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006. The Grand Prix System

A discussion paper for Archery Australia.

One of the major statements in the 2003 Archery Victoria Strategic Plan was for Victoria to win the National Teams Championships. To achieve this, in 2004 the Grand Prix series was created and following are the details of the different events that make up the Grand Prix system.

The Grand Prix System is a way of organising various competitions within an SSA. It is designed to inspire more archers to shoot more often. It is aimed at all archers to increase participation across various events with the cost of the judges and administration borne by the SSA.

It is because the SSA is the convener of the events, with various clubs being the hosts, it is able to present a standardised set of rules and awards.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Grand Prix series shall be held from January 1st to December 31st each year.
- 1.2. The Grand Prix series consists of five main contests being;
 - 1.2.1. The Championship Grand Prix.
 - 1.2.2. The Target Grand Prix. (includes a Challenge Grand Prix)
 - 1.2.3. The 720 Grand Prix.
 - 1.2.4. The Field Grand Prix. (includes a Challenge Grand Prix)
 - 1.2.5. The Indoor Grand Prix. (includes a Challenge Grand Prix)
- 1.3. The tournaments shall be selected by State Executive Officer, with preference given to historic events, and shall be advertised on the SSA website.
- 1.4. Where a club declines to accept the date offered by the SSA then the SSA shall select another club to host the Grand Prix.
- 1.5. The Grand Prix series shall be offered to all categories except Crossbow.
- 1.6. To be eligible in a particular Grand Prix series an archer must participate in a minimum of 3 events.
- 1.7. The winner of each division shall be the archer with the greatest combined points over the nominated tournaments. In case of a tie there shall be joint winners.
- 1.8. Only the winner(s) of each category shall be awarded the gold medal.

1.9. The points table for a Grand Prix event shall be;

1st	25 points
2nd	18 points
3rd	15 points
4th	12 points
5th	10 points
6th	8 points
7th	6 points
8th	4 points
9th	2 points
10th	1 point

1.10. Only financial Gold and Silver Affiliated Archers may compete.

1.11. Archers who change categories through the year shall have their points allocated to the category that the competition was shot in.

1.12. All Archers in each category shall compete equally, without Class difference.

1.13. The Grand Prix events shall be held to a regular schedule where possible.

1.13.1. 720 Grand Prix events shall be held on the first Sunday of the month.

1.13.2. Target Grand Prix events shall be held on the second Sunday of the month.

1.13.3. The Field Grand Prix events shall be held on the third Sunday of the month.

1.14. Where attendance is expected to exceed the capacity of the host clubs grounds then the event may have a morning and afternoon flight and/or be expanded to the Saturday prior. This is on the condition that all attendees of a particular division shall shoot in the same flight and day.

1.15. Nominated clubs must meet the criteria of a suitable venue, parking, facilities, etc. to the satisfaction of the SSA.

1.16. As a general principle only three events shall be conducted in each of the eight months of the expected milder weather conditions. The exception is the State/National Indoor held in July each year.

1.17. This policy does not preclude clubs from holding competitions outside the published calendar it is just that they shall not receive Grand Prix status and the benefits that go with that.

1.18. The cost of registering a Grand Prix event with World Archery and Archery Australia shall be reimbursed by the SSA once the event is successfully concluded.

1.19. The provision of Judges shall be arranged, and paid for, by the SSA.

1.20. The Grand Prix Schedule.

Championship Grand Prix	7 events
Target Grand Prix	6 events
720 Grand Prix	6 events
Field Grand Prix	6 events
Indoor Grand Prix	5 events

The Grand Prix Schedule												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wk 1		71	72	73	74			75	76	Clout	M/Play	
Wk 2		T1	T2	T3	T4			T5	T6	U/Field	Short	
Wk 3		F1	F2	F3	F4		Indoor	F5	F6	M/Field	Target	
Wk 4												
Indoor		I1		I2		I3		I4		I5		

2. Awards

- 2.1. The clubs shall provide awards for all places in each category of the 720, Target and Field Grands Prix at their expense.
- 2.2. AV shall provide medals with lanyards for all the Championship Grands Prix at no charge to the clubs.
- 2.3. Clubs shall provide engraving, or laser printed clear labels, for all the Championship Grands Prix medals at their expense.
- 2.4. Awards for the end of the year dinner shall be provided by Archery Victoria. They shall be;
 - 2.4.1. Gold medals for each category in the 720, Target, Indoor and Field Grand Prix.
 - 2.4.2. Gold medal for the Challenge Grand Prix.
 - 2.4.3. Perpetual Trophy for The Most Improved Archer donated by John Womersley for the Challenge Grand Prix. (Victoria only)
 - 2.4.4. Plaque for each category in the Championship Grand Prix.
 - 2.4.5. Perpetual Trophy for the winners of the 720 Grand Prix. CM, CW, RM and RW only.

3. Championship Grand Prix

- 3.1. The SSA shall provide a roster for the hosting of each Championship Grand Prix.
- 3.2. The roster shall be open for adjustment from September to October each year for the following year.
- 3.3. The criteria for the roster are;
 - 3.3.1. Clubs must nominate to be part of the roster.
 - 3.3.2. Clubs cannot hold multiple Championship Grands Prix in the same calendar year unless approval from the SSA is sought. As the Indoor is shared between multiple venues it is not subject to this clause.
 - 3.3.3. When the roster creates a conflict the clubs preferred event shall take precedence and the conflicting event shall move to the next host club in the roster.
 - 3.3.4. The State Target shall have priority and the other events shall follow in importance as per the Table.
 - 3.3.5. The clubs shall only use the rounds as listed in Policy 0431 Official Competition Rounds.
- 3.4. The Championship Grand Prix shall be contested over the seven State Championship events being;
 - 3.4.1. The State Target Championships.
 - 3.4.2. The State Matchplay Championships.
 - 3.4.3. The State Short Range Championships.
 - 3.4.4. The State Indoor Championships.
 - 3.4.5. The State Unmarked Field Championships.
 - 3.4.6. The State Marked Field Championships.
 - 3.4.7. The State Clout Championships.
- 3.5. All Championship Grands Prix shall be open to all Gold and Silver affiliated and financial Archery Victoria members except for The State Matchplay Championships.
- 3.6. The State Matchplay Championships shall only be contested by the top 32 archers from the 720 Grand Prix series in the categories of RW, RM, CW and CM.
- 3.7. The Board of Archery Victoria shall invite these archers to the event. Where an archer declines the invitation shall extend to the next ranked archer until all 32 spots are filled.
- 3.8. The State Matchplay Championships may be held in a public area to attract interest from the public.
- 3.9. Grand Prix Points shall be awarded to the top 10 places in each category based on the total score/position achieved for each event.

3.10. The Championship Grands Prix shall not have a Challenge component.

The Championship Grand Prix Schedule												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wk 1										Clout	M/Play	
Wk 2										U/Field	Short	
Wk 3							Indoor			M/Field	Target	

4. Target Grand Prix

- 4.1. The SSA shall provide a roster for the hosting of each Target Grand Prix.
- 4.2. The roster shall be open for adjustment from September to October each year for the following year.
- 4.3. The criteria for the roster are;
 - 4.3.1. Clubs must nominate to be part of the roster.
 - 4.3.2. When the roster creates a conflict the clubs preferred event shall take precedence and the conflicting event shall move to the next host club in the roster.
 - 4.3.3. The clubs shall only use the rounds as listed in Policy 0431 Official Competition Rounds.
 - 4.3.4. In the event of qualifications required for a World Championship, or similar, then the Target Grand Prix events can be supplemented with QREs.
- 4.4. The Target Grand Prix shall be contested over six events being;
 - 4.4.1. 2nd week of February.
 - 4.4.2. 2nd week of March.
 - 4.4.3. 2nd week of April.
 - 4.4.4. 2nd week of May.
 - 4.4.5. 2nd week of August.
 - 4.4.6. 2nd week of September.
- 4.5. Grand Prix Points shall be awarded to the top 10 places in each category based on the total score achieved for each event.
- 4.6. The Target Grands Prix shall have a Challenge component.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wk 2		T1	T2	T3	T4			T5	T6			

5. 720 Grand Prix

- 5.1. The SSA shall provide a roster for the hosting of each 720 Grand Prix.
- 5.2. The roster shall be open for adjustment from September to October each year for the following year.
- 5.3. The criteria for the roster are;
 - 5.3.1. Clubs must nominate to be part of the roster.
 - 5.3.2. When the roster creates a conflict the clubs preferred event shall take precedence and the conflicting event shall move to the next host club in the roster.
 - 5.3.3. The clubs shall only use the rounds as listed in Policy 0431 Official Competition Rounds.
 - 5.3.4. In the event of qualifications required for a World Championship, or similar, then the 720 Grand Prix events can be supplemented with QREs.
- 5.4. The 720 Grand Prix shall be contested over six events being;
 - 5.4.1. 1st week of February.
 - 5.4.2. 1st week of March.
 - 5.4.3. 1st week of April.
 - 5.4.4. 1st week of May.
 - 5.4.5. 1st week of August.
 - 5.4.6. 1st week of September.
- 5.5. Grand Prix Points shall be awarded to the top 10 places in each category based on the total score/position achieved for each event.
- 5.6. The 720 Grands Prix shall not have a Challenge component.

The 720 Grand Prix Schedule												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wk 1		71	72	73	74			75	76			

6. Field Grand Prix

- 6.1. The SSA shall provide a roster for the hosting of each Field Grand Prix.
- 6.2. The roster shall be open for adjustment from September to October each year for the following year.
- 6.3. The criteria for the roster are;
 - 6.3.1. Clubs must nominate to be part of the roster.
 - 6.3.2. When the roster creates a conflict the clubs preferred event shall take precedence and the conflicting event shall move to the next host club in the roster.
 - 6.3.3. The clubs shall only use the rounds as listed in Policy 0431 Official Competition Rounds.
 - 6.3.4. In the event of qualifications required for a World Championship, or similar, then the Field Grand Prix events can be supplemented with QREs.
- 6.4. The Field Grand Prix shall be contested over six target events being;
 - 6.4.1. 3rd week of February.
 - 6.4.2. 3rd week of March.
 - 6.4.3. 3rd week of April.
 - 6.4.4. 3rd week of May.
 - 6.4.5. 3rd week of August.
 - 6.4.6. 3rd week of September.
- 6.5. Of the six events for the Field Grand Prix, two shall be unmarked and four marked.
- 6.6. Grand Prix Points shall be awarded to the top 10 places in each category based on the total score achieved for each event.
- 6.7. The Field Grands Prix shall have a Challenge component.

The Field Grand Prix Schedule												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wk 3		F1	F2	F3	F4			F5	F6			

7. Indoor Grand Prix

- 7.1. The SSA shall provide a roster for the hosting of each Indoor Grand Prix.
- 7.2. The roster shall be open for adjustment from September to October each year for the following year.
- 7.3. The criteria for the roster are;
- 7.3.1. Clubs must nominate to be part of the roster.
 - 7.3.2. The clubs shall only use the rounds as listed in Policy 0431 Official Competition Rounds.
 - 7.3.3. In the event of qualifications required for a World Championship, or similar, then the Indoor Grand Prix events can be supplemented with QREs.
- 7.4. The Indoor Grand Prix shall be contested over five “seasons” being;
- 7.4.1. 1st of February to the 15th of March.
 - 7.4.2. 1st of April to the 15th of May.
 - 7.4.3. 1st of June to the 15th of July.
 - 7.4.4. 1st of August to the 15th of September.
 - 7.4.5. 1st of October to the 15th of November.
- 7.5. Grand Prix Points shall be awarded to the top 10 places in each category based on the total score achieved for each event.
- 7.6. The Indoor Grands Prix shall have a Challenge component.

The Grand Prix Schedule												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Indoor		I1		I2		I3		I4		I5		

8. The Challenge Grand Prix

The Target, Field and Indoor Grands Prix shall have a Challenge component to each event.

- 8.1. The SSA shall provide a roster for the hosting of each Grand Prix.
- 8.2. The entry fee for the Challenge component of a Grand Prix shall be set as:
 - 8.2.1. Adult challenge fee at 2/3rds the Adult open fee.
 - 8.2.2. Youth challenge fee at 2/3rds the Youth open fee.

For your consideration.

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~ The primary focus of all obstacles is to induce labour so progression can be born~ “Lil’ C”