



## WORLD CROSSBOW SHOOTING ASSOCIATION Inc.

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Apologies to Members for the delay in publishing a Bulletin. We have been waiting for progress on many things and can wait no longer.

### **Re-unification of the international crossbow shooting sport**

Re-unification progress is slow, and we are still waiting for the new IAU administration under the leadership of President Gerard Boutteville and Secretary General Charles Mechin to settle in. Retiring IAU President Chris Aston is handing over and is still involved with re-unification matters.

There are still a number of principles and issues to work through and there has been no detailed discussion regarding the organisational structure and transitional arrangements from the existing bodies into a new organisation. Most of the major issues blocking re-unification were dealt with at the IAU Extraordinary General Meeting held in Sulgen, SUI last August, as has been previously reported.

Regrettably, there has been very little progress made on the harmonisation of the shooting rules between the two Technical Committees. It may be that the IAU and WCSA can merge into a new body while retaining both re-existing bodies operating in parallel until such time as the new rules can be agreed.

WCSA Secretary General John Clark has prepared a number of draft documents concerning principles and issues, possible organisational structures, possible constitution/statutes for a new body, and a proposed process and timetable. These are being discussed by the respective Executive Committees.

### **4<sup>th</sup> WCSA World Target Crossbow Championships, Entroncamento, Portugal August 30 to 5 September 2009**

Please note that both the venue and dates have been changed and we are yet to finalise the details. It is likely that the dates will alter again (slightly) to allow extra days (29 August to 7 September being more likely). There will be one shooting field with a Double TC 900 WCSA World Championship on one side and a Double IR 900 IAU European Championships conducted on the other side under a common DOS and timing control. The WCSA World Championships will feature a Matchplay event and the IAU will conduct their Finals Event. Regrettably, it will not be possible to shoot a common round under common rules at this event.

We expect the FABP to issue invitations as soon as possible.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> World 3D Championships – Salzburg, Austria 7 to 9 August 2009**

The Austrian Crossbow Shooters Federation (OEASV) will host the 2<sup>nd</sup> WCSA World 3D Championship in Salzburg, Austria from 7 to 9 August 2009 for Sport and Medieval crossbows.

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> World Indoor Postal Championships, January-September 2008**

Please note that the complete results for this event have been posted on the website and all medals have been distributed.

### **Consolidated rule book**

Thanks to the efforts of Clive Barnett, the consolidated WCSA Rule Book has now been completed and will shortly be available on the website. The date of effect of these new rules is 1 February 2009.

**WCSA Achievement Awards – WCSA Star badges**

WCSA achievement awards (WCSA Star badges) are available for purchase by member federations for the TC 900 and SC600 outdoor Target and TC600/25 and TC600/40 Indoor rounds. Purchasing details are available on the WCSA website. The responsibility for administering the award of badges rests with member federations. Members are reminded that WCSA Star badges may only be awarded for scores shot in registered WCSA events as included on the WCSA shooting calendar.

**Membership fees, contact details and communication**

Members are reminded that 2009 membership fees were due and payable on 1 January 2009. All Members were sent letters by mail.

Communication is vital for our sport to grow. Members are requested to advise their contact details. Many e-mail addresses are not valid.

**Members are particularly asked to update e-mail addresses and to provide alternative e-mail addresses.**

**Please also advise your national shooting calendar.**

Your comments are always welcome.

**PLEASE SHARE YOUR NEWS !!!!**

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