HIGH-PERFORMANCE REPORT – 2022

This was a full year as everyone tried to get as many competitions back on the books as possible after the past two years of almost nothing, both locally and internationally! With additional events added for 2022, it made for some crazy calendars, difficulties in attending events, as well as fitting in training 7camps outside of selection camps. As things are now in full swing, we are looking forward to 2023 being more back to normal when looking at the calendar and the ability to schedule some camps.

Youth Target Team Members for 2022

Adam Berge, Alison Dewling, Amelia Osborne, Brooklyn Berge, Brynnleigh Lohner, Cadence Puchinger, Cam Palichuk, Damon Polowaniuk, Dawson Molitor, Jordyn Polowaniuk, Luke Smollett, Madelynn Holkema, Madisen Minks, Nick Fogg, Riley Downham, Riley Warwa

Accomplishments/Highlights from 2022

Archery Canada Youth PanAm Selection Camp

In March we sent 8 athletes (Adam Berge, Brooklynn Berge, Brynnleigh Lohner, Cam Palichuk, Dawson Molitor, Luke Smollett, Nick Fogg, and Riley Downham) to PEI to take part in a 3 day selection camp. For some it was an opportunity to vie for a spot on their first National Team, for all it was an incredible learning experience. Athletes from across the country came together and partook in various National Team exercises focusing on timing, adaptability, and teamwork. Athletes competed in qualifications and various elimination matches with the pressure of team trials.

Named to Youth Team: Brynnleigh Lohner, Cam Palichuk, Dawson Molitor, and Riley Downham.

Youth/Master PanAm Championships

The end of May saw the Youth & Master PanAm Championship Team land in PEI. It was another wonderful opportunity for Canada to host an international event and Team Canada did not disappoint. Canada sent 25 athletes, 7 from Alberta.

Dawn Groszko	Gold
Tricia Oshiro	Silver
Dawson Molitor	Silver (Men's Team)
Cam Palichuk	6th
Riley Downham	7th
Brynnleigh Lohner	8th
Lucie Filion	8th

3D World Selection Trials

In June Lac la Biche hosted the 3D Team Trials. Archers from across the country competed for two days on various courses and then eliminations for the opportunity to represent the red and white.

Named to 3D Team: Monica Higgins, Jovica Djukic

World Cup – Paris
Also in June was the 3rd Stage of the World Cup. Known for 3D and Field, this was Cory Smandych's first attendance representing Canada at an international target event and we expect it will not be his last.

Cory Smandych 70th

Canadian Nationals – Fred Usher Cup
July we were back in PEI again and under different formats for almost all the events! For the Fred Usher Cup, handicaps had been discarded and a round robin format was brought in to determine the final four. Alberta won all their round robin matches to move into the semi finals. Alberta won against the Manitoba power house, and then defeated British Columbia to win the money, title, and trophy!

Fred Usher Cup Team: Cam Palichuk, Dawn Groszko, Luke Smollett

World Cup - Medellin
Also in July, while no stranger to international competition, this was Andrew Smollett's first time as a Senior attending a World Cup for Canada. We have no doubt this is just the first of many and that he will be one to watch in the future!

Andrew Smollett 75th

World 3D Championships

In September Canada sent 17 athletes to Italy for the World 3D Championships, 2 from Alberta. Monica qualified 16th and then went on a tear! Jovica qualified 20th but moved up after eliminations. Weather was a major factor at this competition with events having to be delayed due to extreme rain, a first for this event!

Monica Higgins tied for 5th
Jovica Djukic tied for 19th

World Field Championships

October saw Canada send 17 athletes to the US for the World Field Championships, 1 from Alberta. This was veteran Cory Smandych's 3rd time competing at the World Field Championships.

Cory Smandych 26th

Pan and Para PanAm Championships

Just last month Canada sent 17 athletes to Chile for the Pan and Para PanAm Championships, including 1 Albertan. While still only a Junior, Cam Palichuk was named to the Team getting his feet wet in Senior competition at quite the high level competition. Unfortunately for Cam, his equipment did not show up in time for practice so he had to adjust to the conditions during qualifications where he ranked 35th. He won his first elimination match 144-140 but fell to the 3rd ranked Columbia 144-146. Definitely a great showing for his first Senior competition!

Cam Palichuk tied for 17th

We are looking forward to 2023 and a more open calendar. Plans are to hold a training camp for the current Youth Target Team before outdoor season. Tentative plans for the new Team will be to hold an outdoor training camp around May and an indoor one around October. We are also looking to expand on this program, looking into potentially creating a 3D Team as well as adding adults (21+) as we have some international caliber athletes of all ages and wish to assist, work with and support them all. In this regard we are looking for additional Coaches to assist with all of these programs.

Respectfully submitted by,

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