



Archery Australia

Pathway Program for Archers with a Disability

Purpose

The purpose of the Pathway Program for Archers with a Disability is to provide opportunities and support for elite archers, conforming to the basic standards and precepts contained herein. This structure has been formulated around the desire to promote archers that will be internationally competitive. Once the program is up and running a squad of archers will be formed (herein called the PPP Squad).

Outline of Program

- 1) The program for archers with a disability will be administered in each region by a Regional Coordinator.
- 2) Although planned to operate parallel with the current program for able-bodied archers, score for the various performance levels would be relevant to the International Paralympic Committee standards.
- 3) Archery Australia Inc has established the Archers with a Disability Committee which will oversee the program on behalf of the Australian Paralympic Committee.
- 4) Initially the program will focus on archery development and talent identification of archers with a disability working toward the 2008 and 2012 Paralympic Games.
- 5) The program will cater for both recurve and compound athletes with the main focus on the Paralympics, which, for 2008, will include compound archers for the first time.
- 6) Criteria for the PPP Squad will be contained in a separate document.

Role Of Regional Coordinator

- The Regional Coordinator for Archers with a Disability (RCAWD) will work with the Archers with a Disability Committee to conduct promotion and talent identification courses to introduce more athletes to archery. They will also work with the current Regional High Performance Coordinator (RHPC).
- In conjunction with Regional Governing & Coaching bodies, establish and run quarterly coaching and information seminars for local coaches, parents and athletes.
- Liaise with local archery clubs to run 'Come and Try Archery' for archers with a disability.
- Liaise with RGB's and local organizations to manage competitions, camps and seminars in an inclusive manner.
- Liaise with personal coaches of identified talent to ensure conformance with training programs, assess progress and identify issues.
- Manage monthly reporting and feedback between personal coaches, archers and yourself using the Monthly Training & Attendance report form provided.
- Maintain records on training goals, performances and progress for Pathway Program athletes.

- Utilising the monthly feedback reports from personal coaches, provide all program athletes and the Archers with a Disability Committee with quarterly assessments on the forms provided
- Liaise with/advise the Archers with a Disability Committee on all programming, financial and general administrative issues as necessary.

Paralympic Preparation Program Squad Composition (herein called PPP squad)

The PPP Squad at the Gold and Silver Level will each initially accommodate up to a maximum of 3 recurve and 3 compound archers of each gender. Any archer from these categories that can demonstrate maintenance of minimum scores from no fewer than three FITA Rounds or FITA 70m Ranking Rounds in official competition (including Qualification or Ranking events) in 2005 is eligible for inclusion in the squad for 2006.

