



President's Corner - May 2024

Hi All! Happy May! I hope you are enjoying the weather!

April 20 & 21 we had the Spring Strut - 3D shoot and had a great turn out! 27 scores were turned in and I am sure there were some that shot and didn't turn in a score. The weather cooperated for the most part and I heard lots of people say what a good time they had. We did have targets set up indoors for those of us that can't really make it up in the hills to shoot.

May 4 & 5 we had our annual work weekend. We had a decent turn out and got a lot of tasks accomplished even though it was pretty rainy on Saturday. We cleaned out closets in the clubhouse, cut up cardboard to use in the range, did some weed whacking and pulled a bunch of metal out of various places that will be going to the metal recyclers. Thank you to all the members that came out and especially to the folks that made lunch for us both days.

This weekend is Mother's Day so I hope you all get a chance to spend some time with the mothers in your life. Enjoy them while you can! It is also the annual trip for the NASP shooters in the area to go to Louisville, Kentucky for the NASP National championship. We have several young archers heading that way and I hope they all do well! Good Luck everyone!

Coming up in May and June

May 18 – 19 – Silver Broadhead 3D – 40 targets outdoors – 7 AM to 2 PM Saturday and 7 AM to Noon Sunday. Oldest shoot in the State of Iowa.

May 18 – International Round – 9 AM start – this is a fun shoot as you shoot at NFAA black and white field targets set up at 20 to 65 yards on the flats. They are at 5 yard intervals and you shoot three arrows into each and move to the right to the next target. It is quite a challenge to say the least. (65 yards is a long way for my little bow!) J Come try it out, you never know how it will go until you try.

June 1 – Summer Leagues start – keep watching the website for details.

June 8 – 900 round – this is the first shoot down on the flats of the summer. We will start shooting at 9 AM. Registration opens at 8 and closes at 8:45. We will have lunch and such available to purchase. Bring bug spray and chairs and such to shoot all morning.

That's about all for now! Come on out and shoot with us this Spring!

Thanks

Mary Bisinger



Wapsi Warriors—JOAD Club

Vance Patrilla

WALC has a youth program that meets Thursday evening at 5 pm. Many of you know of the Wapsi Warriors JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development) Club. Two of our members are seniors at local high schools and deserve mention in the Shavings. Megan Gearhart and Megan Graves are seniors at Marion High School and Linn Mar High School, respectively. Each of these young ladies has been awarded a \$2000 Iowa State Archery Association Scholarship for the upcoming fall semester. Here are some the accomplishments of these two:

Megan Gearhart

Archery accomplishments:

Megan has devoted the time and energy to master the skills necessary to become a top compound archer

Third place U21 Women's team member at 2023 USA Archery JOAD Nationals

Has won local and state championships

Has achieved the bronze pin level in USA Archery JOAD

Will shoot collegiate archery at Coe College

Her Marion High School accomplishments include:

National Honor Society 2023-24

Show Choir/Instrumental Music/Vocal Music 2020-2024

Honor Roll - Fall 2020 to present

Marion National Archery in the Schools Team 2020-present

Marion High School Color Guard

Graduated with honors.



Megan Grave

Archery accomplishments:

Megan has devoted time and energy to master the skills necessary to become a top archer.

Level 1 USA Archery coach

She has become a part of a team of coaches, parents, and athletes to achieve a high level of performance in local, state and national competitions as well as Thursday night target league

Her efforts have allowed her to win many events and set records.

She has achieved a bronze level pin through USA Archery

Is considering shooting archery at Iowa State

Her Linn Mar High School accomplishments:

Academic Letter of Distinction – 4 years

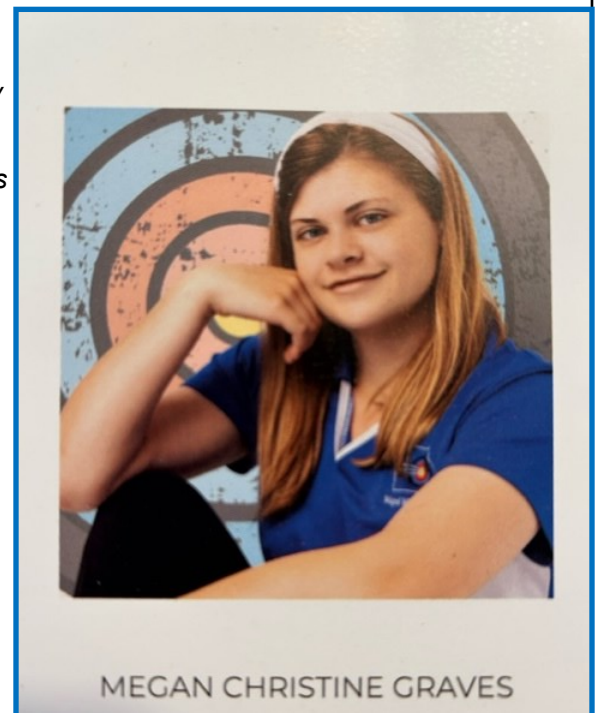
Youth Salute, National Council on Youth Leadership, Greater Cedar Rapids Council - 2023

Editor in Chief, Sections Editor, Linn Mar High School Yearbook - 2020 to present

Mentor, Vice President-Venture Crew Boy Scouts of America - 2019 to present

Senior Patrol Leader, Boy Scouts of America - Fall 2020 to January 2023

Graduated with honors



Congratulations to each of these club members on their achievements and all the best as they move on to the next chapter of their lives.



Waltonian Archers Event Calendar

May

Sat 4th/Sun 5th	9 AM - 5 PM	Club work weekend
Saturday 18th	7 AM - 2 PM	Silver Broadhead 3D
Saturday 18th	Noon	International Round
Sunday 19th	7 AM - Noon	Silver Broadhead 3D

June

Sunday 2nd	Summer Outdoor League Starts. Info coming in May	
Saturday 8th	9 AM start	Outdoor 900 Round

July

Saturday 13th	9AM	Outdoor 900 Target Round
Saturday 20th	7 AM - 2 PM	The Rendezvous 3D
Sunday 21st	7 AM - Noon	The Rendezvous 3D

For full schedule go to: <https://www.waltonianarchers.net/Shoots.htm>

Member meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month (no December meeting) at 7PM, Waltonian Archers Clubhouse

There is a \$5/member fee for Indoor Open Shooting. If you're shooting often, the club offers Unlimited Open Indoor Shooting for \$200/yr. Full list of prices and fees are posted at the club and on the webpage

Area Shoots/Events

May 18/19; 3D, Davenport Valley Archers, 7AM—1 PM

May 25/26; Iowa Traditional Bowhunters Society 30th Annual Rendezvous, Pine Lake Archers, Eldora

May 26: 900 Target Round, Davenport Valley Archers, 9 AM start

June 1/2: 3D, Wapello Chiefs Bowmen, Ottumwa

June 22/23, 3D Anamosa Bowhunters

June 22/23rd 3D Mohawk Archery Club Spring Park Preserve Hwy 65N-132 E, 15805 300th, Mason City

July 20/21 Iowa State Games

Beast Mode Archery Challenge (I've heard about this, sounds like fun if I was a bit younger)

<https://www.beastmodearcherychallenge.com/events>

May 17 -19 King of the Mound 3D, Bruce Mound Winter Sports Area, Merrillian WI

July 26 - 28 King of the Hill 3D, Tyrol Basin, Mt Horeb WI

NFAA Midwest Field Sectional Championships

June 29/30th 3D Erv Wagner Memorial. Mid Iowa Archers S. of Indianola across from AHQUARI State park.

Also Andover MN, Yankton SD, Independence MO

ASA Qualifiers <https://www.iowaasafederation.com/schedule.html>

May 18/19, Flint River Archery Club, Sperry

May 25/26, Boondocks Archery, Argyle

June 8/9, Border Brigade, Webster City

June 22/23, Echo Valley Archers, Fayette

If you're planning a vacation—here's a couple events coming up this summer.

Total Archery Challenge—multiple locations <https://totalarcherychallenge.com/>

Eastern Traditional Archery Rendezvous. July 25 - 28. Morris, PA <https://archeryfestivals.com/etar/>

37th Traditional Archery Nationals. June 7 - 9. Deer Creek Archers, Cloverdale, IN

NFAA 2024 Field Nationals and Target Nationals, Aug 22 - 25. Yankton SD



Club Work Day May 4/5

Thanks to all that came out to help! In addition to the work Mary mentioned, several members took on cleaning up the animal shed. Some of the older members may remember shooting the polar bear and Bullwinkle. These were made by club members, not sure when. Sadly, the polar bear's time has come to an end. Bullwinkle and a few other club made targets are still mostly ok.



Shavings Editor Bob Schell, rschell5@gmail.com Please keep The Shavings in mind if you hear of area shoots, have a story, news or a good joke you'd like to share. Pictures are always welcome. Bob



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