



2026 HANDBOOK

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Range Quality Board

*established to ensure quality within the MAA ranges;
primary goals are: safety, range setup, and target quality*

Jarvis Hamilton
Jennings Freeman Jr.
Joey Moffett
Alternate: Ken Leggett

MAA Ranges

Laurel Bowhunters 95 Major Ulmer Rd Laurel, MS John McClain 601-323-4440	Little River Bowmen 962 Sullivan Dr Hattiesburg, MS Or 910 Game Reserve Rd Columbia, MS Stephen Hudson 601-606-6159	Pearl River Archery Range 515 MS-16 Cathage, MS Jarvis Hamilton 601-480-7249	Percy Quin Archery Percy Quin State Park (cross over the spillway, then up to the top of the hill) Jennings Freeman, Jr 601-810-0868 James Whittington 601-248-6464
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Class	Max Yardage	Stake
Men's Open	50yd	White
Senior Masters Known (>70yo)	40yd	Red
Senior (50-69yo)	45yd	Pink
Known 50	50	White
Known 40	40	Red
Bowhunter	40	Red
Women's Bowhunter	30	Blue
Women's K40	40	Red
Open 40 (Men or Women Unknown)	40	Red
Traditional	25yd	Yellow
Barebow	30yd	Blue
High School (9 th -12 th)	40yd	Red
Middle School (6 th -8 th)	30yd	Blue
Elementary (3 rd -5 th)	20yd	Green
Eagle (K-2 nd)	No Stake (parents choice)	
Gen X	25yd	Yellow

All Youth classes will receive a trophy for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Places

All classes (except Eagle) must have minimum of (3) shooters to give trophies.

3 shooters ————— 1st place trophy only

4-5 shooter ————— 1st and 2nd place trophies

6-up ————— 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies

FUN CLASS

No scores will be counted. Any equipment (SEE FUN CLASS RULES)

Equipment Rules

All “Open” classes may use any bow, sight, release, stabilizer or equipment. Overdraws do not designate shoot class or shooting style. Sight type and/or stabilizer type is the determining factors for all non-Open classes. Bowhunter class rules will be any hunting sight (including movable non micro click hunting sight) “no magnification allowed” stabilizers no longer than 12 inches. Senior Open Money shooters must be 50 years and older. MS Archery Association reserves the right to review any equipment/accessories and determine its suitability for competition. The following equipment/accessories are prohibited in all classes: (1) **BROADHEADS** or any other point not intended for target use; (2) Retaining mechanisms which allow the bow to be mechanically held in the drawn position; (3) Crossbows; (4) Laser sights; (5) Devices or an outside agency (including stabilizer bar or prop stick) that allows the mass weight of the bow to be relieved from either arm while shooting.

Fun Class

The fun class is for anyone who wants to shoot without competing with other shooters. No scores will be counted, nor will any trophies or money be given in this class. You can shoot any equipment that falls within the “equipment rules” and you may shoot from any stake.

All ranges must have a practice range setup with a minimum of 4 practice bags at 10, 20, 30 and 40 yards

All shoots are 20 targets

Registration for all tournaments will be from 9:00-9:45am, Tournaments will begin at **10:00**

****The Championship will be a shotgun start at 10:00 am.***

GENERAL RULES:

1. All tournaments will generally follow ASA rules; Certain MAA rules may apply

2. Maximum Arrow Speed

**Men's Open, Open40, Senior Known,
Senior Masters, Known40, Known 50**

290 feet per second

**Traditional, Men's Bowhunter &
Men's Bowhunter Novice**

280 feet per second

Women's Known 40:

280 feet per second

Women's Known 30:

260 feet per second

HS, MS, Elem, Eagle:

240 feet per second

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A 3% tolerance will be given to allow for differences in meters. Without notice, Mississippi Archery Association reserves the right to check the speed of your equipment. Spot checks are subject to be made on the shooting range. If your bow is above the allowed speed you will be disqualified.

3. Shooters are not allowed to compete in more than one class, (if the shooter chooses to shoot in more than one class, only the class and score from the first round will be counted).
4. **Archers will shoot in groups of no more than 5 shooters and no less than 3 shooters (except for extreme circumstances).**
5. One group shall not hold up the following group while looking for lost arrows. Carry enough arrows to continue, without spending excessive time looking for lost arrows.

6. A shooter has two minutes from the time he/she steps up to the stake to shoot the target.
7. A shooter must touch or straddle the stake while shooting, not doing so scores an X on that target.
8. No shooter or group shall walk to the stake of the next target, until the group shooting that target has moved to their next target.
9. Once an arrow is shot the shooter should immediately move away from the stake so the next shooter may shoot without being delayed.
10. Binoculars are legal at all shoots.
11. Range finders are **only** legal in known distance classes.
12. Only one shot allowed at each target **except for the traditional archery class. The Traditional archery class may shoot 2 arrows at each target.**
13. Eagle & Jr. Eagle shooters should shoot after the other shooters in the group have shot.
14. Beman or other arrows with points mounted on the outer side of the shaft, cannot be used. (Due to the damage these arrows cause to 3D targets.)
15. No alcoholic beverages, or controlled substances, may be carried on or consumed on the tournament grounds under penalty of disqualification. No shooter will be allowed to compete while under the influence of alcohol or any other controlled substance(s) under penalty of disqualification.
16. **Making A Protest** - The person protesting must in writing describe the nature of the protest and sign the protest. The protest must then be given to a tournament official or an officer of the MS Archery Association along with a \$25.00 protest fee. If the protest is found to be invalid the \$25.00 goes to the MS Archery Association, otherwise it will be returned to the person protesting. (Protest can only be made the day of the tournament, prior to the awarding of trophies).
17. Spectators must not harass or disturb any shooter. Spectators should remain silent while a shooter is at the stake making a shot.
18. No one may use any type of device that aids in holding the bow in a drawn position without the archer using physical strength to hold the let-off weight of the bow.
19. If there is only one archer in a class, then that archer is qualified for single payout.
19. **Ther must be at least 3 shooters in a money class to qualify for payouts**

Scoring Rules

1. Arrows must remain in the target until all shooters have shot and the arrows have been scored. If any arrow is removed before being scored, all shooters in the group will be disqualified. (If You are disqualified, that shoot will not count as one of the required shoots for the high points awards.)
2. The arrow shaft must touch the line, to be scored the higher value. The status of any doubtful arrows must be determined before drawing any arrow from the target. Such arrows may not be touched until a judgment has been made. All members of the group must agree on the scores before any arrows are removed.
3. Arrows passing through the face of the target but remaining in the target, must be pushed back and scored.
4. If an arrow hits another shooter's arrow, the arrow being shot is scored where it lands.
5. Any arrow embedded (A Robin Hood) in the nock of another arrow will be scored the same as the arrow in which it struck.
6. A (miss, glance off or bounce out) is scored as an "X."
7. Arrows will be scored as follows:

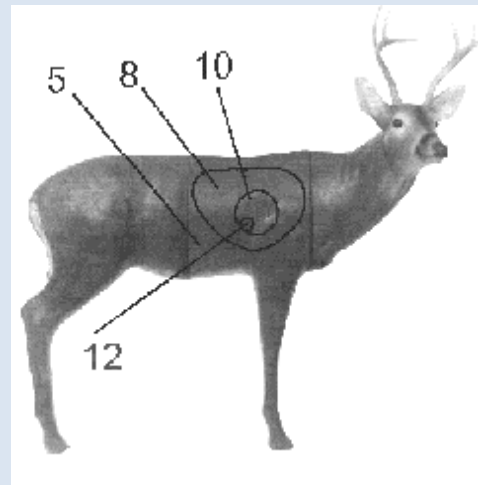
12 Points

10 Points

8 Points

5 Points

(Miss, Pass Through, Glance Off or Bounce Out)



8. Upper 12 ring can be shot and scored as a 12 if the shooter calls the upper 12 and if the target being shot has an upper 12. It is the responsibility of the shooter to know if the target being shot has an upper 12 as all ranges may not have targets containing upper 12s.

For Rinehart targets: You may call either scoring ring, but this must be done before you shoot your arrow.

Note: Some targets may have a 12 ring in the center of the 10, if an arrow falls in this ring it is scored as a 10. Only the 12 ring located in the lower back side of the 10 scores a 12 unless the upper 12(if available) is called then the shooter can hit it and score a 12.

9. A dropped arrow is one that falls off while being transferred from the quiver to the string in preparation for a shot, or which falls from the string during a controlled letdown. A dropped arrow may be re-shot. Any arrow that is released by the string at any time is counted as a shot and scored, unless it is announced that it is a controlled letdown. A controlled letdown must be verbally announced prior to letting down. This can also be re-shot.

10. 14 Ring will only be play during a Shoot Down.

Tie Breakers

In the event of a tie for first, second or third place in money class, the winner will be determined by the archer who has the most 12s during the competition. If there is tie with 12s, then whichever archer has the the most 10s will be the winner. If the archers are sill tied, the archer who scores the least amount of 5s and 8s will be the winner. If both archers are still tied, and present, there will be a shoot off for the place in question. If archers are not present, then the archers will split the money for the place they are competing against.

Score Cards

Two score cards will be kept. Turn in both cards signed by score keeper and yourself. Score cards must be tallied and signed when turned in.

Each shooter is responsible for his or her score card being recorded by the tournament score keeper. You should verify with the tournament score keeper that your score has been recorded in the record book before leaving the tournament.

Tournament Entry Fee Standard

Entry Fee

Entry Fee for **Men's Open, k50,k40,wk40, Sr known, Sr Masters, Bowhunter, High School, Traditional Women's Bowhunter** classes is \$30.00

Entry Fee **Fun Round** is \$20.00

Entry Fee for **Middle School** Classes is \$10.00

Entry Fee for **Gen X** Classes is \$10.00

Entry Fee for **Elem. School** Class \$5.00

Entry fee for **Eagle** Class will be \$5.00

Entry fee for **AIMS** Class will be **FREE**

ALL MONIES MUST BE TURNED INTO STACY HUDSON NO LATER THEN 2 WEEKS FROM DATE OF SHOOT. MONIES MUST BE SENT TO SECRETARY.

STACY HUDSON
875 Old River Rd
Moselle, MS 39459

Score can be sent to James Whittington via text/picture message @ 601-248-6464 or email to whitt3rx@mississippiarchery.com

2026 Mississippi Archery Association Shooter of the Year Program

Qualification Requirements:

Archer must post a score at minimum from 4 different MAA Ranges, if an archer shoots at the same range more than once, only the highest score will be used for calculating SOY Points.

To win Shooter of the Year.

$(\text{Range 1 Score} + \text{Range 2 Score} + \text{Range 3 Score} + \text{Range 4 Score}) + \text{Championship Score} = \text{SOY}$

No minimum requirement of archers per class for 2025 SOY

MAA SOY Classes
Men's Open
Senior Masters Known (>70yo)
Senior (50-69yo)
Known 50
Known 40
Bowhunter
Women's Bowhunter
Women's K40
Open (40, 45, 50) (Men or Women Unknown)
Traditional
Barebow
High School (9 th -12 th)
Middle School (6 th -8 th)
Elementary (3 rd -5 th)
Eagle (K-2 nd)
Gen X Class

Updated Open Class Information:

Open 40, Open 45, & Open 50
Will be combined for the 2026 MAA
Tournament Season

To make the judging classes more competitive, the Open 40, Open 45 and Open 50 Classes have been combined in Class only, but not in distance.

National Level Meaning: The class you shoot at a national tournament, such as ASA or IBO

Shooting Rule:

- If an archer participates in Open 40 at a national level, then that archer will be allowed to shoot from the 40, 45, or 50 yard stake.
- If the archer participates from the 45yard stake at the national level, then the archer will be allowed to shoot from the 45 or 50yard stake, but not at the 40yard stake.
- If the archer participates from the 50 yard stake at the national level, then that archer will only be allowed to shoot from the 50yard stake
- Any Youth that wants to judge distance, may also compete in this class, and may shoot from the 30 Yard Stake. Youth must pay adult entry fee and will be eligible for pay back.

1. Archers may shoot up a class, but not down a class.
2. Archers must choose max distance class at registration, and shoot from that stake for the entire tournament. (40yd stake class, 45yd stake class, etc)
3. 40 Yard Stake means up to a max distance of 40yds, 45 yard Stake means up to a max distance of 45yds, etc

The MAA goal for allowing classes to merge in a way to promote competition, and allow archers who may have competed in a class with only one archer to now have competition.

Archers must identify what max distance they will shoot from at registration; this distance will be denoted for tracking purposes only.

2026

**Mississippi Archery Association
Championship**

Location

**Little River Bowman
962 Sullivan Dr
Hattiesburg, MS**

Date

July 25, 2026

Start Time

Shotgun Start 10:00 a.m.

Entry Fees

***K50, K40, Open, Open 40, WK40, Senior Known,
Sr Masters Known
Bowhunter, Women's Bowhunter, High School,
Barebow, Traditional
Entry Fee \$40***

***Middle School \$10.00
Elem. School \$10.00
Eagle \$5.00***

*2027 Mississippi
Archer Association
Board Meeting*

*Will be:
Saturday*

TBA

*All Ranges Must
Attend 2027 Meeting*

Payback Schedule for club events:

		Entry Fee	Club	MAA	Payback
		\$25.00	\$15.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Number of Archers	Total \$\$\$				
		1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	
1	\$5.00	\$5.00			
2	\$10.00	\$10.00			
3	\$15.00	\$15.00			
4	\$20.00	\$20.00			
5	\$25.00	\$25.00			
6	\$30.00	\$21.00	\$9.00		
7	\$35.00	\$24.50	\$10.50		
8	\$40.00	\$28.00	\$12.00		
9	\$45.00	\$31.50	\$13.50		
10	\$50.00	\$35.00	\$15.00		
11	\$55.00	\$27.50	\$16.50	\$11.00	
12	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$18.00	\$12.00	
13	\$65.00	\$32.50	\$19.50	\$13.00	
14	\$70.00	\$35.00	\$21.00	\$14.00	
15	\$75.00	\$37.50	\$22.50	\$15.00	
16	\$80.00	\$40.00	\$24.00	\$16.00	
17	\$85.00	\$42.50	\$25.50	\$17.00	
18	\$90.00	\$45.00	\$27.00	\$18.00	
19	\$95.00	\$47.50	\$28.50	\$19.00	
20	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	
21	\$105.00	\$52.50	\$31.50	\$21.00	
22	\$110.00	\$55.00	\$33.00	\$22.00	
23	\$115.00	\$57.50	\$34.50	\$23.00	
24	\$120.00	\$60.00	\$36.00	\$24.00	
25	\$125.00	\$62.50	\$37.50	\$25.00	
26	\$130.00	\$65.00	\$39.00	\$26.00	
27	\$135.00	\$67.50	\$40.50	\$27.00	
28	\$140.00	\$70.00	\$42.00	\$28.00	
29	\$145.00	\$72.50	\$43.50	\$29.00	
30	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	

		Entry Fee	Club	MAA	Payback		
		\$30.00	\$15.00	\$5.00	\$10.00		
Number of Archers	Total \$\$\$			1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	
1	\$10.00			\$10.00			
2	\$20.00			\$20.00			
3	\$30.00			\$30.00			
4	\$40.00			\$40.00			
5	\$50.00			\$50.00			
6	\$60.00			\$42.00	\$18.00		
7	\$70.00			\$49.00	\$21.00		
8	\$80.00			\$56.00	\$24.00		
9	\$90.00			\$63.00	\$27.00		
10	\$100.00			\$70.00	\$30.00		
11	\$110.00			\$55.00	\$33.00	\$22.00	
12	\$120.00			\$60.00	\$36.00	\$24.00	
13	\$130.00			\$65.00	\$39.00	\$26.00	
14	\$140.00			\$70.00	\$42.00	\$28.00	
15	\$150.00			\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	
16	\$160.00			\$80.00	\$48.00	\$32.00	
17	\$170.00			\$85.00	\$51.00	\$34.00	
18	\$180.00			\$90.00	\$54.00	\$36.00	
19	\$190.00			\$95.00	\$57.00	\$38.00	
20	\$200.00			\$100.00	\$60.00	\$40.00	
21	\$210.00			\$105.00	\$63.00	\$42.00	
22	\$220.00			\$110.00	\$66.00	\$44.00	
23	\$230.00			\$115.00	\$69.00	\$46.00	
24	\$240.00			\$120.00	\$72.00	\$48.00	
25	\$250.00			\$125.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	
26	\$260.00			\$130.00	\$78.00	\$52.00	
27	\$270.00			\$135.00	\$81.00	\$54.00	
28	\$280.00			\$140.00	\$84.00	\$56.00	
29	\$290.00			\$145.00	\$87.00	\$58.00	
30	\$300.00			\$150.00	\$90.00	\$60.00	

Payback for MAA Championship

	Entry Fee	Club	MAA	Payback	
	\$30.00	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$15.00	
Number of Archers	Total \$\$\$		1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
1	\$15.00		\$15.00		
2	\$30.00		\$30.00		
3	\$45.00		\$45.00		
4	\$60.00		\$60.00		
5	\$75.00		\$75.00		
6	\$90.00		\$63.00	\$27.00	
7	\$105.00		\$73.50	\$31.50	
8	\$120.00		\$84.00	\$36.00	
9	\$135.00		\$94.50	\$40.50	
10	\$150.00		\$105.00	\$45.00	
11	\$165.00		\$82.50	\$49.50	\$33.00
12	\$180.00		\$90.00	\$54.00	\$36.00
13	\$195.00		\$97.50	\$58.50	\$39.00
14	\$210.00		\$105.00	\$63.00	\$42.00
15	\$225.00		\$112.50	\$67.50	\$45.00
16	\$240.00		\$120.00	\$72.00	\$48.00
17	\$255.00		\$127.50	\$76.50	\$51.00
18	\$270.00		\$135.00	\$81.00	\$54.00
19	\$285.00		\$142.50	\$85.50	\$57.00
20	\$300.00		\$150.00	\$90.00	\$60.00
21	\$315.00		\$157.50	\$94.50	\$63.00
22	\$330.00		\$165.00	\$99.00	\$66.00
23	\$345.00		\$172.50	\$103.50	\$69.00
24	\$360.00		\$180.00	\$108.00	\$72.00
25	\$375.00		\$187.50	\$112.50	\$75.00
26	\$390.00		\$195.00	\$117.00	\$78.00
27	\$405.00		\$202.50	\$121.50	\$81.00
28	\$420.00		\$210.00	\$126.00	\$84.00
29	\$435.00		\$217.50	\$130.50	\$87.00
30	\$450.00		\$225.00	\$135.00	\$90.00

	Entry Fee \$40.00	Club \$20.00	MAA \$0.00	Payback \$20.00	
Number of Archers	Total \$\$\$		1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
1	\$20.00		\$20.00		
2	\$40.00		\$40.00		
3	\$60.00		\$60.00		
4	\$80.00		\$60.00		
5	\$100.00		\$80.00		
6	\$120.00		\$100.00	\$36.00	
7	\$140.00		\$98.00	\$42.00	
8	\$160.00		\$112.00	\$48.00	
9	\$180.00		\$126.00	\$54.00	
10	\$200.00		\$140.00	\$60.00	
11	\$220.00		\$110.00	\$66.00	\$44.00
12	\$240.00		\$120.00	\$72.00	\$48.00
13	\$260.00		\$130.00	\$78.00	\$52.00
14	\$280.00		\$140.00	\$84.00	\$56.00
15	\$300.00		\$150.00	\$90.00	\$60.00
16	\$320.00		\$160.00	\$96.00	\$64.00
17	\$340.00		\$170.00	\$102.00	\$68.00
18	\$360.00		\$180.00	\$108.00	\$72.00
19	\$380.00		\$190.00	\$114.00	\$76.00
20	\$400.00		\$200.00	\$120.00	\$80.00
21	\$420.00		\$210.00	\$126.00	\$84.00
22	\$440.00		\$220.00	\$132.00	\$88.00
23	\$460.00		\$230.00	\$138.00	\$92.00
24	\$480.00		\$240.00	\$144.00	\$96.00
25	\$500.00		\$250.00	\$150.00	\$100.00
26	\$520.00		\$260.00	\$156.00	\$104.00
27	\$540.00		\$270.00	\$162.00	\$108.00
28	\$560.00		\$280.00	\$168.00	\$112.00
29	\$580.00		\$290.00	\$174.00	\$116.00
30	\$600.00		\$300.00	\$180.00	\$120.00