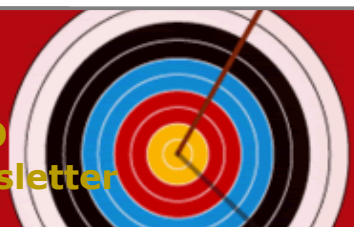




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## FITA President

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### Appointment as Rector of Hacettepe University

The President of the Republic of Turkey has appointed Dr Ugur Erdener as the Rector of the Hacettepe University. The FITA President has officially become the new Rector of the Hacettepe University during a ceremony held on 3 January 2008 in Ankara, Turkey.



Our sincere congratulations and the best of luck in this new and exciting challenge. FITA is honoured to have as President the Rector of such a prestigious University.

## Field Committee

### Appointment of New Chairman

Following the resignation of Per Bolstad as Chairman and Member of the Field Committee, the Executive Committee of FITA in consultation with the Field Committee has appointed Tom Green as a new Member for the term up to the 2009 Congress. The FITA President has appointed Derrick Lovell as the new Chairman.

Per Bolstad was thanked by the FITA President for his many years as very active Chairman of the Field Committee. We hope that he will continue to contribute to the Archery family in another capacity.

## Archery TV

### Now on YouTube!

Archery fans worldwide now have access to the FITA videos and archives of World Championships and World Cup events from [www.archery.tv](http://www.archery.tv) on YouTube.

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All the videos, from the last Meteksan Archery World Cup Final Dubai 2007 to the World Championships in 1957, are put on YouTube: [www.archery.tv](http://www.archery.tv).

FITA is providing all these videos for free for worldwide fans to enjoy the best of archery. As a pre-launch, about 50 videos have been already uploaded and the feedback from the fans and experts have been tremendous with several thousands viewers over a short time period.

FITA will continue to upload videos such as 26-minute highlights, medal matches, feature stories or interviews of stars archers. FITA will also extend the content of the videos with coaching tips and best practices to help the development of archery worldwide. FITA will also put in place a fan corner to regroup the competitions, educational or funny archery videos made by the fans around the globe.

With this new YouTube channel, FITA is continuing to expose archery to a wider audience. In 2007, FITA has reached a cumulative 952 millions TV viewers and hope now to attract millions of fans and the younger generation on the Internet.

## Constitution & Rules

### Bylaws - Rule Book

Together with this January 2008 newsletter, FITA has released a "special issue" dedicated to the official publication of the bylaws adopted by FITA Council during its meeting in November 2007. All those bylaws will become effective as of 1 April 2008.

They can also be downloaded on the FITA website in the section Rules/Bylaws.

### Important notes:

#### Book 4, Article 9.2.1.1 – New scoring for Field Archery:

This new bylaw involves changes in the Arrowhead tables for Field Archery. These new Arrowhead Tables have been prepared by the Field Archery Committee and are currently reviewed by Council. They will be published as new bylaws in the next FITA Info.

#### Book 5, Article 11.10 – 3D rules:

In November 2007, the Council has also adopted a new set of 3D rules which will be also effective as of 1 April 2008 and are now available both in the sections Bylaws and Disciplines/3D section of the FITA website.

In addition, a number of adjustments have been adopted by Council in Book 1, Chapters 3 and 4 of the Constitution and Rules, in order to integrate the 3D to other FITA Championships and Competitions. Those adjustments will be directly included in the updated electronic version of the FITA Rule Book valid as of 1 April 2008, currently in preparation.

The next printed edition of the Rule Book will be the one effective as of 1 April 2010.



European Indoor Championship  
3-9 March 2008



World University Championships  
7-20 July 2008



Olympic Games  
8-16 August 2008



Field World Championships  
1-6 September 2008



European Masters Games  
29 August-9 September 2008

### International Archery Federation

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### New Guidelines for FITA Plaquettes

In its 10-11 November 2007 meeting, the FITA Council has adopted some updates and clarification with regard to the criteria for awarding the Plaquettes, based on the feedback and recommendations from the Board of Trustees to better reflect the intention of the Plaquettes.

The new Guidelines (Book 1, Appendix 6 of FITA Constitution) are applicable as of the date of publication of this newsletter, and are as follows:

## APPENDIX 6

### GUIDELINES FOR FITA PLAQUETTES (see article 1.22)

For all FITA Plaquettes the following criteria will apply:

- Only current or former members of FITA Member Associations can receive a FITA Plaquette. The Plaquettes are not awarded to other persons that have assisted FITA in any way. Other awards exist for such persons.
- A Plaquette cannot be awarded to a person that has been in breach of the ethical code of FITA and has been sanctioned as a result of this.
- There is no automatic awarding of Plaquettes. It is not because someone has fulfilled a function that is eligible for a Plaquette that such award will be automatically awarded. The person must be presented and the Board of Trustees must agree to propose it to Council or Congress.
- A recipient of a Plaquette can be awarded another Plaquette both of a higher and lower value.
- A submission of a Plaquette should be seconded by another Member Association or Council Member.
- The Board of Trustees is obliged to apply the criteria listed below unless a unanimous decision can be reached by the members and the reasons need to be explained in detail.

#### **BRONZE**

1. *Council Members on retirement;*
2. *Members of Permanent Committees with particular merits on retirement;*
3. *International Judges having successfully served at several FITA Events or Games on retirement;*
4. *Organizers of successful Continental Championships or FITA World Ranking Events;*
5. *Experts on Development and Technical Assistance or Olympic Solidarity missions having served regularly and successfully on several missions;*
6. *Coaches and athletes with particular merits in promoting the image of our Sport by top performance and fair play in competition;*

#### **SILVER**

1. *Vice Presidents on retirement;*
2. *Organizers of successful World Championships or Olympic Tournaments;*
3. *Technical Delegates at Olympic Tournaments.*
4. *FITA Officers with particular merits or having served FITA long and successfully*

#### **GOLD**

1. *Presidents on retirement;*
2. *FITA Officers for exceptionally outstanding services to FITA*

*The above Guidelines were adopted by Council at a meeting held 28-29 January, 1989 in Lausanne, Switzerland, updated in the Council meetings held:*

- *29-30 January, 1999,*
- *10-11 November, 2007.*

*They will not be taken as automatic criteria and Council will review every case proposed checking its correspondence to the Guidelines. Council will also update these Guidelines, if and when, the need arises*

## Erratum

### FAQ – Tournaments Registration Fees

A mistake has been made in the FAQ published in the December 2007 FITA Info (Book 1, Article 4.5.1.7, and Book 2, Article 6.4.5), with regard to the amount of 2008 Tournaments registration fee in the FITA Round, Arrowhead, 70m Round, 900 Round, 18m Indoor Round, 25m Indoor Round, Half FITA Round.

For 2008, the correct tournament registration fee as approved by FITA Council for these tournaments is **25 USD (20 EUR)**.

The other tournaments fees remain correct.

The related FAQ has also been updated on the FITA website in the section FAQ/FAQ on Rules.

## Anti-Doping

### Important Statement

By Alison Williamson, Chairwoman of the FITA Athlete's Committee and Françoise Dagouret, FITA Anti-Doping Administrator

#### Availability of Athletes for Testing

- As per FITA Anti-Doping rules, all athletes affiliated with a FITA Member Association are subject to Doping Controls not only at Events, but also to Out-of-Competition Testing at any place or time, by FITA, the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), the Athlete's Member Association, the National Anti-Doping Organisation of any country where the athlete is present, the IOC during Olympic Games and the IPC during Paralympic Games.
- As per the WADA International Standards for Testing, which FITA is bound to, after the acceptance of the notification to submit to a sample collection by an athlete, a Doping Control Officer (DCO) may accept a request to delay the sample collection session in only certain and/or exceptional circumstances (e.g. locating a representative, completing a training session, receiving a medical treatment...), which shall be documented. But the DCO shall reject such a request if it will not be possible for the Athlete to be continuously chaperoned.

Practically, this means that upon a visit of a DCO duly appointed by one of the above-mentioned organisations, **an athlete can not have any valid reason for not signing a notification to submit to sample collection and not complying to the DCO's instructions**, e.g. "the time is not convenient", "I am currently busy", "Please come later", "I have an other important commitment", etc...

**Refusing to submit to sample collection constitutes an anti-doping rule violation which may lead to a two year's ineligibility sanction.**

We urge all athletes affiliated with a FITA Member Association to pay the utmost attention on this matter and to behave accordingly, whatever the circumstances.

## Development

### Congratulations on Son's Birth

At the beginning of January 2008 Mr Mun Baek Woon has taken over the position of Coach at the FITA Middle East Archery Centre in Cairo, Egypt. Since 17 December 2007, he is the father of a little boy called Mun Chan Young.



Congratulations to the happy parents!

### Membership for a New Country: Algeria

The November 2007 issue of FITA info informed you that Algeria has applied to FITA Membership.

Since none of the FITA Member Associations and members of the FITA Council, has raised in writing to the FITA office any objection, the "Fédération Algérienne de Tir Sportif" has been granted a temporary FITA membership since 1 February 2008.

During the next FITA Congress (2009) the final memberships of this National Archery Association will be submitted to a vote.

### FITA Meets Olympic Solidarity Coaches Section

Olympic Solidarity is one of our main partners for the development of archery worldwide through their programs that cover athletes, coaches, administrators, women in sports, etc.

On the 24 January FITA Development & Coaching Department representatives – Mr Pascal Colmaire and Ms Deqa Hussen - met with the Olympic Solidarity Coaches Section – Mr Yassine Yousfi and Ms Carina Dragomir - to review the activities accomplished in 2007 and for the upcoming development projects in 2008.

FITA will mainly focus on sustainable development in 2008 for international experts to teach the national coaches (e.g. technical courses for coaches), so that they will have a key role on the national level and continue the development of archery.

Olympic Solidarity will continue to support our coaches education programme taking place every year at FITA MEAC in Cairo, Egypt, a one month training attended by coaches, part of them supported by their National Olympic Committees through Olympic Solidarity. Two sessions were conducted in 2007 and should be renewed for 2008.

Finally, Olympic Solidarity expressed their satisfaction on the development of the national structure programme in several countries of west Africa where FITA development agent, Mr Paul Zinsou, worked for training the national instructors but also included equipment construction with local material that is affordable to all.

### Archery Expert Wanted in Kuwait

FITA is looking for an archery coach to assist restarting archery in Kuwait.

Employer: Kuwait Shooting and Archery Federation

Location: Work base in Hawalli, but work in all Kuwait.

Dates: One year contract. Starting as soon as possible.

Language: English (Arabic would be a bonus).

Objectives: Help the Kuwait Shooting and Archery Federation to put in place a good structure for efficient archery development among the youth (in school and clubs).

Identify the equipment needs.

Accommodation: Will be provided.

Car: Will be provided.

Salary: Will depend on experience.

Health insurance: Will be provided.

Travel: One ticket for all family members.

Application deadline: February 10, 2008

Kuwait Shooting and Archery Federation

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Phone: +965 (47) 13 557 or +965 (47) 13 551 ext. 100

Mobile: +965 (907) 0207

Email: [kuwshoot@qualitynet.net](mailto:kuwshoot@qualitynet.net)

### Simple Equipment to Promote Archery in Africa

We have already informed you of this experience taking place in several West African countries by the FITA Development Agent, Mr Paul Zinsou from Benin, in this region.

Here are some updates on the progress of this project:

For the qualification step of the archers which will take place on February 10 to 24, 2008, who will represent department on a national level will use bows sight (made of bamboo) at a shooting distance between 20 and 30 m has begun.



More information will follow on the next edition!

### MEAC First Trimester Activities of 2008

MEAC receive the Spanish Archery Federation for a training camp with coach Mun followed by other teams.

The Spanish Archery Federation recently left the MEAC after a training camp of 8 days with a delegation of 10 persons. Algeria is training on site and Italy will be arriving on the 14th to the 23rd of February with their world champion, Natalia VALEEVA and 2004 Olympic champion, Marco Galiazzo. The Polish and Finnish teams will be then training on the month of March.



Coach Mun Baek Wong, left end, first row with Spanish Archery team

A continental training camp has just started for 2 weeks with the participation of 10 African nations. It will be followed by a judge's course on the 5th to the 7th February. The African qualifying tournament for the Beijing Olympic Games will then take place from the 8th to the 12th of February. To complete the month of February a coaches course will be conducted by the FITA coaches committee from the 13th to the 18th February. As you can see the MEAC is actively developing our sport.

Coach Mun commented on his first impression at MEAC and said that this is a great experience for him and his really optimistic with the great objectives that will be accomplished at the MEAC.

### African Training Camp at MEAC

A training camp is taking place at the MEAC, Cairo, Egypt conducted by Mr Mun Baek Woon, international expert. This training camp gathered 14 archers and 8 coaches from 8 African countries.

The camp aims the preparation of the developing national African teams through a double competition: The African Championship / Olympic Qualifying Tournament for the Olympic Games that will be held this year.

Country	Surname	First name	Title	Gender
MOR	MOHAMED	Asadi	Archer	M
	OUADDOUDI	Fatine	Archer	F
	MOHAMED	Zaidi	Coach	M
CIV	BAKO	Kalo Emma Cémentine	Archer	F
	ESSIS	Mi-Careme Moise	Coach	M
MRI	CLIFF BABET	Jean-Marie	Archer	M
	D'UNIENVILLE	Veronique M.	Archer	F
	NEKITSING	Tekbahadoursing	Archer	M
	CHETTIAR	Ganeshan	Coach	M
CHA	WIBOGO	Wodegue	Archer	M
	BOUKAR	Sophonie	Archer	F
	NGUELET	Kouago	Coach	M
UGA	BWIRE	Peter Calisias	Archer	M
	TUMUSIIME	Margaret Mwesidge	Archer	F
	OPPONG	Stephan Jean	Coach	M
ALG	BOUSLAH	Moundhir	Archer	M
	BELKHODJA	Abdelhafid	Coach	M
BEN	KPANIDJA	Didier	Archer	M
	KUETEY	Laure Isabelle	Archer	F
	DOSSOU ESSEGRO	Gérard	Coach	M
KEN	ANWAR	Shehzana	Archer	F
	ANWAR	Tabassum	Coach	F



Some of the participants will also assist at the judges seminar conducted by the FAA President, Mr Konrad van Warmelo and/or the coaches seminar conducted by the FITA Coaches Committee.

Most of the African countries have recently started archery and are not familiar shooting at 70 meters and do not have the adequate equipment. Therefore coach Mun Baek Woon has a lot of work that his accomplishing with great enthusiasm.

#### Equipment Donation to Promising Russian Speaking (Eurasian) Archers

As we already informed you several times in 2007, FITA decided to give a boost to several countries from the former Soviet Union (USSR).

This program 'Archery for the Russian Speaking Countries' targeted three major development activities, namely Coaching, Judging and Athletes (especially the young athletes). For these latest ones, a one week Youth Training Camp has been held in Ankara (Turkey) in September 2007 and some advanced equipment has been donated to one girl and one boy from each countries represented in the training camp. The recipients are:

Name	First Name	Gender	Country
Semihov	Dmitri	M	Azerbaijan
Simonova	Svetlana	F	Azerbaijan
Kunda	Maxim	M	Belarus
Paluika	Yulia	F	Belarus
Kadidze	Tarieli	M	Georgia
Tsintsadze	Natia	F	Georgia
Kim	Konstantin	M	Kazakhstan
Lee	Yelena	F	Kazakhstan
Berzina	Zane	F	Latvia
Akstinaite	Vita	F	Lithuania
Buliga	Olga	F	Moldova
Dancov	Dmitri	M	Moldova
Cocus	Vasile Bogdan	M	Romania
Rotaru	Andreea	F	Romania
Radzhabov	Alisher	M	Tajikistan
Togaeva	Zuhro	F	Tajikistan
Mirzaev	Abzaljon	M	Uzbekistan
Rasulkodjaev	Nozimkhon	M	Uzbekistan

FITA deeply thanks the following partners for their contribution to these donations: Easton, Hoyt, Samick and ArcheryLife.

Our best wishes to all these promising arches with their new equipment!



### Archery Development in Peru

Another example of good use of the archery equipment donated by FITA. After the shipment of a level 1 kit to Peru Archery Federation to boost archery in the country. Peruvian from all categories shot on a regular basis, from young children to adults, including women.

Great difficulties were encountered for the delivery of archery equipment to the country due to custom regulations. It's a great accomplishment to see the equipment finally reaching the archers and the national federation.



This donation from FITA and the development will of Peru demonstrate that when both efforts are combined we can enhance the development of archery.



Archery initiation for children



Adults shooting



Women shooting

FITA would like to thank Mr Jouvét Baldassari Fernald, President of Peru Archery Federation for all efforts deployed in restarting archery in his country and we wish the "Federacion Deportiva Peruana de Tiro con Arco " all the best success in the future.

## FITA Members

### Updates

#### ALG / Fédération Algérienne de Tir Sportif

Contact details of this new, temporary Member Association (see above in Development section):

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Phone: +213 21925996  
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Website : [www.fats.dz](http://www.fats.dz)

President: Mr Ali Hamlat  
Mobile: +213 61697483  
Secretary General: Mr Karim Tamimount  
Mobile: +213 21925996

#### CHN / Chinese Archery Association

In case the main address of the Chinese Archery Association ([archery@sport.org.cn](mailto:archery@sport.org.cn)) does not respond correctly, [shooting@sport.gov.cn](mailto:shooting@sport.gov.cn) can also be used to contact the federation.

#### GRB / Grand National Archery Society

The new President of the national federation of Great Britain is Mr Tom Williamson.

#### IRI / Islamic Republic of Iran Archery Federation

The Iran Archery Federation has changed its email address to [iran\\_archery@yahoo.com](mailto:iran_archery@yahoo.com).

#### MAR / Fédération Royale Marocaine de Tir à l'Arc

Contact information of the Moroccan Archery Federation:

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Résidence Assabah Ilot 7  
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Rabat, Morocco  
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Phone Sec. Gen. Mr Fkeoui Mustapha: +212 63665481  
Phone Technical Director Mr Mhidra Rachid: +212 61500712  
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#### NZL / Archery New Zealand

Ms Carole Hicks MNZM has replaced Mrs Bev Woodham as the Secretary of the national federation of New Zealand. The new contact details of the federation are:

Archery New Zealand  
C/o The Secretary Carole Hicks  
81 Pikarere Street  
Titahi Bay, Porirua 5022  
Aotearoa New Zealand

Phone: +64 (04) 2366699  
Email: [carole.hicks@paradise.net.nz](mailto:carole.hicks@paradise.net.nz)

**SOM / Somali Archery Federation**

New executive Committee of the Somali Archery Federation:

President: Bashir Abdi Dahir  
 Vice President: Ali Mohamud Abokar  
 Vice President: Ali Hasan Mohamed  
 Secretary General: Liban Mahi Mo'alim

Finance: Su'ad Yusuf Salad  
 Member: Abdulahi Mo'alim Abdinor  
 Member: Husein Yusuf Adem

**SRB / Archery Association of Serbia**

The complete address of the Archery Association of Serbia is:

Strelicarski Savez Srbije  
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 54 Agostina Neta str.  
 11070 Belgrade, Serbia

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**Associate Members****FIVICS, the New Name of SOMA**

SOMA Archery has set about its new start with 'FIVICS' in order to be extended as a global enterprise and contribute even more to the world's archery industry. SOMA has been a FITA Associate Member for many years and will remain its partner under the new name of FIVICS.

FIVICS is the abbreviation for High-Five for Victory with SOMA and stands for High-Five for Victory with SOMA. The existing name will be retained as the same brand specialized in archery accessories to maintain brand power which has been developed up to now.



Website: [www.soma-archery.com](http://www.soma-archery.com)

**Events****2008 World Cup Stages**

The Meteksan Archery World Cup 2008 will start with Stage 1 in Santo Domingo on 1-5 April. The invitation kits for the four Stages of the year in Santo Domingo, Croatia, Turkey and France are now available online at [www.archeryworldcup.org](http://www.archeryworldcup.org).

**Deadlines for Entries:**

Santo Domingo (DOM) - Preliminary: 15 January 2008  
 Santo Domingo (DOM) - Final: 11 March 2008  
 Porec (CRO) - Preliminary: 15 February 2008  
 Porec (CRO) - Final: 25 March 2008  
 Antalya (TUR) - Preliminary: 25 February 2008  
 Antalya (TUR) - Final: 5 May 2008  
 Boé (FRA) - Preliminary: 25 March 2008  
 Boé (FRA) - Final: 2 June 2008



The Organizing Committee of Stage 2 held in Porec in April has launched the official website at [www.archery.hr/awc2008](http://www.archery.hr/awc2008).

**Nimes European Tournament in January 2008**

The finals of the 11th Nimes Indoor Tournament were held 27 January 2008 in front of more than 1,500 enthusiastic spectators. More info and results on [www.arclubdenimes.com](http://www.arclubdenimes.com).

Natalya Erdyniyeva (RUS) wins the recurve women category beating Elena Richter (GER) 117-108 in the gold final. Two German ladies finish 3rd and 4th, Christina Schafer and Eva Muller.

On the men's side, the reigning Olympic champion Marco Galiazzo (ITA) takes victory over his fellow countryman Michele Frangilli (ITA). It is to be noted that Galiazzo scored a perfect 120 in this final against his opponent's 117 points. Two Koreans -Hong Sung Chil and Chung Jae Hun- follow at 3rd and 4th places.

In compound women Gladys Willems (BEL) wins her 4th Nimes tournament defeating Laura Longo (ITA) in the gold final on the tight score of 116-115. The French Amandine Bouillot finishes at 3rd place. The 4th rank goes to the Russian Anna Kazantseva.

In the men's division, Sergio Pagni (ITA) wins at the third shoot-off arrow (match score: 118-118). The Italian and his opponent from Great Britain Chris White both scored a 10 with their very last arrow, but the one of the Italian athlete was closer to the centre of the target. Third place is taken by Chance Beauboeuf (USA), followed by the first French athlete Florian Faucheur at 4th place.

### **AIS Archery International Tournament in Canberra**

The 2008 AIS (Australian Institute of Sport) Archery International was conducted between 18 and 26 January 2008, culminating in a Grand Prix style event with all match play being conducted in the fabulous Canberra Stadium – a first for Australian archery.

The Australian Kim Ha Neul defeated Korean Lee Seung Yong 108-92 to win the gold medal in Canberra. His fellow countryman Matthew Gray lost the bronze 106-113 to another athlete from Korea, 2007 World Champion Im Dong Hyun. With five athletes in the top 7 Korea has proved its value once again.

On the female side, the eight competing Koreans got their hands on the top 8 places! Olympic Champion Park Sung Hyun finished 1st after defeating her teammate Lee Hyun Jung 113-111 in the gold final. Yun Ok Hee finished at 3rd rank.

The 16 Koreans who were participating in this Canberra AIS event will stay in Australian -in Melbourne- for three more weeks to take part in a first selection for the Beijing Olympic Games. This selection will consist of taking off two archers out of the eight, both on the men's and women's side.

Results on [www.ais.org.au/archery/](http://www.ais.org.au/archery/)

### **African Championships & CQT**

The Organizing Committee of the African Championships and Continental Qualification Tournament to be held in Cairo, Egypt on 7-10 February 2008 has launched an official website: [www.faaarchery2008.com](http://www.faaarchery2008.com)

### **Indoor Test Event 2008 in Rzeszow, Poland**

The Test Event for the 2009 Indoor Archery World Championships – called the World Indoor Target Club Teams Trophy - will be held on 22-24 February 2008 in Rzeszow, Poland. The organizers expect more than one thousand archers and five thousand visitors for this year's Test Event. The 2008 Test Event will be a great opportunity for archers to check their skills before the Indoor Archery World Championships in Rzeszow 2009.



The preliminary entry form and the invitation package including hotels, entry and information about transport are available on the official website of the 2009 Indoor World Championships: [www.rzeszow2009.pl](http://www.rzeszow2009.pl).

### **International Indoor Tournament by the Compagnia Arcieri Città di Varese**

The International Indoor Tournament organized by the Italian club Compagnia Arcieri Città di Varese will take place just before the European Championship of Turin. The dates for this event will be 1-2 March 2008. The venue, Ternate, is at about 150 km far from Turin.

For more info: Mariangela Casartelli  
Compagnia Arcieri Città di Varese  
[mariangela@arcierivarese.org](mailto:mariangela@arcierivarese.org)

### European Indoor Archery Championships 2008

The 11th European and Mediterranean Indoor Archery Championships will be held in Turin, Italy from 3 to 9 March 2008.

The final registration date is set on 14 February.

The official website is [www.torino2008.eu](http://www.torino2008.eu).



### Ski Archery

#### Open 24th National Italian Ski Archery Championships

The 24th National Italian Ski Archery Championships will be held in Forni Avoltri, Udine Region, **on 9-10 February 2008**, and are open to foreign participation.

Organising Committee contact: [angelisport@gmail.it](mailto:angelisport@gmail.it)

#### Open European Ski Archery Championships 2008

The Open European Ski Archery Championships 2008 will be held in Khimki, Moscow Region (RUS) **from 27 February to 3 March 2008**, (and not from 24 February as initially announced), and are open to participants from other continents.

Organising Committee contacts: [rusarco@roc.ru](mailto:rusarco@roc.ru); [a.markov@rambler.ru](mailto:a.markov@rambler.ru)

Home page: [www.emau.org](http://www.emau.org)

Information and registration forms for these two events can also be downloaded on the FITA website in the section Disciplines/Ski Archery/News.

## Press Release

### 950 Million TV Viewers for Archery!

FITA completed an analysis of all its broadcasts in 2007 and is proud to announce a cumulative 950 million TV viewers throughout the year.

The International Archery Federation (FITA) has continued its efforts from 2006 and aimed to produce great events in spectacular sites and to promote the best archers in the world all year long. FITA wants to build a global audience for its stakeholders, the sponsors and the fans.

One more step was accomplished in 2007, as an independent study showed the following cumulative audience:

News coverage	585,000,000 viewers
Live and highlights	330,000,000 viewers
Feature magazines	37,000,000 viewers
<b>Total</b>	<b>952,000,000 viewers</b>

In 2007, a total of 44 TV channels showed the archery live programs or the official 26-minute highlights for a total of 222 hours of broadcasting covering 7 events of Meteksan Archery World Cup and Archery World Championships. This is twice as many TV channels compared to 2006. Two of the major broadcast successes have been the Leipzig World Championships and the Dubai World Cup Final in the magnificent Madinat Jumeirah. Archery enjoyed Live coverage respectively from 8 and 11 TV channels for these two events.

Read the complete Press Release on [www.archery.org](http://www.archery.org) in the section News/Press Releases.

## Calendar Highlights

### 2008

7-10 February	<b>African Championships &amp; CQT</b>	Cairo (EGY)
22-24 February	Test Event for Indoor World Championships 2009	Rzeszow (POL)
27-30 February	<b>South African National Archery Tournament</b>	Durban (RSA)
27 Feb-3 Mar	European Ski Archery Championships	Moscow (RUS)
4-8 March	European Indoor Archery Championships	Turin (ITA)
1-5 April	<b>Archery World Cup Stage 1</b>	Santo Domingo (DOM)
15-19 April	<b>Archery World Cup Stage 2 / EMAU GP</b>	Porec (CRO)
12-17 May	<b>European Outdoor Archery Championships &amp; CQT</b>	Vittel (FRA)
15 May	EMAU Continental Qualification Tournament	Vittel (FRA)
20-24 May	European Junior Cup (1 <sup>st</sup> leg)	Punta Umbria (ESP)
27-31 May	<b>Archery World Cup Stage 3 / EMAU GP</b>	Antalya (TUR)
23-28 June	<b>Archery World Cup Stage 4 / EMAU GP</b> (Final Qualification Tournament for the Olympic Games)	Boé (FRA)
7-10 July	<b>World University Archery Championships</b>	Tainan (TPE)
15-19 July	European Junior Cup (2 <sup>nd</sup> leg)	Batumi (GEO)
8-24 August	<b>Olympic Games (Archery: 8-16 August)</b>	Beijing (CHN)
29 August-7 Sept.	European Masters Games (Archery included)	Malmoe (SWE)
1-6 September	World Field Archery Championships	Llwynypia, Wales (GBR)
6-17 September	Paralympic Games (Archery dates TBC)	Beijing (CHN)
26 Sep-2 Oct	Busan TAFISA World Sport For All Games (TreX-Games 2008)	Busan (KOR)
7-12 October	3D Archery European Championships	Punta Umbria-Huelva (ESP)
October	Youth Archery World Championships	TBC
October	Archery World Cup Final	TBC

### 2009

2-8 March	Indoor Archery World Championships	Rzeszow (POL)
14-19 April	EMAU Grand Prix (1 <sup>st</sup> leg)	TBC
19-24 May	EMAU Grand Prix (2 <sup>nd</sup> leg)	TBC
1-6 June	Archery World Cup Stage / EMAU Grand Prix (3 <sup>rd</sup> leg)	Antalya (TUR)
1-12 July	<b>Summer Universiade (Archery: 2-6 July)</b>	Belgrade (SCG)
13-26 July	World Games (Archery: 23-26 July)	Kaohsiung (TPE)
18-23 August	European Field Archery Championship	TBC
1-10 September	<b>Archery World Championships</b>	Ulsan (KOR)
10-18 October	World Masters Games (Archery included)	Sydney (AUS)
TBC	Youth Archery World Championships	TBC

### 2010

August (beginning)	European Junior Championships	Winnenden (GER)
3-14 October	Commonwealth Games (Archery included)	Delhi (IND)
12-27 November	Asian Games (Archery included)	Guangzhou (CHN)

### 2011

14-30 October	Pan American Games (Archery included)	Guadalajara (MEX)
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Bold = World Ranking Tournaments  
 CQT = Continental Qualification Tournament  
 TBC = To Be Confirmed

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# **INTERPRETATIONS**

## **FITA CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

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### **Book 4, Article 9.3.8.2.1**

### **Book 5, Article 11.10.3.8.1**

*A question was raised by the FITA Secretary General regarding the use of an anchor plate or similar device in the 3D Barebow Division.*

The Constitution and Rules Committee finds that the question presented is within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee. The Field Archery Committee and the Ad Hoc 3D Committee have been consulted regarding the question presented. C&R has determined that the following interpretation of the Technical Committee is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions and is consistent with the opinions of the Field Archery Committee and the Ad Hoc 3D Committee.

In light of the Technical Committee's opinion below, the Ad Hoc 3D Committee's conclusion that Article 11.10.3.8.1 contains an error as printed, and the concurrence of the Field Committee, C&R, pursuant to Book 1, Article 1.17.1 (bullet 2), hereby agrees that the correction to Article 11.10.3.8.1 below is appropriate and permitted by the Constitution and Rules.

#### **Response from the Technical Committee:**

Anchor Plate for Barebow and 3D Barebow Divisions

It is the majority decision of the FITA Technical Committee that the "Anchor Plate" as used in the FITA recurve division and also allowed in the FITA barebow division, is also legal for use in the 3D barebow division. The Technical Committee feels that there was simply an error in printing the rules as there should be no reason for the anchor plate to be allowed in one division and not the other. The shooting disciplines in question are extremely similar in many aspects of the shooting style and should share the same rules concerning finger protection.

Additionally, the Technical Committee can see no benefit whatsoever for use of an anchor plate in any barebow division as most of the anchor points used by those competitors is "corner of the mouth" rather than an under the chin anchor. The use of an anchor plate in this case would be more of a hindrance than an advantage for the competitor.

Therefore, under article 11.10.3.1.8.1., the rule should state that "An anchor plate or similar device attached to the finger protection (tab) for the purpose of anchoring is ~~not~~ permitted". Strike out the word "not" from the text.

**FITA Technical Committee, 9 January 2008**

**Approved by the FITA C&R Committee, 13 January 2008**