



World Archery News

FITA Congress

FITA becomes World Archery

The Fédération Internationale de Tir à l'Arc (FITA) will be called World Archery Federation (WA) in the future; KIM Soo-Nyung (KOR) and Darell PACE (USA) were named Athletes of the century; important elections were conducted.

Celebrating the 80th anniversary of FITA, the delegates took some key decisions looking at the future of the organization on 1 July. In a trend of becoming a modern, internationally recognized and important Olympic sport, the Congress voted at a very large majority (88%) to change the organisation name: from FITA to World Archery Federation (WA). This decision allows the sport to align itself with the dynamic World Archery brand that has been launched two years ago and to have a name that will be easily understood worldwide.

The World Archery Federation President Prof Dr Ugur ERDENER said, "I am delighted by the Congress decision and the large support this proposal has received. Let me first reassure you that we are not denying our history. We have a wonderful heritage on which we are building our future. Archery is of course one of the most ancient sports and has played a key role in human society. As a federation we have had a strong development in our 140 member federations. We have had intense competitions and superb events. I would like to sincerely thank all the people who have helped us arriving so far and we just want to make sure that gives our people and our sport the best platform, the best look and the best chance to be known worldwide. We want to be recognised as dynamic, attractive and important Olympic sport!"

The World Archery Plan 2007 – 2012, involving people at all level of the archery community and experts outsiders of the sport, has led to the launch of the World Archery brand in 2009. The brand wants to be intense, dynamic and bringing together all the archery activities in the world. Today's renaming of FITA to World Archery Federation is a logical step in the continuation of the plan. The plan will now focus in expansion through the development of the Members Federation, for instance in sharing best practices. A World Archery management seminar will be held in November as the continuation of the plan.

Later on during the day, London Olympic and Paralympic Games Competition Manager Chris MARSH gave an update on the archery preparation for the 2012 Games. Along the superb venue design he presented for Lords Cricket Ground and the Royal Artillery Barracks for Para Archery, he came with great news: in principle the 63'000 archery tickets for the Games are sold out! LOCOG will however monitor in the coming months if more archery tickets become available.

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To conclude this historical day, it was fitting to have some celebration: the 150 years of Archery GB, the 150 years of the German Archery Federation, the 50 years of the Italian Archery Federation and the 80 years of FITA/World Archery. Each association chose two athletes that they wanted to celebrate as the most iconic archers in a celebration poster: Alison WILLIAMSON and Simon TERRY for Great Britain, Cornelia PFOHL and Franz BAUM for Germany, Paola FANTATO and Giancarlo FERRARI for Italy as well as KIM Soo-Nyung (KOR) and Darrell PACE (USA) for FITA/World Archery.

WA Secretary General Tom DIELEN concluded, "a recent survey in Great Britain showed that among all the Olympic sports teenagers wanted to try out archery as their no.1 choice. This is ahead of football, athletics, etc in a country where most sports originated. This is also in a country where the Olympic and Paralympic Games will be held next year. I think this simply shows all the efforts FITA and World Archery have been doing, all the efforts the people in this Congress room have been doing and all the rights decisions they have taken. Such survey, such celebration and such a day show that our sport is in a great shape!"

The Congress continued on 2 July. During that day, the Congress bid farewell to two outstanding personalities in the archery community: Honorary President Francesco GNECCHI RUSCONE (ITA) and 1st Vice President Paul PAULSEN (NOR).

Former President from 1977 to 1989, the Honorary President Francesco GNECCHI RUSCONE (ITA) has decided to retire as the Chairman of the Board of Justice and Ethics after more than 20 years of service in this position. He received a heartfelt standing-ovation from the Congress and the title of Honorary Chairman of the Board of Justice and Ethics. The 1st Vice President Paul PAULSEN (NOR) is also stepping down from his position after 18 years of service in the Council. Paul PAULSEN, who is international friendliness personified, was named Honorary 1st Vice President and was awarded a gold Plaque with another standing ovation.

Upon Paul's retirement, Council Member and EMAU President Mario SCARZELLA (ITA) was brilliantly elected by the 83 voting members of the Congress in Turin as the 1st Vice President.

The opened position as one of the Vice Presidents could not be filled. According to FITA Constitutions and Rules, the Council will elect another Vice President at his next meeting.

GAO Zhidan (CHN), Kotaro HATA (JPN) were re-elected for four years in the Council and Susanne WOMERSLEY (AUS) for two years. Jorg BROKAMP (GER) and Eva THESEN (NOR) will join them. Klaus LINDAU (GER) has retired from Council, while Philippe BOUCLET (FRA), Sanguan KOSAVINTA (THA), as Vice Presidents, and Vladimir ESHEEV (RUS), Trudy MEDWED (AUT), as Members, have two more years to serve. The Council will be renamed Executive Board as per Congress decision.

Elections

The following partial elections also took place in some committees:

Board of Justice and Ethics:

John CHAPLIN (AUS) (chair)
Klaus LINDAU (GER) (vice-chair)
Jamil BAHARUDDIN (MAS)
DONG Wenjin (CHN)
WOONG (Ben) Hur (KOR)

Constitution and Rules:

Mark MILLER (USA) (chair)
Giuseppe CINNIRELLA (ITA)
KOO Ja Chung (KOR)



Stage 4
5-10 September 2011



24-25 September 2011



Guadalajara 2011
Pan American Games
14-30 October 2011

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Derrick LOWELL MBE (GBR) (chair)
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Tom GREEN (USA)

Judges:

Morten WILMANN (NOR) (chair)
Dion BUHAGIAR (MLT)
Sergio FONT MILIAN (CUB)

Coaches:

Kenneth BEARMAN (GBR) (Chair)
KIM Hyung-Tak (KOR)
LEE Ki Sik (USA)

During the Congress seven countries have been accepted as new members: Ghana, Kosovo, Niger, Central Africa, Congo, Kuwait and Senegal. Four countries have been expelled: Guam, Macedonia, Nigeria and Solomon.

All the Congress elections have immediate effect, while decisions will come officially into effect on 1st April 2012 and will be detailed in the official minutes.

International Relations

The Congress received updates on the state of archery with the Commonwealth Games and how archery could be back in a future Games after a successful edition in Delhi 2010. The President of the IFAA, Mr Loet SMIT, was delighted to address the audience about the improved relationships between his organisation and World Archery. He will meet with representatives of the technical and field committees in the coming days.

The Event Director Juan Carlos HORGADO introduced a new away of playing archery: trap archery with flying targets. This has a great potential to attract new people to our sport! The Development Director Pascal COLMAIRE gave an overview of his projects and especially the potential help Member Associations can get help from the Olympic Solidarity. There are still a lot of untapped opportunities and the Olympic Solidarity and Member Associations must be more active in demanding support and scholarships. Moreover, the Secretary General Tom DIELEN announced that the partnership with Global Sports Development was extended until 2016 and several projects will be conducted with GSD, especially on the youth side.

The upcoming world championships and Olympic Games until 2016 were given the chance to present their events and the Congress was impressed with the quality of each presentation. The various preparations are all on the right track!

Awards and Plaquettes

Three honorary positions were awarded:

Paul PAULSEN – Honorary 1st Vice President

Francesco GNECCHI RUSCONE - Honorary Chairman of the Board of Justice and Ethics

Klaus Dietrich SCHULZ (GER) - Honorary Chairman of the Constitution and Rules Committee

The awards for Gender Equity were given for the second time at this congress and they went to India, Russia and Italy. This award is given to the countries that participate with most women in the Archery World Cup. Two women received a special award for their work in our sport: Eva THESEN (NOR) and Xiuzhi ZHANG (CHN).

FITA also honoured several of its outstanding volunteers and officials by giving the FITA Plaquettes:

Gold Plaquette:

Paul PAULSEN (NOR)

Silver Plaquettes:

Klaus LINDAU (GER)

Robert SMITH (USA)

Allison WILLIAMSON (GBR)

Bronze Plaquettes:

Derrick LOVELL MBE (GBR)

Dion BUHAGIAR (MLT)

George TEKMITCHOV (USA)

Prof Vijay Kumar MALHOTRA (IND)

Poh Tiong (Simon) WEE (SIN)

Mau Sui (Frankie) HOONG (SIN)

World Archery Plan Update - Summary from Congress 2011

This update provides a review of all matters relating to the World Archery Plan at the World Archery Congress that was held in Turin, Italy on 1-2 July 2011. It is structured to provide an overview of what has happened since the launch of the World Archery Plan in 2007, what took place at the 2011 Congress, and what the next steps are for the World Archery Plan.

Communication

Six million views on Archery TV and 450,000 visitors on www.worldarchery.org!

Thanks to the several thousands of views on the recent World Archery Championships in Turin, the Archery TV on YouTube has just passed 6,000,000 views! Moreover www.worldarchery.org has a record month with 450,000 visitors!

World Archery's videos were launched on You Tube at the end of 2007. One million views were surpassed in October 2008, two million in June 2009, four million in August 2010 and five in February 2011. Archery TV on YouTube is part of the SportAccord Sports Hub, a multisport video platform developed to improve the visibility and profile of the international sports federations. It is a unique environment where sports fans around the world can turn to for a single access point to all sports.

Moreover, World Archery has increased its web offer and for the first time the finals of the World Championships in Turin (ITA) were streamed live on a dedicated website: www.liveworldarchery.tv.

In July, visits to the World Archery website www.worldarchery.org were enhanced by the three major events that took place in Turin between 1-17 July: the Congress, the World Archery Championships and the World Archery Para-Championships 2011. The World Archery website received thousands of unique visitors daily. During the World Championships every day surpassed 20,000 visitors, with a peak at 34,522 on Thursday 7 July, the first day of individual eliminations. On Sunday 10 July, closing day of the World Archery Championships, our website recorded more than 1 million page views.

Over the month of July, the projections show that no less than 450,000 unique visitors surf the World Archery website, totalising about 7,000,000 page views.

Moreover, 191,395 visits were registered on the website of the Turin World Championships Organising Committee (including 28,242 visits on the results page). The Organising Committee also set up a web TV for eliminations matches during the week (both during the World Archery Championships and the World Archery Para Championships) that received 90,124 visits.

Thank you for watching and stay tuned on www.archery.tv , www.liveworldarchery.tv and www.worldarchery.org!

Development

Calendar 2011

5-15 October	Level 2-3 Training Camp	MEAC – Cairo (EGY)
22-30 October	Compound Camp	MEAC – Cairo (EGY)
7-12 November	5th World Archery Coaching Seminar	London (GBR)
November (TBC)	Level 2 Coaches Course	MEAC – Cairo (EGY)

Insight into Olympic Solidarity Scholarship holder for London 2012

In order for the athletes to prepare for the London Olympic Games, the Olympic Solidarity provides, among a series of development programmes, a scholarship for athletes that covers the financial needs of the athlete in the 24 months preceding the Olympic Games.

Victoriya KOVAL (UKR) is among the lucky archers who have been granted a scholarship. The scholarship covers the expenses for training and participation at Olympic qualifying tournaments, World Championships, etc.

Victoriya is 26 years old. She was born and lives in the city of Kharkov, where she is studying at the Kharkov State Academy of Physical Culture. She started archery at the age of 13.

World Archery contacted Victoriya to have an insight on her Olympic preparation and the benefits of this scholarship. "The scholarship is a great support for me in order to prepare my physical and medical condition for the next Olympic Games, she says. I was informed of this scholarship by my National Olympic Committee and it's my second scholarship. I feel very privileged to benefit from this programme and FITA should do everything to popularize it. It is a great relief for any athlete when he/she can prepare for the Olympics without having to worry about financial issues. My plan for London 2012 is to improve my physical, technical and mental abilities, to compete in international competitions and win medals. Also I am getting married this year on 12 August."



In terms of number of scholarships for archery, World Archery is still far from its goal. However the situation is progressing compared to the last Olympiad. World Archery reminds its Member Associations to apply for Olympic Solidarity programmes for the development of archery worldwide. All information related to these programmes can be found at:

www.archery.org/development/partners/Olympic_solidarity_guide_2009-2012.

World Archery wishes all the best to Victoriya for her wedding and in her Olympic preparation.

Activities of the FITA Accredited Partnerships Training Centre, Bangkok

Thirty-four persons (22 archers and 12 officials) from the Dokky Shooting Club, Egypt have travelled to the FITA Accredited Partnerships Training Centre, Bangkok to train from 25 July to 2 August 2011. A Friendship Competition of Egypt Archers and Thai Archers took place on 31 July.

Athletes Committee

Result of the Athlete's Committee Election

The following archers have been elected in the Athlete's Committee:

- Victoriya KOVAL (UKR) - Recurve Women (Chair of the Committee)
- Wietse VAN ALTEN (NED) - Recurve Men
- HAN Seung Hoon, (KOR) - Compound Men
- Linda OCHOA (MEX) - Compound Women
- Pippa BRITON (GBR) - Para-Archer

FITA thanks the archers for the great amount of votes.

Judges

Upgrade to International Judge Status

Several vacancies are available for FITA International Judge Status. These positions can be filled by FITA International Judge Candidates according to Book 1, Article 12.1.1, Appendix 4 of the FITA Constitution and Rules. Only judges being a candidate for at least two years (since 2009 or earlier) will be considered.

International Judge Candidates who wish to apply for International Judge (IJ) status would fill in the [upgrade form](#), have it signed by the required persons and send it to sderiaz@archery.org by **15 September 2011**. Séverine DERIAZ remains at your disposal for any questions.

Past Events

World Archery Championships 2011 – Turin (ITA)

The World Archery Championships were held in Turin (Italy) from 3-10 July 2011. The bronze and gold medal finals took place on the beautiful Piazza Castello in the heart of the old town. The square is surrounded by several historic places such as Palazzo Reale, Palazzo Madama and other buildings that are symbolic of the Baroque period.

The gold medals went to Korea in Recurve Men and Women, thanks to KIM Woojin, while on the women's side there was a surprise winner, Denisse VAN LAMOEN from Chile. A big surprise came also in the compound division with the victory of Canada's Christopher PERKINS. In compound women, the 2009 champion Albina LOGINOVA (RUS) managed to defend her title successfully.

In the mixed pair category the winning teams were Korea in recurve and Italy in compound. The team medals went to Korea in recurve men and Italy in recurve women, while the USA won both the men's and women's competitions.

Moreover a number of Olympic quota places by country have been allocated during the Turin World Championships.

You will find all the information, results and photos on www.worldarchery.org, section World Championships > Turin 2011.

The Archery Fan Reporters Season 2 continues at the World Archery Para Championships in Turin, presented by archery manufacturer WIN&WIN. Please find all the videos telling compelling stories of the athletes in Turin. All the videos are on www.archery.tv.

We encourage all archers and officials who took part in the Congress and World Championships in Turin to fill in the www.archery.org/FitaQuestionnaire/ in order to keep improving our events. There are **NEW** questions about the Compound and Recurve competition formats.

Para-Archery

World Para Championships 2011

The World Para Championships took place in Turin on 10-17 July. As well as new world champions being crowned, the event will also allocate a total of 140 quota places for the London 2012 Paralympic Games.

You will find all the information, results and photos on www.worldarchery.org, section World Championships > Para 2011.

The Archery Fan Reporters Season 2 continued at the World Para Championships, presented by archery manufacturer WIN&WIN. Please find all the videos on www.archery.tv.

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Performances

World Records

Recurve Cadet Men	Ind.	AUS	POTTS	Alec	18m (Indoor)	585
Compound Cadet Mixed	Mixed	DEN	SÖNNICHSEN	Sarah	50m Round	1372
			HANSEN	Stephan	15 Arr.	1372

Updates

Member Associations

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2011

2-6 August	Archery World Cup Stage 3	Ogden (USA)
12-18 August	Para-Archery World Ranking Event	Nymburk (CZE)
12-23 August	Summer Universiade (Archery: 14-18 August)	Shenzhen (CHN)
13-19 August	Copa Costa Rica	San Jose (CRC)
22-28 August	World Archery Youth Championships	Legnica (POL)
31 August-3 Sept.	World Archery 3D Championships	Donnersbach-Pl. (AUT)
3-4 September	European Clubteams Cup	Hannover (GER)
5-9 September	<i>Para-Archery World Ranking Event</i> and Paralympic Qualifier	Stoke Mandeville (GBR)
5-10 September	Archery World Cup Stage 4	Shanghai (CHN)
10-20 September	European Masters Games (Archery: 13-16 September)	Lignano (ITA)
12-18 September	European Field Championships	Florence (ITA)
15-20 September	World Ranking Event	Santiago de Chile (CHI)
24-25 September	Archery World Cup Final	Istanbul (TUR)
2-10 October	Olympic Test Event	London (GBR)
14-30 October	Pan American Games (Archery: 16-22 October)	Guadalajara (MEX)
19-24 October	17th Asian Archery Championships and CQT	Tehran (IRI)
11-22 November	26th South East Asian (SEA) Games	Jakarta-Palembang (INA)
19-27 November	<i>Para Pan American Games</i> (Para-Archery: 15-17 November) and Paralympic Qualifier	Guadalajara (MEX)
3-4 December	Indoor World Cup Stage	Singapore (SIN)
10-23 December	Arab Games (Archery included)	Doha (QAT)

2012

January	Open New Zealand Championships and CQT	Wellington (NZL)
20-22 January	European Indoor Tournament and Indoor WCup Stage	Nimes (FRA)
4-9 February	World Archery Indoor Championships	Las Vegas (USA)
10-12 February	NFAA World Archery Festival and Indoor WCup Final	Las Vegas (USA)
10-15 April	Archery World Cup 2012 Stage 1	Shanghai (CHN)
17-22 April	Americas Olympic Qualifier	Medellin (COL)
1-6 May	Archery World Cup 2012 Stage 2	Antalya (TUR)
3-6 May	<i>Paralympic Test Event</i>	London (GBR)
21-26 May	European Championships and CQT	Amsterdam (NED)
4-9 June	European Grand Prix	(CYP)
17-23 June	Archery World Cup 2012 Stage 3 and Final Olympic Qualifier for Teams and Individuals	Ogden (USA)
4-7 July	World Archery University Championships	Cordoba (ESP)
9-14 July	European Grand Prix	(BUL)
July	<i>European Para-Archery Championships</i>	(TBC)
27 July-12 August	Olympic Games (Archery: 28 July-4 August)	London (GBR)
14-19 August	World Archery Field Championships	Val d'Isere (FRA)
29 August-9 September	<i>Paralympic Games</i> (Para-Archery included)	London (GBR)
End of September (TBC)	Archery World Cup Final 2012	Tokyo (JPN)

Red = Last Updates

Bold = World Ranking Events

Italic = Para-Archery World Ranking Events

CQT = Continental Qualification Tournament

TBC = To Be Confirmed

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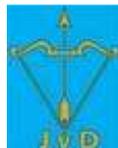
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