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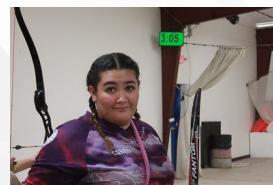


DSAA

Desert Sky Archers

Newsletter

December is another month of family and friends. It is a month of joy and togetherness. Please take the time this month to slow down in our busy lives. Say a nice word to a stranger. Remember the ones you love. No matter what your belief's are, please enjoy your holiday. Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, Happy Kwanza, Happy Bodhi Day and have a safe and Merry New Year!



Upcoming Tournaments

[2024 Corner Cup](#)

[Candy Cane Crunch Dec 20-22](#)

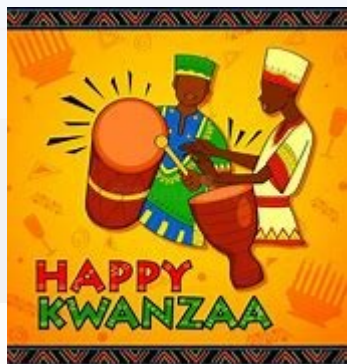
[ABFAA 5 Spot State Indoor Jan 18](#)

[NFAA Sectional Jan 18-19](#)

[2025 USAA AZ State Indoor Jan 25-26](#)

[Vegas Shoot](#)

[USA Archery Indoor Nationals](#)



December Birthdays

Krista Colonna	Dax Stadjuhar
Brayden McLaughlin	Jolynn Turner
Michael Molloy	Arvid Veidmark
Melody Richards	Spencer Yee



JOAD Pins

Kate Gularte
Noah Fraser
Jacob Happ
Shreshth Shandilya
Mouli Yellajosyula
Sri Yellajosyula



Olympian

New Members



JOAD Pins

What are JOAD Pins and how can I earn them? This is a very good question. You earn them by shooting a certain score based on the bow type and round your are shooting.

What bow types are allowed? There are five bow types allowed currently for youth archers (under U21). They are as follows: Barebow, Basic Compound (Genesis), Recurve, Compound, Fixed Pin Compound. There are six bow types allowed currently for adult archers (senior and masters). They are as follows: Barebow, Basic Compound, Traditional, Recurve, Compound, Fixed Pin Compound.

What Rounds are allowed? This is broken up into two rounds, Indoor at 18 Meters, and Outdoor at distance appropriate for bow type and archer age.

Can I get pins across multiple bow types? Yes.

Does gender matter for scores? No.

Where can I find the scores needed to achieve the scores?

[JOAD Indoor](#) [JOAD Outdoor](#) [Adult Indoor](#) [Adult Outdoor](#)

Who awards the JOAD Pins? Your club leaders award the pins. Olympian pins are special ordered through USA Archery by your club leaders

Who is eligible to ear JOAD Pins? Archers that have a full membership with USA Archery. A recreational membership is NOT eligible

Upcoming Tournament Formats

Candy Cane Crunch

- 2 day tournament
- 18 Meters
- 3 arrow ends
- 20 arrow qualifying round
- Elimination rounds
- X ring is an 11

Corner Cup

- Two day tournament
- Day 1 is NFAA 5 Spot Rules
- Day 2 is Vegas 3 Spot Rules



ABFAA 5 Spot Indoor

- 12 ends of 5 arrows, 4 minute ends
- 1 round
- NFAA Rules
- 1 day tournament
- Can be used as half your sectional round

Talk to a coach about these tournaments, fun and challenging

NFAA Sectionals

- 24 ends of 5 arrows, 4 minute ends
- 2 rounds (2 x12)
- NFAA Rules
- 2 day tournament or shot over 1 long day
- Can use ABFAA 5 Spot for half the tournament

2025 USAA AZ State Indoor Championship

- 20 ends of 3 arrows, 2 minute ends
- 1 round
- USA Archery Rules / World Archery Rules

Vegas Shoot

- 30 ends of 3 arrows, 2 minute ends
- Shot over 3 Days
- NFAA Vegas Rules

JOAD Indoor Nationals

- 20 ends of 3 arrows, 2 minute ends
- 1 round
- USA Archery Rules / World Archery Rules

Indoor Nationals

- 40 ends of 3 arrows, 2 minute ends
- 2 rounds
- USA Archery Rules / World Archery Rules
- 2 Days

2024 Fall Frenzy Report

We brought in a new type of tournament this year. It seems everyone enjoyed the tournament. We had some amazing shooting across all the divisions as usual. Larry Butterfield put on a clinic on how to shoot a bow. Larry shot a 629 out of 660, only 2 nines; the rest were 10's and 11's. Harold Rush was a monster shooting in the Barebow, Recurve and Compound divisions. We had several fresh faces at the tournament and that was great to see. Ninety archers came out to the range of the two days to shoot the custom tournament. We always like to keep the tournaments different so people can enjoy a variety of shooting. This tournament is moving to May next year and we are bring back the name May Mayhem. The Vegas Vengeance is moving to the week before the Vegas Shoot. Shamrock is being dropped. The format may return later. We are introducing a new tournament in November using a custom target we are having drawn up. It will be the Zombie Apocalypse. We will be announcing the 2025 DSA tournament schedule and season points rules by December 15th. Be ready!

Ed Walters 1st CU18M

Wyatt Shepherd 1st FPU18M

Dan Baker 2nd RMM

Jac Stadjuhar 2nd CU21M

Katie Krebs 2nd CU21W

Elyse McCulloch 2nd BSW

Corrin Turner 2nd BU18W

Eve Stadjuhar 2nd CU18W

Allen Alihodzic 3rd CSM

Kingston Chambers 3rd CU13M

Alfred Patterson 3rd CMM

Lori Perkins 4th BSW

Nixon Chambers 4th CU13M

Michael McCulloch 7th CSM

Jordyn Taylor 7th CU18M

Dan Peknik 7th CMM

Tim Liston 9th CMM



Our excellent volunteers: Steve Yee, Susan Yee, Krista Colonna, Kristine Krebs, Marc Krebs, Katie Krebs, Jolynn Turner, Tim Turner, Corrin Turner, Hailey Chambers, Mitch Chambers, Dan Bake, Mike McCulloch, Nico Baker, Kerry Stadjuhar, Dan Peknik, Mike Molloy, Rex Molloy, Ed Walters, Jaime Taylor, Jordyn Taylor, Tim Liston, Tyler Bachman, Ryan Bachman and Melanie Bachman

December Schedule

- Wednesday Dec 4-Archer's Evaluation
- Friday Dec 6-Archer's Evaluation
- Wednesday Dec 11-Team Rounds
- Friday Dec 13-Holiday Party GM Meeting
- Wednesday Dec 18-Pin Shoot
- Friday Dec 20-Candy Cane Crunch Tournament
- Saturday Dec 21-Candy Cane Crunch Tournament
- Sunday Dec 22-Candy Cane Crunch Tournament
- Wednesday Dec 25-No Practice
- Friday Dec 27-Work Day/Open Practice
- Wednesday Jan 1-No Practice
- Friday Jan 3-Pin Shoot

Tournaments are not required, only listed here as an FYI

Holiday Party Information

Open Shooting all night.

Pizza, water and soft drinks supplied by DSA

Range does open at 5PM as usual

Party starts at 6:30PM

7:30PM is General Membership presentation

Pot Luck, bring your favorite holiday snacks

Dec 27 Work Day

We will be removing the bottom plywood below the targets. Replacing with 2 x 6 and new plywood. Materials are already purchased. Bales will be flipped, replaced, etc. If scissor lift is present, then we will install our new wifi, if it has not been already done.

We will clean the range. Bring push brooms, brooms dust pans, drills, screw guns, etc.

Range open for practice 5PM-6PM.

Target Panic

Notes from Maya's Quiver

The infamous T word makes its way into one of my articles. Everyone eventually sees one of their friends fall victim to it and some people never make a return to the sport. Truly, a sad and heartbreaking thing to witness one of your fellow archers to go through.

I remember when I was a youth, one of my good friends went on the world stage. Stood up there, ready to shoot, cameras on, and it hit. You could see it on his face and the arrow went in for a miss. I do believe I cried when that young man walked away from the sport. Admittedly, years after, he has returned and changed bow disciplines from recurve to compound. I, being a selfish and self-centered child, thought to myself, "What if that happens to me? What if *I get target panic?*" *it became a great fear for me.*

I can honestly say, I have never experienced target panic; as you all know, I have experienced fear around the sport due to my injury, but never once target panic. Lately, I've asked myself why that has happened. At first I thought it could be because I never experienced having someone say "You *have to win,*" *but then I remembered that I have. So then I went to what I knew about the people themselves and that is where the lightbulb moment happened.*

Many people that I knew who had target panic left the sport. They were all highly competitive in the tournaments and had a lot of external pressure, yet none of them were truly self motivated or naturally competitive. Although I had someone breathing down my neck, I always maintained my love for the sport and I am highly competitive (don't play Uno with me, you *will lose*).

Here comes my theory: target panic comes from burn out and external pressures from people you love and respect. For my archers out there, you shouldn't have to worry about it, but if you do feel it coming on, just take a break. Other great ways to overcome target panic is blank baling, closing your eyes and focusing on form, or even bringing a bail up to five meters - it relieves the stress involved. Continuing to shoot at a target and force yourself through it is only going to make it worse. For my parents and coaches, check in with your archer and also be aware of how much you are pushing for them to win and how you respond when they don't.

This was a quick write before the holidays, but something I've been thinking of for a while and wanted to put it out there for y'all to read! Let me know if you guys have questions or even if you have another opinion to add to target panic - it is a fascinating topic after you've been in the sport for a while.

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2024 USAA AZ State Field

Four of our archers went down to Tucson to shoot the field archer state championship

Katie Krebs 1st CU21W

Alfred Patterson 2nd CMM

Michael McColloch 6th CSM

Coaches 5-7PM and Saturday Sign Ups

[Click Here to Sign Up to cover a practice](#)

Coaches, private practice are only allowed during open practice time. 5-7PM Wed and Fri practice or a Saturday practice.

NEVER Wed and Fri 7-9PM

DSA communication policy.

No member or parent of member can contact a youth member under the age of 18 without the consent of the parent or guardian of the under age person. Even if permission is given, the communication must be 3 deep. No one on one communication of any kind is allowed between a member over 18 and a member under 18 with out that 3rd person included. Failure to follow this guideline may result in removal from club. If an under age person contacts an over 18 person with out the 3rd person included, the over 18 person must add another person to the communication immediately.

Reminder of memberships

All members if DSA must be a member of USA Archery or National Field Archery Association. These memberships must be kept current to attend practice.

The USA Archery membership must be a full membership, not the recreational membership.

Desert Sky Archers prefers but not requires that all members be a member of both organizations.



Challenge Coin Recipients

Steve Yee

Rick Bachman

Krista Colonna

Melanie Bachman

Kristine Krebs

Tim Liston

Mike McCulloch

Sanel Alihodzic

Katie Krebs

Allen Alihodzic

Arvid Veidmark III

Lacey Wyatt

Terry LaBeau

Alfred Patterson

Mandy Greico

Nikola Kyrala

Chris Amundsen

Eric Bennett

Gate Code 57768

Steve's Back Page



2024 ABFAA State Field

Michael and Alfred shot in the ABFAA Field State Championships in Tucson. This follows the field archery rules of NFAA.

Alfred took 2nd place in Freestyle Senior Men

Michael took 7th place in Freestyle Adult Men

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