

## Around the Trads.

\*The February weekend shoot held at Chevallan Archery Park was only momentarily interrupted on Saturday afternoon, when some rain attempted to dampen our enthusiasm. So, we gathered under the waterproof shade sails and enjoyed some afternoon tea before continuing with events once the rain stopped. On Saturday we had 25 x 3D target field course, the speed round, running pig, a double ended 160 metre Clout. The Popinjay made its debut. It has been very cleverly engineered so with the flick of a handle, the "targets" are reset with ease. It is a little higher than we are used to and it is good watching the flu flu arrows gliding over the bar. On Sunday we shot the Rolling Disks, the 60 sec 8 target Hunt Round around the dam and also the Field course.

\*3 weeks later found us travelling down to the Wisemans Ferry Trad shoot, this year being held the first week of March and saw 100 archers enjoy the weekend. This particular shoot is the meeting place for many who have travelled far and wide. There were 12 archers who travelled down from Qld; one had travelled from Cobar, a large contingent from Shellharbour/Illawarra, 6 from Victoria, 1 from South Australia and 2 made the annual pilgrimage all the way from Germany. Despite the weather being unseasonably warm, we had the Target Event (4 arrows at each of 3 targets), Clout, Popinjay, 30 sec Speed Round, Running Pig, 60 sec Hunt Round, Rolling disks and the 20 target triple peg Field course – all of which is shot twice over the weekend. The Challenge Round is shot early on Sunday morning. There are 10 targets set up, you are allowed 3 arrows onto the course. If you have all 3 remaining at the last target you may shoot them all. This year the event was won by a first timer to Wisemans. To say this gent was chuffed would be an understatement.

\*The following weekend was the Inaugural Albury Trad shoot and 7 of the Qld archers travelled down following the Wisemans shoot. We had been advised the campground was cosy. They were right, and with all the very warm weather we found the grounds were really dry as well. There were approximately 50 archers who gathered for this event with only 3 coming up from Melbourne. We were allocated into groups and given a target number and sent off to shoot the first 15 targets of the field course, then advised to come in for a break then finish the remaining 15 targets which found us at lunchtime and the days events were over. There were some hand painted novelty targets to be found amongst the 3D targets. Much much later in the afternoon they decided to shoot the Sunday novelty events. However due to the lateness in the afternoon not everyone was able to compete. On the Sunday morning the field course was shot again. Some ideas were forwarded in relation to running additional events to the field course.

\* Trad shoots confirmed for June / July are Chevallan Archery Park, Hunter Valley Trad Shoot, the Caboolture Corral, Jules Shield at Lakeside Bowmen, and a bonus of the Traditional Shoot section of the Norfolk Island 3D International.

\* Reports from the North Albert Trad shoot, Gladstone Bowhunters and the Barambah Trad Bash, all held in Qld, will be in the next edition.

You will find further information and available flyers for the Traditional Shoots at the following websites.

[www.wallacetradwoods.com](http://www.wallacetradwoods.com) > Shoot Information – (click on link to flyers)

[www.traditionalarcheryaustralia.org](http://www.traditionalarcheryaustralia.org) > Shoot Information – (link to flyers)

Traditional Archery Australia Closed Group is also now on Facebook.

[www.chevllanarcherypark.com](http://www.chevllanarcherypark.com) – for Traditional shoot calendar, flyers, information, IBO approved African 3D targets, Customised unique Archery medals/medallions.

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[www.ozbow.net](http://www.ozbow.net) > Traditional Archery Events > 2016 Calendar.

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](mailto:swallace@wallacetradwoods.com)

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