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President's Message



Once again, we have survived another summer. Hopefully, by the time you read this our triple-digit temperatures will be a thing of the past. As the temperatures begin to cool and the days grow shorter, we will again welcome our 'snowbird' friends as they begin arriving on their annual migration.

If you haven't visited the range for a while, you may notice a few improvements. In addition to the makeover of the concession stand last spring, we have begun installing target frames on the archery range on which bag targets can be hung. This is an ongoing work-in-progress but will hopefully be complete in time for the "Hunt for Charity" shoot in December.

This year we will hold our first annual "Turkey Shoot" on Sunday, November 10th in addition to our other two annual events, "Hunt for Charity" and "Walk the Trails". Division winners of the Turkey Shoot will take home a Thanksgiving Turkey. It is also rumored that the rare and illusive Gila Swamp Gobbler has been spotted in the area. Beware: This bird has been known to eat arrows for lunch!

You will also notice that a good portion of our newsletter this quarter will be spotlighting our growing JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development) program. SWBH has partnered with Yuma Parks and Recreation department to establish a local JOAD club that meets weekly at the Yuma Civic Center/Yuma Readiness Center (for more info on JOAD, please go to <http://southwestbowhunters.net>).

Shoot Straight,

Keith C. Parsels

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USA Archery Announces 2019 Spring JOAD GRANT

FROM: US Archery News, July 03, 2019

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colorado - USA Archery is happy to announce 2019 Ann Hoyt/Jim Easton Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD) Grant recipients. JOAD Clubs in good standing can request grant funds for items such as target stands, archery equipment, general supplies and coaching certifications. The grant is designed to assist clubs by providing resources for long-term equipment usage and club development.

Congratulations to the following clubs that received grant funds:

- Boneyard Hawgs
- BWANA JOAD
- Central Texas Archery of Austin
- Chicago Archery Club
- **City of Yuma Parks and Recreation Department**
- Commonwealth of Virginia (GSCV) Flaming Arrows
- Hoover Parks and Recreation
- Ohlone JOAD Club
- Ore Creek Archery
- The Olympic Arrow

Kenneth Conway, City of Yuma Recreation Coordinator and Certified Archery Instructor commented, "While our city has provided a youth outreach archery program that serves middle schools in the community for the past five years, it has only been two years since the inaugural USA Archery JOAD program launched. Amazingly, our program has introduced over 2,000 students to archery every year since 2014. We offer an instructive, inclusive, and safe place to grow their competence in the international sport of archery and their mastery for Olympic-level competition.

"With our recent Ann Hoyt/Jim Easton JOAD grant award, we are able to better serve budding archers, continue our robust outreach efforts especially among minority youth, and help further develop those with a drive to compete. Thank you so very much for your generous financial support, which helps us to achieve such results!"

The \$1,000 grant will be used to purchase six new Olympic-style recurve youth bows for use by our JOAD students.

SWBH/YPR Indoor Tournament Results

August 25 was the date of the City of Yuma Youth Archery Tournament. The high score awards, that were donated by the Southwest Bowhunters, went to Fernando Bedoya 1st place, received \$200, 2nd Place was Jesen Miller who received \$150, and 3rd was Parker Gwynn, who received \$100. The second and third place awards were decided by a one- arrow shoot off. Everyone who participated had a great time.



L-R: Fernando Bedoya, Jesen Miller, Parker Gwynn.

JOAD 3D Shoot Results

Seven young archers who have participated in the Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD) program, tested their skills in a 3D archery tournament at the Adair Park Archery Range on Sunday, September 15, 2019. The event was sponsored by the City of Yuma Department of Parks and Recreation and Southwest Bowhunters Archery Club. All the archers were from the City of Yuma, JOAD archery program. The course consisted of 15 targets, two arrows each from different distances.

Results:

Girls 8-9 yrs of age:

First Place, Gold Medal, score 108, **Ella Harrison**
Second Place, Silver Medal, score 86, **Parker Gwynn**

Girls 10 -18 yrs of age:

First Place, Gold Medal, score 157, **Molly Sims**

Boys 8-9yrs of age:

First Place, Gold Medal score 161, **Jeson Miller**
Second Place, Silver Medal, score, 148 **Jon Jordan**
Third Place, Bronze Medal, score 124, **Levi Padilla**

Boys 10-18 yrs of Age:

First Place, Gold Medal, score 193, **Keith Lanahan II**

First Annual TURKEY SHOOT

New this year, the *SWBH Turkey Shoot* will be held on the morning of November 10th at the Adair Park Archery Range. The shoot will begin at 9:00am with a “shotgun” start and will consist of 28 3D targets, There will also be a pot shot featuring the rare and illusive "Desert Swamp Gobbler", for those of you who like to live dangerously!

First place winners in each category will receive a frozen turkey for their Thanksgiving feast! There will be eight categories eligible for Turkey prizes:

- Men’s and Women’s Compound
- Men’s and Women’s Traditional
- Youth (8 - 16 yrs) Boy’s and Girl’s Compound
- Youth (8 - 16 yrs) Boy’s and Girl’s Traditional

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place boys and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place girls under 8 years of age will win pins.

Adult Non-members - \$20; Adult Members and Active Military - \$15; Kids under 12 - \$10.

This will be a family fun event, so don't miss out!!

Member Spotlight: Taylor Rogers

Those of us who hang out at the Adair Archery Range have noticed a few new faces in recent months. One of those is Taylor Rogers. Originally from



New Orleans, Taylor graduated from Delgado Community College with honors in Applied Animal Science in Veterinary Technology in 2017, and then in 2019, she graduated from LSU as a Professional Photographer. She has always loved the outdoors and archery was something she wanted to learn about. So, when she and Jonathan moved to Yuma, she realized that this was a great time to start.

Taylor is learning to shoot an Olympic-style recurve bow, under the watchful eye of her coach, Keith Parsels. Keith is very enthusiastic about Taylor’s progress in the short period of time she has been an archer, and believes that with her dedication to the sport, she will go far. Good luck Taylor, and welcome to Yuma!

SAVE THE DATE:

Upcoming SWBH Events

- **1st Annual Turkey Shoot** - 28 3D Targets. Sunday, November 10th, 9:00am. Shotgun Start.
- **Hunt for Charity** - December 7th & 8th - 60 3D targets.
- **Walk the Trails** - February 15th & 16th - 60 3D targets.

Volunteers Always Needed

The Southwest Bowhunters archery range at Adair Shooting Park would not exist if it weren't for the efforts of our member volunteers. Range upkeep and improvements are made possible by the generosity of several of our club members and many local businesses who donate time, money, and materials.

Please consider volunteering to help maintain and improve our facility. For more information on how you can help, call Keith at (928) 750-7620.

Reminder: Alcohol is not permitted on the range at any time. Your safety is paramount. Thank you for your cooperation!



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