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For U.S. and South Korea, an Impressive Finish By RICHARD SANDOMIR

The North Meadow in Central Park was a celebration of bows and arrows yesterday at the final day of the world archery championships, a preview of how the city might stage such an event if it won its bid for the 2012 Summer Olympics.

Hundreds of people jammed the aluminum bleacher and others hung over fences. Just beyond the fences, actors in Renaissance Festival regalia amused those not entranced by the doinks and pffts of arrows launched at speeds up to 150 miles an hour at targets 70 meters away. The day turned into a high-performance festival for the United States and South Korean teams.

In the morning, the United States' men's and women's teams won gold medals in the compound divisions, defeating Italy and France. In the afternoon, the South Korean men and women won gold in the recurve competition, beating Sweden and Japan.

The recurve bow is the classic equipment, with ends that curve away from the archer; it is the only bow used in the Olympics. So for the winners of the compound bow competition, the world championships are the equivalent of the Olympics.

Fans of the South Korean team brought the type of passion one might expect for a soccer match, chanting each archer's name, then, "10! 10! 10!" imploring them to perfect scores.

The Korean team's coach, Seo Geo Won, urged each member of his team by shouting, "Hoo-wa!" before they shot an arrow.

Seo said, through an interpreter, "All the time, I say, 'Do it with confidence, and you'll win.' "

Minutes after adding the women's team recurve championship to the individual recurve title she won on Saturday, Yun Mi Jin said through an interpreter: "I don't lack confidence, but sometimes I get nervous. I'm not always nervous. The last shots I made I was confident."

The confidence is mixed with a need to block out distractions for the task of drawing an arrow back, and holding it steady before unleashing it. "I leave my mind somewhere else," Yun said.

Mary Zorn, a member of the United States women's compound team, added, "You're focused on what you're trying to hit, not what you're trying to avoid."

Like Yun, Zorn came away with a second title; with her teammates, Zorn added the team compound title to the individual one she won the day before. Her teammate, Aya La Brie, said there was a good reason for Zorn shooting the foursome's final three arrows, collecting 28 points.

"She's strong, she's fast, and we knew she'd come through for us," La Brie said.

The men's compound team was made up of Dee Wilde, 52, and his son, Reo, 29, Dave Cousins, 26, and Braden Gellenthien, 17. None of them are happy that their achievements with the compound bow prevent them from advancing to next year's Summer Olympics in Athens.

"Why not the Olympics?" Dee Wilde asked. "They're no longer skiing on wooden skis."

Reo Wilde added, "We're one of the only sports that holds ourselves back."

Cousins said, "Pole-vaulters don't use bamboo poles."

But Jim Easton, the president of the International Archery Federation, the world governing body for archery, said that requests to the International Olympic Committee, of which Easton is a member, that compound be included in the Summer Games runs into efforts to reduce the number of events. Also, the United States is well ahead of the world in the compound discipline, which might give it an unfair advantage.

"The I.O.C. wants as many as countries to come into the game," Easton said.

Yu, 20, who has mastered the recurve bow, has a curiosity about the compound.

"I have one, but I'm really young and successful," he said. "Maybe later on."