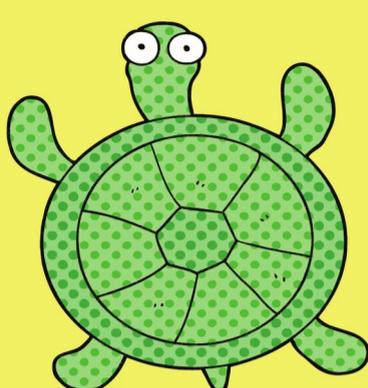




To The Point

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Return to Play update

The State of Emergency in BC has been extended for yet another 2 weeks (to July 7), and the Province has moved into Phase 3.

What does this mean for archery? [Phase 3](#) has no further effect on sport. We continue under the guidelines of Phase 2 of the BC Restart Program, and the “Transition Measures” stage of viaSport’s [Return to Sport Activity Chart](#). Further explanation can be found in [this letter](#) from viaSport. Basically, we are asked to continue to train at our home club (do not travel to other clubs), focus on skills development/improvement, and don’t share equipment.

As we remain “status quo”, please continue to follow local and provincial guidelines. If your club has not created Return to Play plans yet, please look to our [webpage](#) for links and guidance documents. Each club should have a Plan specific to their venue—find it on their website/social media page, or send an email asking for a copy before you attend the venue. Be sure to know what is expected at each facility.

The BC Archery Committee tasked with addressing COVID issues will be meeting in July to start developing the Return to Competition Plan. Even though it may be months from now, we want to be ready when the government allows us to recommence competition. Everyone is eager to return to “normal”, and we understand how important this is to our clubs and our members. If we follow the guidance of Dr Bonnie Henry, the BC government, and viaSport, and [move forward slowly](#), we can get back to “normal” in a manner that is safe for all our participants.

Registered Events

BC Archery continues to not support sanctioned competition as we follow the guidance provided by viaSport. Until we are able to move from the “Transition Measures” stage to the “Progressively Loosen” and “New Normal” stages of the [viaSport Sport Activity Chart](#), no competitions are to be held in BC.

Once viaSport indicates movement to the next phase, inter-club or regional competitions may be held.

In addition, until July 31st competitions may not be registered with Archery Canada, nor will they count toward ranking or records. You can read more about Archery Canada’s events and requirements in [their June newsletter](#). After July 31, you will be able to host these events **for your own club members only** and following standard COVID guidelines (max 50 or fewer, physical distancing, cleaning protocols, preregistration) as laid out in your club’s Return to Play Plan.

As mentioned above, in the coming weeks the COVID Committee will begin developing a Return to Competition Plan in order to prepare for the next Phase/Stage where we *should* be able to return to hosting events for more than just our own club members.

Archery Canada Coach of the Year

Join me in congratulating BC’s own Kevin Evans on being awarded the Archery Canada Hank Wiseman Coach of the Year award. Kevin is a longtime Para Archer who coaches out of Jaffray, BC at the Cranbrook Archery Club. Since beginning archery in 1979, he has competed at 3 Summer Paralympics, 4 World Para Championships, 4 Continental Championships, and twice at the Para Continental Championships. Kevin has been coaching for several years while continuing to pursue his athletic career and is recognized as an excellent coach and an inspiration to all Canadian archers. He has been the BC Zone coach for 5 BC Games and has regularly made himself available to help aspiring Para archers as well as working with some rising stars in compound target archery. He is also known worldwide for his work with prosthetic releases for archers that do not have function in their hands or limbs. Congratulations Kevin!



Archery Canada Peter Garrett 3D Archery Award



BC’s Miranda Sparkes (pictured centre) shares the inaugural Peter Garrett 3D Archery Award with her teammates that won Silver at the 2019 World Archery 3D Championships that were held in Lac la Biche, Alberta. After a tight victory over Austria in the quarterfinals, and a dominating victory over the States in the semifinals, they went to secure Silver against France in the title match. Not only are these women achieving great success for Canada, they are also fantastic role models for women in archery across the nation.

Congratulations Miranda, Monica & Trudy!

Virtual training / learning opportunities

Many virtual seminars are still being scheduled—lots are FREE! No better time to practice physical distancing with your phone/tablet and participate in a webinar.

- ⇒ [World Archery Americas](#) is hosting a few seminars in July in English. These would be beneficial to coaches and officials.
- ⇒ [NCCP courses](#) are being offered virtually through September so that you can still work on your certifications, prerequisites and/or professional development.
- ⇒ [Sport for Life](#) has a page specifically for focussing on Physical Literacy at Home.
- ⇒ ISPARC has recorded a series of home workouts through their [FitNation](#) program