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Michael Luxford with his hog deer (see Game Claimed on page 56 for more!).

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WE'RE ALMOST HALFWAY!

There's a definite chill to the air now—the perfect weather for camping and hunting.

I've noticed a few more hunting stories coming in, indicating that it is indeed the season for camping and—of course—hunting.

Any stories are always more than welcome, whether they're long or short, so please keep sending them in!

Especially as we near closer to the halfway mark, although there are another couple of issues of *Archery Action* still to go, I'm starting to think ahead to the printed yearbook edition, where we will feature

the best from throughout the year, as well as plenty of new tales. It would be fantastic too to see our Club and Branch updates fill out a little. We'd love to hear about your regular meets and activities.

In this issue, we have stories from the 2023 ABA National Safari Championships and also the results of the 2022 season Bowhunting Awards. Congratulations to all the winners, and to everyone who claimed. Whether your game is a winner or not, every claim

contributes to the sport.

Additionally, we have some great hunting stories from Adam Clements and Scott Brown in this issue, and—drumroll please—the winners of the Abbey Archery Photo Competition! Thank you to everyone who has submitted photos throughout the year!

Stay safe! 🦋

*Kelly James,
editor*





ADAM CLEMENTS

A VERY SPECIAL BIRTHDAY HUNT

2022 closed with me desperately trying to make the last 30 points needed to gain the National Master Bowhunter Award, which—painfully—did not eventuate and nearly made me forget about the amazing year it was and all the blessings that came from this favourite trip of the year.

Still floating on a high from a memorable trip to the Northern Territory in September, I was looking forward to our family's tradition of heading up to Timberline for my birthday. It's always a special trip where we switch off, unwind and spend some quality time together—and occasionally come up close with a Sambar or two.

This year was no different: a 3:30am alarm, fighting my brain to get out of bed, get motivated and walk off into the darkness, taking the usual route to my favourite gully. About an hour later, I was in position and waiting for first light. About 10 minutes before first light, the deer were heading home, passing by either side of me in ranges from 10-40 yards. Fifteen minutes later as day broke it was all over—I saw 14 deer that morning with no shots in shootable light presenting. I went the long way back to the hut to see what other signs were around that would help plan the next morning's hunt, all while enjoying the stunning scenery.

Once back to the hut, and after a nice coffee, it was time to explore with the family. Levi, my youngest son, was keen to get more involved this year. He brought his bow and was determined to get a rabbit. While his enthusiasm and determination were great to see, I was quietly thinking that, realistically, his chances were slim. We had heard of a spot with lots of rabbits and headed there to let him begin his bowhunting journey. Two very proud parents spent the next couple of hours watching him try, fail, learn and finetune his stalking skills, despite gusting wind and dwindling energy levels.

We eventually dragged him



Levi watches the 'roos feed

away and headed back to camp for an early tea. That evening, Levi came for a hunt with me, and we sat at a spot I knew we would see some wildlife. Sitting on a log for the next couple of hours he enjoyed watching the kangaroos feed out into the open. As the last hour of light was upon us, I had a feeling things were going to happen and ran Levi through the process of what to do if I went out for a stalk. Within 15 minutes the first Sambar fed out, then another and another about 80m ahead of us. We were on!

We slowly stood up and used the binoculars to get

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Above: The stunning high country views the family got to enjoy

Levi a look at the deer. While he was focusing in, I noticed another bigger deer come out further up. Just as I took a step to start my stalk, we heard a 'HONK!' right behind us. We both jumped around and tried to spot this deer, which continued to honk at us, looking up the hill and into the bush carefully checking all the shadows. It went quiet and we both smiled at each other, turned back and—to my amazement—the other deer further up were still out feeding. Okay, let's go! 'HONK!' from behind again; where is this deer? Oh, there it is! We had been looking up

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The morning fog: perfect stag conditions

the hill face and didn't think to check 50 yards in front of us. There was a beautiful Sambar hind and its fawn stomping its leg, letting off another honk before bolting back up the hill.

Okay let's go again...yes, the deer were still there but a little more alert now. I began stalking in and bumped into a kangaroo which bounded off out into the open. The deer trotted back into the cover of the bush but didn't go too far, so I tried to cover a little more ground which led to getting another honk before they all went crashing off into the bush. Wow, what a first day!

The next morning, I was greeted to a thick fog and mist—this was it. If there was going to be a morning, this was my best chance for the trip as there was some bad weather due that night and, in my experience, foggy mornings produced stags. I went to the same spot as the first morning and hoped the deer wouldn't be heading back to bed so early, as the fog produced a nice safe screen for them to hang out in the daylight longer to fill their bellies a little more before the predicted weather front rolled in.

Again, 20 minutes before

light I was in position and ready to shoot once legal light appeared. History has taught me that every split-second counts with the bow, especially when targeting Sambar, so I made sure all I had to do was draw and shoot. Like the morning before, a few came past me a little too early to legally shoot. One hind and calf even stopped at 15 yards away and fed for a minute or so—I could even hear them chewing! Another wave of deer came off the hill just on first light but too far away. Something inside told me to wait longer this morning, so I

stayed there motionless for the next hour waiting, waiting and waiting, enjoying the beautiful colours on the horizon.

"Come on", I thought, "where are you?"

I was getting peckish so though I would quickly check the time and grab a mouthful of jellybeans out of my pack on the ground. Just as I put them in my mouth, I heard a stick snap up the hill! I turned my head slowly and there it was: a stag coming down the hill. After all that patience and persistence, I was caught bent down with a mouthful of jellybeans! He was coming

in quick, so as he went past one tree I stood up, he passed another tree and I lifted my bow, another tree and I clipped on my release, another tree and I drew the bow back, last tree and I was ready and aimed. He walked past a log that I had ranged the distance on in the past and knew it was 30 yards away. I made a squeak to pull him up, picked my spot above his leg and let fly. He dropped on the spot, tumbled down the gully and came to a stop at the bottom. As he lay there, he presented another shot, so I wasn't taking any chances—I quickly snuck



The family enjoyed a hearty venison breakfast after this

in closer and put another on the mark to make sure. It was done! What a morning! He was my biggest Sambar to date, and I spent the next hour soaking it in and getting some good photos before getting him into position to come back for the meat with the family. On my way back, I radioed the hut and asked my older son, Saul, to wake mum up and get her to come and pick me up.

As they turned into the paddock gate, I saw my wife Crystal get out, worried

something was wrong but as I got closer, I turned to show her my pack holding the antlers. Screams of joy and some high fives followed before going back to camp and getting prepped to all go harvest the meat together.

We drove down the hill halfway, then we all hiked down to the bottom where I ran them all through the process of breaking down the deer. Everyone loaded up—I had a back leg and front leg, Crystal had the other back leg, Saul had

backstraps and fillets while Levi had the other front leg.

As I got to the top of the hill and car first, I turned and enjoyed the moment of seeing us all as a family go out, enjoy the outdoors and harvest our own organic meat out of what's now known as Clements Gully. What a special moment!

After a well-earned venison breaky, you guessed it—Levi was keen to go after some more rabbits, so we headed off. Another couple of hours spent getting close and letting

June 8 to 12 2023 Pacific Regional Field Archery Championships

To be held at Mallee Sunset Field Archers



Competitors have the choice to shoot either 5 or 3 days with the best of three scores submitted but must include 1 animal, 1 Field and 1 Hunter round, which means some competitors may not wish to arrive until the Thursday afternoon.

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3 Days Adult/Young Adult/Veteran \$55 Cubs/Jnr \$45 Family \$145 - 5 Days Adult/Young Adult/Veteran \$75 Cubs/Jnr \$55 Family \$170

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All nominations must be completed online at www.bowhunters.org.au and paid for at the time of registration. No late nominations will be accepted and nominations on the website will open immediately after the National Safari.

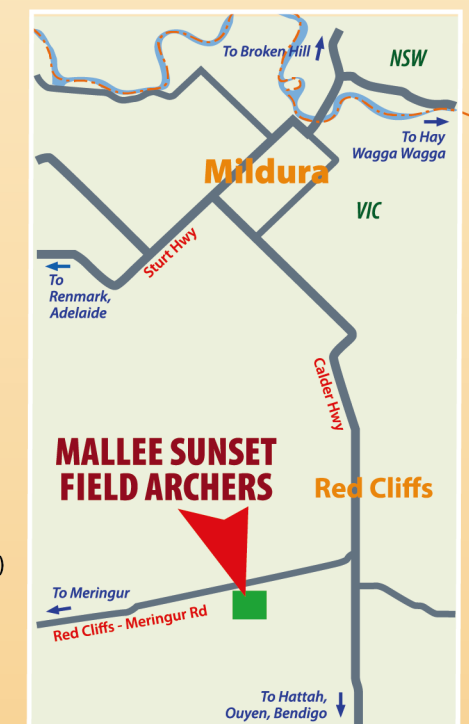
Last day for grading: 04/06/2023

All archers under the Archery Alliance of Australia are invited to attend.



Timetable: Muster each day at 8.00am for an 8.30am start

Wednesday 07/06/23	Registration and bow checks from 2pm
Thursday 08/06/23	28 Targets Field/Hunter
Friday 09/06/23	28 Targets Hunter/Field (afternoon bow checks)
Saturday 10/06/23	28 Targets Field/Hunter
Sunday 11/06/23	28 Targets Hunter/Field
Monday 12/06/23	28 Targets Animal followed by presentations



- Camping is ample at the range; anybody wishing for offsite accommodation can obtain further information from the ABA website.
- Definitely No DOGS allowed

some arrows fly resulted in, surprisingly, a more determined Levi. That night and the next day was spent tucked up around the fire as the cold front swept through, dumping a lot of rain on top of us. We were heading off the next day so as we had a small break in the weather we headed to the rabbits again, this time enjoying a rainbow on the way.

It was home day and the weather wasn't great, but Levi wanted one more go at the rabbits. Knowing that feeling inside of wanting to make sure you have given it everything you can before closing off a hunt, I pulled into the spot

that held the rabbits for him on the way home. It was blowing a gale and was freezing but Levi was out of the car and going for it. We let him go alone this time to try and give him the best chance of getting close but after a while, I went out to let him know it was time to go, just as he had fired his last arrow. I picked the arrow up and said, "sorry bud but it's time to go", and as we walked towards the car a rabbit suddenly popped up out of a hole just in front of us and looking in the opposite direction!

"Go bud, this is your chance," I whispered, and to my amazement he got it! YES!

We spent some time going through a range of emotions together and soaked up this very special moment in history. WELL DONE, Levi!

As I had done with the deer, Levi hid the rabbit behind his back as we signalled Crystal to come and pick us up in the car. As she approached, he revealed the rabbit and again with screams of joy and high fives, we all celebrated. We took some photos before heading home on a high. This was my favourite hunt of the year, not because of the stag but because of the memories we made as a family while watching Levi's determination, resilience and passion for the outdoors. 🏹

Levi with his proud mum and dad



Proud Levi with his first kill with bow



Bowhunting division
REPORT

By Allan Driver / Vice President, Bowhunting Division



The National Executive have been very busy taking steps to have a voice in South Australia due to the Labor Government putting steps forward to ban the use of a bow as a means of hunting in that state.

National have engaged professional assistance and discussions will be taking place.

ABA members in South Australia still need to be vigilant and lobby their own members of parliament, whether Local or Senate.

Send them e-mails and ask questions as to why this idea is raising its ugly head with no

real factual basis to back it in any way.

Like most State Governments in this country, there are more important things that need addressing by them than mis-guided small institutions pushing their agendas that have no basis in fact.

Lastly, make sure you as a hunter claim everything you take, whether it is measurable or not, as the numbers recorded are a tool that our Association can and will use to keep our hunting enjoyment alive.

Until the next issue, stay safe and good hunting. 🏹

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AUSTRALIAN BOWSHOT RECORDS

SUMMARY

SPECIES	HOLDER	AUSTRALIAN RECORD	RECORD CLASS	TROPHY CLASS
Boar	Michael Dacre	37 2/8	29	25
Goat	James Finlay	151 2/8	110	95
Buffalo	Peter Griffiths	130	86 4/8	80
Camel	Kimberley Nicholas	32 6/16	29	25
Fox	Graeme Duff	11	10 2/16	9 3/16
Cat	Tim Pitt-Lancaster	8 5/16	7 10/16	7
Red Deer	Dan Smith	315 3/8	200	175
Fallow Deer	Darryl Bulger	276 4/8	190	150
Chital Deer	Dan Smith	204	160	140
Hog Deer	Stephen Tilley	111 7/8	70	55
Sambar Deer	Dean Scott	203 5/8	162 7/8	140
Rusa Deer	Jay Janssen	236	170	150
Shark BHFF	Barry Feeney	35 2/8	20	15
Shark BF	John Van Den Heuvel	51 6/8	41 4/8	15
Stingray BHFF	Barry Feeney	11 3/8	7 4/8	6
Stingray BF	Gleewyn Butson	14 3/8	11 4/8	10

Boar	Kristan Bell	34 4/8pt	2017
Goat	Katherine Agale	127 1/8pt	2010
Buffalo	Christie Pisani	87 4/8pt	2017
Camel	Christie Pisani	30 7/16pt	2014
Fox	Helen Duff	10 14/16pt	2016
Cat	Lorna Hopkins	7 12/16pt	1984
Red Deer	Elissa Rosemond	275 2/8pt	2021
Fallow Deer	Elissa Rosemond	205 7/8pt	2019
Chital Deer	Elizabeth Proctor	161 3/8pt	2019
Hog Deer	Elizabeth Proctor	88pt	2023
Sambar Deer	Nil		
Rusa Deer	Elissa Rosemond	197 6/8pt	2020
Shark BHFF	Lynda Fell	25 4/8pt	2016
Shark BF	Lynda Fell	23 5/8pt	2000
Stingray BHFF	Carolyn Rundle	9 7/8pt	1987
Stingray BF	Gleewyn Butson	14 3/8pt	1986

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T/C AND UPWARD AND/OR FIRST KILL/SPECIES

BRANCH	HUNTER	CLUB	GAME	AWARD	FK/FKOS	SIZE
B	Brian Duynhoven	Townsville District Bowhunters	Chital	TC		156 2/8
B	Chris Nelson	Townsville District Bowhunters	Shark	TC	FKOS	15 2/8
C	Charlie Lang	Capricorn Field Archers	Goat	GA	FK/FKOS	o
C	Charlie Lang	Capricorn Field Archers	Pig	GA	FKOS	o
D	Joshua Crisp	Grange Bowmen	Pig	GA	FK/FKOS	o
F	Luke Van Der Plaats	Snowy Mountain Bowmen	Pig	GA	FK/FKOS	20 4/8
G	Elizabeth Proctor	Macalister Trophy Bowhunters	Hog Deer	RC		88
G	Kyle Harrison	Macalister Trophy Bowhunters	Rabbit	GA	FK/FKOS	o
G	Michael Luxford	Macalister Trophy Bowhunters	Fox	TC		9 3/16
G	Michael Luxford	Macalister Trophy Bowhunters	Fox	TC		9 13/16
G	Michael Luxford	Macalister Trophy Bowhunters	Hog Deer	RC		74 6/8
H	Brian Oliver	Bacchus Marsh Bowmen	Goat	TC		97 3/8
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		98 1/8
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		95 1/8
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		95 1/8
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	RC		III
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		102 6/8
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		104 3/8
H	Tyler Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	RC		113 5/8
H	Wayne Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Scaled Fish	GA	FKOS	o
H	Wayne Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		96 6/8
H	Wayne Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		99 2/8
H	Wayne Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	TC		102 1/8
H	Wayne Atkinson	Ballarat Bowhunters	Goat	RC		117 2/8
H	Gerard Kerr	Geelong Trophy Bowhunters	Rabbit	GA	FK/FKOS	o
J	Glenn Newell	Peel Archers	Fox	GA	FKOS	o



Trophy Bowhunters of Australia Club



BOWHUNTING ACHIEVEMENTS

TO END MARCH 2023

MASTER BOWHUNTER

Nil Further since last report

TROPHY BOWHUNTER AWARD

Tyler Atkinson 210

BOWHUNTER AWARD

Michael Luxford 100

BOWHUNTER ROYALE

Elizabeth Proctor

BOWHUNTER IMPERIAL

Nil Further since last report

BOWHUNTER SUPREME

Nil Further since last report

SENIOR MEMBER OF TBA

Nil Further since last report

MEMBERS ADMITTED TO TBA CLUB (*membership granted after taking first Trophy Class or better animal*)

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Abbey Archery PHOTO COMPETITION WINNERS

Although this announcement was earmarked for the March-April issue, there weren't a lot of entries throughout the year, so we allowed one more to catch up. Without further ado, the winning photographs:



*'Look Out' by Jedd Guthrie
from the March-April 2023
magazine wins \$250!*



*'Light Show' by Adam
Clements from the
November-December 2022
magazine wins \$250!*



Abbey Archery PHOTO COMPETITION ENTRIES

And jumping straight into new entries!



*'Practice in the
paddock' by
Kameron Rowntree*



'Majestic' by Daniel Madden



*'Eye on the prize' by
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The 2023 National Safari Championships were held from 7-10 April at ABA Park in Mudgee, New South Wales—four days of fierce competition and loads of fun!

ABA and 3D NATIONALS

Following what was a reasonably close trip for me—five hours—compared to many, I arrived ABA Park, Mudgee on April 6 to the sight of caravans and campers filling a large camping area. Everyone was getting ready for the start of the ABA competition on April 7.

BY JO BOGIE

Competitors—50 ABA competitors and 145 3D—travelled from far and wide with many new faces, which was great to see.

The ranges were great and made many of us guess and then recheck distances. Uphill, downhill and across gullies, often arriving at the peg and then asking, “where is the target?”

With only one perfect score of 400 shot on the ABA course over the weekend by Jock Thomson, the range setters were obviously happy with the results. Well done, Jock, a great achievement! Peter Stubbs, on the other hand, won the turkey award for continually leaving his bow behind.

The ranges were a little challenging with a few steep

walks to collect arrows, but overall, it was a very enjoyable Nationals—although perhaps a little chilly at times. I had two wonderful shoot groups with Raylene Starke, Annette Stevens and Tim Hulsman for ABA and Tim Hulsman, Craig Smith and Jackson Blake for 3D.

While not shooting the campfire, branch groups, and just general catchups kept everyone entertained. I spent most evenings with others from Branch E playing cards, which occasionally got a little loud. But I’m sure we weren’t the only loud group, as I heard the ‘Corn Hole Championships’ were apparently a big hit.

Branch E was well represented with 45 members attending, and a great turnout

of 10 from Manning District Archers. It was wonderful to see our new members attending their first Safari.

Lastly, a big thanks to all the hard work put in by the National Committee and their helpers. It is a massive job, and it is truly appreciated.

Thanks also to the Hunter Bowman members that worked hard to supply meals to those who required it over the course of the competition. Without the help of volunteers, these events cannot proceed. I’m looking forward to catching up with friends again at the IFAA Nationals which is being held at Mildura in June.

Until till then, safe travels and enjoy flinging those arrows.

150 ABA competitors and 145 3D competitors travelled from far and wide



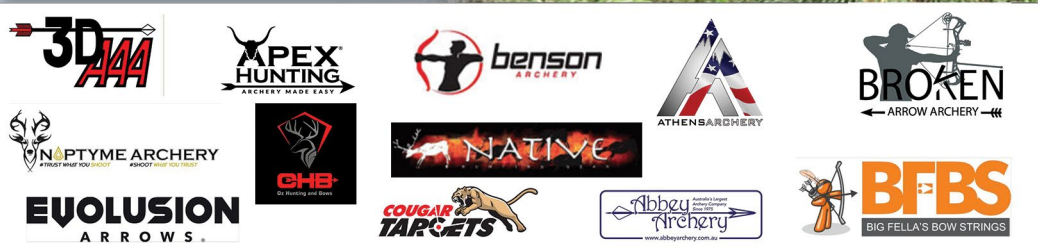


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The crew at Hunter Bowmen put their hands up to provide arguably the most important service at the National Safari—feeding the hungry hordes!

BY JULIE MORRISSEY

I was asked by Ralph Boden, last December, if I would like to run the canteen at the National Safari, with all money raised to go back to our club.

I put an email out to Hunter's members to ask to for help and received three volunteers: Tracy, Rod and David, which of course I accepted.

Then the menu planning began, keeping it simple with bacon and egg burgers for breakfast, lunch beef burgers, chicken burgers, pies, sausage and onion rolls and hot chips (not knowing the that we were going to have a chip shortage!).

Good Friday fish, chips and salad for dinner, Saturday spaghetti bolognaise, Sunday curried chicken and Monday a roast, thinking there would only be 10 - 20 people left on Monday night (a bit ambitious). Desserts included cheesecake, apple slice and a pavlova.

David and I arrived the Saturday before Easter and I became familiar with the kitchen. We also helped Ralph and Brian around the ABA park doing odd jobs, and David giving a hand putting 3D targets out and the practice butts. We also did four trips into Mudjee to stock the canteen full of drinks, chips, lollies, chocolates and food to cook.

One of the volunteers unfortunately became sick and could not make it. We had little notice and the three of us working in the canteen had no experience working in catering



or fast food, but we managed.

Friday morning, we did numerous bacon and egg burgers, lunch was beef or chicken burgers, pies or sausage and onion on a roll, then 54 fish, chips and salad dinners and around 45 desserts.

We made lots of tea and coffee. Saturday was the same with around 40 dinners, but we also started selling hot chips, and similar on Sunday.

On Monday, we had 31 roast dinners with 35 ordered. We were asked if we were doing bacon and eggs on Tuesday morning—we quickly answered no!

The canteen was closing Monday evening, but was popular, with people asking

for seconds!

Our days started before 6.00 am, then once the muster was on, we would clean up, have breakfast and prepare for lunch. Once lunch was over and the participants were called to muster, we would start to clean up, eat some lunch, sit and have a coffee, then it was time to prep for dinner.

Was this worth all the effort? Yes, the money raised for our club was great. Any stock left over was taken back to our club to be sold at club shoots.

On this note, thank you David, Tracy and Julie for giving up your time away from your families over Easter and participating in the National Safari. 🐾



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2022 SEASON BOWHUNTING Awards

THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS THE RESULTS FOR THE 2022 BOWHUNTING YEAR

A big pat on the back and congratulations to all ABA hunters who claimed game last year.

It takes time and patience to get out and about to hunt feral animals- sometimes you are successful and other times its just an enjoyable walk watching nature at its best.

Please claim all game no matter what it is.

The total claims for 2022 was 553. The claims comprised 96 Trophy Class, 52 Record Class 405 Game Award claims 405. The Greater Victoria Branch (H) again submitted the largest number of claims with 176, followed by Gippsland Branch (G) with 110 claims and QLD (B) with 96. The total of First Kill (15 claims) and First Kill of Species (66 claims)

Director of Bowhunting,

Allan Driver

TBA BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR

The winner of this prestigious award must have achieved Master Bowhunter status in the calendar year of competition. The Master Bowhunter with the most measurable species claimed from that year will be declared the winner.

In the case of two hunters having the same quantity of measurable species then the hunter with the most Record Class, then Trophy Class will break the deadlock.

The TBA Bowhunter of the Year for 2022 is:

David Luxford

David took seven of our recognised species which included Record Class species and Trophy Class species.

A huge congratulations to David on his achievement getting out and about to hunt feral animals.



MASTER BOWHUNTER

This award is presented to those Bowhunters obtaining 300 points or better, in a minimum of three species of game under the Master Bowhunter Formula.

Tyler Atkinson (H) 370 David Luxford (G) 300

TROPHY BOWHUNTER

This award is presented to those Bowhunters obtaining 200 points or better (but less than 300) in a minimum of three species of game under the Master Bowhunter Award Formula.

Toby Gall (B) 290	John Scott (H) 220
Adam Clements (G) 270	Wayne Atkinson (H) 200
Peter Griffiths (J) 230	Graham McComiskie (B) 200
Dan Podubinski (H) 230	

BOWHUNTER AWARD

This award is presented to those Bowhunters obtaining 100 points or better (but less than 200) in a minimum of three species of game under the Master Bowhunter Award Formula.

Marc Curtis (G) 190	John Teitzel (B) 130
Daniel Ferguson (B) 190	Troy Morris (J) 120
Jack Winks (D) 150	Brett Fittock (C) 110
Michael Luxford (G) 130	Jason Lesnik (F) 110
Axel Podubinski (H) 130	Jeremy Kasper (G) 100

TUSKER BROADHEAD TROPHY OF THE YEAR

Toby Gall, Fallow Deer 211: 7/8pts (RC)

MOST GAME AWARD CLAIMS

Axel Pobubinski 33

ALL SO CLOSE (or just under TC) WINNER

Chris Baty, Pig 24: 6/8pts

OVERALL BEST OF SPECIES

Buffalo	Toby Gall (B)	93:00 pts
Feral Camel	Bryan Butson (B)	28:2/16 pts
Feral Cat	Gary Doubleday (I)	8:12/16 pts
Fox	Jack Winks (D)	10:9/16 pts
Feral Goat	Andrew Robertson (G)	136.00 pts
Feral Pig	Graham McComiskie (B)	30:4/8 pts
Chital Deer	Peter Griffiths (J)	172.00 pts
Fallow Deer	Christopher Bourne (G)	234:5/8 pts
Red Deer	Jack Winks (D)	29:4/8 pts
Rusa Deer	Peter Griffiths (J)	227:7/8 pts
Sambar Deer	Christopher Bourne (G)	180:1/8 pts
Hog Deer	Michael Luxford (G)	68:2/8 pts
Shark BHFF	David Luxford (G)	20:2/8 pts
Shark BF	Chris Nelson (B)	15:2/8 pts
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David Luxford Shark BHFF
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Fallow Deer	Rebecca Nelson (B)	195:7/8 pts
Pig	Jeanette Dowd (D)	25:4/8 pts



JUNIOR BEST OF SPECIES

Red Deer	Jack Winks (D)	236:2/8 pts
Fox	Jack Winks (D)	10:9/16 pts
Pig	Jack Winks (D)	29:4/8 pts

CUB BEST OF SPECIES

Cat	Alex Podubinski (H)	7:3/16 pts
Fox	Alex Podubinski (H)	9:9/16 pts
Goat	Alex Podubinski (H)	107:6/8 pts

CLAIMS BY BRANCH

CLAIMS BY SPECIES

Species	Australian Record Class	Record Class	Trophy Class
Buffalo		5	2
Pig		4	19
Goat		2	24
Fox		9	21
Cat		2	6
Camel		0	1
Sambar		3	1
Fallow Deer		16	9
Red Deer		4	4
Rusa Deer		2	2
Chital Deer		4	11
Hog Deer		0	1
Stingray Open BHFF		0	1
Shark Open BHFF		1	3
Shark Open BF		0	1

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SUE WALLACE

AROUND THE TRADS

We've been going our own little Trad group shooting at Sunshine Coast Bowmen while we wait for the event on the 2023 proposed calendar, Easter Traditional Rendezvous at North Albert Field Archers, and last year I joined the SCB coaching team to assist at the Introduction to Archery courses, held once a month at the club grounds. The story below is about the first intro course done this year.

As part of these courses, one of the chaps gives a rough history of the various bows, so I took it upon myself for the next course to try and give these new archers a better understanding of a more comprehensive, albeit concise, history and was quite surprised at some of the information I found.

A few of us arrived together, all having come via the same exit off the highway, and there were already quite a few people there. I volunteer to help with the coaching, so I organised the paperwork for the rest of the shoot group, and they set out a little earlier than muster so they could get back to help with the barbecue lunch.

Muster was soon called, and the rest of the groups were on their way out to the Black Range, while those doing the Introduction Course were being fitted with armguards and gloves before heading over to the smaller practice range. At the intro course, the participants are given a very brief (or as brief as John can be) history lesson. Also explained are the various associations/organisations involved in archery in Australia, the different types of target faces for each, the various bow types and uses, plus the different arrow materials. There is also



a complex safety briefing, along with possible accidents that can happen when using the incorrect equipment, and injuries that can occur when not using equipment properly. We then go through the process of stance, nocking of arrows and draw.

Once all the intro was done, one coach took a group of six new archers over to the longer practice range while the other coach and I shared the seven remaining archers. There was a father with his two boys, a father with his son (whose wife and other son had done a previous Introduction Course late last year), a couple who were learning together, a fellow

who was coming back after a break of many years, and another young fellow whose older brother was keeping a watchful eye on him, plus a family unit. It was a full house!

Before they start shooting, we again went through the steps of stance, arrow nocking, draw and anchor. They all began by applying the techniques they have learned, shooting four arrows each from about five metres, while we offer any advice as may be required.

After lunch, we went back to the practice range and moved the shooting buckets and line back to about 10 metres, and they all had another few rotations of four arrows each,

gaining more confidence as they went. After a little while, we split them up and I took my group onto the Red Range to shoot targets seven through to 12 while the other coach did targets one through to six.

All had learned and done so much by the time we had finished target 12, and a few of them wanted to shoot some more, so after some instructions on using the bigger practice range, I asked one of the other club members to keep an eye on them, said my goodbyes and we headed for home.

It's always a great day at Sunshine Coast Bowmen, and we had a few people from the previous intro course join us. As part of their course fee they are allowed three supervised club shoots, where they pay nominal fee for equipment hire, so I hope we see some of those who did the Introduction Course back at one of the upcoming club days.

This is something I believe, if they do not already, clubs need to consider doing—or even holding Come and Try days, as a way of increasing the numbers into our sport for the future. 🏹



TRADITIONAL ARCHERY INFO

The shoots confirmed on the Proposed Calendar (at time of writing) for Jun/Jul 2023

- Tenterfield Enduro Shoot June 4
- TAA Qld Trad Titles FNQ Bowmen July 15/16
- Sunshine Coast Bowmen Trad Knot Shoot July 30

FACEBOOK

For the readers who are on Facebook, check out Travellin' Round the Trads. You can read the shoot write-ups and view many photos, and get the flyers for all the Trad shoots being held, plus grab a copy of the Proposed Trad Calendar for 2023, which is constantly updated currently with AGMs and notifications still coming through.

There is also a Facebook page, Traditional Archery Australia Forum, where the group members exchange thoughts, ideas, questions, and stories. Plus, you will find the Proposed Trad Calendar and flyers for each event: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1619470438299472>

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You will find the further information and available flyers for all the Traditional Shoots on: Wallace Woods: www.wallacetradwoods.com > Shoot information (proposed 2023 calendar on all Trad shoots is confirmed, and will have the link to the shoot flyers as they become available)

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If you have any queries or would like to be added to the Qld Traditional Archery data base for direct shoot information, please feel free to contact me by email at swallace@wallacetradwoods.com

I look forward to sharing more stories with you in 2023, and to seeing you 'round the trades.

Cheers, Sue



SCOTT BROWN

BUFFALO, BULLS AND BOARS

Hunting buffalo had always been on my bucket list, so when the opportunity presented itself with Mick Baker from Trophy Bowhunts Australia in 2016, I couldn't pass it up.

I mentioned the hunt to my dad who straight away jumped on board, saying, “when are we going?”

We were advised to increase our arrow weight with stiffer arrows and heavier broadheads than what we were using. Buffalo are extremely tough animals, and you want to try and have the best possible setup before hunting them.

We flew into Darwin where we were met by Mick. After six hours or so of driving we got to the property which was in the middle of nowhere. Arriving in camp, we met our other guide, Tyler Chubb.

The plan was that dad would be with Mick, and Tyler would take me out most of the time. There were a couple of days we all hunted together but to try and maximise our chances, we split up.

We saw buffalo almost right away, as this area holds quite a lot of game. This property also had the option to hunt pigs and scrub bulls which was a bonus. The first couple of days, we sighted plenty of buffalo, a few scrub bulls and had a few stalks but no joy. We were driving through the property when Mick spotted a lone scrub bull in the distance—a big black bull with a nice set of horns. He was facing away, and we had a single tree to line up between him and us.

With the wind in our faces, Mick and I started the stalk, moving slowly through the open country. We got to the tree while the bull was still facing directly away from us. All I had to do was take a couple of steps to the side and get a good quartering away angle. Unfortunately, the wind changed, and the bull spun around facing us, less than 15 metres away. Staring down a big scrub bull with



Staring down a big scrub bull

only a single tree next to you sure can get the adrenaline going—luckily, he didn’t want anything to do with us and took off.

A day later, Tyler and I were hunting through the base of a large gorge and spotted a pig. We got into position and as the pig moved through, I took a shot, hitting the pig in the shoulder. We followed quite a bit of blood into some thicker terrain but were unable to find him. We continued to hunt our way up the gorge, which would

open into a large valley that Tyler had hoped some buffalo would be in. We had only made it another 100 metres or so when we spotted a couple more pigs in a dry creek bed. A short stalk into range, and I sent a well-placed arrow into the boar that had been bedded behind a log. He only made it about five metres and piled up. He was a big solid hog, but not huge in the tusks.

We got to higher ground overlooking the valley and Tyler was right, there were

buffalo feeding in the area. A couple of big buffalo could be seen but it was very open with scattered trees and shrubs so made any stalk difficult. On hands and knees, we moved across the dry hard ground to a small patch of trees in the centre, still over 100 metres from the buffalo. There was a huge bull trying to mount a cow that was almost as big as him, but being out in the open all we could do was sit and hope they would move in towards us. Unfortunately,

they didn’t and moved off into thicker bush where we lost them. I believe that same bull may have been taken on a later hunt and became the new Australian record; he was a cracker.

Dad had a similar start to the hunt, with a few stalks on some good animals but the wind would change, or they’d catch movement, and it was all over. We’d located a small herd of buffalo that were feeding in the distance, and it was Dad’s turn for a stalk. Tyler

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and I stood back watching as Mick and dad moved in slowly towards a lone bull. They were able to get in to range, giving Dad a chance for a shot. He drew back, aimed and released, sending an arrow deep into the side of this big-bodied bull. All hell broke loose and there were animals running everywhere. Mick then made the quick decision to finish it off with the rifle, as it appeared that the arrow had not got as much penetration as first thought. On later inspection, Dad's arrow had only taken one lung. It would have been a fatal shot but possibly taken a long time for the animal to go down.

We had several close encounters and it surprised me at just how good their eyesight was, being able to pick up movement at great distances. Their sense of smell and hearing was also top notch.

Anyone thinking that it's as easy as walking in a paddock and shooting a cow has got it all very wrong indeed.

It was getting towards the end of our hunt when Tyler and I had spotted a herd of buffalo one afternoon. They were slowly moving through giving us a chance to get in front of them for an ambush. The plan worked quite well and before long, we had buffalo feeding around us. The bigger of the bulls in the herd was a bit back so we had to wait patiently for him to present a shot and hope that we wouldn't spook the others being so close. He finally moved into my shooting lane and started walking towards me. I was on my knees in the tall grass and at about 15 metres when I drew back and sent an arrow into his chest. Luckily for us, the buffalo spun around and took off in the opposite direction. My arrow had exited

"Staring down a big scrub bull with only a single tree next to you sure can get the adrenaline going"

out his arm pit but with the light fading fast it was decided to finish him with the rifle as none of us wanted to be tracking a wounded bull in the dark.

It was unfortunate that both our buffalo had to be finished off with a rifle but that's how hunting goes sometimes, especially with bow hunting. Due to ABA rules, we never claimed these buffalo as they weren't taken cleanly with only the use of bow and arrow. We still had an amazing time and adventure chasing buffalo in the remote Northern Territory and hope to one day be able to do it all again. Big thanks to Mick Baker and Tyler Chubb—both these guys know their stuff and I wouldn't hesitate hunting with them again. Tyler has since taken over the buffalo hunting operation from Mick.

For those interested you can watch some of the hunt on You Tube at Urban2Outland (Bowhunting Buffalo Northern Territory Australia).

Gear used: Both of us used PSE bows @ 70lb with 780 grain arrows (total weight) tipped with 215 grain Widowmaker 2 blade solids. 🏹

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Michael Luxford Scaled Fish BH



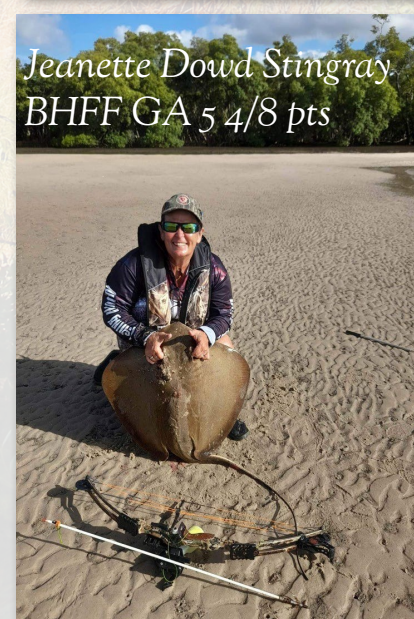
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WOMEN IN ARCHERY

Jessica Delfos

How did you start in Archery?

Phil bought me a bow for our first date—LOL!

Number of years involved in archery?

10

Local Club?

Not a member of any clubs.

What Type of Archery do you Shoot?

Compound bow.

Do you Hunt? Yes!

Favourite Archery Memory?

There are so many, but the Benchmark in Coffs Harbour recently was pretty memorable, with Phil and I taking first in Hunters Class.

What appeals to you about archery?

I love hunting and using a bow, I grew up hunting with guns and it's just so different, I love the stalk and the silence when you



shoot a bow while hunting. With a gun you would scare everything away but with a bow you have other opportunities.

Are any family members involved in archery?

We hunt as a family as often as we can. My 9-year-old just started shooting his first compound after shooting recurve the last four or five years.

First bow?



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Great achievements in or outside of archery?

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Last word/words of encouragement for other females archers?

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Aussies abroad at the World Indoor Archery Championships

Earlier this year, six Australians—including three from Manning Great Lakes Archers—travelled to Kent, England to compete in the World Indoor Archery Championships (WIAC).



BY JOANNE BOGIE

Randall Wellings, Lindsay Yule, Richard Starke, Raylene Starke, Cindy Avard and I attended the competition at Medway Park, Gillingham, Kent with 380 archers from all over the world contesting medals.

The competition was amazing and the venue excellent.

Randal (Freestyle Unlimited

Professional Male), unfortunately arrived only to find both his bows damaged and drove five hours to buy the only replacement available of his bows in the country. Despite the setback, Randal managed to continue to shoot well and placed third on the podium.

Lindsay (Longbow (IFAA) Adult Male) arrived excited and

well prepared to compete in what was to be his first World Archery Competition. Unfortunately, Lindsay became ill after contracting COVID and had to pull out of the competition. We all felt his anguish and could only wish him a quick recovery as he isolated.

Richard (Freestlye Compound Adult Male) was competing

in his first World Archery Competition also. He shot well, coming in third to a competitor who already holds many world records—and not only in this division. A great effort.

Raylene (Freestlye Compound Adult Female) shot well and, after a challenging few days, managed to hold on to first place, retaining her World Champion title and bringing home the GOLD! Well done, Raylene!

Sindy (Bowhunter Unlimited Adult Female) had an amazing group of competitors and,

although she was not lucky enough to bring home a medal on this occasion, shot well and it was a pleasure to be able to watch her give her best.

Joanne (Bowhunter Limited Adult Female): What can I say, but I was amazed at how well I shot with the little practice I was able to do leading up to this wonderful event. I not only retained my World Champion title and came home with GOLD, but I also smashed two world records. The previous Flint record was 147 and I scored 261.

The previous overall record was 521 and I scored 830.

Having only taking up the sport of archery when I turned 50, I am very proud of my achievements, now holding three World Indoor records.

Travelling to World events is a costly experience, but a great one nevertheless, and having fellow Aussies there to cheer each other on is what makes it so great. If you get the chance, I say give it a go. It makes a great excuse for a holiday and that's what most of us did. 🏹

Branch D 3D Titles at ROMA BOWMEN

Sometimes, not everything goes to plan. On the Friday night before the recent Branch D 3D Titles, Mark Woolacott was injured by exploding lithium batteries. Suffering burns to his right arm, he was treated at Roma Hospital and left unable to shoot. However, this didn't stop him joining in on the day, instead becoming the unofficial photographer and getting some great shots—as well as carrying water to hand out to the thirsty archers!



2023 ARCHERY ALLIANCE OF AUSTRALIA
SHOOT CALENDAR

MAY

20th - 21st	Wide Bay Field Archers *	C	ABA Branch Titles
20th - 21st	Darling Downs Field Archers *	D	ABA
20th - 21st	Eurobodalla Archery Club *	F	3D/ABA
20th - 21st	Colac Otway Archers *	H	ABA
20th - 21st	Lake Macquarie Field Archers *	NSW	3DAAA
20th - 21st	North Albert Field Archers *	QLD	3DAAA
21st	Dead Centre Bowhunters *	A	ABA
21st	Fred Pass Field Archers *	A	ABA
21st	Collinsville Barebow Hunters	B	ABA
21st	Full Boar Archers	B	3D
21st	Hinchinbrook Archery Club	B	ABA
21st	Kurrimne Beach Archers	B	ABA
21st	Mackay District Bowmen	B	3D
21st	Mount Isa District Bowhunters	B	3D

JUNE

3rd - 4th	Hinchinbrook Archery Club *	B	ABA
3rd - 4th	Wide Bay Field Archers *	C	Aussie Round
3rd - 4th	Macleay Valley Archers *	E	ABA NSW State Titles
3rd - 5th	Greenough Archers *	J	Invitational/ABA
4th	Full Boar Archers	B	ABA
4th	Mackay District Bowmen	B	ABA
4th	Mount Isa District Bowhunters	B	ABA
4th	Townsville District Bowhunters	B	ABA Round 6
4th	Boola Valley Field Archers *	G	IFAA
8th - 12th	Mallee Sunset Field Archers *	I	National IFAA Championships
10th - 11th	Northern Rivers Field Archers *		3DAAA - State of Origin
14th	MPB *	QLD	AA pathways program qre
17th - 18th	Shellharbour Field Archers *	F	3D Branch Titles
17th - 18th	Bendigo Field Archers *	H	ABA
17th - 18th	Twin City Archers *	VIC	3DAAA
18th	Dead Centre Bowhunters *	A	3D
18th	Fred Pass Field Archers *	A	3D
18th	Townsville District Bowhunters	B	Col Meacham 3D
18th	Collinsville Barebow Hunters	B	ABA
18th	Kurrimne Beach Archers	B	ABA
18th	Full Boar Archers	B	IFAA
18th	Hinchinbrook Archery Club	B	3D
18th	Mount Isa District Bowhunters	B	3D
18th	Mackay District Bowmen	B	3D
24th - 25th	Lakeside Bowmen *	D	ABA

JULY

1st - 15th	Various Locations *	National Indoor	IFAA Indoor
1st - 2nd	Phoenix Field Archers of Sale *	G	IFAA VIC State Titles
1st - 2nd	Lower Eyre Archers *	I	ABA
1st - 2nd	Full Boar Archers *	B	ABA
2nd	Mackay District Bowmen	B	ABA
2nd	Mount Isa District Bowhunters	B	ABA
8th -9th	Namoi Valley Archers *	E	3D Branch Titles
9th	Towers Bowhunter Club	B	ABA
9th	Townsville District Bowhunters	B	ABA
12th	MPB *	QLD	AA pathways program qre
15th - 16th	Wagga Wagga Field Archers *	F	3D/ABA
15th - 16th	Western Plains Archers *	J	3D State Titles
15th - 16th	Coffs Coast *	NSW	3DAAA
16th	Dead Centre Bowhunters *	A	ABA
16th	Fred Pass Field Archers *	A	ABA
16th	Collinsville Barebow Hunters	B	ABA
16th	Full Boar Archers	B	3D
16th	Hinchinbrook Archery Club	B	ABA
16th	Kurrimne Beach Archers	B	ABA
16th	Mackay District Bowmen	B	3D
16th	Mount Isa District Bowhunters	B	3D
22nd - 23rd	Mackay District Bowmen *	B	ABA
22nd - 23rd	Pacific Bowmen *	D	ABA C vs D
22nd - 23rd	Silver City Archers *	I	ABA/3D
22nd - 23rd	Ipswich Field Archers *	QLD	3DAAA
23rd	Townsville District Bowhunters	B	3D
23rd	Bairnsdale Field Archers *	G	3D
29th - 30th	Full Draw Field Archers *	C	ABA
30th	Mount Isa District Bowhunters	B	3D

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