, but also any movement in the bow arm.

This doesn't mean to say you can jitter your sight picture around in the black and the arrow will magically go in the gold (although I can float around the gold and the arrow will magically go in the black ☺). You still need to be focused on what you want to hit, aim small and you will miss small! The key is to accept you will have movements and just to work with these rather than fight against them.

Just remember, there are archers out there shooting with no sights and they still manage to hit the middle. Barebow shooters aim with the tip of the arrow at, or somewhere around the gold, longbow archers can be aiming anywhere from blades of grass below the target to trees above the target. Instinctive shooters can hit the target by instinct, just like throwing a ball at something.

Pete

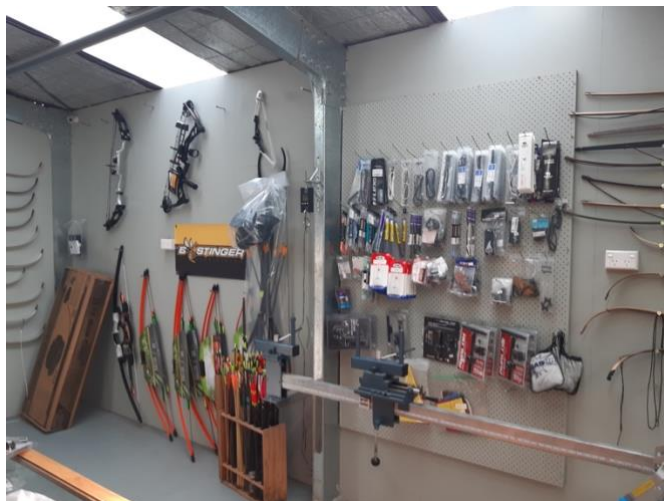
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For Sale

Many of you will have heard of and have purchased equipment from Tas Archery Supplies in Hobart. Roger has decided to close shop after many years and is selling out stock, much at cost price. The pictures below give some idea of what is still left. If you are interested at all, give Roger a call, and make an appointment to go down and pick up some quality gear at very good prices.



Tas Archery Supplies
Roger Cripps 0408 128 180
28A Lalwinya Rd, Mount Nelson



If you would like to advertise your own equipment for sale in future editions of the newsletter, please contact the editor, Peter Mulholland at vicepresident@paringaarchers.org.au

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Scheduled Events

Scheduled Paringa activities						
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	Social shoot		Social shoot	Roger Emery Dean Emery		
2 nd Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
2 nd Saturday	Come N Try	Alex Johnston (Dos) Trudy Johnston Kimbal McMahon John Dodos	Club 72 arrow shoot	Jeff Garner		
3 rd Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
3 rd Saturday	Mini Clout		Mini Clout	Roger Emery Dean Emery		
	Coaching		Coaching	Jeff Garner		
4 th Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
4 th Saturday	Come N Try	Dean Emery (Dos) Debbie Draeger Tony Delphin Brian Swinton Peter Mulholland	Club 90 arrow shoot	John Dodos		
5 th Wednesday					Club Indoor 18m	Jeff Garner
5 th Saturday			Decathlon shoot	Roger Emery Dean Emery		

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Other Calendar Events for March

Sat 9th Mar Target QRE 720 round Van Diemen Archers
AARDP Van Diemen Archers

Sun 10th Mar Target QRE Burnie

Clint Freeman
Strings

Clint Freeman strings are made from the highest quality products from BCY fibers. With over 20 years of stringmaking experience, Clint Freeman strings have accumulated in excess of 50 National titles, 2 World titles, multiple international podium finishes, 15 World records plus countless National and State records.

To help reduce any annoying pre-rotation or stretch, Clint Freeman strings are constructed under incredibly high tension.

STRINGS and CABLES

RECURVE - \$40 (made from #8125)

COMPOUND - \$40 (made from #X and #190)

Mathews solo-cam compound string - \$80

COMPOUND STRING/CABLE SFT (\$ total)
(please allow one week)

\$115

STRING/CABLE FITTING

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

\$80

Colours currently available in #125: Black

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

Colours currently available in #190: Black, Blue and Buck Skin

Please contact Clint Freeman by
email: freemanclint@hotmail.com or mobile: 0467299051 to discuss your string needs.

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From: [Paringa Archers](#)
To: _____
Subject: Feb 2024 Newsletter - Clarification
Date: Sunday, 3 March 2024 8:47:23 PM

Hi,

In this Newsletter there were some misleading statements in the “**Loxley traditional shoot**” article.

Any member of Paringa Archers taking part in this event is doing so as an individual member of Archery Australia and not representing the Archery Society of Tasmania or Paringa Archers.

While the club supports members in enjoying their archery in the many forms available, Paringa is an Archery Australia club and competition is only recognised with other affiliated Archery Australia clubs. Under the terms of our lease Item 17 (clause15) 2(d) “*all Laws and good industry practice including any standards set by Archery Australia, and successor of Archery Australia or any replacement body.*” the club is required to enforce these.

As stated on the Paringa website, “***Sport archers are active ‘Team Paringa’ archers that have shot Archery Australia or World Archery Tournaments at Club, State, National or International level with timers and Judges officiating.***”

The Loxley traditional shoot is not a recognised Archery Australia or World Archery tournament and as such, any individual taking part is not a “Team Paringa” member.

In summary attendance at this shoot has been organised by individuals for individuals and Paringa Archers is not involved and does not endorse this activity.

Regards, Jeff Garner, president@paringaarchers.org.au

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