



To The Point

April 2020



I'm sure this is how we are all feeling right now. Archery will start again in the near future—maybe not for competitions, but at least for practice and training.

For now, please heed the advice of the Provincial Health Office and Municipal / Provincial requirements. Maintain your “bubble”, do not gather in groups, do not have in-person parties, do not expect life to “return to normal”. Like a new set of tournament rules, learn and follow the rules of the “new normal”.

Please remember to Stay Home, Stay Safe, and Be Kind.

Volunteers needed to help with return to activity plan

Would you like something worthwhile to occupy your time? Are you itching to get back on the archery field? BC Archery is looking for a few volunteers to help develop a “return to archery” plan. The plan will need to layout all the recommendations that clubs and facilities should use and consider when wanting to reopen to its members: how to reopen, what is required to open safely, how to manage participants and physical distancing in shared spaces, how to keep participants “safe”.

If you have some ideas on how to manage the risks and are interested in helping over the next few days/weeks, please [complete this online form](#), which will be open for submission until Sunday (May 3rd). Those selected will be contacted on Monday.

Attention Club Administrators!

Although most events and participation has been cancelled, there are two things that I would like to bring to the attention of club administrators:

1. Return to Activity

The Provincial Health Office/Ministry of Health (PHO/MOH) is requiring that no sport club or sport facility reopen for activity until there has been a Return to Play Plan approved by the Province (PHO/MOH). (Thus the reason for needing volunteers to help develop the plan—see section above).

At this time, BC Archery would like to stress the importance of remaining closed until this plan has been developed and approved. It is recognized that your members want to get back to shooting, that the club wants to reopen and start collecting revenue and/or providing a service to its members. However, the need to ensure the health and safety of our members should be the utmost priority. If a club proceeds to open prior to BC Archery receiving approval from the PHO/MOH, it puts our sport overall in jeopardy of being shutdown. Not just your club—but all archery clubs/facilities in the province. Please look beyond your club and look to the benefit of the overall public in remaining closed for just a few more weeks. If you would like it to happen sooner, please volunteer to help draft the plan and complete the volunteer link above.

2. AGMs

Clubs are still required to hold AGMs in 2020. All efforts should be made to hold an AGM and not just cancel it for the year. The Societies Act allows for postponement of an AGM until December 31st. As well, under special order through the Emergency Program Act, electronic meetings will be allowed regardless of any restrictions/requirements as set out in your bylaws. The Ministry's news release can be found [here](#). If you need assistance navigating requirements for holding a virtual AGM, please feel free to [contact me](#).

If you would like more information and resources around COVID-19, check out the [summary page](#) provided by viaSport.

Cancelled events

The BC 3D Provincial Championships and the BC JOP Outdoor Championships, both scheduled for June, have been cancelled. All events will be hosted by the same clubs in 2021. Please check our [calendar](#) for updated dates.

The Archery Canada Nationals have been [cancelled](#) for 2020. PEI will host these events in 2021 (June 17-24), pushing the outdoor national events to be hosted in BC to 2022. AC will not accept registration for any events through July 31st 2020.

AC Indoor Mailmatch

Results have been compiled for the [Archery Canada Indoor Mailmatch](#) and MANY BC athletes have been awarded medals!

Congratulations to all the medal winners and to all the participants. Here's to hoping there will be an Outdoor mailmatch this year!

Entertainment

There's a [new Hunger Games book](#) & movie coming out! This one is a prequel to Katniss's archery antics. No word if bows and arrows will be featured in this one. Book release date: May 18

Are you following the [World Archery facebook page](#)? Highlight videos of past events have been featured. The [Lockdown Knockout](#) will livestream in May, featuring 8 compound athletes competing in a remote archery tournament.