

2012 Arizona State Indoor JOAD Championships were held at Hearn Academy on January 28th.

This was the second year Hearn Archery hosted this event. By choosing to host this event at their Club's gym they were able to maintain the same entry fees as last year. With space being a concern, they were able to add an additional 2 meters to the seating area for parents. This included a raised platform for the early birds to see over the crowds. The Director of shooting and Judges, Steve Yee and all the Hearn parent volunteers kept things rolling along so well that the event actually finished an hour before awards were scheduled.

Setup began on Friday evening at 6pm. Being the school gym needed to be transformed, the work of measuring and taping the lanes as well as equipment setup was done in an expert manner. The facilities were completely equipped with restrooms, drinking fountains, concession stand selling hot drinks, homemade breads, peanut butter squares and more.

Saturday morning registration was scheduled to start at 8am. Archers and parents were so excited to compete they started arriving at 7:10am. Registration opened early at 7:30 and equipment inspection started at 8:00. The AM session was filled to capacity with 32 archers shooting in an AB/CD line format. The tournament format was a FITA star event which consisted of one 600 round with a 10 minute break scheduled half way through for scoring. The facility has a great sound system and a projector that was able to project the 1st 300 end scores on a 10'x12' screen. At registration each archer was handed a bottle of water, score cards, quiver tags, bale name plaques and a smile.

Saturday afternoon registration began while the final round of scoring from the AM session was being completed. Equipment inspection took place simultaneously while the score cards were being collected and tallied. The AM session scores were projected for short time and then posted out front with event information. The afternoon session had an additional 23 archers participate which included 1 adult guest. This brought the total number of archers competing to 55.

The awards ceremonies were a podium placement, and again for the second year were acrylic and engraved. The club's top concern was what would make the event memorable for the JOAD archers. With the nature of the awards and a few last minute entries they will need to order 4 additional trophies to hand out, which will be delivered to their clubs or mailed to them directly.

Sportsmanship: In the morning an archer agent noted the special consideration Suzie Frawley was showing to a new archer Hunter Peterson at the bales during scoring. In the afternoon a different archery agent noted Brian Bullis and how helpful and caring Brian was towards a new young archer, Emily Porras (7). Not only was he helpful at the bale he also tried to trade in the door prize he had one for a different one because he thought it would help her out.

Special Thanks:

AAE provided \$250 in door prizes to be given out during the event.

T-Mobile and CoJ Steve Yee collaborated to test out broadcasting the event on UStream.tv. This was the first time any part of an Arizona archery event was broadcasted live over the

internet. T-Mobile was gracious to donate a short term data card for the experiment, and CoJ Steve Yee donated the test equipment for the broadcast.

Tournament Director: Carmen Gunn

Chairman of Judges: Steve Yee

Director of Shooting: Steve Yee

Judges: Sandra Reynolds

Technical Delegate: Mike Cullumber

Official Photographers: Steve Stringham (Corner Archery), Janet Yamaguchi (Paseo Vista), Danielle Reynolds (Paseo Vista)

Scoring: Keri Scholl, Susan Yee, Bev Certo

Archer Agents: Bev Certo, Chris Best, Keri Scholl, Sherri Peterson, Jason Saunders, Susan Yee

Other Volunteers/Field Crew: Dave Gunn, Dusty Wilkens, Melissa Saunders, Tony Certo, Kathleen Johnson, Valerie Butler & Merv Mason