

Like father...like daughter..

Those of us who have been through the history of international archery for more than 20 years will very easily remember the name of Donald LOVO. He was FITA's First Vice President for several periods and chaired the Judges Committee for 20 years. Don was FITA's ambassador in the Americas, and attended many of our continental championships and Games until he passed away in 2006.

Don's energy, character and passion for archery have remained alive in the mind and body of one his three daughters, who has been a member of World Archery Medical and



Sports Sciences Committee for more than 13 years. Nancy LITTKE (her married name) is now a member of World Archery Americas Medical Committee as well.

There were bows and arrows everywhere at the LOVO's family house where little Nancy grew up. Dad Don taught her how to shoot arrows and was her first coach. "I enjoyed shooting. I certainly felt an

expectation from Dad to compete and to compete well, but he would have understood if I wanted to stop shooting." Nancy became Canada's Junior Champion in 1975, and turned into one of her country's best archers in the late 1970s.

At the 1979 Pan American Games (first time archery was included in the Games) Nancy was one of Canada's four women in the team that won the Silver medal.

Her career as an archer did not last much longer than this. In the early 1980s "I had finished university, got married, had a child by 1983 and had two severe shoulder rotator cuff injuries from shooting. By the time my shoulders were less painful, I had moved on to a new life and had become involved first as the Chairman of the National Coaches and then in FITA on the Medical Committee."

Nancy, who is currently very much involved with Canada's Para Team, has a Bachelor of Physical Therapy degree and a Master's of Rehabilitation Science. She is a Physiotherapy Clinical Educator in Alberta, and contributes all of her professional knowledge and archery experience to the work of World Archery Medical Committee.

She was team manager with Canada's Para Team at the Pan American Championships in Rosario last year, where she contributed to the conduction of the doping tests made.



World Archery Americas is very pleased with Nancy LITTKE's recent involvement with our Medical Committee. Though some would still call her "Don's daughter", Nancy has won a reputation of her own as a result of her expertise in the field of medical sciences and their application to archery.