



Archery Australia 2026 National Youth Championships

Information Booklet (V1.4)

9–13 April 2026 • Launceston, Tasmania





Welcome

Archery Australia welcomes athletes, coaches, officials, families and supporters to the 2026 National Youth Championships in Launceston, Tasmania. This booklet provides essential information including schedules, venues, maps, scoring systems, and key event policies.

A Message from our CEO

We are delighted that the National Youth Championships can be hosted in Launceston, Tasmania as it's a great opportunity for athletes, parents, and officials to gather once again for a major youth tournament at a new location where this tournament has not been held previously.

Special thanks for the support Archery Australia has received for this event from the Tasmanian Government, City of Launceston, and Visit Northern Tasmania.

Our sincere thanks go out to the RGB of Tasmania, as well as Paringa Archers and their dedicated members, for their invaluable volunteer support. We are especially grateful for the generous use of their field course and for the collective efforts of everyone who helped prepare the venue for the tournament. Your commitment and hard work have been essential in making this event possible.

Your work along with that of the Organising Committee and our Officials is often taken for granted but we all know these tournaments can't happen without your hard work – thank you to all!!

I wish all our young archers all the best throughout the tournament. Whether this is your first National Youth Championships, or if you are an old hand at these events good luck and shoot straight.

To all the parents, friends and families who are supporting their children throughout their archery journey I hope you have an enjoyable week and have an opportunity to experience some of the attractions Launceston and Northern Tasmania has to offer.

Best wishes

Peter Bromley

CEO Archery Australia



Event Overview

Dates

Thursday 9th – Monday 13th April 2026

Host City

Launceston, Tasmania

Competition Venues

- **Field 1** – Target Events: Churchill Park Sports Complex, Invermay
- **Field 2** – Field Events: Paringa Archers: 201 Reatta Rd, Launceston

Celebration Dinner

Tasmanian Turf Club, Jellico St, Mowbray TAS

Program

Thursday 9 April 2026

- **Official Practice & Registration** – Field 1 only (Churchill Park Sports Complex)
8:30 – 10:50am
12:30 – 3:30pm
3:30pm - Field Closed
- **Opening Ceremony – Field 1**
11:00 – 11:30am
- **RGB Team Managers' Meeting**
12:00 – 12:45pm
- **Equipment Inspections – Field 1**
9:30 – 10:30am
12:30 – 1:30pm

Note – archers must have all equipment which will be used for both target and field available for inspection at Field 1



Friday 10 April 2026 – Competition Day 1

Target: 900 Round – Field 1

U16 & U21 - Female and Male - Compound, Recurve, Barebow & Longbow

8:00am	Range open
9:30am	Practice - 3 ends
9:50am	Shooting commences - scoring

- Distance 1: 30 arrows
- Distance 2: 30 arrows
- Distance 3: 30 arrows

Field: Marked Field Round – Field 2

U14 & U18 - Female and Male - Compound, Recurve and Barebow

8:00am	Venue open
8:30am	Range open for practice
9:30am	Muster
10:00am	Shooting commences – scoring

Saturday 11 April 2026 – Competition Day 2

Target: 900 Round – Field 1

U14 & U18 - Female and Male - Compound, Recurve, Barebow & Longbow

8:00am	Range open
9:30am	Practice - 3 ends
9:50am	Shooting commences - scoring

- Distance 1: 30 arrows
- Distance 2: 30 arrows
- Distance 3: 30 arrows



Saturday 11 April 2026 – Competition Day 2 cont'

Field: Marked Field Round – Field 2

U16 & U21 - Female and Male - Compound, Recurve and Barebow

800am	Venue open
830am	Range open for practice
930am	Muster
10:00am	Shooting commences – scoring

Sunday 12 April 2026 – Competition Day 3

Morning Session Recurve – Field 1

Target: WA/AA 720 Ranking Round

7:00am	Range open
8:00am	Practice ends
8:20am	Shooting commences - scoring

72 arrows total

- Distances per Archery Australia age division

Recurve Doubles Matchplay – following completion of Ranking Round; 1/4 & 1/2 Rounds

Afternoon Session Compound & Barebow Recurve – Field 1

Target: WA/AA 720 Ranking Round

12:30pm	Practice ends
12:50	Shooting commences - scoring

72 arrows total

- Distances per Archery Australia age division

Compound and Barebow Doubles Matchplay – following completion of Ranking Round; 1/4 & 1/2 Rounds



Monday 13 April 2026 – Competition Day 4

Individual Matchplay – Field 1

7:00am	Range open
8:00am	Practice - 2 ends for Recurve and Barebow Doubles Bronze & Gold Matches
8:20am	Shooting commences - Recurve and Barebow Doubles Bronze & Gold Matches
9:05am	Practice – 2 ends for Recurve and Barebow Individual U14 and U16
9:25am	Round Robin U14 and U16 (3 matches)
10:05am	Practice – 2 ends for Recurve and Barebow Individual U18 and U21
10:30am	Round Robin U18 and U21 (3 matches)

Elimination matches 1/4 through to Bronze and Gold to be shot concurrently

Afternoon Session

1:20pm	Practice – 2 ends for Compound Doubles Bronze & Gold Matches Only
1:40pm	Shooting commences - Compound Doubles Bronze & Gold Matches
2:25pm	Practice – 2 ends for Compound Individual
2:45pm	Round Robin (3 matches)
4:15pm	Elimination matches 1/4 through to Bronze and Gold to be shot concurrently
5:15pm	Day ends

Notes:

1. With ALL match play tournaments, the above times are indicative only with the only fixed time being the start of the morning and afternoon session
2. The above program may vary. All updates to the program will be available online via the lanseo website <http://www.ianseo.net/Details.php?toid=27167>

Target Allocations

Target allocations will be available at the above lanseo tournament link, but only after they have been published to all participants and team management.



Unofficial Practice

There is no unofficial practice scheduled for this tournament.

Given the venue is a hired one, the organising committee is not able to gain access for set up until 7/4/26 this will not leave suitable time to prepare the FOP for unofficial practice prior to the start of the event on 9/4/26

Medal Presentations

All medal presentations for the Field Event and 900 rounds will be held on Field 1 between the morning and afternoon sessions on Day 3 of the competition – Sunday 12th April.

This will ensure all medal recipients receive the appropriate acknowledgement from all their peers and spectators.

Scoring

All paper scorecards will be provided as waterproof paper. The best writing implement is a 2B pencil for this paper.

DO NOT use gel pens at any time for scoring.

10 & 11 April – Archers Diary

All scoring for 900 Rounds (Field 1) and Marked Field Rounds (Field 2) will be entered using Archers Diary electronic scoring with double scoring via paper scorecards.

12 & 13 April – IANSEO

All WA/AA 720 ranking and matchplay scoring will be done electronically via lanseo with double scoring via paper scorecards

We understand that some younger archers might not have a mobile phone and if necessary, we will solve this issue on the day, but it is a requirement under WA and AA shooting rules that there must be one paper and one electronic score recorded at target face.

All archers where possible MUST download lanseo onto their mobile devices by using the QR Code at the end of this manual in appendix 2.

A help desk will be available on the day of registration to assist anyone having trouble downloading the app.

720 Ranking Rounds

All archers will shoot the distance and target face relevant to their age group and bow type.

Archers will be ranked at the conclusion of their ranking round based on the raw score at the distance they shot.



Round Robin Matchplay

At the completion of the 720 round on Sunday all archers will be ranked according to their score and placed into Round Robin Groups with no more than 4 Archers in each group.

Round Robin Groups will be:

- Recurve Male U21 and U18 Combined
- Recurve Female U21 and U18 Combined
- Recurve Male U16 and U14 Combined
- Recurve Female U16 and U14 Combined
- Compound Male U21 and U18 Combined
- Compound Female U21 and U18 Combined
- Compound Male U16 and U14 Combined
- Compound Female U16 and U14 Combined
- Barebow Male & Female U21 and U18 Combined
- Barebow Male & Female U16 and U14 Combined

NOTE: Archers will shoot the distance and face size of the younger age in the combined age group
e.g. U21 Girls will shoot 70m for their ranking round but will shoot 60m for their individual match play.

Rankings and placement into pools will be by raw score only there will be NO adjustment of scores to allow for the change in distance between the ranking round and the match play rounds.

Progression from Robin Matchplay to Elimination Matchplay

Archers during Round Robin will accumulate points as follows:

- 2 points for a win
- 0 points for a loss

There will be no draws. All tied matches will be decided by a one arrow shoot off.

The top eight (8) archers will proceed through to the 1/4 elimination rounds.

Archers will be ranked by the winners of each pool being seeded higher than those who finish 2nd in each pool. The seedings will be finalized by those with the higher score from the ranking round being ranked highest. After the seeding of all eight archers the usual matchplay elimination process will take place:



1 v 8

2 v 7

3 v 6

4 v 5

Doubles Elimination Matchplay

Doubles: teams of two (2) will be selected by the Organising Committee with teams available at the latest on registration day.

Doubles is a fun event where archers get to experience a type of matchplay they might not shoot often. All archers wishing to participate can do so

Doubles teams will:

- be non-gender specific – they may be pairs of M+M, M+F, or F+F.
- will be by bow type; Barebow, Compound, and Recurve
- will be by combining age divisions to create two competitions; U21/U18 plus U16/U14 with the distance shot being that of the younger age group.

Examples:

- An U21 and U18 recurve archer are teamed together they will shoot 60m
- An U21 and U21 recurve archer are teamed together they will shoot 60m as that is the distance for this division even though both archers would normally shoot 70m.
- Be ranked by the OC this will be done randomly

Matches will progress as per normal elimination matchplay as per the following example:

1 v 8

2 v 7

3 v 6

4 v 5

RGB Teams Event

There will be a Recurve Team, and a Compound Team competition. (Recurve can include Barebow and Longbow, Compound can include Barebow Compound.)

The composition of each team shall be no more than eight (8) persons for Recurve and Compound, with gender composition of the teams as per **APPENDIX 1**.



Each team may be accompanied by at least two Team Officials who will be accredited for entry to the Field of Play. Please see the information below on Coaches and Managers.

Only one team in each Division of Recurve and Compound shall be entered by each RGB.

Nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Organising Committee not less than 14 days after the closing of entries – teams must be submitted by **23/3/26**

Team members will compete in both Target and Field Events with the results being the total of the best three (3) off bow scores from each of the three events – 900 round, 720 round and Marked Field

In the event of a tie and to decide the final Team result, Xs will be calculated for all Target event scores used for the team score, and 6s for the Field; if still a tie, 10s and 5s will then be used from the same scores.

RGB Coaches and Managers

There will be no accreditation granted for the entry to the field of play to anyone who is not an official from an RGB team.

Each team should provide a minimum of two (2) officials, preferably one coach and one manager.

However, RGB's will be allowed, as a duty of care, to provide officials at a ratio of 1:5 to ensure suitable coverage across the field of play and where multiple venues are in use e.g. when the 900 round is being shot by half the competitors and the other half are on the field course.

For clarity and to avoid any confusion 1:5 should be read as follows 10 archers on a RGB team = 2 officials

12 archers on an RGB team = 3 officials

13 archers on an RGB team = 3 officials

15 archers on an RGB team = 3 officials

Maximum 16 archers on an RGB team = 4 officials

RGB Archers Not in an RGB Team

There will be several competitors at the tournament who aren't selected in an RGB Team, but it will be the responsibility of each RGB team's officials to support these members on the field of play. Support of these archers will also extend to ensuring communication provided to the RGB's is also confirmed with this cohort. The OC will be communicating via emails to all participants but being a youth tournament, we are aware that some information might be missed by parents so to ensure clarity of communication the RGB Officials should be able to contact all the archers from their RGB.

At the conclusion of registrations (9/3/26) AA will provide details (name, division, mobile and email) to each RGB secretary of the archers who have registered for the tournament, and given the support required, for non-team archers, AA will consider requests for additional officials for



accreditation at a ratio of 1:12 for those attending over and above your selected team.

Dress Regulations

To present the best possible image for our sport, to our sponsors and to the general public, Archery Australia Rule 7.11, Dress Regulations, will be enforced.

Athletes shall be neatly and cleanly dressed. Such attire may be White, Club, RGB or sponsor-related merchandise.

- NO Archery Australia uniforms can be worn. Archers will not be allowed to shoot if any of these items are worn (this includes shorts and track pants).
- During inclement weather conditions all persons on the field of play may wear suitable protective clothing at their discretion.
- Shoes or boots shall be always worn by athletes, and these shall cover the entire foot; sandals or thongs are not permitted.

The following items of clothing are not permitted:

- Clothing with inappropriate or offensive images, slogans or advertising
- Untidy, unclean, damaged or torn clothing
- Boardshorts
- Clothing with “camouflage colours”, which may be trademarked or other digital designs, whether random or not and regardless of colours used, consist of natural material camouflage patterns such as bark, twigs, or leaves that are used for the purpose of blending in with natural environments thereby providing less visibility. Camouflage patterns in non-traditional colours such as pinks, blues, bright yellow, etc. that are used in designs for the purpose of blending in with natural environments providing less visibility are also considered camouflage.

RGB Team Officials Accreditation

RGB's are required to submit all their officials for accreditation to the Organising Committee no later than **30/3/26**

RGB Team Coaches

RGB team coaches must be AA accredited to Levels 1, 2, or 3

Arrow Timing

Arrows will be shot with timing as per World Archery rules. Please ensure all archers from your RGB are aware of the timing as it differs from the 2025 NYC.



Timing is as follows:

720 Ranking Round (six arrow ends)

- 10 second walk up
- 180 seconds for each end
- Total 72 arrows

Individual matchplay (3 arrow ends)

- 10 second walk up
- 90 seconds for each end
- Maximum 5 sets

Doubles matchplay (4 arrow ends – 2 x each archer)

- 10 second walk up
- 120 seconds for each end
- Maximum 4 sets

900 Round (6 arrow ends)

- 10 second walk up
- 240 seconds per end
- Total 90 arrows over 3 different distances

The Field of Play

The FOP on Field 1 will be defined by fences and barriers. Only archers, officials, RGB Officials, members of the Organising Committee and accredited volunteers and agents can enter the FOP at any time.

On Field 1 the archers will be shooting in a north direction. Although traditionally in the southern hemisphere archers would shoot to the south, WA rules permit that shooting to the north. Due to safety, the position of the field of play does not allow shooting to the south.

The FOP for Field 2 will be defined by any entrance to the Paringa field course and the practice range. Parents, friends and personal coaches MUST always remain outside of the FOP.



Volunteers

Our Youth Nationals does not happen without the assistance of volunteers.

The organising committee would welcome the assistance of anyone with a bit of time on their hands whilst their child is shooting.

No experience is necessary, so if you think you can help, even for an hour on a given day, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact the organising committee on ntc@archery.org.au if you'd like to help.

Spectators

At Field 1 there will be tiered seating available for spectators at the side of the field nearest target #1. Spectators are welcome to position themselves around the FOP fence in areas as designated, but please follow any requests from the officials or the organising committee if you are asked to relocate

Food and Beverages

At Field 1 there will be food options via food trucks on site. The local soccer club is also looking to run a BBQ on some days, notably on the weekend the soccer club canteen will also be operating.

It's also recommended to bring adequate snacks and hydration to sustain performance and focus.

At Field 2 there will be a coffee cart available when the venue opens. There will be no food options for sale here other than what the coffee cart provides.

Consent to the use of Images

As a member of Archery Australia, you consent to your picture being shared/taken during the Youth Nationals and shared by Archery Australia via social media or on the website. If you do not want this to happen, please inform the organising committee in writing at ntc@archery.org.au

Sport Integrity Australia

The tournament might be visited by SIA representatives to undertake in event testing. Only archers 18 years or older will be selected to undergo testing and all should be aware of the process having completed the Anti-Doping Fundamentals course via a SIA website.

If selected for testing the archer must advise their RGB manager as early as possible.

Integrity and Child Safeguarding

Anyone seeking access to the field of play at the 2026 National Youth Championships, please note the following.



SPORT INTEGRITY EDUCATION

As part of the Archery Australia National Integrity Framework, ALL archers', coaches and support personnel at a National Youth Championships must have completed the following online education modules.

This includes RGB Coaches and Managers, and Archer Agents

- Anti-Doping Fundamentals
- Annual Update - 2026
- Safeguarding Children and Young People Sport Induction

These can be found on the Sports Integrity Australia website at

<https://elearning.sportintegrity.gov.au/>

Log in or create an account and then browse to the Course Catalogue to find the above courses.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK COMPLIANCE

Verified Working with Children Checks (WWCC) are required for all appropriate people which include coaches, team managers, support personnel, volunteers and staff. It is the responsibility of the RGB to ensure all the appropriate people are **cleared prior** to the event, without a clearance they will not be allowed in the field of play.

RGB Team managers are responsible to follow up with their team members and complete the 'WWCC & Integrity Education' spreadsheet which has been provided to them and should be submitted to integrity@archery.org.au at least 10 days out from the event.

Failure to comply will result in archers and team officials being denied access to the field of play.

Appeals and Protests

Where an appeal or protest is to be sought the RGB Manager must immediately fill in an "intent to appeal" form available from the DOS.

This should then be followed by the submission of the official "appeal form" being submitted to the Chair of Judges along with \$150 cash. The cash supplied will only be refunded if the appeal/protest is successful.

Venues

Field 1 – Churchill Park Sports Complex (Target)

Facilities: full-size tournament field, spectator viewing, toilets/changerooms, parking, first aid station, food/coffee vendors (event days).



Field 2 – Paringa Archers (Field)

This event uses Paringa Archers for Field Archery competition. There is no parking available within the club grounds. A marked drop off zone will be available near the front gate.

Celebration Dinner – 13 April 2026

Venue: Tasmanian Turf Club (Mowbray Racecourse)

Arrive: 6:30pm Start

Address: Jellico St, Mowbray, TAS 7248 (see map below)

Dress Code: Smart casual

Dinner: Smorgasbord style with non-designated seating

Drinks: Available for purchase at the venue

Presentations:

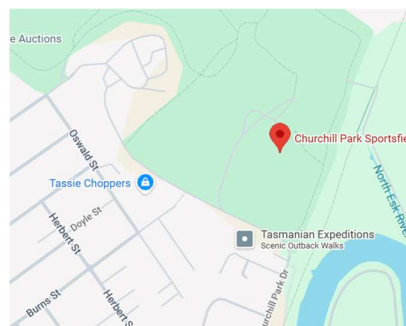
- RGB Team Compound
- RGB Team Recurve
- Best All Round Male and Female; Barebow/Compound/Recurve
- Individual Matchplay Gold/Silver/Bronze
- Team Matchplay Gold/Silver/Bronze
- Trans-Tasman team recognition

Dietary: Team Managers will be asked to collate food allergies for the participants from their RGB. These will include celiac, gluten intolerant, dairy, and any other relevant allergies along with any specific dietary needs like vegan or vegetarian.

Alcohol: NO registered participant in the tournament is permitted to purchase and consume alcohol at the Celebration Dinner; this includes participants 18 years and older.

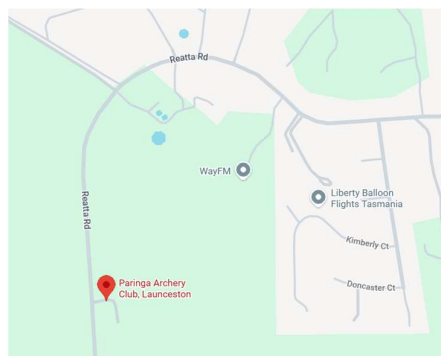
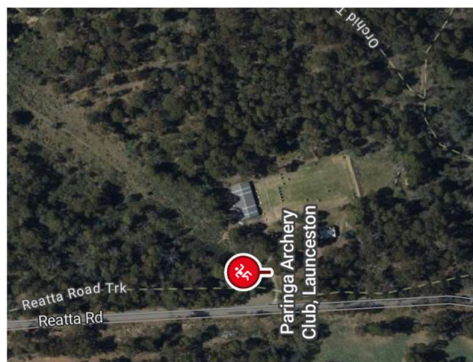
Maps

Churchill Park Sports Complex (Field 1)



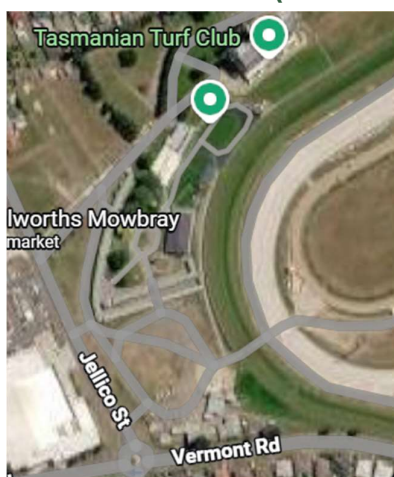
Note – Parking is in the carpark outside the complex. There will be NO traffic permitted past the complex gates.

Paringa Archers (Field 2)



Note – There will be no parking available within the club grounds. Please park on Reatta Rd and walk into the venue. A designated drop-off zone will be available near the entry gate.

Tasmanian Turf Club (Celebration Dinner)



Note – there is ample free parking at the venue.

Contacts & Policies

Event Director: Anthony Maxworthy

Technical Delegate: Raoul Patel

Local Organising Committee: ntc@archery.org.au

Chair of Judges: Pierre Roux

All shooting conducted under World Archery and Archery Australia rules. Safety officers present at both venues. Spectators must remain behind designated barriers.



Thanks to the sponsors and partners who have made the event possible.



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Additional thanks to Burnie Archery club and Van Diemen's Archery club for providing the targets. Also, to the Tasmanian archery community and volunteers for your assistance in preparing the field course to be at a national standard.



Appendix #1

RGB Teams at the National Youth Championships

Recurve & Compound

Teams will compete via the 720 and 900 rounds and Marked Field.

- Teams can comprise archers from any division: U14 through to U21
- There will be an RGB Recurve Team and an RGB Compound Team
- Teams will comprise a maximum of eight (8) archers
- Teams will be of mixed gender with a 30% representation of the team being female archers.
 - A team of eight must include 2 females
 - A team of five must include 2 females
 - A team of four must include 1 female
 - A team of three must include 1 female
- The top three scores for each team from the 720 and 900 rounds, and Field will be used to make up an RGB's team score.
- Teams must meet the minimum number of archers (3) and required gender balance to be considered for the Teams award. RGBs can select team members and the team can shoot, but the criteria must be met to medal in the event.
- Scores will be calculated by the off the bow scores.

Appendix #2

Download the IANSEO app to allow live scoring



[Via android phone](#)



[Via applestore on iphone](#)

