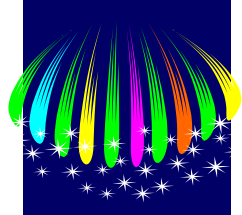




# WARRINGAH ARCHERS NEWSLETTER January 2009

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## Tournaments 2008

A very mixed tournament season ended on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, before Christmas with a very welcome win for me. Aimee & I won the Fun shoot with a whopping 11,267 points, the "Simple Simon Met a Piemart" worked for us, we even managed to beat sneaky Karl with his infrared glasses on, by 5,000 points, and I couldn't be more thrilled than am I with the State medals. Of course having Aimee as a partner helps, but the real clincher was the support for Team Jala from Jala and Denise.

The hectic tournament season started in September with the Macarthur Field at Camden. This was held on a really hot day – so hot that not everyone finished the course. My partner Chenna from Birilda Archers insisted in dragging me around the course a second time to look for lost arrows – there were a few. The State Field followed in October, also at Camden. The weather was kinder and everyone seemed to enjoy the course – although there were two shots over water, and several targets in front of the lake. You have to just say, this is a 55 metre shot, over grass – there is no water. NO WATER!! Even on Gilligan's Island. At least they have a kayaker out after the shoot to get the arrows which have gone into the water. Warringah archer's results have already been published, but I would like to thank Camden Valley Archers for two very well run tournaments.

Next came the Clout – the Fred Herbert, followed a couple of weeks later by the State Clout. Both are double clouts – a long day's shooting. The Fred Herbert was once again held under scorching conditions – making the walk to and from the Clout seem twice as long. Warringah Archers scored well, but were not able to take out the Teams trophy, but several of our youngsters went on their first tournament ever and did us proud. The weather for the State Clout was almost perfect shooting weather – a bit of a breeze, but not too much. Once again, a **big thank you** to Northern Archers for holding two good tournaments. Also thanks should go to them for arranging a couple of practise shooting days at their home grounds, especially for our youngsters heading off to the Nationals.

Now for the State Target. This was held on the worst weekend for months. We were worried about rain, but in the end it was the wind which forced the organisers to call the shooting off, on both days. But the sausage sizzle was good – if you could get to it before they ran out of onions!

A fact common to all the recent tournaments is the speed with which results are obtained. This may be the computer age, but it also requires the host club to be well organised, which Camden, Northern and SOPA were.

So why go to tournaments? Because they are FUN mostly. Because you meet archers from other clubs, and after a while they become friends. YOU can win points for our club in the Presidents Cup. For me, as a female veteran archer, it is a great opportunity to meet with and shoot against others in my category – there are not many of us.

So now it's time to pack the bags and head for Diamond Valley, Melbourne, to support our Junior team at the Junior Nationals. I am sure that our kids from Warringah will do us proud.

We have some very promising juniors coming up through the ranks, so I hope that Warringah Archers will continue to be the club to belong to in 2009, and that our new members, especially the young ones, will learn what tournaments are about, and what fun you can have attending them.  
*Jenny Wandl*

*Ed note: If you have any ideas on targets that could be used in a FUN SHOOT – drop me a line. Remember their design must have a Scoring Zone and can have either a Plus / Minus attached to it.*

## HAPPY NEW YEAR Welcome to the beginning of a great year for Warringah Archers

So what's in store for 2009 ← read on.....

### Club Website Updates

New information placed on website @ 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2008:

- Records broken from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 31<sup>st</sup> December.
- Full Set of Club Records / KidBow / AdBow records @ 31<sup>st</sup> December.
- What types of All Gold / Perfect awards there are to be obtained.
- All Gold / Perfect awards shot during 2008
- Ratings for Target / Indoor & Field.

## State Awards / Incentives that members can try out/claim for

**FITA Star Awards:** These only apply to the Mens FITA Round (90/70/50/30) – Male Open Recurve & Compound and Junior Boys Recurve & Compound.

*Veteran Mens wishing to shoot for FITA Star awards, need to shoot in the Open Division.*

Ladies FITA Round (70/60/50/30) – Open Ladies / Junior Girls Recurve & Compound.

The Cadet Boys Recurve & Compound that shoot the Ladies Fita shoot for Cadet Fita Stars and Cadet Junior Girls shoot the Fremantle for the Cadet Fita Star.

**FITA Cadet Stars:** Are applicable to Cadet Boys only who shoot a Ladies Fita and Cadet Girls who shoot the Fremantle round. These are similar to the Fita Star attained in open competition; however, they are silver instead of gold.

**Fita Arrowhead Events:** There has been a change to the colour of pegs archers shoot to claim arrowhead awards:

- Blue for the Open Barebow Division
- Blue for Cadet Recurve & Cadet Compounds
- Red for Open Recurve & Compound Division
- Yellow for Cadet Barebow Division.

**FITA Target Awards:** These are attained when you shoot a FITA 70m round and/or a FITA 60m round (72 arrows) for Cadets, Half Fita Round (72 arrows), FITA 900 round, formerly known as the Canberra (90 arrows), 25m FITA Indoor Round (60 arrows), 18m FITA Indoor Round (60 arrows).

**Australian Stars:** Can be claimed from FITA Star events only, and are applicable for those members who do not shoot the Open Mens / Ladies Fita (ie Veteran Male shooting a Ladies Fita or a Fremantle – Cub's shooting a Horsham). However, again you **MUST CLAIM**. In addition when you shoot 1100 in a particular event – you cannot claim 1100 & 1000 – you can only claim your highest one, however, if you shoot in a future FITA Star event and you score 1080, you can claim your 1000.

**Waratah Awards** – these can be attained by shooting in any Fita Star or State/National Ranking tournament and/or QRE event. They are awarded by achieving a score above 1050, 1150 & 1250.

If you compete in a tournament interstate – you can ask your club to claim it on your behalf – just write on your score sheet – **WARATAH AWARD BEING CLAIMED** as all score sheets when shot interstate come back to the RGB that you are registered with in this case (ArcheryNSW), who should then onforward the score sheet to the club the archer is registered with

## Financial Assistance to Club Members

From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009 financial assistance will be eligible to be claimed for club members competing in State & National Teams.

**Bronze recognition:** Members who are selected into a State Team will be eligible to claim \$50.00

**Silver recognition:** Members who are selected into a National Representative Team to compete in overseas events identified by Archery Australia will be eligible to claim \$75.00 (Trans-Tasman Junior Test / World Cup etc.,)

**Platinum recognition:** Members who are selected into an Australian Team to compete at World Championships events (Junior/Target/Field/Indoor) and/or Olympic Games will be eligible to claim \$100.00.

Payments will be made at the annual club presentation night following representative status.

## Recorders Notes.....

### What you need to know & action.

- Someone asked me what the figures are beside the rounds that are shot listed in the club newsletter, so here goes – the number in brackets is the rating that you shot for that particular round, followed by the classification that you obtained for the round shot – easy!!!!
- Another Q: OK so I think I've got a higher classification than what is printed. Always check this as you can obtain a high rating on a round (*ie Male Compound shoots a 76 rating which is 1<sup>st</sup> class, however, the round he shot was a Darwin, so his class has to be relegated to 3<sup>rd</sup> Class, as to obtain 1<sup>st</sup> class he must have shot a round with 70m or more in it.*). It's good that archers check as mistakes can be made, however, if in doubt – just ask the Recorder.
- In **February** we will be running a Recorders Workshop, so all you need to do at present is shoot, and later we will keep you posted on how you work out your ratings / classifications.
- **Club Records:** These are held down the club in the Recorders folder and are updated quarterly and placed on the website. Records can only be broken if a minimum of 3 people are participating in the witness & scoring process, and are awarded based on the age of the individual registered with the club (i.e. if you are an Cub (U12) competitor, then records are only eligible to be claimed as an Cub (U12), you cannot use the same score for an Intermediate (U14) or Cadet (U16 record) etc.,

➤ **Access Numbers:** Each member is allocated an access number so that your scores can be recorded easily in our club database. If you wish your score to be recorded for ratings / classifications / records etc., then this number **must** be placed on your score sheet beside your name. Please get into the habit of placing this number on the score sheet for ease of recording. If you are unsure what your number is a full list is on the club notice board.

➤ **State Records:** As some of our juniors enter events over & above their age group, and they obtain a state record, not only are they eligible to go up an age group, but they can also claim it in the age group that they are a registered member in (eg. An Cadet boy turns 16 in May, he is eligible to compete in Cadet competition till the 31<sup>st</sup> December), however, to gain State Team Selection he may shoot up in the Junior division. If his score is good enough he would be eligible to claim both the Cadet & Junior records, and if good enough the Open records. The same rule applies for veterans competing in 60+, they are eligible for Open records. Or a Master competing in the Open division will be eligible to claim a 50-59, and/or 60+ record if the score is the highest ever recorded. If you feel you have attained a record at any time – make a note on your score sheet, so that it can be checked out.

➤ **Veterans Divisions** – Club policy is that we only have one veteran division. Although you may at times compete in tournaments on the Society calendar in divisions Masters (50-59) and Veterans (60+) - for club recording purposes we only record veterans being someone who reaches 50 in the year that they are competing in.

➤ **Terms of Divisions:** Open (any age group), Master (50-59), Veteran (60+), Cub (U12), Intermediate (U14), Cadet (16), Junior (18).

➤ **Classification** – a simple explanation. An archer has to re-class annually or classify within a 12 calendar month; therefore all classifications held last year have to be attained at that level or higher for this year.

Once you obtain 3 classification scores, you are then entitled to purchase your classification badge. Badges are currently \$6.50 each.

Attainment of these awards are usually announced in the newsletter or placed on the website from time to time. Awards can be purchased at any time.

➤ **All Gold & '60 Perfect Awards:** Again many members shoot these on a weekly basis (some annually) & some still trying. The club keeps a database of the 1<sup>st</sup> time that you

attained the badge. It is up to the individual if they wish to purchase. The cost of these badges is \$6.50. A full set of awards is currently on the website or is displayed on the club notice board. Awards can be purchased at any time.

➤ **All Gold & '60 Perfect Awards:** When shot at the club grounds they are **BRONZE**. When they are shot at STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS events they are **SILVER** – similarly when shot at a NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHPS, they are **GOLD**.  
When you compete in a State Championship event, YOU MUST CLAIM THEM; you do this by making a note on the scorecard. These are the sent / invoiced to the club on behalf of the archer.

**In all of the above cases, the archer MUST CLAIM AWARDS, They are not automatically awarded.**

➤ **Ratings:** What happens if I change age groups half way through the year ? Archery Australia introduced a new policy in 2004, if you turn 12 in February of 2009, you will remain a Cub (U12) till the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009.  
*If you turn 50 in April, you can compete as a Master @ 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009.*

➤ **Age Group State Qualifications:** Please bear in mind that if you turn 14 half way through next year, although you are entitled to compete in tournaments as an Intermediate (U14) until the 31<sup>st</sup> December, if you are trying out for State Team selection then you must ensure that you compete in a competition in either Target / Field and/or Clout to gain selection as Cadet (U16) – please don't get caught out – if in doubt speak to the club recorder.

## **Competing in Tournaments/ Paying/ Registration - What must I do!**

### **Tournaments External to the club:**

1. [Warringah Archers](http://warringaharchers.com.au) where possible will advertise All Events on it's website, therefore keep this site as a favourite – [warringaharchers.com.au](http://warringaharchers.com.au)
2. Tournaments on ArcheryNSW Calendar, are listed on our club calendar in **BOLD**. Entry forms/events are where possible advertised in the club newsletter, however, most entry forms are placed on ArcheryNSW website, therefore you should keep as a favourite – [archerynsw.com](http://archerynsw.com)
3. It is the responsibility of Club Members to enter themselves and pay all associated fees with entering competitions outside of the club.

4. Should a member enter an event / then not turn up, unfortunately there are restrictions to refunds that are available. ArcheryNSW does have a tournament policy with strict guidelines for clubs to follow for late entries / non attendance / withdrawing from events. Again these can be found on ArcheryNSW website.
5. Clothing to be worn: When you are competing in a tournament on the ASNSW Calendar, where possible your club uniform should be worn (ie Hat / Club T-Shirt, white / maroon / navy or white pants).
6. Registering at the event: When you turn up at an event, the first thing you should do is **REGISTER**. This then lets the organising committee know that you are there. Failure to register may mean that the organising committee starts shuffling target allocations and space then may not be available for you.
7. You may be asked to produce your Archery Australia Registration Card at the time you sign on for an event. Please ensure you keep this with you.
8. Most importantly – check the division that you are competing in **before** the competition starts, and request appropriate changes at that time if necessary.
9. At the completion of the shoot – make sure your score card has your full name on it – division / club / total score / hits / X / 10's and please, please sign it and have it witnessed, and check your score is CORRECT. Again failure to comply may mean all your hard work in competing can be discarded, or relegated to a lower placing due to score being added up incorrectly.
10. Warringah members: Should always have with them sun block out – **REMEMBER: SLIP, SLOP, SLAP**/ water / and a comfy seat as these are not always provided at tournaments.

### **Warringah Tournaments:**

Our club is hosting two tournaments in 2009.

**Warringah Open:** 8<sup>th</sup> February

**KidBow Tournament:** 14<sup>th</sup> November

Entry forms will be placed on the club notice board. However, if you are not down the club on a regular basis, please submit your expression of interest to Steve Salmon.

Full details will also be placed on our club website.

**QRE events:** Again members wishing to participate in these events need to let the club know prior to the date set. Just turning up on the day is not the norm. An email to Steve Salmon advising round / division that you will be competing in – is necessary.

## **OTHER BITS & BOB:**

**Garbage Bins:** 1 for Cans (Please try & crush before placing in the bin), 1 for Bottles. There is a small plastic bag hanging on the Filing Cabinet down the club for paper.

**General Rubbish.** Any take away food, coffee, burgers, etc., should be taken away by those eating them, please don't leave them at the club.

**Target faces:** only to be used when scoring a round – if you are practicing down the club then blank butt, or focus spots can be used.

**Quitting or retiring from shooting:** Before you leave the line you need to advise the DOS why you are retiring – please do not just walk of the line.

**Securing targets:** The onus is on club members to ensure that the Butt is secured to the stand, by either securing the butt at the side for the new stands, or securing the butt on top for the old stands. It is also a requirement that ground pegs be secured. Hammers do the trick, as if you try pushing in with your feet, the steel peg only goes in half way, or the peg bends, giving a false impression that the target is secure. Any arrows damaged by lack of not securing target butt, will be borne by the individuals on that target, this includes members currently using club arrows, in the transition period of obtaining their own gear.

**Score Sheets:** when you have completed your round, please place these in the recorders plastic box near the light switch down the club, please don't leave them on the score board.

**Ground Crew:** Are required to arrive at 8.50 (when touch football finish) to open up and prepare the registration desk. Registration sheets are kept in the blue folder down the club and identify how the ground should be laid out. A reminder will be sent out a few days prior.



## **BIRTHDAYS February 2009**

Tim Cooper (2<sup>nd</sup>), Clay Howlett (5<sup>th</sup>), Ken Raye (6<sup>th</sup>), Aimee Deaves (7<sup>th</sup>), Zac Voss (8<sup>th</sup>), Kane Wilson (21<sup>st</sup>), Mark Lapworth (25<sup>th</sup>),

### **Special note:**

ASNSW Presentation night is being held

Blacktown Workers Function Centre  
55 Campbell St, Blacktown. Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2009

3 Course Buffet: \$30per head, Children U12 \$15.00  
**RSVP by 30<sup>th</sup> January 2009 – ASNSW**