



NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2026

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Next issue deadline: **16 February 2026**.

Rules

A **new version of the rulebook**, implementing changes approved at the last Congress, was released on 15 January. A new **Book 5** consolidates all para archery regulations, sport rules, classification and equipment.

One **interpretation** effective from 15 December 2026 was also published:

- [Image-stabilised binoculars](#)

Honours

World Archery Awards

The shortlist for the athlete of the year award has been released as part of the 2025 World Archery Awards recognising performances and contributions across eight categories. [Public voting](#) runs until 13 February. [MORE](#)

World Games athlete of the year

Mexican compound archer **Andrea Becerra** has been nominated as archery's nominee for the World Games athlete of the year 2025. [Public voting](#) runs until **2 February**. [MORE](#)

Colombia

World Archery executive board member and World Archery Americas president **Maria Emma Gaviria** was presented with a lifetime achievement award by the Colombian Olympic Committee at the Altius Awards ceremony on 22 January in Bogotá.

World Archery Colombia was also recognised at the annual **Paralympic Sports Night** on 10 December in Bogotá for promoting the

development of women in sport and as the country's best Paralympic sports federation.

El Salvador

Archery was the most awarded sport at El Salvador's **Effort and Glory Awards** ceremony on 13 December in San Salvador, with Sofia Paiz named best female athlete, Linda Ochoa receiving coach of the year and the compound teams recognised for their performances in 2025.

Obituary

Italy

Former international archer and coach **Mario Codispoti** died on 22 December aged 97.

USA

Former archer, instructor and coach **Julia H. Bowers-Body** died on 23 November aged 96.

Former international para archer **Teresa Wallace** died on 29 December aged 60.

Members

Development

Applications for development programmes are open to all members until **30 January 2026**:

- [Equipment support programme](#)
- [Knowledge sharing programme](#)

Contact: members@archery.sport

National team timeline

Member associations are requested to submit key dates for their 2026 national trials and selections.

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Czechia

Alena Krakorova elected secretary general, and **David Spinar** remains president.

Ireland

Philip Early confirmed as president until end 2026, and **Edward McManus** named secretary general until end 2027.

Poland

Serhiy Antonov was appointed head coach of Poland's senior national team and will oversee junior development from 1 January 2026. [MORE](#)

Education

Target talks and special sessions

Online meetings with members will take place from 09h00-10h00 and 16h00-17h00 (CET) on the following dates:

- **28 January:** Rulebook changes for 2026
- **3 February:** Toolkit to celebrate International Women's Day 2026
- **25 February:** Strategic plan and vision for coaches' education

Invitations have been shared with members. Each session will begin with a 15-minute general update on World Archery operations and events. The presentation will be delivered twice to accommodate different time zones.

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Clean sport

The next International Testing Authority webinar on **Nutrition** will be held on **29 January** from 14h00 to 15h00 CET. [Registration](#) is in English with interpretation available in Arabic, Spanish, French and Russia.

Excellence Centre

Upcoming coaching courses (registration open):

- **23-27 March:** Level 2
- **5-9 October:** Level 1
- **3-7 November:** Level 2
- **7-11 December:** Level 3

More details on the [Centre website](#)

Olympic Solidarity

The following **coaching courses** were held in 2025 with support from Olympic Solidarity:

- 9-13 June (Iceland): Level 1
- 21-29 June (Uzbekistan): Level 2
- 5-9 August (Egypt) - Regional level 1
- 25-31 August (Ecuador): Level 1
- 12-21 December (Ecuador): Level 2

These courses involved 80 participants, 33% of whom were women.

One **development of national sports system** project was completed in El Salvador in 2025, with another one ongoing in Niger.

Three **youth training camps** were held in 2025:

- Europe: 9-14 July (Türkiye)
- Americas: 1-8 November (El Salvador)
- Africa: 15-19 November (Côte d'Ivoire)

A total of 75 athletes and coaches took part in these camps, with women representing 44% of participants.

In total, 23 coaching scholarships were granted in 2025, 74% of them to women.

Member associations are encouraged to contact National Olympic Committees to request support through [Olympic Solidarity programmes](#).

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Events

Yankton 2026

The dates for the two world championships in Yankton (USA) in 2026 have been adjusted:

- **22-27 September:** World Archery Field Championships
- **28 September-3 October:** World Archery 3D Championships

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Calendar highlights

2026

13-15 February	Indoor World Series 500	Merida, Mexico
16-21 February	European Indoor Championships	Plovdiv, Bulgaria
21-28 March	Asia Cup	Bangkok, Thailand
27-29 March	The Vegas Shoot	Las Vegas, USA
30 March-4 April	World Para Series	Bangkok, Thailand
7-12 April	Hyundai Archery World Cup	Puebla, Mexico
13-16 April	South American Youth Games	Panama City, Panama
16-19 April	Oceanian Championships	Auckland, New Zealand
20-26 April	European Grand Prix	Antalya, Türkiye
21-26 April	Asia Cup	Sulaymaniyah, Iraq
28 April-3 May	European Para Championships	Rome, Italy
5-10 May	Hyundai Archery World Cup	Shanghai, China
14-20 May	South American Championships	Santiago de Chile, Chile
17 May	World Archery Europe Congress	Antalya, Türkiye
18-24 May	European Championships	Antalya, Türkiye
19-23 May	Grand Prix of the Americas	Santiago, Chile
24-28 May	Pan American Youth and Masters Championships	Medellin, Colombia
28-31 May	Veronica's Cup	Kamnik, Slovenia
1-6 June	European Youth Cup	Ruse, Bulgaria
3-7 June	Conquest Cup	Istanbul, Türkiye
9-14 June	Hyundai Archery World Cup	Antalya, Türkiye
21-28 June	Pan American Championships (Pan Am Games qualifier)	Guadalajara, Mexico
22 June	World Archery Americas general assembly	Tlaxcala, Mexico
28 June-4 July	World Para Series	Nove Mesto, Czechia
7-12 July	Hyundai Archery World Cup	Madrid, Spain
11-15 July	South American Para Games	Valledupar, Colombia
20-26 July	European Youth Championships	Italy (city to be confirmed)
23-29 July	Central American and Caribbean Games	Santo Domingo, Dominican Rep.
21 Aug-3 Sept	Mediterranean Games	Taranto, Italy
1-6 September	World Para Series	Ahmedabad, India
12-13 September	Hyundai Archery World Cup Final	Saltillo, Mexico
12-26 September	South American Games	Santa Fe, Argentina
22-27 September	World Archery Field Championships	Yankton, USA
23-27 September	World Para Series	Chicago, USA
27 Sept-4 Oct	Asian Games	Aichi-Nagoya, Japan
28 Sept-3 Oct	World Archery 3D Championships	Yankton, USA
13-18 October	World Para Series	Santiago, Chile
14-18 October	South American Youth and Masters Championships	Daule, Ecuador
19-24 October	Asian Para Games	Aichi-Nagoya, Japan
21-25 October	Caribbean Development Championships	Leonora, Guyana
21-27 October	Para Pan American Championships	Lima, Peru
6-14 November	World Para Series	Dubai, UAE
31 Oct-13 Nov	Youth Olympic Games	Dakar, Senegal
16-21 November	Asia Cup	Hangzhou, China

*Colour coding (red = cancelled, green = added, blue = changed)

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Registration deadlines

Event	Preliminary	Final
Plovdiv 2026 European Indoor Championships		27 January
Bangkok 2026 Asia Cup	31 January	1 March
Puebla 2016 Hyundai Archery World Cup	9 March	6 March
Bangkok 2026 Hyundai World Archery Para Series	30 January	9 March
San Salvador 2026 Americas Grand Prix		23 March
Antalya 2025 European Grand Prix Spring Arrows		30 March
Sulaymaniyah 2026 Asia Cup		30 March
Incheon 2026 2026 Gyeong Open		17 April
Antalya 2026 European Championships	18 February	27 April
Medellin 2026 Pan American Youth and Masters Championships	24 February	3 May
Kamnik 2026 Veronica's Cup	27 February	7 May
Istanbul 2026 Conquest Cup	6 March	13 May

Open for bidding

Event	Period	Status	Deadline
World Archery Field Championships	2028	Open	Assessed on application
World Archery 3D Championships	2028	Open	Assessed on application
Hyundai Archery World Cup stages	2029-2031	Open	1 April 2026
World Archery Championships	2029	Open	1 April 2026
World Archery Congress	2029	Open	1 April 2026
World Archery Para Championships	2029	Open	1 April 2026
World Archery Youth Championships	2029	Open	1 April 2026

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