

World Crossbow
Shooting Association Inc.



Annual report
for the years
2019 - 2021



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The **World Crossbow Shooting Association Inc.** (WCSA) is an international organisation representing the interests of target and open (sport) crossbow shooters around the world. Medieval and 3D competitions are also encouraged.

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WCSA Officers

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**2nd Vice President:
Andreas Wernicke**



**Secretary General:
Officials Director:
Stephen Sommers**



**Finance Director
John Clark**



**Coach C'tee Chair:
Deb Upright**



**Tech C'tee Chair:
Mark Goodyer**



**Recorder:
Iris Bingham**





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Life Member



WCSA's first Life Member was awarded to John Clark in 2017. John was one of the driving forces at the conception of WCSA in 2002 and remained the WCSA Secretary General until his retirement in 2017. John put into place the WCSA constitution & Policy & Procedures. He also oversaw the introduction of the Assisted Competitor division as well as the Bench & Prone events. John was also an international judge officiating at all World Target Championships from 2003 until 2015 - John then ran the 2017 World Target Championships.

Honorary Lifetime Official



WCSA's first Honorary Lifetime Official was awarded to Clive Barnett at the 2013 WCSA Council Meeting in Visby, Sweden, 2013. When WCSA was first formed, Clive became the Officials Director and then the Chairman of the Technical Committee. Clive put in place many guidelines and procedures currently in use by all WCSA Officials. It was an honour to nominate Clive for this lifetime award and most deservedly awarded to a great man, mentor, and firm but fair judge.



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President Report.

Gustav Malmborg



When I was elected President of WCSA in Germany in 2019, I could not guess what was waiting around the corner. I was looking forward to a time with trips to many competitions, but it did not happen so our planned activities have to a large extent had to be canceled or it has been postponed. But this does not mean that we for that reason have been lazy. For despite the pandemic, we have used the time to plan, continue to review regulations and for the first time had judge training via video link. During this time. We have also developed a "tosscoin" which is specially developed for WCSA to use in our competitions.

But it has been tough for everyone. This year we needed to cancel a World Target Championships. We had long discussions about whether we could move this year's World Championships to 2022 but ended up in canceling and instead invest in the World Championships 2023. It is a tough decision which means that it looks like the USA will host the next WC 2023 instead and Australia 2025. So we land in completely cancelled 2021 as we believe it would be difficult for many shooters to get to travel to the World Championships two years in a row.

Despite the fact that Postal-WC is shoot on each home land, Postal-WC 2020 (both BPR / Prone / Kneel and indoors) has also been affected by the pandemic and instead of being decided in 2020, this was extended so that it becomes deadline 2021. We hope that the restrictions will allow many shooters from as many countries as possible to have the opportunity to shoot their results in this World Championship.

Finally, I would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who in their own way and according to their ability helped during this time. It's fun with all the discussions and meetings. I do not all always agree with all of you, but one thing is for sure, we all strive to lead and develop the sport, so regardless of whether you work as an official, are a shooter, leader or sit in the border... Thank you!

Now we all have to look forward to a brighter future and hope that the pandemic will come to an end and that the restrictions will be lifted so that we can soon get away again and be seen at new competitions.

Gustav Malmborg
President
World Crossbow Shooting Association Inc.



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Secretary General Report

Stephen Sommers



I think we can all agree that the world has been turned upside down since the last World Championship held in Germany in 2019. Like most other sporting bodies, WCSA has also been caught up with Covid-19.

Many countries have experienced lock downs (as I write this report I am in lock down) so we have had to make some adjustments to our activities. To date we have done the following:

- Cancelled the 2021 World Target Championships to be held in Florida USA.
- Extend the shooting period of the 2020 World Postal Championships to December 2021.
- Suspended the 2021 membership fees.
- Conducted the Judges Seminar via Skype.
- Updated the Competition Rules
- Keep WCSA running

We are now also setting up a Medieval Rules review sub-committee which is still being put together.

Some of the decisions were easy. For example, to extend to Postal Championships was an easy decision to make. But cancelling the 2021 World Target Championships was hard. Like the 2020 Olympics we did think about the idea of postponing the event to 2022 but logistically became too difficult so it was agreed to cancel the event and have the next WTC in 2023. Still in Florida USA.

In my role as the Officials Chairman I thought about running a Judges Seminar via Skype. This worked much better than my initial expectations. We had about 15 people attend the seminar and 7 new judge candidates as a result. My congratulations to all those that were part of that event. Also my thanks to my co-presenters who all did a fantastic job.

My position is up for election this year and I will be nominating to continue in my role as Secretary General. But I would like to lessen my duties by removing the Web Master and the Officials Director roles. They need more activity than I can offer at this time.

I'd like to thank my fellow Executive Officers who have all contributed in this very strange time. Sometimes with such a large executive you have people who are quiet. Every member of this executive has voiced their opinions so this I feel that this is a good working executive committee.

I will be working closely with USA Crossbow in preparation for the 2023 World Championships. Hopefully this crisis will be over by then and we can resume some form of normality.

Yours truly

Stephen Sommers
Secretary General,
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Financial Officer Report

John Clark



Following is a summary of the WCSA finances covering the 2020/21 financial year: #

- Opening bank balance \$ 3,430.08
- plus income \$ 1,648.25
- less expenditure \$ 413.78
- Closing bank balance \$ 4,664.55 reconciled
- plus term deposits \$ 30,000

TOTAL FUNDS \$ 34,664.55 AUD

At the time of the creation of this document the accounts had not yet been audited.

John Clark
Financial Officer
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Technical Committee Chairman Report

Mark Goodyer



The past eighteen months or so have been difficult for all Federations, Clubs, and Individuals with little or no shooting let alone competitions. It is unfortunate that the 2021 WC had to be abandoned but we look forward to the 2023 WC.

The workload for the Technical Committee over the past two years has been light having completed changes to the shooting rules prior to the 2019 WC.

At the 2019 WC an issue was raised with bolt retainers on medieval crossbows potentially being used as a sight. Following extensive discussions, it was decided to prohibit the bolt retainer on all medieval crossbows.

Following an inquiry from America regarding clarification regarding Assisted divisions. The TC have taken the opportunity to propose several additional divisions be added to the Shooting Rules to ensure the WCSA is seen as an inclusive organisation.

The Postal Indoor Championship scheduled 2020 and subsequently carried over to 2021 has seen some discussion around the availability of 25cm target faces in all versions. The multi colour version has not been commercially available for some time and some shooters have reported various difficulties with the HiVis version. The TC have proposed that the Indoor Championship and the Postal Indoor Championship now consist of 2 x TC600/40 rounds using the single spot or 3 spots vertical or triangle 40cm multi colour commercially available target faces.

These proposed changes have been submitted for approval at the next Council meeting.

At the time of writing this report the "Guidelines for World and Regional Championships" submitted in 2019 have not progressed or been approved. The TC look forward to finalizing this document as soon as possible so any future OC's have a standard reference to guide them thru the hosting process.

The TC also recommend that the WCSA Constitution be reviewed and updated for approval at the 2025 Council meeting as they appear to be out of date.

Mark Goodyer
Chairman Technical Committee.
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