



# DSA Newsletter

## Pin Shoot - Shout Out!

DSA had excellent scores at our last Pin Shoot and usually July is never a good month for scoring.

First

Adi Tejwani earned his Indoor Recurve Bronze Olympian Pin!

Ellie Westfall shot her best score for 18 Meters

Jeni Gillespie shot her best score for 18 Meters

Ryan Bachman had his best per arrow average for 18 Meter shoot

Amy Krebs had her second best 18M score

Lilly Graham had her second best 18M Pin Shoot score

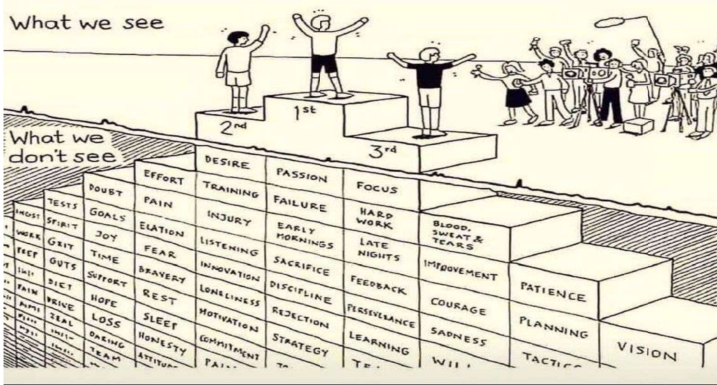
Max Gillespie had his 2nd best 18M score

Awesome Job!

## Upcoming Dates:

Team Practice (7:30pm-9:30pm)	8/2
Summer Sizzle	8/3-8/4
Competitive Practice (7:00pm-9:00pm)	8/7
Team Practice (7:30pm-9:30pm)	8/9
BASF Clinic (7:30am-9:30am)	8/10
Competitive Practice (7:00pm-9:00pm)	8/14
Team Practice (7:30pm-9:30pm)	8/16
Competitive Practice (7:00pm-9:00pm)	8/21
Team Practice (7:30pm-9:30pm)	8/23
Competitive Practice (7:00pm-9:00pm)	8/28
Beg/Int Class Session 5, Class 1 (6:30pm-7:30pm)	8/30
Team Practice (7:30pm-9:30pm)	8/30

## What people don't see:



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Haylie Moffett 8/11

Matt Hood 8/17

Samantha Allen 8/19

Ellie Westfall 8/24

**"The only time you should look back, is to see how far you've come."**

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Don't forget if you haven't already renewed your Membership, it was due by the end of July!!!

<https://form.jotform.com/62125382156149>



## Lesson Schedule for August:

### Wednesday Nights – Competitive Team

8-7 Summer Sizzle Review  
8-14 Freeshoot  
8-21 Aim Off discussion and Drill  
8-28 Pin Shoot

### Friday Nights – Team

8-9 Head to Heads  
8-16 Free Shoot  
8-23 King of the Hill  
8-30 Pin Shoot

\* Though our coaches will work very hard to adhere to this schedule, the lessons are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

## COACHES CORNER



### ATTENTION COACHES:

Beginning/Intermediate Class format

**(COACHES NEED TO ARRIVE AT 6PM)**

Week 1 Safety, warm up, stance, grip, hook  
Week 2 week 1 review, Set, Set UP, Draw, Anchor  
Week 3 week 1&2 review aim, expand, release, follow through  
Week 4 Reinforcement on 1-3  
Week 5 Reinforcement on 1-4  
Week 6 Scoring



### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

**Flyer Distribution—local businesses that have bulletin boards (please see Rick for flyers)**

**DSA Beginning/Intermediate Classes  
(August 30th)**

**BASF Clinic (August 10<sup>th</sup>)**



### REMINDER:

**DSA sponsored events generate revenue for our club and help keep our membership fees low.**

**- if we can't get volunteers, events will cancel = Fees go up!**

## what's happening

**Desert Destroyers hosting a Ranking Round  
Practice for State Outdoor  
August 10, 2019 (Naranja Park Archery Range - Oro  
Valley, AZ)**

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1m-0c-UhkMTJBthb2N\\_kz0n\\_ribO67P1c/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1m-0c-UhkMTJBthb2N_kz0n_ribO67P1c/view)

**USAT #4 2019 TX SHOOTOUT  
September 27-29, 2019**

<https://www.usarchery.org/events/event-information/34500>

**2019 AZ State Outdoor  
October 19/20, 2019 (BASF - Phoenix)**  
<https://form.jotform.com/82298790537168>

**Papago 900  
October 26, 2019 (Papago – Phoenix)**  
<http://www.papagoarchery.com/event/2019-papago-900-halloween-shoot/>



## 2019 JOAD Outdoor DSA Announcement

4 Desert Sky Archers made the trip to North Carolina. They braved sweltering heat with humidity, yuck!

The Nationals are 4 rounds of 36 arrows, elimination rounds and team rounds. With practice, 5 days of shooting.

Grace Reed, Spencer Yee, Kaitlin Kreidler and new member Laryn Dees all did great. Frequent visitor from Dream Chaser's, Amanda Branch, also made the trip.

### Qualifications

Spencer Yee Compound Junior Men, his best outdoor per arrow average in a year, Qualified 5th

Grace Reed Compound Junior Women, 2nd best outdoor per arrow average ever, Qualified 11th

Laryn Dees Compound Junior Women, great shoot new to DSA, Qualified 25th

Kaitlin Kreidler Compound Cub Women, 1st outdoor nats and did awesome Qualified 30th

Amanda Branch Compound Cadet Women, shot strong throughout, Qualified 38th

### Elimination Rounds

Spencer Yee made it to the Quarter Finals

Grace Reed made it to the 1/8th round

Laryn Dees made it to the 1/16th round

Kaitlin Kreidler made it to the 1/16th round

Amanda Branch made it to the 1/16th round

### Team rounds

Spencer Yee's team made it to the quarter finals

Grace Reed and Laryn Dees were on the same team and won the SILVER!

Kaitlin Kreidler's team made it to the quarter finals

Amana Branch's team made it to the 1/8th round



## Open Letter To Archery Parents(Coaches),

### “Sending the wrong message”

Parents and Coaches we have to do better. We have to set a better example. We are sending the wrong messages to our youth archery competitors when we don't follow rules and more importantly when we aren't explaining them. Your kids need to know how to keep score, keep running totals, and approach calling arrows and line etiquette with integrity and respect for their competitors. If your son or daughter shoots a national tournament, there is no excuse for writing down wrong scores, not keeping running score, not working as a team of individuals on each target no matter which competitor is shooting with you. Teach your kids how to be confident in their arrow calling and encourage them to resolve the call themselves. Let's not allow adult America's inability to agree to disagree trickle down to our kids.

When parents yell and scream at each other in front of their kids and other kids on the 3D course or tournament line, we're sending the wrong message. We are setting the wrong examples when we teach and promote our kids to worry more about playing mental games rather than their shooting game. If your son or daughter must rely on shifty arrow calls, flicking hats, bad attitudes, and being anything other than respectful or results driven their career will be shorter than yours was, if you had one.

Parents, stop seeking out archery sponsors. Teach your kids to seek greatness as a human being. Stop telling everyone your kid is sponsored. It only means something to you. Congrats on your discount but all it's doing is giving your kids an over inflated sense of self worth and puts more pressure by you on them to perform. Which means more self inflicted pressure by them just the same. Hope it's worth your 10% off.

Your shooter needs to be a kid first and archery competitor second, they are not billboards for your ego. They know nothing about sponsorships, social media, and what it really takes to be a “sponsored athlete”. You aren't “sponsored” unless you're getting free equipment and lots of it. Please stop, you're sending the wrong message. Your local bow shop giving you a discount doesn't make you a sponsored athlete.

Teach your shooters to pursue greatness through dedication and be driven off of their individual results. When you tell me, “my kid folds under pressure”, ask yourself why? When your kid folds under pressure and you refuse to believe it, re-evaluate your approach as a parent and your shooter's coaching, chances are you don't need to search very deep. Stop making excuses for them. Let them experience failure and learn how to climb out of its black hole ALONE. The tournament line is lonely enough as it is. It's not easy, have you done it? Don't expect them to do something you can't or haven't. If you knew what it felt like maybe you would back off.

Don't tell them how bad they did, don't say a word after the tournament about what they did wrong. Tell them “I love you, I'm proud, go take your mind off things.” They know they weren't great that day, let them process it first and even forget about it.

Move on.

Sincerely,  
A Former Kid Shooter