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Dear Colleagues,

Please find below a few bits of information to keep you up to date with the latest news.

1) Judge Changes and news

Sadly Stephanie Pettit, Judge Emeritus, passed away on 13th March. Stephanie retired 20 years ago, as a National Judge, having been a judge for many, many years and was awarded the title of SCAS Emeritus and AGB Emeritus in recognition for all she did and her long and successful career. Stephanie had a huge impact on Judging and many of our current Judges were either trained by Stephanie or trained by people who were trained by her. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time.

We have also had a couple of retirements recently - John Owen and Jack Wilson, both Candidate Judges from Essex. We wish them both well for the future.

Now for some good news. We have three new Candidates – Kim Stonebridge from Norfolk, Aislinn O’Connell from Berkshire and Erin Barkway from London. We have also had Adam Trott, a Candidate Youth Judge, move from NCAS to Hertfordshire. And David Leach, a National Judge, has moved to Hampshire from WMAS. We welcome all of them to SCAS.

If you have a tournament that could possibly accommodate another Judge then please bear one of our candidates in mind. The contact details for all Judges can be found on the SCAS website.

2) New Archery GB Rules

Effective immediately

Following the removal of make up arrows following an equipment failure (or minor medical emergencies) from World Archery Target Rules, Archery GB have published their position

- For World Record Status Archery Rounds equipment failures ARE NOT allowed
- For UK Record Status World Archery Rounds equipment failures ARE NOT allowed
- For Non Record Status World Archery Round equipment failures ARE allowed
- For Archery GB Metric Rounds – even when shot with World Archery Round – equipment failures ARE allowed

This means that at a World Record Status 1440 Round (what was the FITA Star) with Metric rounds then people shooting the Gents or Ladies 1440 DO NOT get equipment failures, but people shooting the Metric Rounds DO get equipment failures.

Effective 1st April 2022

Archery GB have also announced some other rule changes

- Introduction of the Asiatic Bow. It is up to Tournament Organisers if they want to include the bowstyle or not. But at present there are no records, handicaps or classifications for the Asiatic Bow
- Bouncers – previously Bouncers had to be observed in Archery GB Rounds. Now they only have to be suspected, so if an archer thinks they have had a Bouncer then it can be dealt with. And if it is found they did not have a Bouncer then the additional arrow they shot will be ignored.
- Naming of Rounds – the Short, Junior and Short Junior versions of Windors, Westerns, Nationals and Warwicks have been renamed to be the XX 50, XX 40 and XX 30. All other aspects of the rounds remain the same, it is just a name change.
- Multi-face set up are allowed in cross bow rounds.

Full details are in the Archery UK magazine.

The Age Group Changes will not take effect until 1st October 2022.

The new Archery GB Rule Book will be available on the AGB website here -

<https://www.archerygb.org/about-us-structure-safeguard/about-us/the-rules-of-shooting/>

Please make sure you update your records accordingly.

3) New World Archery Rules – Effective March 2022

World Archery published some new Rules effective 1st March 2022. These relate to the Assistive Devices used in Para Archery.

The new rules including documents highlighting the changes are available here -

<https://worldarchery.sport/rulebook>

I have also attached a copy of the presentation that was given at the National Conference.

4) Assessments

If you would like to be assessed in 2023 then please let me know as soon as possible, even if you have not completed all the requirements, so we can start making plans

5) WA Interpretation

World Archery has issued a Clarification on the new Traditional Bowstyle which answers some commonly asked questions. Please find it attached.

6) World Archery Judge Newsletter

The latest World Archery Judge Newsletter is available on line here -

https://extranet.worldarchery.sport/documents/index.php/Judging/Judging_Newsletter/Newsletter107_February_22.pdf.

It is well worth a read and includes information on the new WA Rules.

7) Archery GB Newsletter

Hopefully you have all received the latest Archery GB Judge Newsletter. If you have not received it please let me know and I will forward you a copy.

Please make sure you take the time to read it carefully as it includes important information.

It includes information on the J05 proposed changes, rule updates and a survey to try and gather your views on some important issues.

8) Judge Uniform

Just as a reminder, from 1st April 2022 the old green and white Judge shirts must no longer be worn. The "new" green shirts must be worn at all events.

Don't forget that all Judges who were qualified in April 2019 can reclaim the cost of a t-shirt from SCAS. Just send me proof that you paid for a t-shirt and your bank details and I will send you the money.

9) Learning Curve

Don't forget to sign up for Learning Curve, whilst a lot of the information is for newer Judges it is still a useful reminder for everyone and over time the content will expand to cover more topics.

To register with learning curve:

Go to <https://archerygb.hivelearning.com/learningcurve/>

1. Fill in your details to create a profile.

2. You'll need the passkey: **L3arning_Curve!**

3. We'll then send you a verification email - click on the link and you'll have access to Learning Curve!

If you have any questions or problems registering, contact help@hivelearning.com

Then send an email to judges@archerygb.org to let them know and they will add the Judges section to your profile.

10) Important Dates for your Diary

Just a reminder of some important dates

7th January 2023 – SCAS Judge Conference – Stevenage Leisure Centre

If you have any questions or problems, please do not hesitate to contact me, Hannah or Richard.

Kind regards

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