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AGM 2020 - 2021 Annual Tournament Director – Simon Gallen

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR REPORT 2022

Finally we got to send some arrows on 2022. It's been quite a busy year with the weather causing some headaches, postponements and rearranging of the calendar and I thank all clubs involved in running shoots this year.

Shoot numbers are starting to improve. Unfortunately this year we had issues with non sanctioned targets. I'm not going to single out any clubs as I know the hard work they put in running shoots and we don't always get it right or overlook something but please, if your club is purchasing new targets or running a sanctioned shoot next year please make sure the targets are on the approved list.

I believe that some changes we made for this year have proved a success. The introduction of the 11 ring or should I say the reintroduction has certainly made our game in my view more interesting and there have been some really close games this year.

Known class continues to be a success with numbers growing. My view is our association, although was born on an unmarked game, has room to include the known class. The sheer number of competitors in this division are proof of this but again, keeping in mind our beginnings we need to tread lightly and with small steps but we also need to evolve as an association and be more inclusive of this division. What occurred with the sponsored teams this year certainly highlighted this. Much work has been done by the Committee looking at rule changes for next year. Look out for those. What I can say is a lot of these changes were very much in line with current rules of the IBO. However, keeping in mind we also kept in mind we also have the ability to adapt rules to suit our conditions here in Australia.

This year we have had the best numbers in QLD with 2 shoots being over 100 members, along with that we managed to run successful shoots in NSW and Victoria A late effort to get State of Origin up towards the latter part of the season and whilst they didn't get the numbers of years gone past it was great to be able to support Casino and get a shoot on there this year.

Fingers crossed the Nationals will be a success this year. I know a lot of work has gone into setting up this event and I thank all the Committee for their work in this regard.

The Annual General Meeting will be interesting this year and I hope that any new elected members to the Committee keep moving forward with the promotion of 3d archery the main aim.

I will not be putting my hand up for the Tournament Directors position due to personal reasons but this will not be that last you see of me. I am still extremely passionate about the sport and the people. I just need some time out but I will be available to assist at any time.

I have been proud to be part of this Committee. It really has been a properly functioning democratic Committee. It has been a team effort and contrary to the belief of some, not one person has made decisions from a Committee point of view. So in that vein I will call out the elephant in the room and put to rest some of the conspiracy theories I have heard along the way. The current treasurer, Nate Butterfield is not making decisions on his own for the Committee. What I have seen is a member that has contributed a hell of a lot of time into running the Committee on a day to day basis and honestly, the association would not be where it is today without him. The current committee in my

view is definitely a democratic body where everyone has a equal vote and say on issues. They are all hard working members for our sport and I thank them.

There have been many trying times over the past couple of years including covid, floods and fires. I believe there have been some real improvements.

My one regret for this year was not being able to make a final decision on the venue for Nationals in 2023. Still a work in progress but the rest of the calendar is set and I thank the clubs for getting their applications in.

I wish the committee all the best in the future and thankyou to everyone.

Regards,

Simon Gallen
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