

# **World Archery News**

## **London 2012 Paralympic Games**

### **Opening Ceremony**

Oscar DE PELLEGRIN (ITA) and Gizem GIRISMEN (TUR) had the honour of carrying the flags for their countries during the Opening Ceremony of the London 2012 Paralympic Games on 29 August.

From the opening speech of Lord Sebastian COE to the lighting of the cauldron by first ever Britain's Paralympic champion Margaret MAUGHAN, archery took the front stage of the London 2012 Paralympic Ceremony.

Gizem GIRISMEN (TUR)



In 1944, at the request of the British Government, Dr Ludwig GUTTMANN opened a spinal injuries centre at the Stoke Mandeville Hospital in Great Britain and promoted sports as part of rehabilitation. On 29 July 1948, the day of the Opening Ceremony of the London 1948 Olympic Games, he organised the first competition for wheelchair athletes called the Stoke Mandeville Games. They involved 16 injured servicemen and women who took part in only one sport, archery! This event became the grounded idea for what became the Paralympic Games.

During his opening speech, LOCOG Chairman Seb COE recalled the archery competition staged by Dr GUTTMANN: "It was this vision that launched Ludwig GUTTMANN's great venture, it was this that launched the Paralympic Games. So we say welcome home to this great sporting competition. Welcome home to a movement that shows what sport is all about." Greeting over 4,000 athletes from 164 teams, COE promised that the London 2012 Paralympic Games would see exceptional levels of public engagement. "Prepare to be inspired. Prepare to be dazzled. Prepare to be moved by the Paralympic Games of London 2012."

Margaret MAUGHAN was not part of the 1948 archery competition. However, she did became Britain's first ever Paralympic champion in the 1960 Rome Games. She had a car accident in 1959 which left her unable to walk and she was treated at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. It was there, upon the advice of Dr GUTTMANN, that she took up archery before she went on to win Britain's first Paralympic gold medal in 1960 and then to compete at a further four Paralympics.

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On 29 August 2012, the 84-year-old archer fittingly concluded the Opening Ceremony when she lit the cauldron to mark the start of the London 2012 Paralympic Games following an emotional and spectacular show.



Margaret MAUGHAN (photo © LOCOG)





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## **Paralympic Archery Competition**

#### **Recurve Men Standing**

With Mikhail OYUN's victory over Eric BENNETT (USA) in the bronze medal final, and his teammates Oleg SHESTAKOV and Timur TUCHINOV, both in the gold final, Russia had the full triumvirate, winning all three medals in this class. Both Oleg SHESTAKOV and Timur TUCHINOV were in great form and exchanged sets in the beginning, neither athlete wishing to give up on his gold medal chance. It was 5-3 in favour of TUCHINOV and still all to play for when an uncharacteristically poor shot from SHESTAKOV failed to hit the target and left TUCHINOV to shoot his last arrow in the 10 to take the title and the gold in style.

#### **Recurve Women Standing**

The defending Paralympic champion LEE Hwa Sook (KOR) faced YAN Huilian (CHN) in the gold medal final. The two archers went into the final end tied 4-4, meaning the gold medal would be decided on the final three arrows. YAN then shot her best set of the day (9-10-9). The 28 points was enough to beat LEE's 24 and take the Paralympic title. The No. 8 seed from Mongolia Javzmaa BYAMBASUREN took on the No. 2 seed Milena OLSZEWSKA (POL) for the bronze medal.



## Recurve Men W1 and W2

Italy's Oscar DE PELLEGRIN remained steady to the last, finally taking home the individual gold after his sixth and final Paralympic Games. The gold medal match resulted in a one-arrow shoot-off. DE PELLEGRIN shot first and got a 9, leaving SANAWI needing to shoot a perfect 10 to win. He shot and hit the 8, handing DE PELLEGRIN the gold in his final competition before retirement.

#### Recurve Women W1/W2

After shooting a Paralympic record in the qualification round, Zhara NEMATI (IRI) (photo) was supreme in all her matches. She beat the defending Paralympic champion Gizem GIRISMEN from Turkey in the quarterfinals. She advanced to the gold medal final against the No. 2 seed Elisabetta MIJNO (ITA). Nothing could split the pair in the first set but NEMATI then raised her game and took the next two ends with 28 for each, going 5-1 up. MIJNO made a great comeback with a near-perfect 29 to make it 5-3. However, NEMATI kept her nerve, winning the final set and the gold. Reportedly the first Paralympics title ever for an Iranian woman!











The No. 11 and 12 seeds, LI (CHN) and Veronica FLORENO (ITA), made their way to the bronze medal match. LI won the first two sets in style against FLORENO. But with victory in sight LI shot one on the outer edge of the target and FLORENO seized her chance for a dramatic comeback to force the match into a fifth set. LI, however, rose to the challenge to take the bronze medal.

## Compound Men W1

The USA's Jeff FABRY gave the crowd a scare in his semifinal when he dropped his bow after the second set, breaking the cam and snapping his string. Uncharacteristically for FABRY, he had entered the field of play without his spare bow, so he missed his third set entirely while he retrieved it from the athletes' area, enabling Norbert MURPHY (CHN) to win the third set 24 points to zero. FABRY returned to just in time for the fourth set and went on to win the match 7-3 to meet the world ranked No.1 David DRAHONINSKY (CZE) in the final. The Czech archer opened with a 29 only to be beaten by a perfect 30 from FABRY in reply. DRAHONINSKY then won the second set with another 29, but it would be his last set win, as FABRY took the next two to win 6-2. The bronze medal match was a one-sided affair with MURPHY not losing a single set.

## Compound Men Open

It was probably the most competitive category since five former world champions were in it. Matt STUTZMAN (USA) (photo), the archer who shoots with his feet, and with no help, leader of the ranking round, headed to the gold medal match in his first Paralympic Games. STUTZMAN was joined in the final by Jere FORSBERG (FIN), who was supported by a strong Finnish delegation, including the President of Finland Sauli NIINISTÖ. FORSBERG pulled ahead 4-0, but STUTZMAN came back to tie the third set, leaving the score 5-1. The latter seemed to refocus on the 10, winning the fourth set to



make the score 5-3, followed by a perfect 30 on the fifth. However FORSBERG was able to match STUTZMAN's 30 with one of his own, winning the match and seeing Finland awarded gold.

RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ's bronze medal match against Dogan HANCI started with the athletes taking one set apiece, but then HANCI pulled ahead and won two sets in a row to take the match 6-2 and win the bronze.

#### **Compound Women Open**

The defending Paralympic champion and three-time individual world champion Danielle BROWN was under a lot of pressure to win, but came through. She defeated her teammate Mel CLARKE, 2005 world champion, on the last arrow (9-7) in the final for a gold-silver British finish. The British pair broke Russia's dominance of the competition, having dismissed Russian opponents in their respective semifinals. The No. 2 seed Stepanida ARTAKHNIOVA (RUS) won the bronze medal against compatriot Marina LYZHNIKOVA.



## Recurve Men Team Open

The reigning world champion Russia confirmed their supremacy at the Paralympic level. Russia, whose three members owned the full podium in the individual standing category, faced Korea, double defending Paralympic champion, in the gold medal match. Korea had three archers in wheelchair, a good example of why the event is called "open". Russia won the world title in Turin 2011 when they beat... the Koreans. After breaking the team match Paralympic record twice on their way to the final, the Russians took a small lead from the start and increased it until final victory 205-200! China won the bronze over Great Britain 206-193.











### Recurve Women Team Open

The gold medal match was played between the defending Paralympic champion China and Korea. Korea won gold with the score of 199-192, the first Paralympic title in history for this team. Iran won the bronze medal over Italy.

## Olympic style bow given to MCC Museum

At the end of the Paralympic competition, the Secretary General of World Archery Tom DIELEN made a donation of an Olympic-style bow to the Marylebone Cricket Club museum to thank the MCC and all the people involved at the Lord's Cricket Ground for their great contribution to what have been



the best ever Olympic Games for World Archery. World Archery thanks Hoyt, Easton, Shibuya and Beiter for providing parts of the bow.



### A Big Hit with British Politicians

Following the success of the Olympic and Paralympic archery tournaments, six-time Olympian Alison WILLIAMSON and Rio 2016 hopeful Glen CROFT were invited to the Houses of Parliament as part of another 'Have a Go' session for Members of Parliament.

The politicians were queuing up for the opportunity to give it a try, and were delighted with the experience.

It was organised by GB archery's Parliamentary sponsor Huw IRRANCA-DAVIES MP, who organised last year's event, and repeated it this year by popular demand.

Among them was the former Conservative Party leader Iain DUNCAN SMITH, a current Minister of State. He said: "I saw it on TV during the Olympics, and it looked great fun, so it's great to give it a try. It makes you realise just how good the Olympic and Paralympic archers are!"

The trip to Westminster by Archery GB was in advance of the launch of the 'Arrows' initiative, which is a nationwide scheme designed to introduce young children to archery.

Big Ben welcomes archery session (©Archery GB)

## **Archery World Cup**

## Tokyo 2012 Final

The World Cup Final 2012 took place on 22-23 September at the Hibiya Park in Tokyo with the 32 best athletes of the season. This 7th edition showcased at its best the event concept of World Archery. The top 7 individuals (with a maximum of two per countries) in each category qualified to the Final based on the points earned at the World Cup stages in 2012. The Japanese mixed teams played against the top pairs of the world in mixed double finals. If an athlete could not come to Tokyo, he was replaced by the next one in the ranking.













The recurve competition took place on Sunday, 23 September under heavy rains and under the eyes of the Japanese royal family. For the first time in history, Korea won the World Cup Final—and they did so both in the men's and women's recurve categories, thanks to the world champion KIM Woojin and the two-time Olympic champion KI Bo Bae. The No. 1 ELLISON lost the World Cup title that had been his since 2010, by losing a shoot-off against KIM in the gold medal match. The bronze went to the 18-year-old Gaël PREVOST (FRA). The 2004 Olympic team champion and world record holder IM Dong Hyun left Tokyo without a medal, after suffering defeats against ELLISON in semifinal and PREVOST in the final for bronze.



After a disappointing Olympic Games, India's Deepika KUMARI found herself leading the gold medal final 4-0 against KI Bo Bae, the two-time Olympic champion who took from her the 1st spot of the world ranking. KI came back strongly to win the next three sets and the second major individual title of the year. KUMARI, silver medallist of the Istanbul World Cup Final last year, could have won the match had she scored a 10 on her last arrow (she shot a 7). CHOI Hyeonju defeated the newlywed Jennifer NICHOLS/HARDY (USA) 6-4 for the bronze medal.

The two top-ranked archers in the world, Brady ELLISON and KI Bo Bae, won the Longines Prize for Precision awarded this year in Tokyo to the recurve archers who shot the most 10s over the World Cup season. It is ELLISON's second victory in the Prize.

While Korea dominated recurve, the USA dominated compound. Braden GELLENTHIEN (USA) has a history of placing 2nd with three Silvers at World Cup Finals, but in Tokyo he finally got gold in Compound Men. Jamie VAN NATTA (USA) earned her second World Cup title in Compound Women. Her first being in 2008 in Lausanne.

The No. 1 Reo WILDE, a multiple world champion and former World Cup winner, reached the gold medal final, only to be beaten by his younger compatriot GELLENTHIEN, ranked number 2 in the world, who is also a three times runner-up at a World Cup Final. GELLENTHIEN had to score a 10 on his last arrow to win – and he didn't falter under pressure. Julio Ricardo FIERRO won Mexico's first World Cup Final medal in compound, after edging out Peter ELZINGA (NED) in a match that started with fifteen 10s.

On the women's side, the host archer Yumiko HONDA created a major upset in quarterfinal with a victory over the two-time world champion and former World Cup Final winner Albina LOGINOVA (RUS), however she lost her next two matches to Americans Jamie VAN NATTA and Christie COLIN (USA), second last year, who won the bronze in Tokyo.

A World Cup finalist for the fifth time, Jamie VAN NATTA met the two-time Paralympic champion Danielle BROWN (GBR) in the gold medal final. The British archer benefitted from the forfeit of Olga BOSCH (VEN) to compete in this event, and she was helped by luck when her opponent Marcella TONIOLI ran out of time and scored a 0 in quarterfinal. VAN NATTA had the best start in the final and kept her advantage through the end. Victory 140-139, and a new gold medal after the one she won in 2008. First World Cup Final medal for BROWN, the first ever para-archer to compete in the World Cup Final.

More information, news, results, photos, on <a href="www.worldarchery.org">www.worldarchery.org</a>, menu "World Cup".

#### **New Features for Spectators**

On the occasion of the World Cup Final in Tokyo, World Archery was delighted to launch two new features which will continue next season. The first feature allows TV viewers to see the heart rate of the athletes during the competition. By looking at their heart rate levels going up and down the audience was able to determine if the athlete was nervous or relaxed. The second addition was the automatic scoring done by optical scanning lasers.











### **Revealing Secrets of Archer's Body**

What is actually happening inside an archer's body during competition? TABRASCO, in a project co-financed with World Archery, is answering that question by revealing the inner workings of world-class archers during competition. In an effort to make archery more exciting to viewers, TABRASCO launched a specially-developed televised heart rate monitor at the Archery World Cup Final in Tokyo.

World Archery has been striving toward showcasing the physiological changes in archers during competition through a real-time heart-beat graphic. The Swiss company TABRASCO, along with academic researchers, has developed a new device that monitors the athlete's heartbeat and displays it live on TV to commentators and TV audiences.



The innovation lies in the fact that this tool is non-intrusive: thanks to its diminutive dimensions, the monitor can be placed on any part of the body without interfering with the athlete's shooting actions. In this instance, the miniature device, which measures only two centimetres, is attached to the archer's leg, just below the knee. The monitor's receptors detect the heart rate and transmit the data wirelessly to generate the televised graphics.

The aim of this technology is to make archery events more exciting to viewers. During the shooting sequence, an archer's heartbeat undergoes important transitions that affect the accuracy of the shot and her resulting performance. With TABRASCO's technology, the television audience will have access to the athletes' biometric information through on-screen video graphics and infographics: viewers will be able to simultaneously witness the heartbeat variations and adrenaline rush experienced by the archer's body. The heartbeat graphics, however, are not going to be shown at the competition venue, in order to prevent athletes from seeing how their rivals are performing.

Beyond improved viewership opportunities, TABRASCO's technology enables the optimisation of long-term sports performance. Previously, biomechanical experts and physiologists only performed sport movement analyses in laboratory settings. Now, with the miniaturisation of the device coupled with the advances in wireless transmission, coaches and athletes alike will be able to precisely analyse the archer's biometrics and associated performance under real-stress conditions.

#### **Optical Lasers for Automatic Scoring**

To have instant scores appear in venue on the scoreboards, on television, and over the internet is a dream come true for the Archery World. New technology has enabled us to determine the value of an arrow shot in real time. In late September in Tokyo, the engineering team of Falco-Eye was able to accomplish this for the first time at the World Cup Final.

The engineering team of Falco-Eye in Hungary has spent several years developing a system that is fast and accurate to the millimetres. The science was tested in Tokyo. The technology was used at the World Cup Final for the first time at an archery event in tandem with the traditional scoring made by the spotter and the judges. In Tokyo, the judge still had the final say. For how long?

There were challenges for automatic scoring system. The impacts of an arrow on the target are not consistent, but go "through" the surface of the target. Because of this, sensors below the surface were not a possibility because the arrows would break them. Secondly, the arrows "stay" on the target. The arrows can be very close one to another and can strike others. The other possibility is that an arrow may hide another one depending on the point of view. The system must be completely accurate to the millimetres to identify if one arrow "touches" the thin scoring ring (and therefore gets the higher value). Lastly, to use this system in a competition like a World Cup Final, the system must be fast (about 1 second) to quickly give the score "live" to the audience on site and around the world.

The Falco-Eye engineering team in collaboration with World Archery has overcome these challenges. They were proud to present the first Falco-Eye Archery Automatic Scoring System in Tokyo. The system worked well despite the special conditions and challenges in Japan, like low (110V) and different electricity, and very heavy rain.











The system has many advantages for a competition:

- ➤ It ensures an automatic transmission of an arrow value AND exact position to all kind of devices, hence facilitating the fans experience in the venue, on TV or on the Internet, arrow after arrow.
- It automatically defines if an arrow touches a (higher) scoring ring.
- It automatically defines the distance to the centre, hence who would win a shoot-off.

The system will soon be made available to any archer or club, which would not only enhance regional competitions, but also help the athletes and coaches with accurate and easy-to-compile shooting statistics.

## **Sponsors**

## Longines' 180th Anniversary

In 1832, Auguste AGASSIZ joined the world of watchmaking when he became an associate of a watch trading office installed in Saint-Imier—this was the start of the history of Longines. It is in Saint-Imier, the village where Longines was founded, that the company chose to celebrate its 180th anniversary last Thursday. To mark the occasion, 180 celebrity guests, local politicians, representatives of the Swatch Group and journalists listened to a welcome address.

Recalling Longines' rich history and its continued development across the ages, the various speakers—including Nick HAYEK, President of the Executive Group Management Board of The Swatch Group, and Walter VON KÄNEL, Director of Longines—all emphasised the importance of the close ties that link the company to the town of Saint-Imier. Then Pierre-Yves DONZE presented his latest book, commissioned to mark the occasion and entitled "Longines – From a Family Business to a Global Brand", which recounts the history of Longines, from its origins as a watch trading office to its present-day status as indeed a worldwide brandname. Describing economic and structural issues, as well as technical developments and innovations, this work presents the evolution of Longines through various key people and the strategic and political decisions they took which have shaped the company into what it is today.

The welcome address was followed by the reopening of the Longines Museum. An initial room, dedicated to the history of the brand known by its winged hourglass logo, was opened in 1992 by the late Nicolas G. HAYEK, founder and president of the SMH Group (today The Swatch Group). The entire museum has been refurbished this year, to mark the company's 180th anniversary, and offers visitors a coherent, structured presentation of all the different aspects of the history of Longines. The guests then had an opportunity of discovering, or re-discovering, the brand's treasures and heritage on display in the various refurbished rooms.

World Archery President Prof Dr Ugur ERDENER was delighted to attend the 180th Anniversary of Longines. The famous Swiss watchmaker has a long tradition of precision, elegance and innovation. It has been a true supporter of sports for the most of its history and a proud sponsor of World Archery since 2008. World Archery wishes a happy anniversary to Longines!

## Para-Archery

### Gizem GIRISMEN Member of IPC Athletes' Council

The Turkish archer Gizem GIRISMEN is among six athletes recently elected as members of the International Paralympic Committee's Athletes' Council for the next four years. GIRISMEN is the 2008 Paralympic champion in the Recurve Women W1/W2 category and was the flag bearer for her nation at the London 2012 Opening Ceremony.



As the liaison between IPC decision-makers and Paralympic athletes, the Athletes' Council works to provide effective input into decision-making at all levels of the organisation. To this end, the Council works to ensure effective athlete representation on all IPC committees and commissions as well as to create other opportunities for athlete representation both within and outside the IPC.











### **Progress for Visually Impaired**

At the Paralympic Games in London a meeting took place between World Archery and representatives of Blind Archery in Great Britain. As World Archery Secretary General Tom DIELEN noted, "there have been so few people entering the events World Archery has promoted, it has not been possible to hold a competition." It appears the major issue for athletes who have a limited amount of vision, is they want to be able to use the little they have and not wear a blind fold.

At present the rules have just a single class for men and women regardless of whether they shoot recurve or compound. The Visually Impaired (VI) round is shot at 30m with different sized target faces used to imitate longer distances. At this 30m distance the bow types are very similar in performance as are the men and women.

David POYNER of Blind Archery has proposed a change which we all hope will encourage more athletes to compete in archery. It is suggested there be two sport classes for VI just as there are different classes for those with a physical disability:

- > B1 for those totally blind archers who would continue to wear a blind fold.
- B2 and B3, who have small amounts of vision, would use a tactile sight and not wear a blind fold.

World Archery is seeking to hold a three-day seminar/competition in June or July 2013 at which there would be an exchange of information, coaching techniques, classification and, on the final day, a competition. If the competition is successful and a significant number of people participate, there may be the opportunity to include a VI division in the World Archery Para Championships in Bangkok in November 2013. It is likely that the seminar/competition would take place in Great Britain, and ArcheryGB is considering what may be possible in terms of facilities and logistical support.

Tom DIELEN thanked David POYNER for his contribution which followed a BBC radio debate between the two men and, with Rita VAN DRIEL, chairwoman of the World Archery Para-Archery Committee, assured the VI community of improved support and communication.

#### Para-Archery World Ranking

The Para-Archery World Ranking lists have been updated after the London 2012 Paralympic Games as of 8 September 2012 and are available on <a href="https://www.worldarchery.org">www.worldarchery.org</a>, section Para-Archery > Events > World Ranking.

## **News from Paralympic Committee**

"Best ever Paralympic Games" was the way IPC President, Sir Philip CRAVEN, concluded his Closing Ceremony speech. And he was so right! The setting for Para-Archery at the Royal Artillery Barracks was excellent, the organisation ran smoothly (any glitches were not seen by audiences!!) and the standard of shooting was very high. The stands were packed full after the first day of Eliminations and all archers received their fair share of support even if they were against GB archers.

The only complaint, and this was the same around the world, was the lack of TV coverage. Everyone wanted to see more of the Paralympics and especially they wanted more archery. World Archery provided material through its website including real time results in the Para-Archery tab and the highlights of each session including interviews with archers on the "front page" of its news.

### **Next Year and Para-Archery Activities**

World Archery is exploring the possibility of gathering together athletes and coaches involved in archery for the Visually Impaired (VI). In addition to discussing classification, sports categories and rules, it is hoped to cover coaching techniques and perhaps a competition. More information on VI archery will be published as it becomes available.

The most important event for Para-Archery in 2013 will be the World Championships to take place in Bangkok, Thailand, in early November. The tournament will follow the World Archery rules so recurve archers will shoot the match play using the 70m Olympic round and the compound archers will shoot the 50m compound round. Full details of the World Championships will be given as they become available.











What is really important in the coming year is for Member Associations to organise Para-Archery tournaments so these archers can get the practice they need to improve their skills for such competitions. Please include Para-Archery in your planning for 2013 and indeed in your planning for the next Olympic/Paralympic cycle. Especially plan tournaments to which you invite other countries to send their Para archers. Details of how to apply for a Para-Archery World Ranking Event are on the World Archery website.

The Para-Archery Committee will meet, probably early in the New Year, and will plan activities relating to classification, rules, tournaments and ways of promoting all aspects of Para-Archery. If you have any questions or comments regarding Para-Archery, please contact the committee members: addresses are on the World Archery website.

## **World Archery Congress**

#### **Deadlines**

The next World Archery Congress will be held in Antalya, Turkey on 27-28 September 2013 on the eve of the World Archery Championships (29 September-6 October). Here are the deadlines for Congress documents:

Object	Deadline
Motions and Proposal from Mas, CAs, President or Executive board to be sent to the Secretary General	Wednesday, 30 January 2013
Motions and Proposal from Permanent Committees to be sent to the Secretary General	Sudnay, 24 February 2013
Committees' recommendations on Motions and Proposal to be sent to the Secretary General	Sunday, 24 February 2013
Distribution of Motions and Proposals to all MAs, CAs and Members of the Executive Board	Monday, 11 March 2013
Distribution of nomination forms	Sunday, 31 March 2013
Amendments submission	Friday, 10 May 2013
Nominations to be sent to SG for publication on 12 July 2013	Saturday, 29 June 2013
Distribution to all Members, the Executive Board, the Honorary Officers, the Board of Justice and Ethics and the Permanent Committees: The Congress Agenda; The Finance & Audit Board's report, the audited income and expenditure account and balance sheet, the financial programmes and the Auditor's report; The Annual Report, including World Archery goals; The Motions, Proposals and Amendments, including comments by the relevant committees; The Permanent Committees' reports; The list of nominations for Officers received by that date.	Tuesday, 9 July 2013
Official Proxy to be sent to WA Office	Wednesday, 28 August 2013
Late nominations to be sent to SG	Friday, 6 September 2013

## **Judges**

### **Successful Seminar in Benin**

In a wide step of judges' development in Africa, the Federation of African Archery (FAA) has conducted a National Judges Seminar at the "Stade de l'Amitié" in Cotonou, Benin from 27 to 29 August. The seminar was funded by FAA and organised by the Benin Archery Federation.











The objective of the seminar was to train the new judges. FAA's aim is to qualify national judges in every World Archery Member Association in Africa. The seminar welcomed 13 participants (eight men and five women) from four countries: Benin, Cameroon, Ivory Coast and Togo. Most of them were passionate, interactive and willing to learn.

After a three-day intensive session, all participants had the opportunity to gain practical experience and officiated as judges in the fourth edition of the International Archery Tournament of Central and Western Zone of Africa (TIZOCATA) held in Cotonou from 30 August to 1 September 2012, under the supervision of Ahmed KOURA, Chairperson of Judges and seminar instructor.

Feedback about judges was amazing from all archers, officials and spectators.



Now Africa already has at least one competent judge in four new countries. They are really qualified and promising candidates to play a vital role in judging and organising archery tournaments in African countries.

## **Future Events**

## **Marrakesh International Indoor Tournament**

The President of the Organising Committee warmly welcomes all friends of archery to Marrakesh, Morocco, host city of the 3rd Marrakesh International Indoor Archery Tournament. The competition will take place from 9-11 November 2012 under the theme of "Arrow of Friendship".

This is the third time the international archery tournament is hosted in Marrakesh, in spite of the challenges taking place globally, we intend to work hard, to make it an unforgettable sporting event; desired to be your stop by annual event.

For registration and information about the tournament, kindly visit <a href="https://www.marrakesharchery.com">www.marrakesharchery.com</a>.



### **Past Events**

## **TIZOCATA** in Benin

The fourth edition of TIZOCATA, international archery tournament held in Cotonou, Benin, ended on 1 September. The event recorded the participation of seven countries: Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Guinea, Niger, Nigeria, Togo as well as the host country, Benin. Three archery divisions competed, which were bamboo (25m), standard bow (30m) and Recurve (70m). Benin finished 1st followed by Ivory Coast, Guinea and Nigeria. See more on <a href="https://www.febeta.org">www.febeta.org</a> and all results on <a href="https://www.ianseo.net">www.ianseo.net</a>

### **Texas Shootout**

The final arrows were shot in the U.S. Archery Team (USAT) Qualifier Series for 2012, at the American Whitetail Texas Shootout in College Station on 16 September. The event was successfully hosted by Texas A&M University, which has a rich history in the sport of archery.

The winners were Reo WILDE – who shot a perfect score of 150 in the gold medal match – and Jamie VAN NATTA in compound. In recurve women, three-time Olympian Jennifer HARDY (NICHOLS) won the gold medal match over 2012 Olympic Team Alternate Heather KOEHL.











In recurve, Olympic teammates Brady ELLISON and Jake KAMINSKI faced each other in a heated gold medal match. After five sets the score was tied at 5-5, forcing a shoot-off. Both archers shot a 9. After the judges measured to see which arrow was closest to the centre, no determination could be made, forcing another shoot-off arrow. KAMINSKI shot a 9 but it was ELLISON who would come away with the win by shooting a 10.

For complete scores and live results, visit <a href="http://ianseo.net/Details.php?toId=273">http://ianseo.net/Details.php?toId=273</a>.

### **World Cup Standard to Belgium**

After organising successful 2009 Belgian Championships, the Belgian Club Dry Akers Ekeren (DAE) decided to take the competition to an even higher level: the standard for this year's Belgian Championships held on 8-9 September 2012 was nothing less than the World Cup format!

With finals in the city centre of Antwerp at the historical site of 'Het Steen', a giant screen where the competition was broadcasted in live stream and with live commentary of the matches, the World Cup atmosphere in Antwerp was higher than ever.



More on: www.facebook.com/BelgianArcheryChampionships2012 and www.bkhandboogschieten.be.

## **Development**

#### Calendar 2012-2013

#### **Activities of Member Associations**

11-18 October 2012	OS Technical Course for Coaches	Pyongyang (PRK)
7 October – 4 November 2012	OS Development National Structure	Buenos Aires (ARG)
12-17 November 2012	OS Technical Course for Coaches	Guatemala (GUA)
1-15 December 2012	National Coaching Structure and Level 1 Course	Johannesburg (RSA)

#### Courses open to all Member Associations

1-10 October 2012	Level 3 Coaching Course	Bangkok (THA)
25 November – 14 December 2012	Compound Coaching Course	Bangkok (THA)
January – February 2013	Coaching Course for Conductors	Bangkok (THA)

OS = Olympic Solidarity
WA = World Archery Federation
WAA = World Archery Americas

FIDTA = Fondation Internationale de Développement du Tir à l'Arc

GSD = Global Sport Development Foundation

YOG = Youth Olympic Games

#### **Activity in West Africa**

A level 1 coaching course, a judging course and another one about results management were held in Benin before the fourth edition of the TIZOCATA. The TIZOCATA is an international archery event for the Central and West African zones. Before the 4th edition in Cotonou (Benin) three courses were held; the two last are still running:

- ➤ A level 1 coaching course
- A National judging course
- And a course for results management

Pascal COLMAIRE and Marie-Chantal MAZOUME (CMR)













The level 1 coaching course was held under the umbrella of the Olympic Solidarity on 20-29 September. Twenty four participants from seven countries (BEN, CIV, CMR, CHA, NIG, NGR, and TOG) attended. The course was conducted by Mr Pascal COLMAIRE, Development & Education Director of World Archery.

Twelve candidates from Benin, Cameroon and Togo attended the judging course. Mr Ahmed KOURA (EGY), who is an International Judge Candidate, conducted this course. Another dozen of candidates attended the course for results management conducted by Christian DELIGANT (ITA).

The two latest courses started on 27 August. The TIZOCATA started on 30 August and ended on 2 September. Guinea joined the above list of participating countries to the TIZOCATA.



### **Archery in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

The Saudi Arabian Archery Federation and Coach Meshal ALOTAIBI have put in place a programme to promote archery in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Coach ALOITABI completed successfully the ICECP coaches programme "International Coaching Enrichment Certification Programme in 2012" with the support of United States Olympic Committee and Olympic Solidarity.

From the 9-15 September a promotional campaign of archery took place in the city of Jeddah with the support of the Saudi Olympic Council and the Youth and Sports Welfare.

Coach ALOITABI has put in a place a basic programme for beginners with a group of 10 archers. The participants came from several regions and the event was a great success. Each participant was able to acquire the basic archery skills and to have a better understanding of archery in general. The subjects that were presented to the archers were; what is a bow, the arrow parts, safety rules and regulations, the competition format and its terminologies.

Thanks to the success of this first event, the various partners plan to renew the experience with Coach ALOITAIBI as the pilot of the project. Two other editions will take place in the cities of Al-Zulfi and Al-Taif before the end of the year.

#### **OS Course in the Caribbean**

An Olympic Solidarity Course for Archery Coaches took place in the Dominican Republic. The friendly archers from the Dominican Republic hosted a level 2 archery Coaching Course in the city of Santo Domingo, training funded by the Olympic Solidarity. The course started on 19 September 2012 in the building of the Dominican Olympic Committee (COD).

The opening ceremony was honoured by the presence of the President and the Secretary General of the COD, as well as the President and Secretary General of the Federation Dominicana de Tiro con Arco (FEDOTA). Let us indicate the participation to this training of the FEDOTA President, and of two candidates from Haiti.

The atmosphere was almost family among the twenty or so participants, who were trained during six intense days by the World Archery Development and Education Director, Mr Pascal COLMAIRE.



Archery is well progressing in the Dominican Republic. On 17 September 2012 close to one hundred archers took part in the monthly national tournament. The current training should contribute to strengthen this progress, and assist the restart of archery in Haiti.











## **OS Development Programme in Costa Rica**

From 1-10 September 2012, USA Archery Elite Coach Laval D. FALKS made his fourth and last visit to Costa Rica to work with the Archery Association of Costa Rica (*Asociación Deportiva de Tiro con Arco de Costa Rica*), under a multi-visit programme funded by the Olympic Solidarity and the National Olympic Committee of Costa Rica.

The main focus of this last visit was to review the working progress of the development programme that started in October 2011. This programme conducted by the Elite Coach from USA, Laval D. FALKS was a great success overall and the Costa Rican Archery Federation has the capabilities to lead their team to success. The areas of this visit covered many areas for the development of the national structure which were:

- Observe the programmes conducted by the certified coaches
- > To establish a model for starting and affiliating archery clubs
- Review the national training system and training techniques
- Provide training assistance and equipment tuning
- > Observe a national ranking event and evaluate the archers
- > Continue to work with the national head coach

On the 1-2 September the Costa Rica National Federation conducted its second and final multi-day archery training camp at the University of Costa Rica archery range. The event gathered thirty archers along with the national coaches of this programme.

Training sessions took place every day which covered the above mentioned topics, other than the morning of the 5 September. The programme was interrupted due to unexpected event; an earthquake of 7.6 on the Richter scale woke up the entire city and nearing areas. The participants were lucky enough not to have been injured and the activities started in the afternoon.

Overall the project was a great success and the Costa Rica Archery Federation has grown and improved tremendously after each one of coach FALKS visits. It is also important that the elected board members to stay for at least two years in order to continue the implementation of this project.

### **Youth Development Programme in Latin America**

Richard PRIESTMAN, World Archery Consultant Coach, visited Dominican Republic in August for the 2nd leg of the Americas Youth Development project 2016 (*Fortalecimiento deportivo para cadetes y juveniles de America 2011 -2016*).

This project is supported by Global Sport Development, along with World Archery, in order to develop young Latin American archers for future events leading up to the 2016 Olympic Games.

The countries involved in this project include: Argentina, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guatemala and Puerto Rico. These five countries have all now received two visits of one month. Venezuela is new to the project and will benefit from this programme as of October 2012.

The Dominican Republic (FEDOTA, Federacion Dominicana de Tiro con Arco) has made a lot of progress in the last twelve months since the first visit. In January 2011, the national federation decided to accommodate the archers in an apartment situated alongside the National Training Centre complex. There are currently nine archers training full time. The training team is a good mixture of new and relatively more experienced archers. The experienced archers are mostly in their second year as archers. The Head Coach, Manuel BARTEMEAU from Cuba, trained and gained experience in the old USSR. Along with his Assistant Coach Manuel BARCON (CUB) they form a good team.

FEDOTA fully supports the archers, building their archery training around their education, in a local school and college. Since most of the archers are new, the majority of their training is concentrated on basic strength, endurance, and skill development. They normally train six days a week and shoot approximately 1,200 to 1,500 arrows per month.











The Federation is very committed in developing archery and archery standards in every region of the island. They have been working very hard to create a pool of new archers, holding several beginners classes throughout the island and continually searching for new young talents to develop. Already three of the beginners from this year's class have been promoted to the National Training Team and are showing great potential.

With the development of more and more new archers, the competitive level will increase among the archers and this will contribute tremendously to improving the scores. Already four archers are shooting above the 1200 FITA standard. Another archer Lya SOLANO (DOM) is now very close to the 1300 standard. They are all very ambitious and committed as a team and we will be looking for their scores in next year competitions with great interest.

## **Member Associations**



## **German Archery Federation**

It is with sadness that World Archery was informed of the passing on 8 September 2012 of Mr Josef AMBACHER, President of the German Shooting Sport and Archery Federation, at the age of 71.

Mr AMBACHER served as President of the German Shooting Sport and Archery Federation (DSB – Deutscher Schuetzenbund) for more than 18 years. He was also involved in the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Administrative Council and Executive Committee for 16 years as well as in several other major national sports bodies.

In recognition of his outstanding efforts, Mr AMBACHER received several national and international awards, including the German Federal Cross of Merit, First Class.

"World Archery was very saddened to hear the news of the passing away of Josef AMBACHER", stated the World Archery Secretary General Tom DIELEN. "I had the pleasure of meeting him on several occasions and he was a person who always had a fantastic sense of humour. At the same time he was more than 100% committed to sport and shooting and archery in particular. Under his leadership one of the most successful ever World Archery Championships was held in Leipzig in 2007. Last year he led the German federation through its 150th birthday and he was planning to retire later this year. We send our sincere condolences to his family, the entire Board and Staff of the DSB and his friends in sport in Germany."

World Archery sends its sincere condolences to his wife, his daughter, his family and the German Archery Federation.

## **Turkish Archery Federation**

Mr Abdullah TOPALOGLU was reelected as President of the Turkish Archery Federation.

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### **Rules**

### Rule Book 2 on iTunes

The World Archery Rule Book 2 which covers championships, competitions, titles & records, awards and field of play setup is now available on the iBookstore:

http://itunes.apple.com/us/book/world-archery-federation-rules/id556330053?ls=1

Based on the new simplified rule book format updated in July 2012, the iBook offers the ability to search, index and to make your own notes. Made available as a free download for iPads and IOS devices by the South African National Archery Association (SANAA), the iBook includes the target setup as well as the match play diagrams.

According to the SANAA President, Dr Selwyn MOSKOVITZ, "After we made Rule Book 3 available (<a href="http://itunes.apple.com/us/book/world-archery-rules-book-3/id534901805?ls=1">http://itunes.apple.com/us/book/world-archery-rules-book-3/id534901805?ls=1</a>), we started to receive a number of requests from all over the world to include Rule Book 2. Many of the requests were from organisers of member nations clubs who wanted the target setup and match-play charts on their iPad. These requests resulted in the iBook being dedicated to archers worldwide."

"To date and in the few months since its release, there have been over 700 downloads of Rule Book 3 and we expect a similar number of downloads for Rule book 2", he added. "The new iBook contains all the features of Rule Book 3, including the ability to view the rules in either portrait or landscape modes, the ability to increase the font size as well as adding bookmarks. As updates are made to the World Archery rules, the changes will be made on the electronic version, ensuring complete up to date rules", he concluded.

## **Performances**

#### **Paralympic Records**

## Para-Archery \ Recurve \ Men W1/W2 \ Individual

Type of Record	Archer	Country	Record	Previous	Date	Place
70m Round (72 Arr.)	TSENG Lung Hui	TPE	650	636	30.08.2012	London (GBR)

## Para-Archery \ Recurve \ Men Standing \ Individual

Type of Record	Archer	Country	Record	Previous	Date	Place
70m Round (72 Arr.)	ALLEN Kenny	GBR	651	638	30.08.2012	London (GBR)

#### Para-Archery \ Recurve \ Women W1/W2 \ Individual

Type of Record	Archer	Country	Record	Previous	Date	Place
70m Round (72 Arr.)	NEMATI Zahra	IRI	613	611	30.08.2012	London (GBR)

#### **World Records**

#### Outdoor \ Recurve \ Cadet Men \ Individual

Type of Record	Archer	Country	Record	Previous	Date	Place
60m Round (72 Arr.)	VAN DEN BERG Sjef	NED	686	685	02.09.2012	Boekel (NED)

## Outdoor \ Compound \ Junior Men \ Individual

Type of Record Arch	her C	Country	Record	Previous	Date	Place
90m TAY	LOR Stuart	GBR :	345	344	22.09.2012	Shropshire (GBR)











## Calendar Highlights

2012

28 Nov.-5 Dec. 3rd Asian Grand Prix Tehran (IRI) 8-9 December Indoor World Cup 2012-13 Stage 1 Singapore (SIN)

2013

18-20 January Indoor Archery World Cup 2012-13 Stage 2 Nimes (FRA) 8-10 February Indoor Archery World Cup 2012-13 Stage 3 and Final Las Vegas (USA) First Asian Grand Prix 2013 Bangkok (THA) 5-11 March 13-19 May **Archery World Cup Stage 1** Shanghai (CHN) 10-16 June Archery World Cup Stage 2 Antalya (TUR) 20-30 June Mediterranean Games (Archery: 25-28 June) Mersin (TUR) 15-21 July Archery World Cup Stage 3 Medellin (COL) Cali (COL)

World Games (Compound: 27-28 July; Field Recurve and 25 July-4 August

Barebow: 30 July-1 August)

Archery World Cup Stage 4 Wroclaw (POL) 12-18 August World Archery Youth Championships 1-8 September Wuxi (CHN) Archery World Cup Final 21-22 September Paris (FRA) 27-28 September World Archery Congress Antalya (TUR) 29 Sept.-6 Oct. World Archery Championships Antalya (TUR) 8-12 October World Archery 3D Championships Sassari (ITA)

Oct-Nov World Archery Para Championships Bangkok (THA) 7-8 December Indoor Archery World Cup 2013-14 Stage 1 **TBC** 

2014

24-26 January Indoor Archery World Cup 2013-14 Stage 2 Nimes (FRA) 7-9 February Indoor Archery World Cup 2013-14 Stage 3 and Final Las Vegas (USA) 17-23 February World Archery Indoor Championships **TBC** 13-18 May Archery World Cup Stage 1 Shanghai (CHN)

European Grand Prix (1st Leg) 19-24 May **TBC** Archery World Cup Stage 2 10-15 June Antalya (TUR)

European Grand Prix (2nd Leg) **TBC** 16-21 June European Outdoor Championships (& EMAU Congress) 30 June-5 July

1-6 July Archery World Cup Stage 3 Medellin (COL)

9-12 July **World Archery University Championships** Louvain-La-Neuve (BEL)

18 July-1 August XXII Central American and Caribbean Sports Games Veracruz (MEX) 26 July-3 August European Para-Archery Championships (SUI)

5-10 August Archery World Cup Stage 4 Wroclaw (POL)

16-28 August Youth Olympic Games Nanjing (CHN) 18-24 August European Junior Championships **TBC** 

5-7 September Archery World Cup Final Lausanne (SUI)

15-20 September European 3D Championships **TBC** Asian Games **TBC** 

19 September - 3 October

25 Oct.-8 Nov. South American Games Santiago (CHI) 13-14 December Indoor Archery World Cup 2014-15 Stage 1 Singapore (SIN)

2015

24-25 July World Archery Congress Copenhagen (DEN) 26 July-2 August World Archery Championships Copenhagen (DEN)

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## **Arrow Wraps**





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## **WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

## **Book 3, Article 11.1.5 and Book 4, Article 22.1.5.4**

Archery Australia Inc. has requested an interpretation on whether the sight aperature shown below is allowed in the Recurve Division.

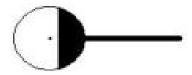
The Constitution and Rules Committee ("C&R") finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee after consultation with the Field Archery Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

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

It is the unanimous opinion of the Technical Committee that the sight aperture submitted by Archery Australia Inc. and shown in the photo below is not legal for competition in the Recurve Division of World Archery. It is our opinion that the vertical line in the aperture could be used as a means of leveling and would contravene Book 3, Article 11.1.5.1. In Field Archery, it is our opinion that the sight could also be used as a means for estimating distance and therefore would be in violation of Book 4, Article 22.1.5.4.

World Archery Technical Committee, 20 August 2012 Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 22 August 2012



## INTERPRETATIONS

## **WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

## **Book 3, Article 11.2.5**

Archery Canada has requested an interpretation as to whether the multi-pin sight shown below is allowed for the Compound Division.

The Constitution and Rules Committee ("C&R") finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

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

It is the majority opinion of the Technical Committee that the use of a sight shown below with multiple sight pins is legal for use in Target Archery for World Archery competitions. It is our opinion that the sight is legal except on the unmarked courses in Field Archery, where the multiple sight pins could be used as a means of estimating distance.

World Archery Technical Committee, 24 September 2012 Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 25 September 2012



## INTERPRETATIONS

## **WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

## **Book 3, Article 14.5.2.2**

Archery Canada has requested an interpretation as to the result if both athletes miss the scoring face during a shoot-off tie breaker.

The Constitution and Rules Committee ("C&R") finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Target Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

## **Response from the Target Committee:**

It is the opinion of the Target Committee that if both athletes miss the scoring area of the target face during a shoot-off tie breaker, both athletes will shoot an additional arrow.

World Archery Technical Committee, 15 September 2012 Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 22 September 2012

## **WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

## **Book 4, Article 22.3.8.1**

Archery Australia Inc. has requested an interpretation on whether the tab illustrated below is legal for all disciplines where tabs are permitted.

The Constitution and Rules Committee ("C&R") finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee after consultation with the Field Archery Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

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

It is the majority opinion of the Technical Committee that the finger tab is legal in all disciplines where finger tabs are acceptable.

World Archery Technical Committee, 20 August 2012 Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 22 August 2012

