

## THE BENEFITS OF ARCHERY...

Archery provides a positive environment for a young person to learn a variety of life skills. Among them: patience and responsibility, self discipline and personal accountability, ability to focus and perform under pressure, learn to follow and implement a scientific method (shoot, evaluate, hypothesize, re-shoot, analyze, etc.), good sportsmanship. It can help to develop a sense of accomplishment and a positive self image. Younger archers will practice and reinforce math skills. And, as youth grow and mature, shooting can help to develop physical strength, balance, and stamina.



## AFFIRMATIONS

*"We stumbled upon the Mesa Targeteers JOAD class by accident and signed up for classes the following week. Five years later, my son and daughter have archery friends across the country, have learned how to set goals, and aren't afraid to work hard to accomplish them."*

Gary Yamaguchi, Phoenix, AZ

### For More Information

ASAA Arizona State Archery Association  
<http://www.azarchery.com>  
USA Archery – National Archery Association  
<http://www.usarchery.org>  
USA Archery Junior Olympic Archery Development  
<http://www.usaarcheryjoad.org>  
NADA - National Alliance for the Development of Archery  
<http://www.worldarcherycenter.com/index.htm>

## JOAD CLUBS IN ARIZONA

### Corner Kidz JOAD Club

Contact: Rhonda Crabtree (623) 842-DEER(3337)  
Corner Archery  
5008 West Northern Avenue, Suite 8  
Glendale, AZ  
<http://www.cornerarchery.com/CornerKids.html>  
Saturday morning classes

**Mesa Targeteers JOAD** (Two indoor locations)  
Instructors: Michaela Richard (480) 495-6860  
MesaTargeteers@msn.com  
Paula Simpson lilredbow@hotmail.com

Archery Headquarters  
6401 W. Chandler Blvd., Suite A  
Chandler, AZ  
Saturday morning classes

Bear Mountain Sports  
899 E. Southern Ave.  
Mesa, AZ  
Tuesday evening classes

**Papago FITA JOAD** (Outdoor, two times per week)  
Instructor: Mike Cullumber  
Email: [archeryinfo@papagoarchery.com](mailto:archeryinfo@papagoarchery.com)  
Papago Park Archery Range  
NW Corner of 64th St and McDowell Road behind the  
baseball fields in Phoenix, AZ  
<http://www.papagoarchery.com/index2.html>  
Saturday morning classes

Instructors: Ed Votruba and Gary Yamaguchi  
Coordinator: Angi Lopez  
Email: [just1mom@q.com](mailto:just1mom@q.com)  
Thursday afternoons (all levels) at Papago  
Sunday afternoons (advanced) at Archery Headquarters

### JOAD at Ben Avery

Ben Avery Shooting Facility – FITA range  
NW Corner of I-17 & the Carefree Highway  
Saturday morning classes  
Instructor: Heather Collins-Brunelle (602) 446-0407  
Email: [straightnarrowjoadnorth@hotmail.com](mailto:straightnarrowjoadnorth@hotmail.com)

No JOAD club in your area? You can start one!  
<http://www.usaarcheryjoad.org/p382.html>

# Beginning Archery

## Join in the Fun!



Arizona Junior Olympic  
Archery Development Program  
(AZ JOAD)  
[www.azjoad.com](http://www.azjoad.com)

PERHAPS you got a bow for your birthday, tried shooting at a camp, or saw people shooting arrows in a movie and thought it looked like fun...

THE KEY to a lifetime of enjoyment is learning the right way to shoot, no matter what your goals might be.



WHO THIS IS FOR:

- Kids, youth, and teens who want to try shooting a bow and arrow under safe, supervised conditions
- Youth wanting to get into the sport of archery for personal enjoyment, character development, and achievement
- Young archers who want to learn to shoot with proper form and technique
- Parents of aspiring archers
- Kids and youth wanting to compete in archery tournaments

## STEPS TO SUCCESS

- **Locate a Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD) club** near you (see listing on back page) and begin an eight week class. JOAD is a national organization devoted to developing youth archery in the United States, and is dedicated to helping you get started right!
- **Don't buy anything (yet)!** All Arizona JOAD clubs provide nationally certified archery instructors and the proper equipment necessary to get started in archery. All you have to do is show up!
- **Get the whole family involved!** Most clubs provide opportunities for adults to learn archery alongside the kids.
- **Explore the AZ JOAD web page** ([www.azjoad.com](http://www.azjoad.com)) to look at what's ahead, tie in to state, national, and international organizations, view photographs, and see what's happening.
- **Join the National Archery Association** (NAA) and receive the USA Archery magazine with a family membership.



## AZ JOAD...

- is open to youth ages 8 to 18;
- is a national program of USA Archery;
- includes both recurve and compound archers;
- is led by dedicated volunteer adult leaders and certified coaches;
- includes both indoor and outdoor target archery; offers achievement recognition in the Stars Pin Program;
- facilitates and allows young archers to compete locally, regionally and nationally.

## TIPS FOR NEW JOAD PARENTS!

**Get involved!** Archery is a GREAT family sport! Young archers learn faster when you can help them with equipment setup, sight settings and arrow straightening. It's a great way to get involved in your child's life and share in his or her interest.

**Emphasize** the learning of **proper shooting form**. It is far more important than achieving high scores! The scores will come in due course.

**Get advice on equipment.** Establish a relationship with a "bow tech" type person as they can advise you on equipment and help you set up and tune the bow. This could be an instructor, pro shop personnel, JOAD volunteer, or a knowledgeable JOAD parent.

**Practice regularly** and always **ask questions!**

**Seek advanced coaching** or training as your JOAD archer begins to compete in tournaments and progresses in archery skills and interest.

