



To The Point

Your Monthly BC Archery Newsletter



Did you know....

...the provincial government does not differentiate between the words "team" and "group" when it comes to sport? The December ban on "Adult Team Sport" includes *any* sport participation by adults--including archery (the list in the order is not exhaustive). The order defines "adult team sport" as "an organized and structured activity involving a number of participants". For example, if you participate in a league, if your club has shooting times at 7pm on Tuesday and noon on Saturday, if you host classes or try-its--that all counts as *organized* or *structured*, and is prohibited for adults at this time.

Youth activity can continue, but there is a requirement of THREE (3) metre distancing on the Field of Play (with or without the use of partitions), the need to wear masks indoors (can be removed only when on the shooting line), and no spectators/parents allowed.

viaSport held a public webinar on December 17th to answer questions around the order. If you missed it, you can watch it [here](#). viaSport is working with the Provincial Health Office to define an order specific to sport, and are hoping this will be approved and released before

January 8th. They are doing their best to advocate for us and will be creating a Phase 2.5 guidance document. Info will be circulated to club admins as I receive it. The most current info will be shared on our [Facebook](#) page--so be sure to follow us.

Let's do our part. Keep your number of contacts small and help flatten the curve. And hope that come January 8th we can return to (modified) sport programming and back behind the bow.

Reminder: archery may only take place if the club has a Return to Play Plan that has been approved by the club's Board of Directors and is available to the members and the public. BC Archery's Return to Play guidelines and workbook, along with partition designs and other important links, can be found on our [website](#).



Planning is underway for the 2022 BC Winter Games in Vernon.

We are currently **seeking a volunteer** in the Vernon area to take on the role of Sport Chair. The Sport Chair is a key link between the Host Society and BC Archery and would be required to attend local (Vernon) organizational meetings, relay information, and assist with planning the event. Details about the role requirements can be found [here](#).

If you would like to volunteer for this important role, please [contact me](#) ASAP. The position must be filled by January 20th.



World Archery Indoor: no travel required!

The World Archery Indoor Series is adopting a hybrid model. Participation is open to any member of a World Archery member association (your 2021 BC Archery membership qualifies). Participate from the comfort of your home or your home-club! (using the lanseo Scorekeeper app) Check out the details on the [WA website](#) (and read the [rules](#)). The 3rd Indoor event is January 15-17. [Registration](#) is free. Deadline is 3pm January 10th.

Results from the 2nd stage: top BC athlete in each of the categories:

- Recurve Men: Brian Maxwell, score: 572, 122nd out of 1330 participants
- Recurve Women: Mariessa Pinto, score: 552, 128th out of 771 participants
- Compound Men: Isaac Bedford, score: 579, 137th out of 827 participants
- Compound Women: none from BC for this event
- Barebow Men: Daniel Matsalla, score: 468, 274th out of 683 participants
- Barebow Women: Angela Foley, score: 423, 113th out of 231 participants

Special Offer from Archery Canada to Clubs hosting a registered 18m round coinciding with a WA Indoor Series event.

****Only when we can host competition again in BC****

****Dependent upon Provincial Health orders****

Apply for a \$250 subsidy for the reimbursement of expenses that relate to safe return to Sport measures. Such expenses, to be submitted as a claim to Archery Canada after the event has been held, could include the reasonable expenses for the purchase of PPE (e.g. disposable masks), hand and surface sanitizing supplies, floor decals for social distancing, signage, construction of safety barriers/partitions, and paper targets in a quantity appropriate to hosting the event. Contact the AC Executive Director, [Karl Balisch](#) for information on how to claim this subsidy.

Limited to one claim per club.



Vegas goes Virtual

The 2021 Vegas Shoot will host in-person competition for the Championship divisions only, and offer a virtual component for Flights and Junior divisions.

Dates and registration details will be posted shortly.

Read the news release from NFAA [here](#).



2021 55+ Games postponed

The Victoria 55+ Games have been postponed to September 2022. See their press release [here](#).

In turn, the Abbotsford 55+ Games have been postponed to 2023.

All dates/changes are tentative - fingers-crossed that COVID is just a memory by then.

World Archery Rule Changes and Interpretations

Effective January 1st, there several rule changes to Target, Field, 3D and Para. These changes can be found in the updated [WA Rule Books](#) and as [individual documents](#). WA rule changes affect Archery Canada and BC Archery rules for

registered events.

In summary:

- Anti-Doping Rules – new version of Book 6 to comply with new WADA code.
- Target Archery – removal of double shoot-off (Article 14.5.2.2).
- Target Archery – update to world ranking tournament rules (Book 2, Appendix 1).
- Field and 3D Archery – specification on shooting time, shoot-offs and team positions. ➤ Para Archery – editorial change replacing “mouth release” with “mouth tab” (Article 13.2.2).

In addition to rule changes, athletes should be aware of Interpretations which further describe rules and address questions that have been posed. Interpretations from World Archery can be found [here](#). Archery Canada rule books and interpretations can be found [here](#).

GET YOUR 2021 MEMBERSHIP NOW! 2020 memberships expire Dec 31st

- **New application process!** All new and renewing members will need to submit their application through a [new online membership platform](#). Once completed and paid, your membership will be *instantly* emailed to you! Apple or Google Wallet cards are available for download on your mobile devices. Any time your information changes, you can update it yourself in your profile. And there's so much more!
 - If you do not have a credit card, or prefer to use eTransfer, enter your data in the software up to the point of being at the "Cart" (must agree to the waivers, see the next point), Save and Exit. Then send via eTransfer the amount shown in the Order Summary. Your membership card will not be valid or sent until payment has been processed. [Contact me](#) for more details.
- **Waivers:** part of the membership application process includes the necessity to sign waivers electronically. Each adult will need to sign their own, a parent/guardian will need to sign for a youth member. If the waiver is skipped, the membership will be tagged as incomplete--a membership card will not be emailed/processed until the waivers have been signed.
- **Fees:** If you hold a 2020 BC Archery membership (purchased prior to Aug31st), we are offering you a 50% discount on your 2021 membership (in recognition of the reduced ability to participate through COVID closures). In order to obtain this discount, you **must** renew using the new software system--the discount will automatically be applied to your cart. (There is no discount for those whose memberships expired in 2019 or earlier)

Info for Club Organizers:

- Club Affiliation renewals: if your club was affiliated with BC Archery in 2020 then the 2021 affiliation fees have been waived. However, the club must still meet all the stipulated criteria and submit all requested documentation (including a proper Return to Play plan). Check the [Club Resources](#) page for more details. When you are ready to renew, [contact me](#) for a coupon code and to email your completed documents, and join through the [new membership system](#).
- If your club requires a Certificate of Insurance, those will be available in January but you must renew the club affiliation and meet all the eligibility criteria before being issued a certificate.

- The new membership system can be utilized by clubs as well. Do you want to offload the paperwork and have your club membership automated? Is membership administration a lot of work for your volunteers? How about getting your membership monies deposited daily without having to go to the bank? All these things are benefits of the new software system and they should be ready for clubs to set up in the coming weeks. If you are interested or want more details, [contact me](#). Two clubs are already using the system for their own memberships!
 - Several emails have been sent this fall to the club contact on record. If you / your club has not received these emails, please contact me to update the email address.
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Want to check out more newsletters from the last decade? From decades and years past? What about the very first BC Archery newsletter?
Now you can!

Al Wills has been busy scanning ALL the BC Archers from 1952 to 2020, you can see them all on his [website](#).
There are a few issues missing, if you might have them, please [contact Al](#)



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