

WORLD ARCHERY AFRICA NEWSLETTER



Inside this Issue:

1. Word From the President
2. Dr. Aladin Gabr Re-integrates WA Executive Board
3. Continental Judges Seminar
4. WAAf Congress, 2022
5. 12th African Archery Championships
6. Bidding process for the 13th Championships
7. Activities in African Member Associations
8. WAAf Calendar

Word From the President

Dear African Archery Family Members,

Welcome to this third issue of World Archery Africa Newsletter.

I hope everybody arrived home sound and safe after a very busy, yet memorable 10-day stay in Pretoria where the Congress and the 12th African Archery Championships was held.

I would like to thank SANAA and its President Patrick ROUX for a well-done job. It was a fabulous Championship. It has been a pleasure meeting and talking to all MA representatives who honoured us with their presence. I would like to thank them all for their dedication, love and care about African archery. I am grateful to Mr. Tom DIELEN, WA Secretary General, for his presence with us during the Congress. Much appreciation must be presented to our main sponsor, Mr. Bruce CULL and Easton Foundation. My thanks also extend to the LOC in Pretoria for their high sense of professionalism and their efforts to make everybody feel at home during their stay in RSA. I am also grateful to the judges of the championships, officials, and volunteers for contributing to the success of the event.

On the occasion of the Championships, we held a Continental Judges seminar under supervision of WA and we are glad to announce that Africa has got 8 additional highly-needed and motivated Continental Judges. Congratulations to them all.

In light of the Congress outcomes, I would like to congratulate all the newly elected members of WAAf Executive Board and wish them good luck in their endeavours to promote and develop African Archery.

Finally, I would like to reiterate that we are more than ever committed to improving and developing African archery by all means available. The best for African archery is yet to come!

Tarik AMIRY
FAA President



Dr. Aladin Gabr Re-integrates WA Executive Board

Honorary WAAf president and former WA Board member, Aladin GABR reintegrated the Board following Greg Easton's resignation from the executive board last September. Mr. GABR, who previously served on World Archery Executive board from 2013 to 2021, will replace Greg until congress in 2023 (Greg was due to serve until 2025). The position will then be opened for election on a two-year term. Mr. GABR was the runner-up in the elections held in WA Congress 2021.



Continental Judges Seminar

On the occasion of the 12th African Archery Championships WAAf organized a Continental Judges Seminar. Eight candidates from Algeria, Egypt, Mauritius, South Africa and Tunisia took part in the seminar that started on Nov. 2 and continued till the Nov. 4 under the supervision of world Archery's Judges Committee member IJ Graham POTTS (GBR). He ensured instruction and training with African International Judges Charmaine HO (RSA) and Ahmed KOURA (EGY). All the candidates passed the final exam thus announcing the addition of 8 new Continental Judges. For the sake of gaining practical experience, all the newly-accredited judges were included in the judges commission for the 12th African archery Championships taking place immediately after the seminar.

Here is the list of the judges:

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Alfredo LOBO DAS NEVES – RSA | 5. Frans Petrus VAN KRADENBURG - RSA |
| 2. Houssemeddine BEN ABDEL FETTAH - ALG | 6. Hany MOSTAFA – EGY |
| 3. Ian SUBRAMANIEN - MRI | 7. Emile BOTHA - RSA |
| 4. Amira MANSOUR – EGY | 8. Thabet ZIDI - TUN |



WAAf Congress, 2022

World Archery Africa has held its Congress for the year 2022 on November 4 in Pretoria (RSA). The Congress witnessed the presence of 16 member associations with a further five MA's issuing proxies. Elections for several executive board positions were held. They were managed by Paige PEARCE (USA) and Bruce CULL (NFAA president) in presence of Tom DIELEN, World Archery SG. These were the results:

- Incumbent council members Barbara Manning (South Africa) and Abdullahi Mohammed Baba (Nigeria) were elected vice presidents (for South and West, respectively) of the organisation until 2026.
- Four new board members were elected to the executive board: Abderrezak Lazreg (Algeria), Ahmed Sameh (Egypt), Karim Farhat (Libya) and Iona Bartosz (Zimbabwe). The latter will serve two years rather than four.

An executive board meeting was held on the following day during which the newly-elected members were officially greeted by president Tarik AMIRY. Many development ideas were shared and discussed.

12th African Archery Championships

The 12th African Archery Championships were held as originally planned in Pretoria, RSA from 5 to 9 November 2022. This year's version saw the inclusion of a para event for the first time in addition to barebow. 66 athletes from 16 African countries took part in this edition. Live streaming of the medal matches took place for the first time in the history of African championships in addition to coverage and broadcasting from World Archery and other media from different local media in South Africa.

South Africa topped the nine countries who came back home with medals by winning 15 medals including 7 golds. Full results and photos can be found in detail on the following link: <https://worldarchery.sport/competition/25464/pretoria-2022-african-archery-championships>.



Bidding process for the 13th African Archery Championships (CQT)

WAAf has opened the bidding process for Member Associations who wish to host the next African Archery Championships which will be held during November 2023. It should be highlighted that in addition to being a World Ranking Event (WRE), this edition will be a Continental Qualifying Tournament (CQT) for Paris 2024 Olympic Games. The bid application and WRE requirements have been sent to all MA's and the deadline for the bidding process is **20 December 2022**. The host country of the 13th African Championships will be officially announced by the end of December 2022 after a thorough evaluation of all the bids.



Activities in African Member Associations

Morocco (MAR)

The Royal Moroccan Archery Federation organized two events to introduce the sport of archery in partnership with two institutions in the province of Settat. The first was held at the Institute of Sports Sciences at the University of Hassan I, Settat, where it was agreed to conclude a partnership between the Institute and the Federation in order to develop this sport and move it forward in addition to including it, in the future, as a fragment to be taught within the curriculum of the Institute of Sport Sciences. The second was organized in partnership with the Regional Directorate of the Ministry of National Education, Primary Education and Sports in the province of Settat, where the Association of Teachers of Physical Education and Sports organized an introductory course to the basic principles of archery by the French expert Noël Auzet on 15 and 16 October 2022 for the benefit of physical education and sports teachers. Held in presence of many doctors and high officials, these activities come in line with the strategy of the federation and the general objectives of the Ministry of Education and Sports.



Mauritius (MRI)

The Mauritius Archery Federation organized the MRI Nationals Championship 22' on September 18 at Le Goulet. The competition was preceded by a judges course for six national judges by Dr. Ahmed Koura, International judge and WAAf Secretary General. The competition brought together 41 archers and was an occasion for the newly trained judges to put into practice what they have learned under the close supervision of A. Koura, the Chairman of judges.



Nigeria (NGR)

The first week of September was a busy week for the Nigerian Archery Federation since it saw the organization of a National Archery Judges training course and the 3rd Nigeria National Archery Championship, an event that comes just a few days before a scheduled participation in the TIZOCATA (West & Central Africa Archery Championship) in Cotonou, Benin Republic.

The Nigerian Archery Federation has concluded a partnership with the Military and Paramilitary Agencies on the basis of which the Chief of Navy Staff of the Federal Republic of Nigeria has approved the inclusion of archery as part of the 12th Nigerian Navy Games Lagos 2022 which took place in Lagos, Nigeria during the first half of September.



Togo (TOG)

The Togolese Archery Federation has organized an exhibition archery shooting event on September 11 at the Olympe Africa de Kégué centre in the capital, Lomé. The event was organized as part of the federation's efforts to popularize archery in the country. Some archers from Cote d'Ivoire were invited to take part in the event, too.



Niger (NIG)

The Niger Archery Federation has received archery equipment following financial support from the Ministry of Youth and Sport. During a ceremony, the Secretary General and the General Director of Sport at the Ministry of Youth and Sports delivered the material to the federation in presence of Nigerian athletes.

The Niger Archery Federation has also organized a level 1 coaching course in collaboration with World Archery and Olympic solidarity. The course took place in the capital, Niamey with the aim to train new archery coaches and develop the discipline in the country.



Zimbabwe (ZIM)

2022 marked Zimbabwe Archery Association's 48th National Champs held on the 25th of September 2022. The competition was a national closed-ranking tournament that allowed the male and female archers to ease back into ranking competitions. Although the National Champs were delayed by a couple of years due to Covid restrictions, the competition pulled in good numbers and a few new recruits. Despite the wind's best effort to make shooting a challenge, a couple of national records were broken. A decent turnout of 25 archers competed and the selection for the Continental Championships in November 2022 was made.



Benin (BEN)

The 12th edition of the International Archery Meeting of Western and Central African Zones (TIZOCATA) has taken place from 7 to 10 September 2022 in the capital Cotonou. This edition saw the participation of 60 archers from six countries: Niger, Nigeria, Togo, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea and Benin, the host country. Benin won a gold and a silver medal in the recurve cadet women competition. The final podium for the Recurve Men Team and Recurve Women Team competitions was the same with Ivory Coast first, Guinea second, and Benin third.



WAAf Calendar


Date	Event	Place
Pending (Aug. 2023)	African Games,	Ghana
November 2023	Training Camp	TBC
November 2023	13 th African Archery Championships (CQT)	TBC

Editors

Mrs. Iona BARTOSZ (ZIM) – WAAf Media Manager: ionabartosz@gmail.com

Dr. Ahmed KOURA (EGY) – WAAf Secretary General: akoura@waafrica.org

Mr. Saber BEN BRAHIM (TUN) – WAAf Deputy Secretary General: s_b_brahim@yahoo.com

 +216 28 566 301



**world archery
africa**