

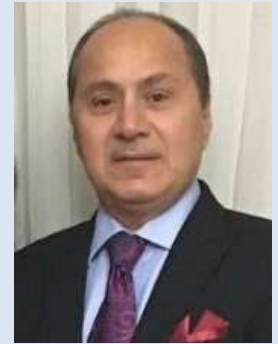
WORLD ARCHERY AFRICA NEWSLETTER



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Word From the President



Dear African Archery Family Members,

Welcome to this Fourth issue of World Archery Africa Newsletter.

This issue took a longer time to publish as we tried to include more archery activities and achievements in our beloved Africa.

WAAf website is finally online although it is still under testing and development. The French version of the website will follow soon. (www.waafrica.org).

We are proud of Tunisia which hosted the first regional event in 2023 for North Africa last April with the participation of 5 African Member Associations (ALG, EGY, LBA, SUD and TUN) and 5 Asian Member Associations (IRQ, JOR, KUW, QAT and UAE).

We are also proud of Mauritius which will host the second regional tournament for East Africa, and so far athletes from 9 Member Associations in Africa, Asia and Europe have already been registered. Registration for the event is still open till the 10th August 2023 via the following link: <https://forms.gle/wPj1YEKqdrvHK16j8>

The Invitation Package for the 13th African Archery Championships & CQT for Paris 2024 has been released. This event will be held in Tunisia during 8-12 November 2023 and we expect an unprecedented number of participants.

Within few days we will meet with the big archery family in Berlin for World Archery Congress, and I am happy to see that many African Member Associations are registered to participate.

Finally, we hope that every issue of this newsletter brings more information about archery development in Africa.

Tarik AMIRY, WAAf President

Launch of WAAf website

<http://www.waafira.org>

Aware of the importance of getting information in time and the necessity to get closer to its member associations, World Archery Africa has finally launched its dedicated website. The online version of the website is not final, i.e., our media and communication team is counting on your feedback to make the necessary changes and modifications in order to reach a version that will hopefully answer the needs of all the Member Associations. Your positive and constructive feedback is most welcome.

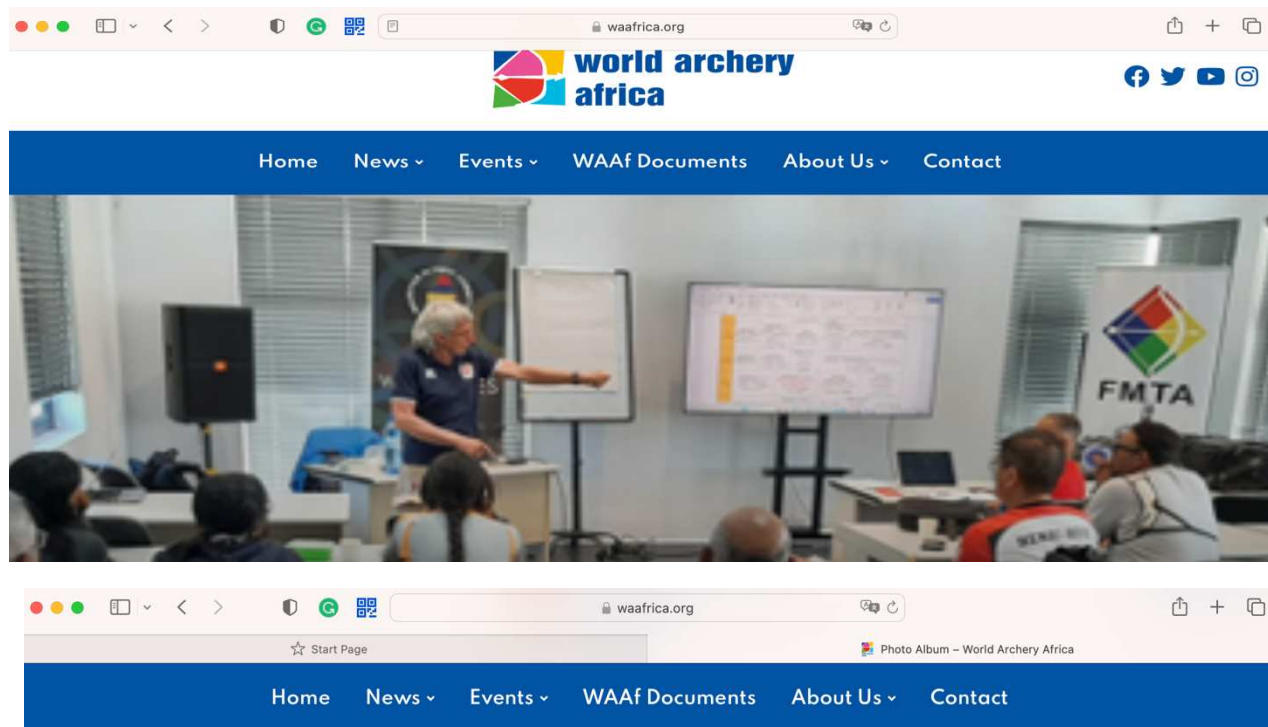


Photo Album

2023 – 12th Arab Championship Djerba TUN



2022 – 12th African Championships Pretoria RSA



13th African Archery Championships (CQT), Tunisia 2023

As planned since Pretoria 2022, Tunisia will host the 13th African Archery Championships in the coastal city of Nabeul. The tournament, which will be also a Continental Qualifier Tournament for the upcoming Olympic Games in Paris 2024, will take place from 8 to 12 November 2023. The invitation package has already been sent to all WAAf Member Associations.

This edition will build on the achievements of the last championships held in Pretoria, RSA, namely by including the barebow division and the para-archery categories for the second time in history. To encourage participation, WAAf and LOC have decided to leave open the number of participants per country in the said division and categories.



World Archery Youth Games – Limerick, Ireland – Africa's participation

Africa was represented at the World Archery Youth games by 2 countries, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

South Africa

De Wet Ignus	Compound Under 21 Men Ranked 33rd
Siebrits Bryce	Compound Under 21 Men Ranked 33rd
Wolter Kyle	Compound Under 21 Men Ranked 33rd
Team Event U21	9th Position
De Wet Franco	Compound Under 18 Men Ranked 3rd
Verhoef Hendre	Compound Under 18 Men Ranked 4th
Ryan Ewan	Compound Under 18 Men Ranked 17th
Team event U18	5th Place



Van Kradenburg Frans and Wafer Shane were the South African delegation officials

Zimbabwe

Hill Bryce Recurve Under 18 Men Ranked 57

Hill Shane is Bryce's father and Coach

Activities in African Member Associations

Kenya

<https://www.facebook.com/ArcheryKenya/>

Strathmore Range, Kenya's National Archery Range was host to the Stage 1 of their Nationals. A total of 38 entries we received with the divisions being - 12 in 70m recurve, 11 sighted 30m recurve and 15 barebow open 30m. Ranking was followed by the usual eliminations in World Archery format. From the results 2 recurve archers were selected to attend the 1st Mauritius Regional Competition. The event went off smoothly and hoping that one day they will have the equipment to run a regional competition. Kenya will be holding their stage 2 Nationals hopefully in September or October this year.



Malawi

May saw Malawi back into action, having had sports on hold since the onset of Covid., Looking to see their sport grow, Malawi advertised to neighboring countries to assist in competitions for exposure for their competing athletes. Below are pictures of Mark Abel receiving one of his many certificates competing in Zimbabwe's Harare Club Championships. The second picture depicts participants and the expert Mr. Carlos Freitas from Portugal who conducted the training session on the Development of National Sports System in Archery. These are the first 20 would be coaches and archers from Central Malawi Lilongwe who took part in the training. The event took place in Bingu National Stadium.



Mauritius

<https://youtu.be/8Xgh07vi71s>

Mauritius Hosts High Elite Training Seminar.

World Archery Mauritius organized an intensive high-elite coaching course from 14th to 18th May for both archers and coaches. The course was conducted by former WA Development Director Mr. Pascal Colmaire. This seminar, which had the blessings of Olympic Solidarity, was held at the Mauritius Olympic Committee offices for indoor course and the Mauritius Football Association football pitch for outdoor practice. It witnessed the participation of 6 coaches, and 10 archers. Content-wise, the trainer covered several aspects of shooting namely the mental side and arrow release while shooting.

The **1st Mauritius Africa Open Archery Tournament** will be held in Mauritius from **25 to 27 August 2023**, MAs are invited to be part of this premiere international archery event to be held in the Indian Ocean Islands region. This is a World Archery recognized event (WA Calendar); Results will be valid for World Records.



Click the link or scan the QR code to register:

<https://forms.gle/wPj1YEKqdrvHK16j8>



Namibia

On the 11 & 12 February 2023 SAC (Swakopmund Archery Club) hosted the Valentine Target Archery Shoot at the SFC Sport Grounds in Swakopmund.

On the 11th Feb, archers in 7 different divisions participated in the Outdoor target archery shoot. There were 2 Para-archers competing in the Para-Archery Open division. The archers shot two rounds of 72 arrows each to determine the winners.

7 Namibian Records were improved: Quinn Reddig improved the 360 round's record to 296, the 720 record to 590 and the 1440 to 1177 for Recurve Woman at 70m. Jannie Meuwesen: in the compound Men division, improved the 720 record to 699 and the 1440 record to 1397 at 50m. In the Para-archery division, Katelynn Venter improved the 360 record to 196 and the 720 record to 391 at 50m.

On the 12th Feb, archers in 6 different divisions participated in the Indoor Target Archery Shoot. The archers shot two rounds of 30 arrows at 18m each to determine the winners. One of Namibia's Para-archers: Bradley Murere also participated in the Para-archery Open Men division achieving gold.



Sierra Leone

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063549712360>

The National Archery Championships in Freetown 🇸🇧 **Sierra Leone** were attended by the former President, the current President, Secretary General, Treasurer, Admin Officer, Women and Sports Commission Chair, Sports and the Environment Chair, Sports and Sustainable Development Chair all from the National Olympic Committee, and the Director of Participation in the National Sports Authority, representative from the Ministry of Sports and other dignitaries.

The Sierra Leone Archery Association held its annual National Archery competition on the 5th and 6th of May 2023, at the Olympafrica Complex in Godrich Freetown. The event was thrilling in which forty-five (45) participants took part. Among the 45 participants, thirty (30) were male archers and fifteen (15) were female archers. The event was also blessed with an unexpectedly enormous number of spectators who cheered with claps and compliments whenever a good shot is made by an archer.



Tunisia

<https://youtu.be/ShYmwwXyn30>

Five North African MAs take part in a regional archery tournament

Five WAAf North-zone countries took part in a regional archery tournament in Djerba, Tunisia from April 25 to 30. Recurve and compound archers from Tunisia, Algeria, Libya, Egypt, and Sudan competed in the 12th Arab Archery Championship that took place for the first time on the Island of Djerba, in the south of Tunisia. Almost all the medal matches saw north African archers compete in them. At the end of the tournament, Egypt topped the final ranking with 27 medals including 16 gold. Tunisia and Algeria were ranked fourth and fifth, respectively with 26 different medals for the first and 17 for the second.



Zimbabwe

Zimbabwe's archery year has been growing from strength to strength as a result of the participation in the Continental Championships in South Africa in November 2022. Regular monthly ranking rounds in the WA divisions Recurve, Barebow and Compound – as well beginner distances to encourage all athletes in the sport.

11th June saw Harare Archery Club holding their 2nd Annual Club Championships at Courteney Selous School with 16 Entries and a welcome entry from Malawi Recurve Men, ages ranged for the competition was from 10 years old though to 50 years, 5 ladies and 11 men. Practice on the Saturday saw almost perfect beautiful conditions to release arrows in, though on Competition Day, the wind moved in all directions causing some challengers for the archers. Congratulations to Mark Abel from Malawi top Recurve archer, Jesse Steele top Compound archer and Tafara Tagara top Barebow archer.

Weekend 16th July Harare Provincial championships were held in the now familiar location, Courteney Selous School. Divisions in Compound, Recurve, Barebow and Genesis were held with some upsets in the ranking, Congratulations to the following highest scores, Recurve U13 - Charles Muchabaya, Compound Men - Dean Green, Barebow U15 - Shayne Tichareva and Genesis U21 - Tafara Tagara.



Remember!



Just say no.

The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) was established in 1999 as an international independent agency composed and funded equally by the sport movement and governments of the world. Its key activities include scientific research, education, development of anti-doping capacities, and monitoring of the World Anti-Doping Code (Code) the document harmonizing anti-doping policies in all sports and all countries. <https://www.wada-ama.org/en>

PlayTrue

Tests an athlete's knowledge and understanding of anti-doping procedures. In several countries, it is a requirement for all travelling participants (managers, athletes, coaches etc.) to have done the ADEL course before clearance issued. It is available in more than 45 languages. There is also a version for younger athletes and parents. All archers, coaches and admin are encouraged to review the Adel Wada courses annually - Sign up and complete forms at

<https://www.wada-ama.org/>

WAAf Calendar of Events


Date	Event	Place
12-13 August	National Outdoor Target Championships	Zimbabwe
19 August	Michael Shiers 1440	Kzn Natal, South Africa
20 August	Michael Shiers - Leg 1 + 2 D720	Kzn Natal, South Africa
26-29 August	Regional Competition	Blackriver, West Cosat - Mauritius
29 Aug – 3 Sept	Nationals Championships	Cote D'Ivoire
2 – 3 September	National Outdoor Target Championships	Namibia
2 – 3 September	City Of Johannesburg Target Champs - D720	Gauteng, South Africa
7 October	Claudette Shiers 1440	Kzn Natal, South Africa
8 October	Claudette Shiers - Leg 1 + 2 D720	Kzn Natal, South Africa
14 – 15 October	2023 S A National Wa Indoor Champs	South Africa
28 th October	National Indoor Championships	Namibia
28 October	Tuks Spring Challenge 720 & Eliminations	Tshwane District, South Africa
29 October	Tuks Qualifier #4- Leg 1 and 2 720	Tshwane District, South Africa
7 – 12 November	13 th African Archery Championships (CQT)	Tunisia
11 – 12 November	Kzn 720 Quatro - Legs 1, 2, 3 & 4 D720	Kzn Natal, South Africa
25 – 26 November	Jan & Lala Jacobs Quatro Champs	Tshwane District, South Africa
8-23 March 2024	13 th African Games	Accra, Ghana (TBC)

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