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### To The Point

Your Monthly BC Archery Newsletter

### **Board of Directors for BC Archery**

The AGM was hosted on September 6th 2023, where votes were cast to fullfil the vital roles on the BC Archery board. Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting and assisted in voting.

Congratulations to the successful applicants!

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# **OUR 2023 TEAM**



Michael Wiebe
VP Athlete Development



David Sandquist

VP Administration



Angela Shaw

VP Finance



Glen Shaw
VP 3D & Bowhunting



Lora-Lee Murray

President



Markus Zurberg
Director at Large



Stuart Murray

VP Technical





My passion for archery started when I was 12 years old. My fire for the sport grew into a raging obsession quickly and I began my journey into competitive archery. I proudly was able to represent Canada at two Youth World Championships, among many other accomplishments within Canada and the USA.

My time in competitive archery has been on pause for my growing family; however, I still actively promote the sport of archery to families in our community and engage in the sport recreationally. Additionally, I am a member of the executive team for the Cranbrook Archery Club.

Previously my primary career was as a Licensed Practical Nurse. My favorite job of all is being a mom to our 2 year old son.

I am truly excited to start this new role in BC Archery. I feel strongly that i will bring some fresh, new ideas to the table within BC Archery and abroad. I look forward to working with the team to promote the sport of archery in a positive way.

Cheers!



#### 2024 Membership is now open for renewal (& New)!

2024 rates have increased, however, if you renew by January 31st 2024 you can take advantage of a discount. Please be reminded that to obtain a family rate all family members must register in the same transaction. The membership renewal page will be open October 1st 2023.

Renew your memberships here.



Archery Canada is happy to present a new webinar: Running a High-Performance Program in Your Club. This webinar, presented in English, will help to equip coaches and

administrators with concepts that are key for the construction of a club environment built for the pursuit of high performance. Participants will gain valuable insights on youth participation in high performance from Sport for Life's Heather Ross McManus, as well as more sport-specific knowledge from three panelists from the archery community: Dawn Groszko, Kelly Chambers, and Shawn Riggs. After the presentation, participants will be given the opportunity to share knowledge and ideas in breakout rooms, alongside the panelists. Join us on **Monday, October 2nd at 7:00 p.m. ET** for a webinar you don't want to miss!

Registration Link: https://buff.ly/3LmzluL



#### **Instructor of Beginner Archers Clinics Coming up!**

This course will provide an introduction to the principles and techniques of instructing and training archers. Topics covered will include various scenarios and teaching methods.

Clinton, BC October 14-15, 2023 Register here

Coquitlam, BC | October 21-22, 2023 Register here.

\*Limited spaces available!\*

#### **BC Winter Games 2024**

If you are an archer born in 2007, 2008 or 2009 and shoot a Recurve, Barebow, or Compound stay tuned to the newsletters and website for details on how to try out for the BC Winter Games. Trials will be held in late November / early December. Remember to consult with your coach. It's an experience that will stay with you forever.



#### Seeking a Sport Chair Living in Trail/Rossland

The **BC Winter Games** are coming to the Trail/Rossland region in February 2026. We are currently seeking a representative in the area to serve as the Sport Chair. The person in this role will attend ongoing meetings with the local host society and liaise with the BC Archery Provincial Advisor to ensure the local archery venue has the necessary equipment and volunteers for a professional and successful event.

If you live in the area and are interested in this role, please send an email to the <u>Provincial Advisor</u> by October 31, 2023, expressing your interest. Once selected, you will be invited to attend the **2024 Quesnel Games** to gain a thorough understanding of the requirements for the Games. For more information about the role, please read the Games' <u>Role of the Sport Chair</u> document.

#### Would You Like to Be the Next BCWG Provincial Advisor?

The **Provincial Advisor** (PA) serves as the primary representative of BC Archery when collaborating with the **BC Games Society**. This crucial role ensures that our association meets the Core Sport requirements, enabling our participation in the Games. Moreover, the PA handles communications with coaches and athletes, participant registrations, arranges Trials events with regional clubs, and assists the VP-Athlete Development with Zone Team Selections, coach selections, and more!

To get a better idea of the requirements, please read the Games' Role of the Provincial Advisor document from the 2022 Vernon Games.

If this role piques your interest, you will initially serve as the Assistant Provincial Advisor for the 2024 Quesnel Games. Then, in 2026, you will transition to become the Provincial Advisor, while the current PA will act as your Assistant PA, providing further training and support.

If you are keen on taking up this exciting position, <u>send an email</u> to express your interest. The sooner, the better, as planning for the 2024 Games is well underway!



Each Newsletter will highlight archery clubs and outstanding archers from around BC!

This Month is Victoria, BC!



The Victoria Bowmen Archery Club has been the home club to many archers on the southern part of Vancouver Island for the last 75 years.

During this time Victoria Bowmen has had the honour to host the Canadian Championships 7 times (so far) and even hosted a World Archery Target Championship in 1977 (only club in Canada). Aside from that they've also hosted on numerous occasion either the BC Indoor or Outdoor Championships.

Victoria Bowmen currently has approx. 110 members and participates in the JOP program. Unfortunately they lost their outdoor range a few years back (the search for a new site is ongoing) and are currently only able to offer indoor shooting.

Their indoor range is part of the Saanich Commonwealth Place, where they shoot Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

They welcome drop-ins and offer archery lessons in collaboration with the recreation centre.

For more information about their club, please feel free to reach out to Al Wills – info@victoriabowmen.com

# Congratulations to Greg Birtwistle! He was the honorary recipient of the Community Sport Hero Award from Sport BC!



"Greg is not one to seek out recognition but is one who undoubtedly needs to be acknowledged. He is currently the Vice President of the Victoria Bowmen Archery Club. When Greg isn't volunteering, he can be found building longbows which he often donates for raffles and door prizes. For over 30 years, his passion for archery and his willingness to help wherever he can has impacted many and made him a key person in the sport community. "-Sport BC

https://sportbc.com/2023/09/13/sport-bc-announces-victoria-community-sport-hero-awards-recipients/

### 1 IN 3 CANADIAN KIDS CAN'T AFFORD TO PLAY ORGANIZED SPORT. WE'RE HERE TO CHANGE THAT.



### Kidsport pays. Kids play.

Through a confidential application process, KidSport provides funding for kids from families that need financial support to help cover the cost of sport registration fees.

If finances are tight right now, and you (or someone you know) could use a little help to pay for registration fees this fall, find your local chapter at <a href="kidsport.ca">kidsport.ca</a> to apply. If you don't see a chapter listed for your community, funding is available through our BC Provincial Fund.

# 2023 BC PROVINCIAL OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

A huge thank you to the SOSA Archery Club for hosting the 2023 BC Outdoor Championships that took place in Oliver, BC this past month! It was a successful event and all the archers appreciate your efforts! Congratulations to all the medalists and archers that competed at this event!



# **BREAKING NEWS!**

Multiple Canadian open records were set by BC Archers this past month!

- U18 Man Barebow: Isaac Chu from Port Moody, BC in a CDN Field round with a score of 179. 2023-09-03
- U18 Man Barebow: Isaac Chu from Port Moody, BC in a 720 Round with a score of 471.
   2023-09-02
- 21+ AND 50+ Woman Barebow: Lisa Yuen from Burnaby, BC in a 720 round with a score of 587. 2023-09-16
- 50+ Woman Barebow: Lisa Yuen from Burnaby, BC in a CDN Field round with a score of 251. 2023-09-03

Huge congratulations on your accomplishments and hard work! For a full list of Canadian records please visit archerycanada.ca

# We have officially wrapped up outdoor archery season and it is time to switch to indoors!

Indoor target archery is primarily shot at 18m in distance! This means its time to adjust those sights and aiming, and get out those line cutting arrows! Small adjustments to your equipment makes a big impact to how each shot will be executed.

It is also time for some indoor 3D archery! Indoor 3D is loads of fun, and a great way to keep practicing those 3D archery skills!

For upcoming indoor events stay in tune with the BC Archery Website, and watch your local clubs as well for any events they may be hosting!

### **Become a BC Archery Ambassador!**

Are you passionate about archery and eager to share your knowledge and skills with others? BC Archery is searching for dedicated volunteers to become Archery Ambassadors. Join us in promoting the sport we love and making a positive impact on the archery community!

As a BC Archery Ambassador, you will have the exciting opportunity to represent our organization at tournaments and events throughout British Columbia. Your role will involve answering questions about archery, offering guidance and support to new archers, and showcasing the excitement of this sport.

For more information, email execdirector@bcarchery.ca.



