

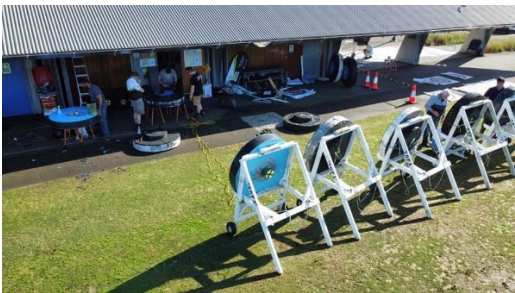
SOPA NEWSLETTER EDITION 12

DEAR MEMBER,

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & WORKING BEE

Thank you to all our members that attended the working bee and Annual General Meeting last weekend. The working bee was an enormous success with over 50 club members helping out. Here are some photos.

Remember without these wonderful volunteers you would not have a club to shoot at!



President: Elizabeth Hole - president@sopa-archery.org.au

Secretary and Membership Officer: Gloria Tse - secretary@sopa-archery.org.au

Treasurer: Nick Jones - treasurer@sopa-archery.org.au

Vice President - Safety and well-being Officer: Fran Boyle - safety@sopa-archery.org.au

Vice President - Equipment and Maintenance - Cirilo Almario VPPEM@sopa-archery.org.au

OzBow Ambassador - Leon Hides - induction@sopa-archery.org.au

Tournament Officer and National Judge: Peter Bennett - tournament@sopa-archery.org.au

Recorder: Gregor Whiley recorder@sopa-archery.org.au

Coaching: Alex King - coaching@sopa-archery.org.au

AGM minutes will be posted to the website site in due course.

COLLABORATING WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Congratulations to the City of Ryde staff for develop the new Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP).

On Thursday last week City of Ryde launched the plan with an amazing keynote speaker, Ryde resident, nationally acclaimed archer Ameera Lee. Also speaking at the event was SOPA Club President Elizabeth Hole, who talked about the club's commitment to all abilities in their sport. Liz also outlined SOPA's commitment to translating the website into over 17 languages with the help of club members. Including some indigenous languages (hoping to encourage even more participation in the sport).

It was so fabulous hearing Ameera's story, and she talked about how her decision to take up archery was easy at the time. A single parent to 11-year-old Huthaifa, managing her multiple sclerosis (MS) and working full-time – Ameera needed an outlet so both mother and son tried archery together - the rest is history.

On debut at the 2018 Para Archery European Circuit in Olbia, Italy, Ameera reached the quarter finals of the women's individual recurve/compound W1 and competed at the following year's 2019 World Archery Para Championships in the Netherlands.

With the support of the NSW Institute of Sport, Ameera's Paralympian dream was realised.

Here is the City of Ryde DIAP: <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/.../disability-inclusion...>

This engagement would not have been possible with our volunteers making it happen. Huge thanks must go to Gloria Woo and son Branden, Jenny Candra and son Darren, Steve Cheah and VT Nguyen





NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN BRISBANE

SOPA members put on a great show at the 2022 National Target Championships and lead the way in most events.

Laura Trezise has won the prestigious Archery Australia **Best All-Round Archer award for 2022**. This is a huge achievement, as it required Laura to compete in the Australian Open Field and National indoor as well as the Nationals and Australian Open events. Congratulations Laura well deserved and thank you for all the time you give to our club archers.

In particular, our Under 18s and Under 21s performed amazing up against great archers.

Medal Tally

U18 and U21

- 🥇🥇 Chevy Cheah 900 & 1440
- 🥇🥇 Darren Candra
- 🥇🥇 Branden Tse 900, 1440 State Team Gold
- 🥇🥇 Tara Choo 900 & 1440
- 🥇🥇 Mitchell Campbell 900 & 1440
- 🥇🥇 Elaine Wang 900 & 1440
- 🥇🥇 Ammrutha Vashetharan in Teams with Kim Lavender and Laura Paeglis

50/60+

- 🥇🥇🥇🥇 Elizabeth Hole 900 & 1440, Teams, Mixed teams and 1st placed Barebow archer with the top score and won 12 new arrows
- 🥇 Tracey Hodgson 1440
- 🥇🥇 Norman Sim in 900 & 1440
- 🥇🥇 Saskia James 900 & 1440

Open

- 🏆🏆🏆 Angie Wang 720 Matchplay Champion, Teams and Mixed Team
- 🏆🏆🏆 Ci Almario 900, Teams and Mixed teams
- 🏆🏆 Kim Lavender in Teams and Mixed with Peter Boukouvalas
- 🏆 Peter Boukouvalas Teams
- 🏆🏆🏆 Katrina Robinson 900, 1440 and Mixed Team
- 🏆 Garry Robinson Mixed Team

State Teams

- 🏆 NSW State Recurve Team came 1st - Well done Branden Tse and Kim Lavender
- 🏆 NSW State Barebow Team just missed out on 1st place by 11 points. Well done Darren Cirilo & Liz
- 🏆 NSW State Compound came second - Well done Katrina Robinson, Jonathon Milne and Garry Robinson

Some photos from the Nationals



OZBOW PROGRAM

The OzBow program is more successful than we ever thought possible.

All new members will be put through this program and all level 1 coaches will be assigned a role in the program working with Leon Hides and Gregor Whiley. They are always looking for help, so if you can assist them on a Saturday from 2 to 3pm please email them at induction@sopa-archery.org.au

COACHING COURSES

There have been 2 x Level 1 Coaching Courses scheduled. There is a limit to the number of participants in each course – Refer links below:

19th November – Closing Date: 5th November 2022

Willoughby Room Chatswood Library – Chatswood

<https://eventdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main...>

SOPA MATCHPLAY SERIES

All rounds are open for registration

Round 9 - October 16 - Register [here](#)

Round 10 - November 20 - Register [here](#)

Full event details on our website at

[SOPA Matchplay Series 2022 - Sydney Olympic Park Archers \(sopa-archery.org.au\)](http://sopa-archery.org.au)

REMINDER - PARA NATIONAL PROGRAM

From 1st September 2022

- On weekdays 4 lanes will be dedicated to our paras training program
- These lanes are next to the come and try on the right side of the range.
- This does not affect our club shoots or competition shoots at the weekend. The paras will only have the lanes when we are not using them for competitions.

VOLUNTEERING – THE CLUB NEEDS YOU

Our wonderful club would not operate without a team of dedicated volunteers.

We need more volunteers to help with club shoots, events, and maintenance. Please email me if you would like to help your club continue to be the best and biggest in NSW.

In addition if you have any skills, you think would be useful for the team to know about whether its computer, woodwork, event management or anything else please let us know. Email president@sopa-archery.org.au

CLUB RECORDS

Visit our website to view the records at

[Club Records - Sydney Olympic Park Archers \(sopa-archery.org.au\)](http://sopa-archery.org.au)

EVENTS

All our club championships are in Archers Diary so come and join us on Saturday's and have some fun!

[Click here](#)

Other club and state events can be Archery Australia website

at https://sitedesq.sportstg.com/calendar/index.cfm?fuseaction=Display_Archery_Aus_Calendar&OrgID=8150

and in Archers Diary

GOVERNANCE, CONSTITUTION AND POLICIES

Reminder: were to find our clubs Rules, Governance, Constitution and Policies

Click here [Governance, Constitution and Policies - Sydney Olympic Park Archers \(sopa-archery.org.au\)](#)

WANT TO CONTACT THE COMMITTEE?

Click here [Contact Us - Sydney Olympic Park Archers \(sopa-archery.org.au\)](#)

For further information visit our website at [Home Page - Sydney Olympic Park Archers \(sopa-archery.org.au\)](#)

and our Facebook page at [SOPA \(Sydney Olympic Park Archers\) | Facebook](#)

See you at the Club!