



WAO News

August 2018

Dear WAO Member Associations,

Welcome to the third edition of the WAO News, to keep you all informed about what is happening in World Archery Oceania. It was a busy few months with the Youth Olympic Games Training Camp, the Oceania Championships, WAO Congress and the WA Level 2 Coaching Course

Please feel free to contact the Secretary General (secretary@worldarcheryoceania.org) if there is anything from your Member Association that you would like others to know about.

Kind regards to you all

Susanne Womersley
President



Youth Olympic Games Training Camp

World Archery Oceania was lucky enough to gain funding from the Olympic Solidarity program, to help host a training camp for our developing young archers who were looking to gain Youth Olympic Games positions at the Oceania Championships. These places were based on certain criteria set forward by World Archery with a focus on our developing Member Associations.

Archers spent the week prior to the championships at Dumbea Archery Club in New Caledonia, under the watch of Robert Turner (WA Development Agent for Oceania). They worked on preparing all areas of their shooting to get ready for the event.

Hear what some of the attendees thought of the camp here:

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The camp was a great experience for all and we would like to thank the Olympic Solidarity program for the support, the staff at World Archery for its help, The Archery league of New Caledonia (Catherine Gougeon) and of course all archers and coaches who attended.

Article from World Archery on the event:

<https://worldarchery.org/news/159781/oceania-youth-athletes-attend-training-camp-ahead-youth-olympic-qualifier>

Oceania Championships

The Oceania Championships were conducted from 9 – 13 July 2018 in Paita, New Caledonia and included the Oceania Commonwealth Championships and the Continental Qualifying Tournament for the Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires. Qualifying spots went to Australia (males) and New Zealand (females).



It was great to have 93 competitors from nine countries competing– that was a record!

World Archery Oceania appreciates the hard work by the League of Caledonian Archers and the Paita Archery Club in preparation for this event.

Results and photographs are available on the WAO website.

WAO Congress

The 2018 WAO Congress took place on 14 July, one day after the end of the Oceania Championships; and it was pleasing that nine Member Associations were represented in person, with another two represented by Proxy. That would

have been the greatest number in a number of years, and just shows that WAO is becoming a vibrant archery community.



You all will receive the minutes shortly, so here just some highlights:

Accounts for the past three years are being finalised (more detailed explanations added), and will be sent to all MAs for a Postal Vote after being audited.

Fiji will be hosting the 2020 WAO Championships.

Election of Members of the Executive Committee: Catherine Cougeon was elected Vice President until 2022, Patsy Vercoe was elected Secretary General until 2022, and James Larven was elected Treasurer until 2020 (following his appointment after the resignation of the previous Treasurer).



Review and update of the Constitution and the WAO Championship

Regulations: Both proposed documents received in-principle approval for content, but still need some work until finalised by the end of September. They will then be sent to all MAs for a Postal Vote.

Oceania Commonwealth Championships: All MAs are invited to propose a format to be adopted for events from 2020 onwards. Please send to the Secretary General by **30 September 2018**.

A proposal was accepted to have an **Athletes' Representative on the Executive Committee**, who for the first time will be elected during the 2020 WAO Championships.

World Archery Level 2 Coaching Course

Directly following the Oceania Championships, New Caledonia hosted the first World Archery Level 2 coaching course in our region for many years. Six of our Member Associations (FIJ, NCL, NZL, SAM, SOL, TGA) took part in this course.

The long-term goal of hosting this course is to eventually have World Archery certified Coach Trainers in our region. This will hopefully give us a pool of continental experts, able to conduct coaching course in the region at a reduced cost for travel and with a good cultural understanding of the coach candidates in our region. This is the first step to reaching this goal.



The course covered 9 days in total and was an extremely practical course. More than half of the course took place on the shooting range with quizzes for all coaches each morning. Coaches in the course had long days and were challenged on the range to not only try each skill but also learn to coach them as well.



One of the highlights of the course was having Pascal Colmaire (World Archery Director of Education and Development) host the course. Pascal has been the national coach of numerous nations and has helped to create the level 2 course.



This course was made possible thanks to Olympic Solidarity, the French Olympic and Sports Committee, the French Archery Federation and the Archery League of New Caledonia and we would like to thank all involved with this course.

See World Archery's newsletter for article on the course .

https://extranet.worldarchery.org/documents/index.php/Federation/Newsletter_Info/English/7_Jul2018-e.pdf

Member Association Survey 2018

Thank you to the four Member Associations who have completed the 2018 Member Association Survey.

We encourage the other Member Associations to complete this survey very soon, as doing so will show World Archery and World Archery Oceania that your MA is active and keen to be involved in developing the sport in the region.

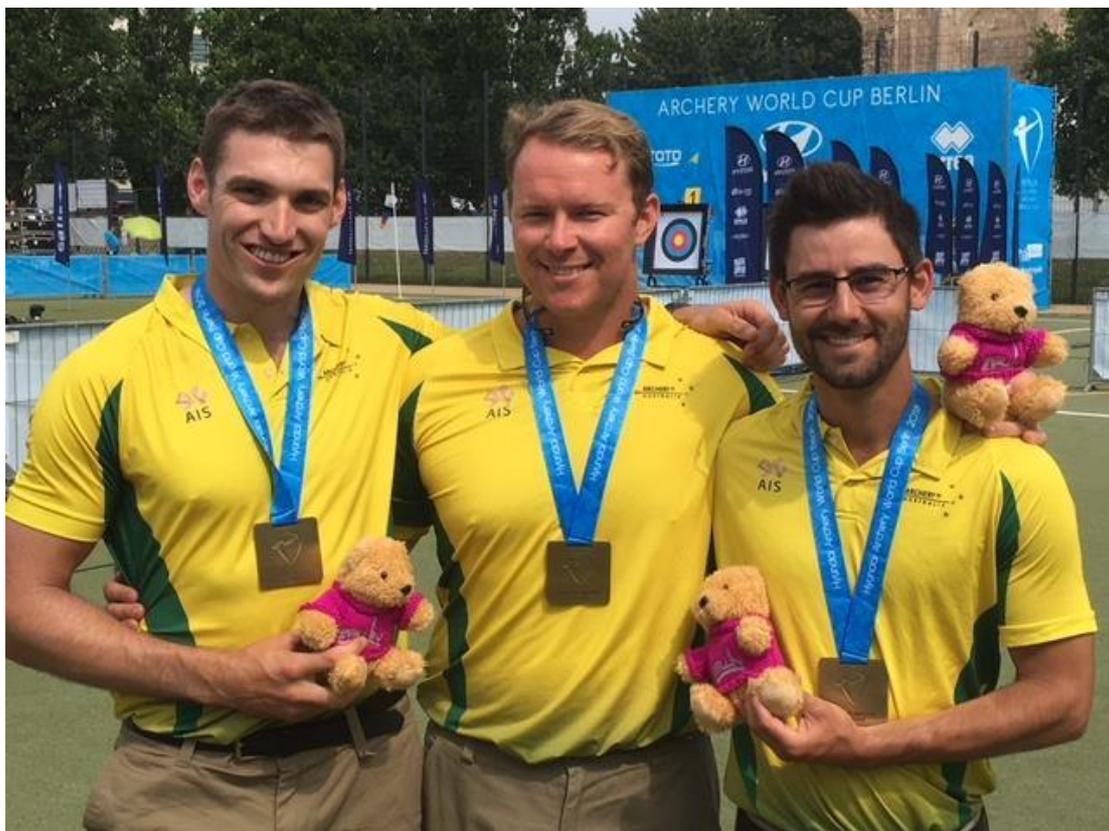
Member Association News

(as sourced from websites and facebook pages – please send us your news)

Archery Australia

held National Indoor Championships with record participation.

Archery Australia team attended Hyundai Archery World Cup Stage 4 in Berlin, where their Recurve team got a bronze medal as well as Taylor Worth individually. Taylor also qualified for the World Cup finals. He is the first Recurve archer from Oceania to do this. Congratulations, Taylor!



Archery New Zealand

also held their Indoor National Championships.

Bruce Shuker attended the Hyundai Archery World Cup Stage 4 in Berlin.

Both member associations had a number of people attend the first World Archery Masters Championships in Lausanne from 14 to 18 August:

Australia: 17 archers

Dawn Nelson-Furnell – Awarded Gold Medal for Exceptional Sportsmanship for assisting other Archers at her own expense (Sacrificed the silver medal to help other archers who didn't know the Fita Field rules and who would have found them selves in a lot of trouble)

Elizabeth Hole (1 Gold and 2 Silver medals), Peter Nelson-Furnell, Gerry Middendorp, Gerrardine Middendorp, Danie Oosthuizen, Corleen Oosthuizen, Mark Berry, **David Crabtree** (2 Bronze medals), Craig Damon, **Ian Dall** (3 Silver

medals), **John Deer** (1 Silver medal), **Sherry Gale** (3 Silver medals), Sakia James, Thomas Maple, **Susan Swain** (1 Gold and 2 Silber medals), Margareth Taylor

New Zealand: 5 archers

Beverley Evans, Kathy Barclay, **Barbara Scott** (3 Gold medals), Lynda Webby, Sier Vermunt

Norfolk Island Archery

held a successful 3D international event.

Palau Archery Federation

Showcased archery at the Micronesian Games.



Tahiti

held a beginners course with fantastic turnout.

Please keep an eye out on our Facebook page for Oceania specific posts on these events as well as world archery's page/website for more about the events.

World Archery Oceania's Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/World-Archery-Oceania-152312405582039/>

World Archery's Website

<https://worldarchery.org/>

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WAO Calendar

Please contact the Secretary General with dates for your National Championships, so that they can be included in the next edition.

Archery Australia: National Championships 2 – 7 November, Morwell, Victoria