

Dockers get spots in All Australian side

THREE members of the AFLW Fremantle Dockers have been selected to the 2019 All Australian team.

Kiara Bowers was named in the centre and Gemma Houghton in the forward line after both had outstanding seasons in the competition's third year. Midfielder Dana Hooker was named on the bench.

Bowers received further recognition on April 5 when she was named the Dockers' Best and Fairest for 2019.

Hooker polled second and Houghton third.

Teammate Ashley Sharp also received recognition after she took out the 2019 AFLW Goal of the Year award for her on-the-run round 2 effort against Brisbane.



Bowmen of Melville member Gail Gibson.

Archer takes a bow

A LONG-TIME member of the Bowmen of Melville has been recognised for her contribution to the sport.

Willetton resident Gail Gibson was awarded life membership of Archery WA in February, with president and two-time Olympic archer Deonne Bridger handing over the award.

Gibson began archery in 1981, joining both the Bowmen of Melville and AWA. She represented WA as a

member of the State archery team at the 40th Australian National Championships in 1987 and represented Australia in the World Masters Games in Perth in 1993.

Over 38 years she has set 53 State and three Australian records with the compound bow, and 116 State records with the long-bow. She has set eight State and five Australian records in the extreme sport of flight archery, where shoot-

ing an arrow the longest distance wins.

Gibson has also been a tireless volunteer for the sport, working as an AWA committee member and the State recorder for archery for 17 years.

"I still enjoy archery for the company of the other archers, the exercise, and the achievement of getting a good score," she said. "It's great to stay competitive and get that respect from young people on the range."