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Australian Nationals, Knoxfield, Victoria – A very hot day, reaching a maximum 35c at 5pm, but competitors fought to the end. Pictured are throwers after the last event of the day – Hunting Stick. From left: Simon Bollen, Luc Bordes (France), Paul Bryden, Christene Metzakis, Seamus Bollen, Leonie Metzakis, Emmett Bollen, Nick Pritchard, Roger Perry, Dave Richardson, Rob Croll, Grant Perry, Matt Barker and Chris Johnson.



The Australian Nationals Top 5 Winners (from left): Luc Bordes (France) 5th, Nick Pritchard equal 3rd with Matt Barker, **Roger Perry (winner)**, son Grant Perry (2nd).

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The National Australian Championships had the pleasure of welcoming Paul Bryden, former Australian Champion and business owner of "Boomerangs Down Under" to the field. Paul won his first Australian title in 1983 and thereafter six more Australian championship events. Years of experience understanding the intricate technique of throwing boomerangs was implied in the graceful manner of this throwing style. Paul threw with remarkable control and accuracy and scored some perfect 10s in the Accuracy event. Learn more about Paul Bryden and his new book in this edition.

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From the President

Hello and welcome to the first bulletin for 2018. I would like to thank the committee for doing such a great job in 2017 – 2018. Fortunately, all committee members have stayed on for another year, except long time secretary and committee member Rob Croll.

Rob has been a committee member since the 90s and a BAA member since the early 80s. The BAA sends a big thanks to Rob for his effort over the years. I also wish to give thanks to all the committee for their ongoing work. Together we hope to make the association bigger and better for 2018/19.

Jane Pritchard has now become the secretary. Welcome Jane and we look forward to you joining the committee.

I would also like to thank all members who rejoined the association and welcome all new members. To entice new members this year, we have offered reduced costs for membership and a free boomerang. I am pleased to say that it has increased our membership numbers.

I would like to urge all members to please send in photos and stories on boomerangs for the bulletin, Matt Barker, our hard working editor, is always looking to add stories so your help is needed and appreciated.

There are a lot of events coming up, including the World Cup in Albuquerque New Mexico, Tunasbumi 8 in Indonesia, and preparations are already

BAA Principal Committee Members 2018-2019

Role	Name
President	Roger Perry
Vice-President	Simon Bollen
Treasurer	Nick Pritchard
Secretary	Jane Pritchard
Editor	Matt Barker

underway for the **50th Australian Championships** to be held in Perth in 2019, with overseas invites, to help us celebrate. Unfortunately, there will not be an Aussie team for the World Cup this year but Matt Barker, Roger Perry and Rob Croll will be shortly on their way, with Matt on the "Vets" team, and Rob and Roger with "Wolves of the Dreamtime". We wish them and Chris Johnson, Christene and Leonie Metzakis a safe journey and great trip in the USA.

I hope you all enjoy the bulletin and wish you all a great 2018.

Roger Perry
BAA President

Boomerang Facts - The Mystifying Boomerang

The physics of a boomerang is very complex. Even today, modern physics is still trying to discover how to model a boomerangs return flight in a controlled environment.

Unlike an aircraft propeller, boomerangs do not rotate on a fixed axis but around an implied centre of gravity, which makes the phenomenon of boomerang flight even more challenging to model, as a boomerang's centre of gravity changes shape at different rotational speeds and along different points in the flight path.

Modern boomerangs have the same characteristics as the original boomerangs. However, their aerodynamic aero foil sections have become more refined with the advent of modern physics.

Boomerangs are not unique to the culture of the Australian aboriginal. Boomerang artefacts have been found in Africa and America, and an Egyptian throwing a boomerang is depicted on a mosaic in one of the pyramids. However, it has been widely accepted by academics in the archeological field that due to aboriginal tribal society being one of the oldest on earth, it is believed that an Australian aboriginal was most likely the first inventor of the returning "kylie".

Australian Nationals Championship 2018

The Australian Boomerang Championships were held in Knoxfield, Melbourne, close to the home of legendary boomerang thrower Rob Croll.

The day was very hot with difficult changing wind and the occasional gusts, which made it a challenging day for all throwers.

First event of the day was Accuracy. Nick Pritchard, who has a passion for the event, handled it best with 69 points, followed by Rob Croll and Simon Bollen tied for second, scoring 58.



Nick Pritchard during the Accuracy event.



Dave Richardson launching his MTA

MTA was next up and the wind played havoc. Many good attempts at containing the MTA inside the scoring circle were blown out by sudden 180 degree wind shifts. MTA winner was Roger Perry, using his "Jonesy" paxolin model, scoring 37 seconds, just edging out Dave Richardson with 36.98 and Matt Barker 28.82.

After a short 20 minute rest to cool down we went on to Fast Catch and as you will see from results it was incredibly difficult to get good scores. Nick Pritchard was first with 28.95 followed by Rob Croll 30.25 and Roger Perry 31.82. We then went into Endurance with Roger getting 36 catches, followed by Grant Perry on 33 and a tie for 3rd between Rob Croll and our French visitor Luc Bordes with 31 catches. A long lunch was in order after such a tough morning!

After the lunch we moved onto Trick Catch. It was still too windy for Trick Doubling so it was decided to have 2 rounds of single Trick, BAA editor Matt Barker never looked like dropping, scoring an amazing 81 points, followed by Grant Perry with 70 and Luc Bordes 64.

Going into the last event, Roger Perry was just in front of Nick Pritchard and Grant Perry, with Matt Barker not far behind. Throwers love the grand Aussie Round event, but due to limited time, a decision was made to have 1 round of play only. Not all throwers were happy with the decision, but time just didn't allow for an additional hour for the 2nd round. Grant Perry proved how good he is in this event by surpassing all other scores with 78 points, followed by Roger Perry on 56 and Matt Barker on 52, and a special mention to relative newcomer Chris Johnson, who scored a respectable 46 points.



Grant Perry throwing off in Aussie Round

Local News

While our judges Kelly Perry and Angie Perry were tallying the scores, we all had a go at hunting stick, which is proving to be very popular and is now being staged as a real event at Australian competitions. Overall Hunting Stick Champion was Rob Croll, followed by Matt Barker. It was wonderful to see Paul Bryden again competing after a long absence. Paul has lost none of the smooth throwing style he has always had. It was also great to see Simon Bollen back on field competing in some of the events after knee surgery. It was also terrific to see Christene Metzakis compete in the majority of events until her body and injuries took its toll.

Top 5 were Roger Perry 16, Grant Perry 22, Matt Barker and Nick Pritchard 25, and Luc Bordes 30.5.

A big thank you to Rob Croll for organising the Nationals and the evenings celebration dinner, and to Kelly and Angie who did the scoring.

Roger Perry
BAA President

The BAA Nationals in Photos



Angie Perry throwing off an MTA



Simon Bollen during Accuracy



Christene Metzakis during Accuracy



Rob Croll preparing to launch during Hunting Stick



The Nationals 2018 Trophies

Thrower Interview – Roger Perry

"..in a way, you become one with the boomerang."



Roger Perry with his 2018 Nationals trophy wins

The past 10 years has seen Roger Perry scooping the Australian Nationals and West Australian championships at an age when most champion throwers ebb away from the sport and become a spectator. Now in his sexagenarian decade, Roger is showing no signs of retiring gracefully, having just won the Australian Nationals event with a substantial win, well ahead of other throwers, including son Grant Perry, who in past competitions has fought his father in neck to neck battles, with either of them coming out as winner by as little as a point difference. Roger has won the West Australian championship numerous times and over the past two years, he has been winner of the Australian Nationals. With so many successes and with such a long history throwing and making boomerangs, and organizing and competing in world competitions also developing the sport in Indonesia, the BAA thought it high time for a Roger Perry interview, in an effort to discover the inner strategies of this determined thrower, who on field, approaches competition with the eye of a tiger.

BAA: Boomerang throwers the world over are amazed that you are still winning competitions as a veteran. Did you ever think that you would still be winning the Australian Nationals as a veteran, particularly after complicated knee surgery?

RP: Well I am very focused in competition but to be honest, after my knee operation, my doctor said no more running but then when I got into my first world competition after the operation, which was in Kiel Germany, I just could not help but run, so I figure while I can I will enjoy the sport I love.

BAA: How do you prepare for a competition? Do you ensure that you devote some time to practice each event prior to competition, tune your boomerangs and basically get your body into shape, or has the whole rhythm of preparation become so ingrained that it is now much easier to perform well

in a competition, given the breadth of your competition experience?

RP: I prepare for Australian and World Cups usually 3 to 4 months in advance by making sure all of the boomerangs I am likely to use are tuned and that I spend at least 2 to 3 hours with each boomerang. Come competition day I know exactly what boomerang to use and when to use it. I do find that I do not need a lot of practice, though sometimes you can get a bit stale if you devote too much time to serious training. I tend to practice and try to make it fun. I find on competition day it normally comes pretty natural to me. Having said that, I have been competing for over 30 years so I believe it should be more a natural thing to me now.

BAA: When you go out onto the field, what are you thinking about in particular? Do you have a strategy or tactic that you follow to ensure your opportunities of coming out in front are going to be maximised?

RP: I try not to think too much. I look at the conditions and try to choose the correct boomerang that will get the job done. I normally try to play safe, especially on the first throw in MTA and the first round in Fast Catch. I do not pay much attention to the scores during competition, especially to my position overall, as that creates pressure on you. I just concentrate on 1 throw and catch and 1 event at a time and do the best I can.

BAA: Boomerang throwers have often remarked that participating in the World Cup and throwing boomerangs in their native country has been a rewarding, life enriching experience. What has been the most rewarding experience for you in all your years of throwing boomerangs?

RP: I love to travel and meet new people. Travelling the world with boomerangs certainly has been enriching. I have good friends in many countries, thanks to boomerangs. I also really enjoy promoting the sport and organising big tournaments in an effort to get new countries involved. Hopefully, when I have stopped throwing in the years ahead, the sport will be in a better position than when I first started.

BAA: What would you say to any young person making a start today in throwing boomerangs and showing serious interest in becoming a competitor?

RP: Firstly I would say make sure it is fun, otherwise you will lose interest. Try to enjoy all types of boomerangs, not just competition models. I personally love throwing really big boomerangs or ones with unusual flights. I think in most cases you need to make your own boomerangs, as it encourages you to make boomerangs that suit your power and style so that in a way, you become one with the boomerang.

Interview questions from Matt Barker, BAA Editor

West Australian Championship 2018

The West Australian Championships were held at Southern River fields and it was Roger and Angie Perry's final show at organising the event. In future, the event will be organised and run by the newly formed **West Australian Boomerang Association**, created by Christene and Leonie Metzakis.

Roger and Angie started the State Championships in Norseman in 1986 when boomerang throwing as a sport was only just beginning to be established in Australia.

Past winners of the event include Rangs Boomerangs founder Sam Blight, Ian Sproull, Gary Mitchell, Josh Smith, Roger Perry, and Grant Perry as winner of the last 3 titles.

The last of the Perry organised championship fell on a beautiful sunny day, but it was windy and gusty all throughout competition, which made good scores impossible to obtain. It was a brave crew that ran and chased their boomerangs all day long.

The first event was accuracy and only Ryan Perry looked confident in the wind with 52 points. Chris Johnson also did a great job with 42 points.

Next event was Fast Catch and it certainly was not a day for fast boomerangs, with only 3 people managing to catch within a minute. Roger Perry was winner with 34.7 and Grant Perry 39.61. It was great to see Ian Sproull back into competition and he had a 46.33 with his Dead Duck boomerang from the late 80s. Ian got the old timer boomerang working well.

After Fast Catch, we were all faced 5 minutes of challenging Endurance in the chopping wind. Grant endured the event well with 35 and the big surprise was Mike Bryant getting 24 catches, considering he hadn't thrown in over 12 months. Mike made the competitions travelling from York. Great to see you Mike.

Last event before lunch was 2 rounds of Trick Catch as it was way too windy for doubling. Easily best was Grant Perry with 68 – it does pay to have young legs! Next was Roger Perry with 37, Nick Pritchard 36 and Matt Barker 35.

Just before our lunch break, Leonie and Christene held a separate competition for members of the **Smashcrew Sports Show** that support the aboriginal community. Noel Johnstone from **Noongar Radio** was commentating and all had a great time with children and adults winning boomerangs. Noel was additionally busy running a sausage sizzle, which went down well.

After lunch we attempted to do MTA and there were many good times but all of them were blown outside the scoring area. In the end, the best time was by Chris Johnston with 23.82 and next best Roger Perry 21.26 and

Grant 20.24.

The last event was Aussie Round and the wind did slow down a little. The only trouble was that it was gusting and changing direction. The best score was by Roger 102, followed by Grant 100 and Matt Barker 88.

Last event of the day was Hunting Stick and many people joined in, including Noel from the radio show and the "Rad Mama" Leonie and Christene. There were many very near misses but only Nick Pritchard managed to hit the plastic "Skippy" kangaroo target. Thanks to Kelly for scoring the competitions.

It was a really good day and it was great to see many people attend the championship, which included a well organised beginner's competition for the general public by Christene and Leonie.

We finished the day with a sausage sizzle and a few refreshing beverages. We look forward to the next State Championships next year, which will be run by the WA Association.

Roger Perry
BAA President



WA Winners Top 5 from left: Matt Barker 4th, Chris Johnson 4th, **Grant Perry winner**, Roger Perry 2nd, Nick Pritchard 3rd.



Noongar Radio Tent and banner with WA Competitors.

Local News

A New West Australian Boomerang Association



Christene Metzakis (left) and Leonie Metzakis with Noongar Radio Host Noel Johnstone.

There is a new boomerang Association in Western Australia, established by Christene and Leonie Metzakis, both of whom have been doing plenty of work with the Indigenous community at various venues around Perth, which has included attending local markets with a display and talking about sport boomerangs to raise awareness and interest. Leonie has also been teaching at various schools with the majority being aboriginal kids.

Christene Metzakis in a statement at the BAA AGM said that the mission is "to reach out to the wider community to encourage and develop new throwers of all ages to the sport and to work side by side with the BAA. Our goals for this club are solely to spread the teachings of sport boomerangs, encourage new throwers and share the experience we all enjoy".

From 2019, the WA association will organise all future West Australian Championships.

The association has a Facebook and web page that you can follow via the links below:

Facebook address:

<https://www.facebook.com/waboomerangthrowingassociation/>

Website address

<http://waboomerang.org/>

The BAA wishes this new association all the best success in promoting boomerangs throughout Western Australia.

Roger Perry
BAA President

Thrower Profile – Luc Bordes



Luc Bordes 5th Place trophy – Australian Nationals 2018

Luc Bordes, a P.H.D. student from France, has made his way to the Australian Nationals event over the past two years, finishing in 5th place in both years. He is a keen participant of the Hunting Stick event, during which he would present his interesting collection of throwing sticks for discussion.

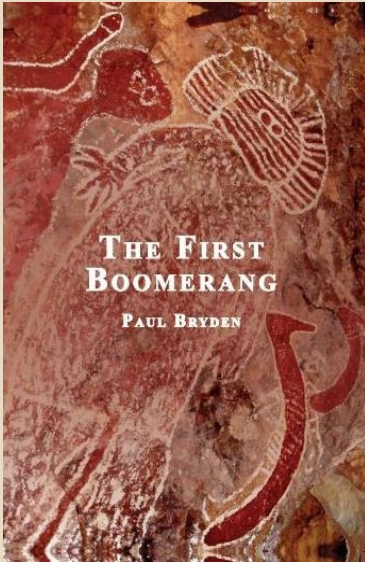
Luc has taken temporary residence in Australia in order to undertake research in prehistoric wood working methods at the University of Wollongong, New South Wales, where he enrolled in the Centre for Archeological Science, Earth Studies and Environmental. His research is rather unique because the interest in prehistoric materials by researchers is usually centred on studies in the use of stone.

Luc has a growing interest in ancient wood working methods, and in archeological artefacts and the residues attached to them. The residues provide clues as to how ancient people approached wood shaping, using fire as an initial step and stone to remove the coarse wood material. His study has focused on throwing stick technology, which has involved closely examining throwing stick samples from different geographic locations, including those found in countries other than Australia.

The world may learn more about the mystifying boomerang through Luc's patient study of prehistoric wood material and wood working methods. The BAA wishes Luc the best of success in his continued area of scientific research and hopes to see him at the 50th Anniversary Nationals Competition in Perth next year.

Matt Barker
BAA Editor

Paul Bryden's New Book



Paul Bryden, former Australian Champion, has just published a new book titled "The First Boomerang".

Although a novel, the book contains many facts - historical and hands-on - and some good throwing action by the characters, both white and Aboriginal. It is an adventure story, much of which is set in and around Alice Springs, and whose themes are Aboriginal culture, spirituality, and a little bit of romance.

You can check out Paul's book on Amazon.com. or Booktopia.com.au and Bookdepository.com offer free delivery.

The Book's website: www.thefirstboomerang.com

If anyone wants a signed copy, Paul can do that through this site.

Paul has demonstrated boomerangs all over the world and just recently, held a large demonstration in India for 15,000 people.

This year, Paul competed at the Australian Nationals event and it was a pleasure to witness Paul throwing with excellent control and authority in challenging winds.

Paul has a wonderful collection of aboriginal boomerangs and artefacts that were recently exhibited in Germany.



Paul Bryden – Author of The First Boomerang and former Australian champion.



Paul Bryden at the Nationals 2018 championship during the Hunting Stick event, showing an elegant execution of hand and a graceful swing when releasing the boomerang.

Thrower Spotlight – Oscar Cuartas



Oscar Cuartas

Boomerangs always tell many fascinating stories. In this issue, Dara Cuartas Del Real writes about her wonderful father's pioneering and inspiring life with boomerangs.

My Dad (Oscar Cuartas) started his passion for all things that fly in the 40's. He was a child when he first saw two Americans throw a boomerang, who were employees of a petroleum company in Colombia. He made a copy of their traditional boomerang in **guava wood**. It flew so well that the Americans exchanged their original for one of Dad's models and since then, he couldn't stop throwing and making boomerangs.

He was also an avid reader who taught himself the English language. There were many articles written about the boomerang in the English language publications of the time in the 40's and 50's, such as Popular Mechanics, Scientific American and Reader's Digest. My Dad found his first contacts from these magazines - Felix Hess from Holland and Frank Donellan from Australia among them. Later on in the late 70's, early 80's, he connected with **Richard Harrison, Herb Smith, Al Gerhards, Ben Ruhe, Ted Bailey** and others. He was the first South American to do so and a member of the USBA from its inception.

Oscar was the **pioneer** of the sport in his birth country of Colombia and in South America. Being an airplane and mechanical designer for the army, he spent countless hours not only observing the flight of different birds but designing boomerang model variations and ribs with different airfoil shapes and parameters. He introduced aluminum cores to increase strength, stiffness, fracture toughness and stability to LD hooks. He was also the first to introduce dimpling and experimenting with its effect on



Oscar Cuartas' collection of beautifully made Hook shaped boomerangs.

the boomerang wings. Some of Oscar's **original models** are the **Parrot, Lark, Goose, Eagle, and Condor**, each having bird names. He was a passionate observer of the flight of birds. This was before the 70's and before the Internet when it was pretty much H.Smith and Oscar who deviated from just copying the traditional shapes. That was outstanding.

Oscar's exquisite **feather lapping** and lap joining techniques probably come from his making of guitars and violins in the 50's and 60's. He learned strip laminating, not only from making musical instruments, but also from Al Gerhards. His passion for flight also extended to hand gliding. He was the first Colombian to build his own Rogallo parapente.

The first International Aesthetics Competition ever was celebrated in 1984 in Delaware, Ohio. There was Janetzi, Herb Smith, Ted Bailey, Eric Darnell and Al Gerhards participating. Oscar was the winner of the First Place ever Aesthetics award. He was very honored. His boomerangs were described as marvellous flyers, possessing museum quality, after which he was asked not to present his boomerangs at later aesthetic events because the quality of his craftsmanship was "out of the charts" and opportunities should be given to other makers.

As Steve Kavanaugh, who once visited him in Colombia, and Alejo Palacio who was his pupil can testify, Oscar Cuartas was a great story teller that openly shared his knowledge with all and a man who dedicated the last 40 years of his life to teach and

Around the World and Other News

throw boomerangs. Oscar never stopped throwing at 6 am in the morning, come rain or shine. He used the sport to teach others about life at a time of great turmoil in the city of Medellin, Colombia. **He saved many kids from drugs and gangs**, even risking his life to reach dangerous neighborhoods. This is the reason that after his death in 2005, a foundation was started by his daughter Dara to keep his spirit, continue his legacy and to inspire others touched by the **magic of boomerangs**.



First place in the first ever Boomerang Aesthetics Competition.

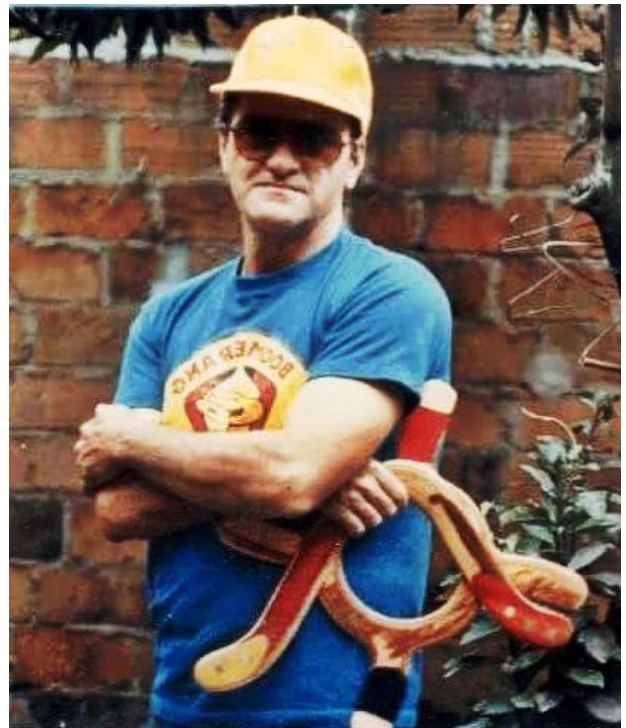
I was his assistant at his boomerang workshop from childhood. I am sure he would have agreed that the first credit for boomerang innovation should go to the Australian aborigine. Boomerangs historically were present in many cultures, including India, Egypt and in native and Amazonian tribes. However, it was the Australian aborigine who not only used them for hunting, but for ceremonies and games that evolved into current competition styles. Their creativity, observational insight, and the fact they had used them for fun and play has made the rest of the world inheritors of that spirit. Aboriginal artists like the Onus family, Joe Timbery the Janetzki brothers, Ces Burwell and Jack Byham follow on that tradition. Traditional 2 blade shapes and 4 blade cross sticks joined with leather and natural fibres are all of aboriginal design.

Current makers can benefit from the availability of information, adhesives and materials, which now surpass the masters before them who provided them with inspiration. The best craftsmen are yet to come, and they will be coming from all corners of the globe, Indonesian and Brazilian makers being recent examples.

Dara Cuartas Del Real
Los Angeles, California USA



An early display of Oscar Cuartas boomerangs on field.



Oscar Cuartas sporting a boomerang t-shirt, clasping early traditional and experimental designs.

Around the World and Other News

Albuquerque World Boomerang Cup 2018



Throwers are preparing their boomerang kits, tuning up and getting fit for the biggest boomerang event of them all- the biennial World Boomerang Cup, which will be held in a far off place behind the border between Arizona and Colorado. Albuquerque is historically renowned for producing cork and for hot air ballooning, and since it is situated in the desert regions of America 1600m above sea level, the city's water supply is sourced from a large underground aquifer. The Rio Grande winds its way through Albuquerque and beyond into the mountain regions of the broad valley.

World Cup competitors and their families will be entreated to a trip to Petroglyph National Monument on excursion day, a U.S. landmark where ancient native peoples left symbols of their activities on the boulders of ancient lava flows. They will also see Old Town Albuquerque where there are a variety of shops and historic adobe buildings with all things New Mexico and where tribespeople sell traditional crafts. They will finish with a sightseeing tour of Sandia Peak 10000m above sea level.

The battlefield for the cup will be held at **Balloon Fiesta Park** and accommodation will be at the nearby Marriott Hotel. The principal organizer is **David Hirsch from Dallas** who has been working prodigiously in the background with the assistance of USBA members - collecting fees and sorting out logistics, at the same time as getting hats and t-shirts prepared for the Vets team, of which David will be a team member!

The BAA wishes David and his crew all the best success in what should definitely be an exciting World Cup adventure for all who will be making the effort to be there from all corners of the globe. Australians travelling to the cup and taking time out to see parts of California along the way are Matt Barker, Chris Johnson, Leonie Metzakis,

Christene Metzakis and Roger Perry from Western Australia, and former world champion Rob Croll from Victoria.

For all things 2018 World Cup, visit www.wbc2018.org



Principal Organiser of the 2018 WBC – David Hirsch (pictured here Lake Schalsee near Hamburg, Germany 2016)

50th Year Celebration for the BAA

The BAA (Boomerang Association of Australia) will be 50 years old in 2019 and we will celebrate this occasion in style with a weeklong series of events.

We urge all BAA members to attend this celebration and we invite overseas throwers to help make this a great competition. Rangs Boomerangs is sponsoring the top 2 Indonesian competitors and the ABI (Association Boomerang Indonesia) President to the competitions. Events will include an Individual, Teams, Fun Day, and Night competition.

The event will be staged in Perth, West Australia with exact location to be announced later, as we cannot confirm fields this far in advance. The main competitions will be held Saturday 13th April. Individuals will be held following day and thereafter the next 3 days will be night throws and fun days.

Around the World and Other News

Tunasbumi 8 Indonesia

The 8th Indonesian Championships will be staged in the beautiful city of Jogjakarta 8– 9th September 2019. BAA President Roger Perry will attend his 5th Tunasbumi.



Last Years Tunasbumi Winners

Flashback to 1984 Australian Team



The Australian team that won against USA in 1984. From left: Dennis Maxwell, Peter Maxwell, Mark Schaffer, Rob Croll, Bob Burwell, Bunny Read.

31st Gateway Classic Results

The 31st Annual 2018 Gateway Classic was held May 27th at Konarcik Park in beautiful Waterloo, Illinois and organised by Chicago Bob. According to Facebook reports, it was a very hot day reaching over a century on the heat index. Throwers were seen cooling themselves under shade drinking from plastic water bottles. Winners of the day in this order were Richard Bower, Steve Kavanaugh, Dan Bower, Logan Broadbent and Matt Golenor.

Kooka 2018 Results

Loofy Boiteux of France reported that it was a “great tournament” in the town of Besancon France 2-3 June, which is near the Swiss border. The locality invites Swiss throwers such as World Champion Manuel Schutz and Stephan Spirghi to the event. Winners of the day were in this order - Manuel Schutz, Frederich Declercq, Stephan Spirghi, Aunaud Tribillon, Loofy Boiteux and Seb Guiheux.

Upcoming Events

RCB 2018: Ravensburg Germany June 9-10

USA Nationals Seattle June 22 – 24

Lekker Lekker Boomerang Cup: Vinkeveen, Netherlands June 30-1

Tournoi de Boomerang Cambrais North: Villers-Outréaux July 7-8

New Hampshire/Vermont USA Tournament July 14

2018 World Cup Albuquerque USA July 20-30

Brückenkopf-Turnier Germany August 25-26

Deutsche Meisterschaft Germany September 8-9

Tunasbumi 8 Jogjakarta, Indonesia September 8-9

50th Anniversary Australian Nationals Perth, West Australia April 13 2019

Boomerang Tips – Cycling Glasses



The block sweat stripe is a great innovation as it will prevent the glasses from fogging up during play. The glasses are light and the nose pad provides a comfortable, snug fit. This model is made by Rockbros. And that's a wrap...

Australian Competition Results 10th March 2018

Australian Nationals Knoxfield Victoria

	Competitor Name	TRICK CATCHING			FAST CATCH			AUSSIE ROUND			MTA			ENDURANCE			ACCURACY			PLACE	Total Points
		Catches	Place	Points	Best Time	Place	Points	Total Points	Place	Points	Best Time	Place	Points	Catches	Place	Points	Total Points	Place	Points		
1	Roger Perry	45	5	5	31.82	3	3	56	2	2	37	1	1	36	1	1	57	4	4	1	16
2	Grant Perry	70	2	2	43.3	6	6	78	1	1	27.57	4	4	33	2	2	54	7	7	2	22
3	Nick Pritchard	59	4	4	28.95	1	1	28	8	8	26.17	5	5	27	6	6	69	1	1	3	25
4	Matt Barker	81	1	1	54.16	8	8	52	3	3	28.82	3	3	29	5	5	56	5	5	3	25
5	Luc Bordes	64	3	3	41.4	5	5	29	6	6	19.46	7	7	31	3	3.5	55	6	6	5	30.5
6	Robert Croll	16	8	8	30.38	2	2	19	10	10	15	9	9	31	3	3.5	58	2	2.5	6	35
7	Chris Johnson	26	7	7	38.33	4	4	46	4	4	16.37	8	8	20	8	8	45	8	8	7	39
8	Dave Richardson	36	6	6	43.4	7	7	22	9	9	36.98	2	2	24	7	7	41	10	10	8	41
9	Simon Bollen	DNC	9	11	DNC	10	11.5	7	12	12	21.67	6	6	DNC	10	11.5	58	2	2.5	9	54.5
10	Christen Metzakis	DNC	9	11	3c	9	9	DNC	13	13	11.01	10	10	8	9	9	43	9	9	10	61
11	Paul Bryden	DNC	9	11	DNC	10	11.5	31	5	5	DNC	11	12	DNC	10	11.5	39	11	11	11	62
12	Leonie Metzakis	DNC	9	11	DNC	10	11.5	26	7	7	DNC	11	12	DNC	10	11.5	21	13	13	12	66
13	Angie Perry	DNC	9	11	DNC	10	11.5	9	11	11	DNC	11	12	DNC	10	11.5	27	12	12	13	69
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No	Competitor Name	Trick Catching			Fast Catch			Aussie Round			MTA			Endurance			Accuracy			Place	Points
		Catches	Place	Points	Best Time	Place	Points	Total Points	Place	Points	Best Time	Place	Points	Catches	Place	Points	Total Points	Place	Points		
1	ROGER PERRY	37	2	2	34.7	1	1	102	1	1	24.26	2	2	16	5	5	31	7 th	7	2	18
2	GRANT PERRY	68	1	1	39.6	2	2	100	2	2	20.24	3	3	35	1	1	38	5 th	5	1	14
3	NICK PRITCHARD	36	3	3	4c	4	4.5	59	4	4	18.88	4	4	19	4	4	40	3 rd	3.5	3	23
4	MATT BARKER	35	4	4	4c	4	4.5	88	3	3	16.92	5	5	22	3	3	36	6 th	6	4	25.5
5	CHRIS JOHNSON	30	6	6	1c	7	7	49	6	6	23.82	1	1	14	7	7	42	2 nd	2	5	29
6	IAN SPROULL	13	7	7	46.33	3	3	38	8	8	15.8	6	6	15	6	6	40	3 rd	3.5	6	33.5
7	RYAN PERRY	0	8	9	3c	6	6	0	9	9.5	0	10	9	8	8	8	52	1 st	1	8	42.5
8	JAYDEN PERRY	0	8	9	0c	8	8.5	0	9	9.5	0	8	9	0	9	9.5	18	9 th	9	10	54.5
9	ANGIE PERRY	0	8	9	0c	8	8.5	41	7	7	0	8	9	0	9	4.5	25	8 th	8	9	51.0
10	MIKE BRYANT	31	5	5	0c	10	10	52	5	5	10.64	7	7	24	2	2	0	10	10	7	39

To assist easy reading, the above results are printed in Place Order:

Place	Name	Points
1	Grant Perry	14
2	Roger Perry	18
3	Nick Pritchard	23
4	Matt Barker	25.5
5	Chris Johnson	29
6	Ian Sproull	33.5
7	Mike Bryant	39
8	Ryan Perry	42.5
9	Angie Perry	51
10	Jayden Perry	54.5