



**September 2024**

**DSA**

**Desert Sky Archers**

**Newsletter**

## New look for DSA

Welcome to September, time flies doesn't it. As you can see, the newsletter has a new format. Hopefully this will make it easier to read and follow what is going on in the club and your teammates. August had two big target archery tournaments. We hosted the Summer Sizzle and three archers attended the USA Archery Outdoor Nationals. I will have a very honest report later in this newsletter for the Outdoor Nationals.

Opening both Wednesday and Friday practices to all archers seems to be working very well. Archers are attending more often and their performance has increased. This extra practice time and the new notebooks are a huge plus to the club. Utilize the range time, use the notebooks; they are both invaluable assets to the club. The last page of the newsletter will contain links that are always available and contact information.

### Renewing Your Membership

Membership renewal was due at the end of August. If you are having troubles paying through the renewal link, let me know. One thing you can do is go into your browser history and delete it along with your cache and cookies. Once you do that, you should be fine. If not, I will send you a Paypal invoice. You will know you have not paid by an email that went out to you with a reminder. If you do not wish to renew, just let us know. If there is a financial issue, contact myself or Krista.

Here is the renewal link

[RENEW](#)

### Upcoming Tournaments

[DSA Iron Archer September 28-29](#)

[ABFAA International Round October 13](#)

[Papago 900 Oct 26](#)

[USAA AZ State Outdoor Oct 19-20](#)

[Fall Frenzy Nov 23-24](#)

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



## September Birthdays

Tyler Bachman

Rick Bachman

Kingston Chambers

Jason Walker

Natalia Swarts



## JOAD Pins

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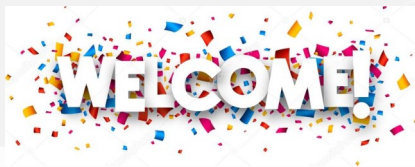
Jacob Happ



## New Members

Jacob Happ

Thomas Wasson



## 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

### DSA Iron Archer

- 2 day tournament
- 60 Arrow qualifying round
- Round Robins for top 48 archers

### ABFAA International Round

- 1 day tournament
- 20 targets in 5 yard increments
- Distance and target face depends on age
- No timer

### USAA AZ State Outdoor

- 2 day tournament
- Distances set by age and bow type
- 122cm for recurve and barebow
- 80cm six ring for compound
- Saturday is qualifying
- Sunday is elimination rounds
- Contact coach to confirm your distance
- Qualifying is 6 arrow ends
- Eliminations are 3 arrow ends
- Saturday you will be done about noon
- Sunday may take all day if you keep winning

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### Papago 900

- 1 day tournament
- 3 distances shot
- 30 arrows per distance
- 5 ends of six arrows
- Start with longest distance first, practice only on longest distance
- 122cm target face all divisions
- Distances are based on archers age division
- This shoot takes an entire day

### Fall Frenzy

- 1 day tournament
- 18 meters
- 12 ends of 5 arrows
- Rushmore target face

### Candy Cane Crunch

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



## 2024 Summer Sizzle

The 2024 Summer Sizzle was a lot of fun. We had archers from all around the state and even a few came in from Nevada! The 25 Meter distance is its own kind of difficult and combining that with the heat inside and outside the building, gives the Sizzle its name. One national record was tentatively broken by Ty Walter in Fixed Pin U13 Men. We also did have a few of the Summer Sizzle records broken or tied. Records were broken by Nikola Kyrala, Kurt Andersen, Eli Stadjuhar, Abigail Kippes, Randy Kettelhut, Ty Walter and Shanmukh Sandiri.

Madison Schlieff and Ryan Bachman received DSA Challenge Coins for attending all the previous Summer Sizzle tournaments and for their contributions to our local archery community. Another was given to a young man for his honesty and concern over knocking over a competitors bow to the point of tracking the archer down and sitting there with them until it was completely inspected.

The shooting was competition through most of the divisions. We even had a few new winners taking home the Summer Sizzle Dragon!

Results can be found on <https://www.betweenends.com/tournament/2031/event/3437>

DSA can not do this without its amazing volunteers.

Judges: Shawna Cordeiro, Krista Colonna, Michael McCulloch, Arvid Veidmark, Kerry Stadjuhar, Nico Baker.

Scoring: Steve Yee, Susan Yee

Photographers: Grace Reed, Kim Hicks, Katie Krebs

Volunteers: Jolynn Turner, Tim Turner, Corrin Turner, Dan Peknik, Wyatt Shepherd, Jamie Taylor, Tyler Bachman, Ryan Bachman, Melanie Bachman, Spencer Yee, Audry McCulloch, Penelope McCulloch.

Desert Sky Archers did a great job at the tournament!

Arvid Veidmark III 1st C50+M-his best Summer Sizzle ever.

Goran Dimitrov 1st BBSM-best Summer Sizzle

Eli Stadjuhar 1st CU13M-personal best tournament round

Eve Stadjuhar 1st CU18W-personal best single round score

Katie Krebs 1st CU21W-personal best 25M round score

Dan Baker 2nd R50+M-personal best Summer Sizzle podium

Abigail Veidmark 2nd CSW-personal best Summer Sizzle

Jac Stadjuhar 2nd CU21M-first Summer Sizzle podium

Dax Stadjuhar 2nd CU13M-first Summer Sizzle podium

Corrin Turner 2nd BBU18W-personal best Summer Sizzle round

Melody Richards 3rd RSW-shot strong but had to retire

Nicole Lord 3rd CSW-Nicole's third Summer Sizzle podium

Kate Gularte 3rd CU15W-personal best 24M scores

Ed Walters 4th CU18M-personal best 25M 30 arrow round.

Elyse McCulloch BBSW-1st tournament 25M round, shot great.

Jordyn Taylor 5th CU18M-destroyed his personal best 25M round.

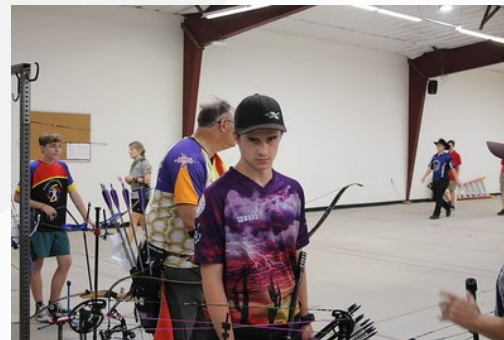
Dan Peknik 5th C50+M-personal best 25M round

Tyler Bachman 7th CSM-personal best 25M compound round

Wyatt Shepherd 8th CU18M-personal best 25M round

Michael McCulloch 9th CSM-personal best 25M round

Ryan Bachman 10th CSM-personal best 25M round



## 2024 USA Archery Outdoor Nationals

Ryan Bachman, Tyler Bachman, and Katie Krebs made the drive to Lubbock Texas. Yes, we drove. When I say we, Ryan, Tyler, and I drove. The others, Katie, and Kristine drove, yes Katie drove. Kristine was asked to jump in a judge when a couple of scheduled judges had to cancel. I knew at least one quality judge would be present. DSA people to the rescue. I was there to enjoy the time with Tyler and Ryan as a dad and be a coach to all three.

The drive took about 12 hours total but was very uneventful both there and back for us. Kristine and Katie had to stop at a sobriety check point that went up after we had gone past.

The first day was unofficial practice. All three shot reasonably well but it was obvious the wind was going to be brutal.

Off the Bachman's went to the host hotel. Between a crack in the toilet with a mysterious black goo coming out the crack, massive water damage to the walls and black mold on the ceiling, we needed to leave. We stayed one night due to being that tired. But we escaped in the morning before the mold reenacted a scene from the movie The Blob. The new place was much nicer.

The following morning, we went back to the range expecting the range to be decorated in a manner befitting a nationals. We expected vendors from at least a couple of the brands we use. We arrived to nothing. Almost no decoration. No vendors. Even the signage was lacking. I guess they do not do it to DSA standards. Little or no direction on check in and inspection. I had to hunt down where to go to get my coaches' pass. The person was not ready and had no idea what to do. Once Tyler and Ryan got checked in and bows inspected by a broken bow scale (I say broken because it was low by at least 10%), they started practice. The gophers, grounds hogs, prairie dogs or whatever they are, owned the field. It was riddled with holes and tunnels. The para-archers struggled to keep their wheelchairs from sinking into the tunnels. By noon, the temperature had gone up enough to warrant ending practice.

The next morning saw a strong but cool wind. Everyone struggled with it. It was the second most talked about topic. They boys shot okay with Ryan dealing with a weird swelling of his left hand to the point that it looked like I could pop his fingers with a pin. Eventually he cracked his knuckles and the swelling went down. We still do not know what caused it. His hand was sore all tournament. When the scores were done, I do not think more than 1 or 2 people were happy with their numbers. I sat and watched numerous people sit in areas without permission. Kids and family members sitting with archers. Spectators sitting in the coaches area. No one was following Safesport guidelines. Katie stayed and shot in the mixed team rounds bringing home another medal from a nationals. She and her teammate took second place in the compound division. WTG Katie!

The second day of qualifying was basically the same. Only Katie got to shoot from a pitchers mound because they had tried to fill a collapse ground hog hole area, and they failed miserably. Katie dug out her area and shot very well all day. The boys shot better but still not at a level they would truly be happy with.

The last day and elimination day saw less wind and higher temperatures. What little infrastructure that had been put up to support the tournament already started being pulled down before the first arrow was shot. The boys shot strong in the eliminations but lost in the first round. Katie went out in the 1/eighth round but did great against the eventual winner. Katie shot as a senior archer to get experience (remember, she is U21) and did an excellent job.

All three did have a fun time meeting new archers and reconnecting with some they had not seen in a while.

The people of Lubbock were wonderful, the food was great. Even though the presentation of the tournament was not as it should be, we had a wonderful time. We will go again.

## When to Stop

### Notes From Maya's Quiver

Sorry for the grim start, but let us get into it. It is no secret that I have had my fair share of injuries from this sport, bit of a touchy subject so let's exploit it for the greater good! Listen, this isn't just about the physical aspect of stopping, but also the mental; I seem to be a better therapist than an archer these days!

Story time! Back in the day, I, being 5'1 and 115 lbs, was shooting almost fifty pounds. I was also shooting at least 6 days a week and well over 100 arrows. "Practice makes perfect, but I will never be perfect," was the sole thought going through my mind every single day. I sought after negativity to thrive on to the point where I asked my mother to stop telling me I was shooting well and to replace any pride with disappointment. She didn't, I guess she loved me too much or whatever. So, all of this came to a boiling point. It was a terrible day, on a not so great week, in a dreadful month, of a horrible year for me and my family and archery was my only outlet. My head was swarming with negativity and self hatred, my body was exhausted from all the shooting, and my back was in pain, nothing was quite right. I got up to the line, I was loading up to shoot and everything just felt wrong. Full draw felt wrong, but I released anyway. The crack was heard across the building and the scream that escaped my lips was irrevocable. You can ask the people who were there that day, it was rather dramatic. My face was wet, my shoulder in indescribable pain, and people around me were very concerned. Then I went into physical therapy for two years to repair all four muscles in my rotator cuff.

Good Lord, that was wordy and I am not even to my main point, so let's get to it. Obviously, a lot of physical and mental problems went into this cluster of wrongs. Why do I feel the need to share? Well, I am glad I asked, I keep seeing so many people in the club grip their shoulders in pain or shoot until failure; or even talking so badly about their score when they are shooting when it's their personal best.

IF YOU FEEL PAIN - STOP. FOR THE SAKE OF YOURSELF PLEASE STOP BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE. Do you want physical therapy for years? Do you want to experience having torn and ripped muscles? Do you want to not be able to move your neck or raise your arm above your head? When you feel the first beginning of pain, it could very well be the last time you can shoot or even have normal function. Not to make this article written by me, about me, for my club about me, but, I feel genuine envy when I see y'all shoot with pain and continue to do it. Because you can, because it hasn't ruined you yet. Yet.

Now, as for you Negative Nelly's in the club - stop. Most of the people I see who are the most negative are the best shooters in the club. You average a score of 280 and above, talking some game about, "I am shooting so bad, OMG I dropped a 9 the world is over, I only shot a 287 and now I'm mad at everyone." In the nicest, most respectable, and loving way possible: Shut up, please. Are you incapable of seeing the people around you who are actually not doing well or who will never reach those scores? I understand you did not shoot the way you want, but don't take it out on others.

Furthermore, don't take it out on yourself. Everyone has highs and lows and every time you shoot it is a lesson about yourself. Don't throw away that wisdom because you wish to be miserable instead. Don't lie to me either, "I don't want to be miserable," REALLY? You don't want to be miserable? If you don't want to be miserable you would be happy that you are where you are. Heck, if you love it you would love the bad days along with the good days. If you are at the point where every time you shoot you are angry or crying or whining to everyone and their mother, take a break. Recoup. See what you really want out of this.

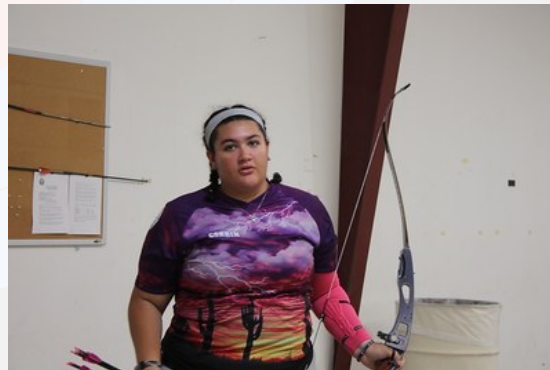
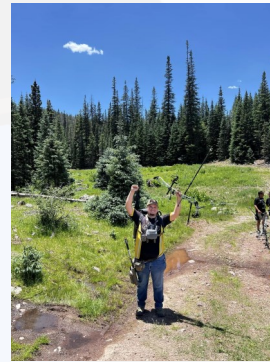
My closing message is this: there is no shame in stopping. If you need to stop, please do. Even if you love it and you don't want to, you might be doing even more harm than anything.

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## September Schedule

- Wed Sept 4 Review Aug Archer Evaluation
- Fri Sept 6 Review Aug Archer Evaluation
- Sat Sept 7 - Open Practice
- Wed Sept 11 Head to Head Alt Shooting
- Fri Sept 13 Head to Head Alt Shooting
- Sat Sept 14 - BASF Clinic and Open practice after 10AM
- Wed Sept 18 301 Game
- Fri Sept 20 - Pin Shoot
- Wed Sept 25 - Pin Shoot
- Fri Sept 27 - Mock Tournament
- Sat Sept 28 - DSA Iron Archer
- Sun Sept 29 - DSA Iron Archer





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

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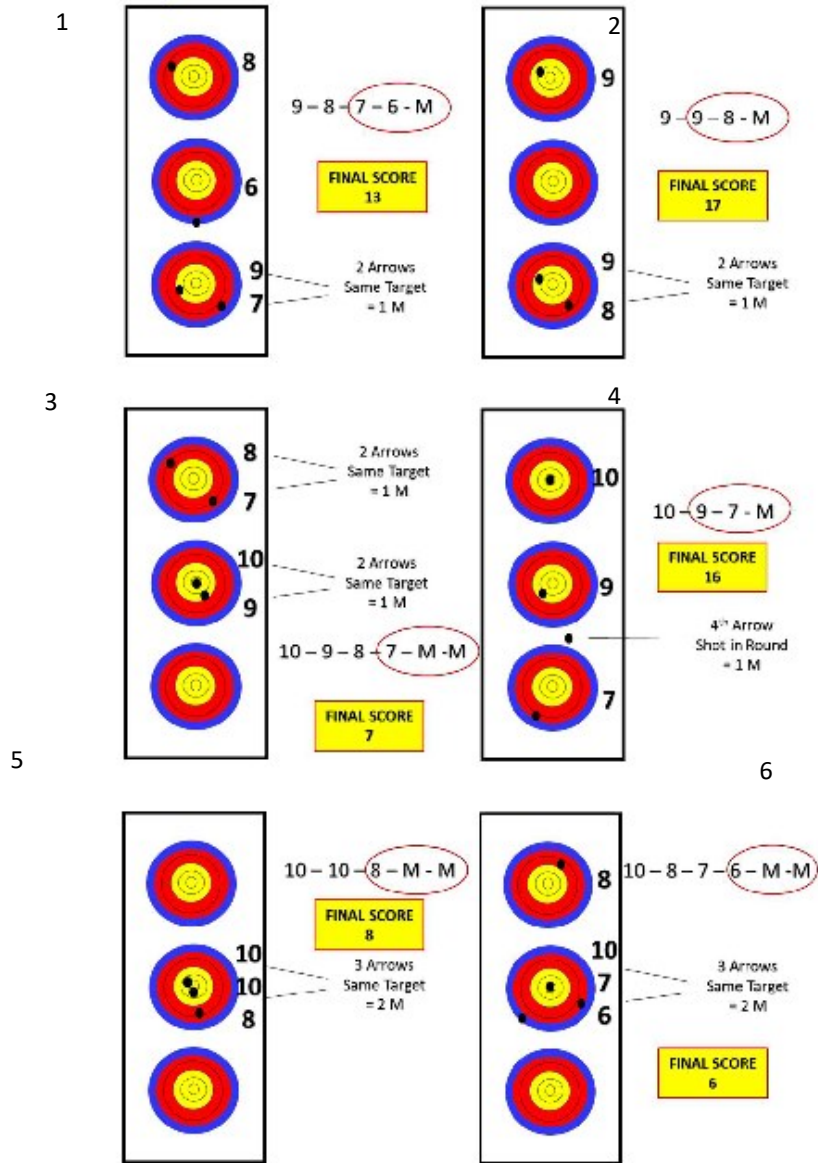
Nikola Kyrala

Chris Amundsen

Eric Bennett

# Steve's Back Page

## World Archery 3 Spot Scoring



### WA RULE 14.1.6.

For indoor events when triple faces are used, arrows may be shot in any order, but if more than one arrow is shot into the same scoring area, both (or all) arrows count as part of that end, but only the lowest value arrow shall score. The other arrow, or arrows, in the same spot shall be scored as a miss, or as misses. Any arrow missing the outermost blue 6-zone shall be scored as a miss.

### Indoor Scoring on a 3 spot.

Sometimes archers make mistakes. Yes it is true. Archers are not perfect.

To the left are six examples of common 3 spot archer errors. Not just shooting too many arrows or too many in the wrong target, but even how to score it properly. Can you follow the logic on how it is scored?

1. Two issues here, too many arrows and two in the same scoring rings. Score all arrows and a miss for two arrows in one scoring ring, 3 lowest scores selected.
2. One issue here, too many arrows in one scoring ring. Score 3 arrows plus the miss for two in one scoring ring, 3 lowest scores selected.
3. Lots of issues here, Score all arrows plus two misses for two rings with multiple arrows.
4. Score all 4 arrows, lowest 3 scores selected.
5. Score all 3 arrows plus two misses for the 2 extra in the center rings. 3 lowest scores.
6. This is similar to five. Score all 4 arrows plus the two extra in center spot. 3 lowest

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