

# THE MINNESOTA ARROW

MINNESOTA STATE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION



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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Nothing new and exciting at this time. Had a great time in Yankton for the NFAA Outdoor Nationals and the Dakota Classic. Several MSAA Members were in attendance with quite a few podiums. Gearing up for winter and working on getting my indoor setup complete. Look forward to some indoor shoots and a chance to get caught up with you all since 3D. Policy meeting coming up in December and then regionals will be soon around the corner. Be safe out there this fall and winter and see you on the range.

Shoot 'em up!

Paul Parsons  
President

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*If you, or know someone who is interested  
in filling one of these open positions, please  
contact Paul Parsons, President at  
president.msaa@mnarchery.org.*

## THOUGHT ABOUT BEING A GOVERNOR?

- ✓ Represent their region on all issues presented before the Board
- ✓ Represent and promote the MSAA
- ✓ Actively communicate clubs/pro-shops on MSAA activities and updates
- ✓ Attend MSAA events
- ✓ Participate in the MSAA Tournament committee as appointed
- ✓ Host club/pro-shops shall co-chair appropriate tournaments
- ✓ Attend MSAA board meetings
- ✓ As a member of the MSAA Board of Directors, shall have one (1) vote in their name

**Interested? Contact Paul Parsons to find out more information  
at 507-401-0469 or email president.msaa@mnarchery.org**

JOIN US FOR THE  
**2025 MSAA  
POLICY MEETING**

SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 13, 2025  
9:00 AM

**TRIPLE R**  
GRILL & BAR

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**ALL MSAA MEMBERS  
ARE WELCOME!**

Now is not the time to be thinking  
about your bowstrings.



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*Bow Strings, that's what we do...*

# BOARD POSITIONS WE NEED YOU!

The Board of Directors, being the fully constituted governing body of the MSAA shall be responsible to the collective membership of the MSAA for the following functions:

- ✓ Review and vote on all proposed changes in by-laws / rules / regulations
- ✓ Help establish fees, dues and other sources of revenue
- ✓ Be ready to fill any vacancy in any elective office of the MSAA
- ✓ Assist in selecting the dates of the Championship Tournaments
- ✓ Determine rounds to be shot at State Championship Tournaments
- ✓ Review and be responsible for entries in the Policy Handbook

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# BOARD UPDATES...

## OUTDOOR VICE PRESIDENT - TODD NELSON

Greetings archers, the fall chill is in the air and it is a great time to spend in the woods. Hopefully all of the shooting that you have done at the MSAA tournaments this summer will give you the confidence to make the shot when it finally happens.

Soon it will be time to switch from broadheads to field points and punch some paper indoors. Shooting indoors is a great way to sharpen your skills for the next outdoor and hunting season. You can try so many different things in a controlled environment, such as draw length, hand placement, release method and work on your mental game. Just one small adjustment can make a big difference.

## INDOOR VICE PRESIDENT - LEANN BOES

I hope everyone is being safe out in the woods hunting. It is getting to be the time of year to start thinking about Regionals again. The weekends for regionals in 2026 will be: January 10-11; January 17-18, January 24-25, and January 31-February 1. If your club or pro-shop is interested in hosting please contact me, otherwise I will be sending out emails to the clubs and pro-shops that hosted last year.

## WEBMASTER - JOSEPH ZIMMERMAN

Facebook Analytics for January 1, 2025  
through October 24, 2025:  
Facebook Page reach: 31,340  
Facebook Page followers: 2,764

Website Analytics for January 1, 2025  
through October 24, 2025:  
Pageviews: 48,359  
User Engagement: 23,493  
Total Users: 8,094

## TREASURER - BRUCE STROM

The attendance at the summer shoots were up with 195 shooters in the 900/50 match and 122 in our 3D match. Nice to see so many shooters enjoying our matches. Many thanks to our host clubs that spend the time and energy to make it happen. Revenue appears strong for the year while expense is up due to investments in equipment.

## SECRETARY - LORI DARGATZ

Hi all, for the hunters out there, I hope your hunting seasons are going well. The new year will be here before we know it and the MSAA indoor season will begin. Have a great holiday season and see you in the new year.

## EDITOR - STACIE MULSO

Happy Holidays! Thanks to those who sent me photos and stories! The time has come when I have created my last Arrow. I have really enjoyed learning about the sport of Archery and have met some really great people. I am thankful to the MSAA board members... your support has made all the difference. It is time to pass the baton, but the Arrow couldn't be in better hands. Meet your new Arrow Editor...Sam Skjefte from Tyler, MN!



Hi everyone! My name is Sam Skjefte and I will be taking over as the new editor for the MSAA Arrow in March!

My connection to archery is through my husband, Trent, who is a member of the Saratoga Archery Club! For work, I run my own business, Farm x Faith Media, offering media and communication services to small businesses.

If you see me at future shoots (probably serving concessions at Saratoga), please share any photos or future story ideas with me! I have a love for writing and am excited to help tell your stories!





# YANKTON 2025

Written by Paul Parsons

Have you ever told yourself that, "This next shoot I am going to be so prepared"? And "I am going to practice every day I possibly can". Well, that was me the day after MSAA 3D the beginning of August. I was contemplating going to Yankton for the Dakota Classic and NFAA Outdoor Nationals the third weekend in September and if everything lined up, I wanted to be prepared and ready. If anyone else is like me, I tend to set the bow down after the MSAA 3D and take a week off, then start getting ready for hunting season and a couple last minute local 3D shoots. Yep, go figure, things start popping up preventing me from shooting, bad weather to shoot outdoors, yep, the excuse list goes on and on. My father-in-law passed away the beginning of September and the funeral was on the Tuesday the day prior to me planning on leaving for Yankton. Kim was going back to work on Wednesday and encouraged me to go to Yankton.

I left home Wednesday afternoon and wanted to stop at a couple archery shops on the way. I arrived at the Easton Archery facility and started to do the practicing that I had anticipated doing weeks prior to this event. A couple of adjustments and everything seemed to be good. My grip tape was driving me crazy

due to it being worn down and sticky so I got my knife out and cut it off, and for some odd reason, my groups were even tighter yet. Shocked I was.

Thursday, back to the facility, and to switch things up, I had brought my hunting bow and decided to go out to the "3D Pit". They have a platform you could stand on and all of these 3D targets set up in a bowl out to 70 yards. I had shot quite a few arrows and decided to go back indoors and shoot some more since their range for the Outdoor Nationals was not all the way set up. I did end up later that day going out there and shooting a bit but it was windy and shifted gears and went back indoors.

People started to show up and it was great to see folks that I have not seen in quite some time. I was fortunate to get the chance to stay at a VRBO with Jesse, Taylor and Brent. Very nice place near downtown Yankton. Great people to spend time with. Thanks guys.

I was a little nervous going into this due to the fact that: Back in 2019 I shot the NFAA National Field round and I took a second place, and after leaving the podium, I looked at the bowl the first place shooter took and told myself "I WANT one of those, I

need to work harder to get one of those". Well I came so close that year, and if that one arrow would have hit better, or if I would have let down that one time, things could have been different. We all have those moments of reflection on that "one" arrow.

So back to the story...

Friday was the qualifier round for the Dakota Classic. A 600 round, 40, 50, and 60 yards indoors. I was in the Bowhunter Flights, and they combined all BHFS into this flight (seniors, adult, male and female). I shot with a great group and was very happy with my score in the end. Second place by one point. The best thing about this is that the 4 of the top 5 places, within 8 points were all MSAA members.

Saturday was the qualifier / flighting for Outdoor Nationals, we again shot a 600 round outdoors, so it was a little different than shooting indoors. I held my own and was happy with how it turned out. After that, we had a little break and had to be back in the afternoon to shoot the brackets for the Dakota Classic. Ziggy and I had a bye, so we were able to practice on the line while the others shot to continue moving up the bracket. During practice, my groups were so beautiful, then my first shoot off, it was a bit different. Yea those groups sure did expand. I was able to keep moving and that led me to shoot

against Ziggy. I was very nervous and barley hung in there, but was able to pull it off. Another one of my goals was to get a big "Happy Gilmore" check, and that I did. Very happy with that win. The three of us that were on the podium were MSAA members and it was great to be up there with Ziggy and Taylor. I was in awe, and it took a bit for me to realize what I just did.

This was the perfect segue into Sunday's 900 round and was a little anxious/nervous but had great bale mates and that made it relaxing. This shoot I was in the SMBHFS division and we also had a senior Pro on our bale. He had lots of stories and was fun listening to. He did robinhood my arrow, which was not great since I was running low due to all the shooting that I had been doing the past four days.

We got down to the last couple arrows and those nerves started to kick in. I looked at the running scores the NFAA posted and if I don't do anything to extremely wrong, I got this. I played it out and was able to finish on top with a big W. I got my bowl. The past five days of shooting played in fast forward, like an instant replay and it brought me to the podium again, however, this time with my bowl that I have wanted for years.







The Straight River Archers welcome you to our 2026 **INDOOR** 3-D Shoots!

**January 24 & 25**  
**February 21 & 22**  
**March 21 & 22**



**Moving and Pop-Up Targets / Novelty Shoot**  
**Registration: Sat 8:00 am-3:00 pm Sun 8:00 am-2:00 pm**  
**All Rinehart Targets/ IBO Scoring**  
**Food & Refreshments Available**



<b>Adults:</b>	<b>\$ 15.00</b>
<b>Family:</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>Young Adults/Youth 9-17</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
<b>Cubs 8 &amp; under shoot</b>	<b>FREE</b>

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# PERSISTENCE, PERSEVERANCE, AND PATIENCE PAYS OFF!

Written by Todd Nelson

This past September I once again traveled to Colorado to hunt elk with my two longtime friends Mike Holland and Dean Morin. Also joining us were Eli Olson and Mike's son Bo. This was the sixth elk hunt for Bo who is 24 years old. The first 3 years that Bo was with he was my good luck charm as I got a cow and two bulls which he got to help pack out.

This year was very difficult hunting, three out of the five of us never saw a elk. We have been hunting the same area for 20 years and know where the elk usually are, but not this year.

Bo was very persistent and kept exploring new areas and was seeing a few elk. The evening of the sixth day he was patiently waiting in a spot that looked promising when a small group of cows and calves came into range. He was ready to shoot a cow when he heard a terrible sounding bugle near by. Judging by the bugle he figured it was a small bull, but he held out shooting the cow. Much to his surprise a very nice 6x6 came in and gave him a 30 yard shot.

He followed the blood trail for a short distance before the bull jumped up and crashed away. Knowing that he shouldn't push the bull anymore he came back to camp and we decided to wait until morning to look for it. After a restless night all five of us picked up the blood trail at first light. The blood trail was good and we found the spot where the bull had first stopped. Bo was in the lead and about 30 yards later Bo yells " Oh my gosh there he is ". Bo's perseverance paid off and I was able to finally help him pack out a beautiful, mature 300" 6x6.



# Stories from the Stand



**Andrew Mulso • Marshall, MN**

**Buck Harvested October 29, 2025**

I was setup on a travel corridor between two bedding areas south of a small lake in southern MN. I saw the buck cruising the lake shore 20 minutes before last light roughly 300 yards away. I snort wheezed at him and he came to me on a string. I was hunting over a decoy and he was ready to fight. He was facing me the whole time he was coming in so I couldn't come to full draw. He ended up head-butting the decoy and it freaked him out. As he jumped away I came to full draw and he stopped at 35 yards and I stuck him! He bedded down in the field roughly 100 yards from where I shot. Easy track job.

*Have a successful hunting season?*  
**We need your photos!**



**Doug Strecker**

**Turkey Harvested October 18, 2025**

Doug is an MSAA Lifetime member and harvested his turkey weighing 17.1 lbs., beard 5 7/8", spur 7/8"

We want to see what you're up to in the field, send in photos of you and your game to put into the next edition of The Arrow!

Email them to Sam at:  
[arrow.msaa@mnarchery.org](mailto:arrow.msaa@mnarchery.org)



## Nathan Wieme • Tyler, MN

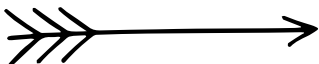
### Buck Harvested November 2, 2025

Ever wake up late to get to the stand and still find success? That's just what happened to Nathan Wieme mid-morning on November 2nd in East River, South Dakota. Nathan got to his stand 45 minutes after sunrise, deciding right away to sit until 11:00 a.m. before heading back to Minnesota. From 7:15 a.m. to 10:14 a.m., he didn't see a single deer. But at 10:15 a.m., out stepped a small 8-point buck walking towards him. In anticipation, Nathan grabbed his bow to draw back and

prepare to shoot the first buck. Thirty seconds later, while still at full draw, he heard a grunt from another deer trailing the smaller buck. Looking through the gap in a small tree, he noticed a mature deer with a much larger rack walking towards him. In that moment, he knew he was going to harvest this older deer. As soon as the buck cleared the tree, Nathan lined the pin right on the vitals - just waiting for this buck to present a good shot. The buck slowly started walking in his direction, stopping at 18 yards. Nathan released his arrow, hitting the buck right behind the front leg - taking out this deer's lung and main artery. The deer ran back towards the swamp, about 75 yards before he lost sight of it. Unsure of what just happened, Nathan called the landowner... no answer. Getting out of the stand, he headed back to the house to let the landowner know what just happened. They decided to give the deer some time to expire and have some breakfast in the meantime. After about thirty minutes, they headed back out in hopes of locating Nathan's deer. Starting from where he arrowed the buck, they followed the blood trail to where he had last seen it. Chuck, the landowner, looked up and said, "Oh shoot. He's laying right there!" Looking up in disbelief, Nathan sees the buck laying down right where he had last seen him. When he gets his hands on the buck, he's left in awe of the caliber of deer he has just harvested. It's hunts like this that you remind you that no matter the situation, there's always a chance.

## Shoot Results

Find years worth of shoot results, 2023 regionals is even out there!  
Scan this QR code with your phone or go to:  
[www.mnarchery.org/event-results](http://www.mnarchery.org/event-results)



## Arrow Magazines

Do you want to dig through some older Arrows? Scan this QR code with your phone or go to:  
[www.mnarchery.org/arrow](http://www.mnarchery.org/arrow)







## MINNESOTA ARCHERY HALL OF FAME

# Enter your deer in our TROPHY BUCK ALBUM

Submit a photo of you and your Deer or Bear to the Minnesota Archery Hall of Fame and they will add it to their "Trophy Buck Album", where the picture of you and your deer will be displayed. Pictures will be returned if a self-addressed stamped envelope is included with your entry. All of our pictures will be posted on this website. It is our intent to add a "Black Bear Album" in the very near

future. Look us up on our web site [mnarcheryhof.com](http://mnarcheryhof.com). Your first picture will include a membership fee of \$20. Any additional pictures from other years will remain at \$10.

When selecting your picture, we would like the picture to be in 3color and at least 3"x 5", 4"x 6" preferred.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

City\_\_\_\_\_ MN Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Date Harvested: Month\_\_\_\_\_ Day\_\_\_\_\_ Year\_\_\_\_\_

Witness\_\_\_\_\_

Harvested With: Bow\_\_\_\_\_ Compound\_\_\_\_\_ Crossbow\_\_\_\_\_

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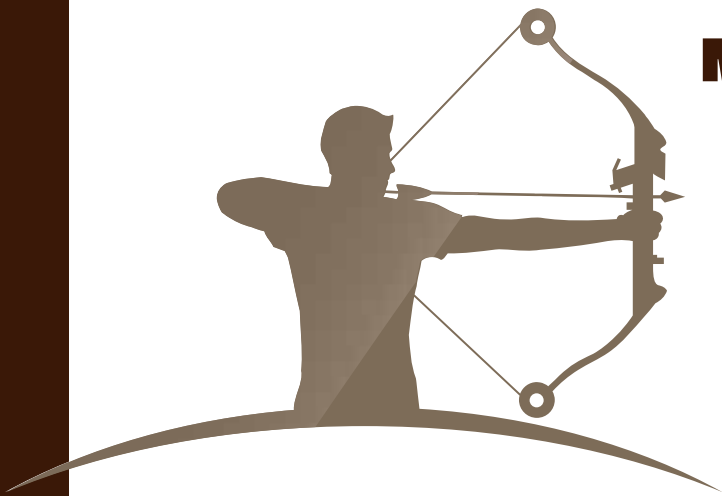
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*Do you know someone who stands  
out in the sport of archery?*

Someone who is dedicated to the sport, volunteering to educate, promote, and present a positive image for the sport and you feel would be a good candidate to nominate to the Minnesota Archery Hall of Fame.

*The Minnesota Archery Hall of Fame is now accepting nominations for the August 29th, 2026 induction to the Hall of Fame.*

*To nominate someone, go to [mnarcheryhof.com](http://mnarcheryhof.com). Click on the link at the top of the page, fill out the form with a brief descriptions and submit.*



# **MSAA 2026 STATE INDOOR**

## **REGIONAL QUALIFICATION INFORMATION**

To be flighted at the State Indoor, a participant first shoots a Regional Qualification Round score. Flighting puts archers of similar skill into groups from which they compete for awards. Only one score is required but a second can be shot if not satisfied with the first, with the higher score used for flighting. A single Regional fee covers the shooting of both scores in a single class. Contact a Regional site and reserve a line time. You do not have to be a member of any club or shop to shoot at a Regional event but must be an MSAA member and can join at the Regional site.

### **REGIONAL DATES 2026**

**JANUARY 10 & 12**

**JANUARY 17 & 18**

**JANUARY 24 & 25**

**JANUARY 31 & FEBRUARY 1**

If you are a member of a club and would like to host a state or regional shoot, fill out the Shoot Bid form today found on the MSAA website!

*Want to Host  
a State Shoot?*

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**Contact Leann Boes**

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**Check [www.mnarchery.org](http://www.mnarchery.org) for the most up-to-date list of sites.**



Rick Riedel



My Archery Career started in 1959 had a Paul Bunyan fiberglass bow, which I shot with my dad in the backyard. My shooting idol was Fred Bear. I loved to watch him on TV. He was a left-hand shooter, and so that is how I became left-handed in Archery. In 1960 my dad and I joined Coon Rapids Club. My dad bought me a new bow for Christmas it was a Bear Cub recurve. In the summer of 1968 I won my first state tournament. I took 1st place in the Boys Jr. Barebow Hunting Division. Since then I have won several state & national events. I shot my last Tournament in 1989 at the State Target I won.

Some of Achievements are shooting perfect at the NFAA 300 Round with 60 X's to get my ring. Also I shot perfect on the Pro Four Spot Target in the Midwest Indoor Sectional at Coon Rapids Archery Club. I was the 1st Pro to do it nationally. 60 X's on the first day and 59 X's on the last day to win the tournament in the Pro Division.

#### Shooting Achievements

- 1968 - State Field Jr. Champion
- 1970 - State Indoor Champion
- 1971 - State Indoor Champion
- 1975 - State Field 2nd place
- 1976 - State Field 3rd place
- 1978 - State Field 2nd place
- 1980 - Midwest Indoor Sectional Champion Pro-Free Style
- 1980 - State Indoor Champion
- 1981 - Midwest Indoor Sectional Champion Pro-Free Style
- 1981 - MN State Grand Champion
- 1981 - State Indoor 2nd place
- 1981 - State Field Champion
- 1981 - State Target Champion
- 1982 - State Indoor 2nd place
- 1984 - MN State Grand Champion
- 1984 - State Field Champion
- 1984 - State Indoor Champion
- 1984 - State 2nd place
- 1985 - State Indoor 2nd place
- 1985 - State Target 2nd place
- 1986 - MN State Grand Champion
- 1986 - State Field Champion
- 1986 - State Indoor Champion
- 1986 - State Target Champion
- 1987 - MN State Grand Champion
- 1987 - State BowHunter 2nd place
- 1987 - State Field Champion
- 1987 - State Indoor Champion
- 1987 - State Target Champion
- 1988 - MN State Grand Champion
- 1988 - State Field Champion
- 1988 - State Indoor Champion
- 1988 - Champion
- 1989 - State Target Champion

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# HALL OF FAME

By John Steinle

### Shooting Records

- 1974 - N.F.A.A. 300 Round / Men's Limited - 296 out of 300 points
- 1976 - N.F.A.A. 300 Round/ Open Men's Free Style Unlimited - 300 out of 300
- 1976 - Hunter Round/Open MEIS Style Unlimited - 280 out of 280
- 1976 - P.M. 300 Round/Open Men's Free Style - 300 of 300
- 1977 - Double Vegas Round/ Open Men's Free Style Unlimited - 300 Of 300
- 1977 - Indoor 900 Round/Open Men's Free Style - 893 out of 900
- 1978 - N.F.A.A. Indoor 300/Open Men's Free style - 300 out of 300
- 1980 - Four Spot pro Target / Midwest Indoor Sectional - 300 with 60 X's
- {1st Pro in the National to shoot a perfect score}
- 1981 - Field Round/Open Men's Free Style - 277 out of 280
- 1981 - Field Round - 548 out Of 560
- 1982 - N.F.A.A. 300 Round/Men's Pro Free Style Unlimited - 294 out of 300
- 1983 - Double Vegas Round - 591 out of 600
- 1984 - N.F.A.A. Indoor 300 - 359 out Of 360
- 1984 - Double Vegas Round - 597 out of 600
- 1986 - N.F.A.A. 14 Animal Round - 280 out of 280
- 1987 - N.F.A.A. 14 Hunter Round - 274 out of 280
- 1987 - Double Vegas Round - 598 out of 600
- 1987 - N.F.A.A 28 Field Round - 547 out of 560

Note: Field Round & Hunter Round we had to shoot spots.

### Major Tournament Participation:

- 1969 - 1986 Winter Carnival St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1974 - N.F.A.A. National Indoor Detroit, Michigan
- 1976 - Bwana Pro-Am St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1980 - N.F.A.A. Midwest Indoor Sectionals Coon Rapids, MN
- 1980 - 1985 Bwana pro-Am St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1981 - N.F.A.A. Midwest Indoor Sectionals Coon Rapids, MN
- 1981 - N.F.A.A. National Field & Pro Team Event Aroua, IL
- 1984 - N.F.A.A. National Indoor Omaha, Nebraska
- 1985 - N.F.A.A. National Indoor Omaha, Nebraska
- 1986 - N.F.A.A. National Indoor Omaha, Nebraska

### NOMINATE A CLUB FOR

## CLUB OF THE YEAR!

You'll find the form on the MSAA website. Click the link below to download the form.

<https://mnarchery.org/forms>

The following pages contain suggested changes to the MSAA Policy Manual.

You are welcome to attend the yearly policy meeting on

Saturday, December 13, 2025 at 9:00 am  
Triple R Grill & Bar, 37 Maus Drive, Kimball, MN 55353

*Come to the meeting and voice your thoughts.*



# Minnesota State Archery Association Proposed Policy Changes 2025

## September 2025 Constitution proposed changes

### Membership and Affiliation

#### Section I Membership, under item A.

Current wording:

Memberships sent into the Secretary after November 1 will be for the following year.

Proposed wording:

Memberships sent into the Secretary at or after the date of the State 3D Tournament will valid for the current and following year.

Reasoning:

This matches with the State 3D rules and also current practice.

### MSAA Tournament Committee

II. It shall be the responsibility of the Tournament Committee to:

Current wording:

C. Do the flighting for the State Indoor and assign shooting times

Proposed to remove in its entirety.

Reasoning:

The Indoor VP currently does this.

### Youth Hunt Fund

Suggest removing in its entirety as we no longer have this fund.

### Promotions Fund

Suggest removing in its entirety as we no longer have this fund.

### MSAA Life Membership

This section contains references to a membership card with their name engraved on it.

Suggestion: Remove reference to engraving. Lori and I will work a suitable alternative to replace the metal engraved membership cards that used to be sent to life members.

### MSAA Indoor Championship Tournament Handbook

#### Section I Regional Qualification Round





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## Item J

### Current wording:

All Regional Qualification Round information will be sent by the host clubs to the MSAA Secretary for the compilation of results within 7 days following the end date of the round. After compilation the information shall be forwarded to the MSAA Tournament Committee who shall flight the Regional Qualification Round participants for the Championship Round. The information shall then be returned to the MSAA Secretary who will invite by letter all Regional Qualification Round participants to the Championship Round and shall inform them of their line time and flight assignment.

### Proposed wording:

All Regional Qualification Round information will be sent by the host clubs to the MSAA Secretary for the compilation of results within 7 days following the end date of the round. After compilation the information shall be forwarded to the MSAA Indoor VP who shall flight the Regional Qualification Round participants for the Championship Round. Line times and flight assignments will be posted on the MSAA website.

### Reasoning:

Reflects current process

## MSAA Target Championship Tournament Handbook

### II. Rounds to be shot

#### Current wording for section A:

Two 900 rounds

#### Proposed wording:

One 900 round if a one day tournament, two 900 rounds if a two day tournament.

## Section VII: Scoring

### Propose to add:

A participant has twenty (20) minutes following the end of competition (including after the end of make-up arrows) to turn in to the specified Target Tournament official their tabulated, verified, and signed score cards. The line clock shall be set and ran down from twenty (20) minutes upon the order of the Tournament Director or designate. If there is a dispute in scoring that cannot be resolved during the allowed time then that, or those, participant(s) must contact the specified Target Tournament official within the allowed time and ask for a delay in submission. The Target Tournament official may not allow for any more than ten (10) minutes of additional time for the resolution of any scoring disputes. After the allowed time, and any additional time given by the specified Target Tournament official, the scorecard shall be ruled late and will be disqualified.

### Reasoning:

There is currently no time limit specified in the rules for turning in your scorecards.

## Under Division and Class Restrictions and notices, Section B Open Class, Item 6

### Current wording:

Open Class participants may compete in the Traditional (TRAD) and NAA classes without conflicting their Open Class status.

### Proposed wording:

Open Class participants may NOT compete in the Freestyle (FS), Bowhunter Freestyle (NHFS) or Modern Bowhunter (MBH) classes without conflicting their Open Class status.

Reasoning: This spells out which classes the OPEN shooters may participate in.



# Minnesota State Archery Association Proposed Policy Changes 2025

September 2025 By Law proposed changes

## Article II. Annual or Special Meetings

Current wording:

Section 2. A special meeting of the Officers and Board of Directors may be held at the same place as the annual meeting.....

Proposed wording:

A special meeting of the Officers and Board of Directors may be held at a place (physical or virtual).....

Reasoning: Rather than have to travel to Kimball (the usual location for the annual meeting) this gives us the opportunity to use another location or have a virtual meeting.

Current wording

Section 6: Each person shall have one and only one vote, either by proxy or on his own behalf.

Proposed wording:

Each eligible position shall have one vote, unless otherwise denoted in either the By Laws or Constitution of the organization.

Reasoning:

Current wording, if taken literally, would mean that for example, I could not have my vote as Indoor VP and a proxy vote from the president of the Duluth Archery Club.

## Article IV. Officers, their duties and terms of office.

### Section 2. Duties of Officers:

#### E. Secretary shall:

Item 7.

Current wording:

Mail all minutes and meeting agendas to Board of Directors and Club Presidents.

Proposed wording:

Distribute all minutes and meeting agendas to Board of Directors and Club Presidents.

Reasoning:

Updates for the times and ability to utilize email or other appropriate means of communication.

Item 8

Current wording:

Distribute membership length awards (i.e. 10 & 20 year pins)

Propose to remove since we do not currently do this.

## Article V. Board of Directors, Their Duties and Terms of Office

### Section 3. Meetings:

Item B.

Current wording:

Minutes of each meeting shall be mailed to each member of the board....



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**Reasoning:**

Updates for the times and ability to utilize email or other appropriate means of communication.

**Section 3. Meetings:**

Item B.

**Current wording:**

Copies of the minutes shall also be sent to each affiliated Club President.

**Proposed wording:**

Copies of the minutes shall also be distributed to each affiliated Club President.

**Reasoning:**

Updates for the times and ability to utilize email or other appropriate means of communication.

**Section 3. Meetings:**

Item D.

**Current wording:**

Notice of a Board of Directors meeting shall be given in writing....

**Proposed wording:**

Notice of a Board of Directors meeting shall be given (leave out in writing)

**Reasoning:**

Updates for the times and ability to utilize email or other appropriate means of communication.

**Article VIII. Banking.**

**Section 1.**

**Suggesting removal of the following:**

Youth Hunt Fund (checking), Conservation Fund (savings), and Promotion Fund (savings).

**Reasoning:**

These accounts no longer exist.

**Section 9.**

**Current wording:**

One dollar per shooter from the MSAA Regional event will be transferred from the general fund into the Youth Hunt Fund.

**Proposed wording:**

One dollar per shooter from the MSAA Regional event will be donated to the Camp Ripley youth hunt.

**Reasoning:**

The Youth Hunt Fund no longer exists, but we still donate to the youth hunt.

**Section 10**

**Current wording:**

The Promotions Fund shall be capped at.....

Propose to remove this item in its entirety as we no longer have a Promotions Fund.



# MEETING MINUTES

from September 28, 2025

**Welcome** – Meeting Start 7:02pm (Virtual)

**Attending:** Paul Parsons, Leann Boes, Lori Dargatz, John Steinle, Todd Nelson, Bruce Strom, Tom Boes, Roger Ekert, Ziggy Kortuem, Joe Zimmersman

**Minutes from the last meeting:** Roger moved to approve the minutes from the June 27, 2025, board meeting, Ziggy, seconded, all ayes.

## **President's Report:**

- Old Business/New Business (below)

## **Secretary's Report:**

- We have 932 members
- Sending out club affiliate forms
- Sending out bid forms
- Will have Regional packets for the policy meeting

## **Treasurer's Report:**

- Bruce presented the treasurer's report dated as of the end of September 2025.
- Approval of the treasury report: John moved to approve the treasurer's report and Roger seconded all ayes.

## **Indoor VP's Report:**

- Leann will contact Ziggy in October to see where they are with the 2026 State Indoor preparation.
- Will reach out to last year's regional hosts to see if they are hosting again.

## **Outdoor VP:**

- Great attendance for all the summer shoots this year, numbers were up from the past three years.

**Bow Hunter VP:** Not in attendance.

## **Records Chair:**

- 130 records total for all of the state shoots this year and there are twenty-two Grand Champions for 2025.

## **Webmaster Chair:**

- The MSAA domain name has been renewed for three years. Guide app for one year.

**Arrow Editor:** Not in attendance.

**Governor At Large:**

- The Ripley Youth hunt is coming up, there were twenty youths last year, this year there are fifty-plus.

**Awards Chair:**

- Awards are in production for the Grand Champion, may need more medals for the summer shoots.

**Old Business:**

- Survey regarding American Life, went out to all Lifetime, Primary, and Junior members with current email addresses, now in September. The survey will close by the end of October 2025. The question posed: Do you want the MSAA to continue working with American Income Life Insurance Company to provide the \$3000.00 Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit, Yes or No?
  - As of this meeting date, 80% of respondents said No/20% yes
  - First Reading; Todd Nelson made a motion to discontinue our association with Income Life. Leann, seconded, all ayes.
- Updating the list of clubs and pro shops, board members received a current list to update and return to the secretary.

**New Business:**

- "Ask the MSAA"
  - President considering doing Zoom meetings to answer member questions. Post on social media and the MSAA website for people to email questions or they can ask during the zoom meeting. It can be recorded and posted to YouTube.
- Banner
  - Purchase a banner for "photo ops" approx. 5'x10'. Paul will look into banner prices by the policy meeting.
- Scores from shoots, who posts them to the website?
  - It is the hosting club's responsibility to submit scores to the webmaster for posting.
- Pre-Registration for shoots
  - When we have dates for shoots ready for posting, there will be a prompt for members to pre-register to guarantee their spot. The State 3D does not need preregistration.

**Other:**

- Regional dates determined:
  - January 10 & 11, January 17 & 18, January 24 & 25, Jan 31 & February 1
  - If any club or pro shops are interested in hosting a Regional weekend, they should be an affiliated member and they should contact Leann the Indoor VP.

- Leann went through both the Bi-laws and the Constitution; minor changes were approved; removing the old secretary's name and address and replacing it with "Secretary." Misspellings and other language clean up. Policies needing updating are below, first reading conducted.

**Adjournment:** 8:57pm, Todd made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Roger seconded, all ayes.

**Next Shoot:** State Indoor hosted by Little Crow Hutch, April 11 & 12, 202

**Next Meeting:** Policy Meeting, Saturday, December 13, 2025, Kimball, MN Time: TBD

# MAKE SURE YOU FILL OUT THE MINNESOTA STATE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION Big Game Award Submission Form

## We want to know about your Big Game!

The MSAA is made up of a significant number of people that actively hunt big game with archery equipment. It is appropriate to recognize the successful harvest of Minnesota's big game species by our membership. This award was once presented in the 80's and 90's and somehow faded due to a lack of animals being presented for scoring. The MSAA currently has two Pope and Young officials in the membership. The task of getting animals scored and winners declared will be much simpler now. The main rationale of resurrecting these awards is to create interest in and attract more memberships to the organization. The entrants for these awards must be members of the MSAA prior to the harvesting of either big game species. Below find some specific criteria proposed for these awards.

1. Applicants for the award must be a member of the MSAA prior to harvesting the animal.
2. The deer or bear must be harvested in Minnesota during the current season.
3. In the event of typical or non-typical deer being entered, whichever animal exceeds their minimum score by the most inches will be declared the winner. In the event of any ties, two awards will be presented.
4. Animals to be entered must have a 60 day drying period after harvest to allow for shrinkage.
5. It is incumbent upon the member to get their antlers or skull to one of our measurers or any official Pope and Young or Boone and Crockett measurer for documenting an official score.
6. It is assumed that contestants will get their animal to an official scorer by March 1st so winners can be determined for the awards banquet at the State Indoor.
7. The entry shall follow the Pope and Young Club's rules of harvest. The animal must be the first male animal of that species taken by the archer in that season. No party hunting or cross tagging of these animals is allowed. Rules of fair chase must be observed by contestants.
8. An award with appropriate wording to acknowledge the entries significance will be given to the archer. Species, year and archer.

Scan this QR code,  
fill out the form & submit it online





# MSAA 2025 Scholarship Recipient



This scholarship is given to a student with successful scholastic experience and shows a genuine interest in the sport of archery. This year's recipient is Markus Midgarden. Markus is a straight A+ student graduating from Bemidji High School. Markus' extra-curricular activities include being a member of the Bemidji Archery Club, Bemidji High School Fishing Team, take a kid fishing, Bemidji High School Golf Team and Construction Academy, and Century Academy. Markus is a three-time Academic Letter Winner, two-time MSAA Indoor 300 winner and an Honor Student at Bemidji High School. Markus plans on attending Northwest Technical College. Markus will study to become an electrician so he can have an impact on the daily lives of countless people while also building a career that can last a lifetime.

*What do you consider important basic facts to help a beginner archer?* Always safety first, then stance and posture. Then how you grip the bow, not too tight but not too loose. Then how to draw and aim your bow. Consistently you must put in the time and effort to see yourself getting better. Don't be discouraged by one bad arrow or round.

*With this scholarship, would you help promote archery in the future and how?* Yes, keep volunteering at my local club and help promote a warm and welcoming environment that makes people feel like they are part of the family at the Bemidji Archery Club.

Congratulations Markus and best wishes to you from the MSAA Board!

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MARCH EDITION

DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 15

## WE'VE CREATED AN ONLINE FORM FOR YOU TO SUBMIT YOUR AD



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Advertising in the Arrow magazine is a great way to get exposure for your archery event or product. The MSAA's membership base is made up of the most dedicated archers that Minnesota has to offer, who are consistently on the look-out for new shooting opportunities and the best in archery equipment. If you advertise in the Arrow you will also get your events on the MSAA's website calendar and, if you are a dealer or manufacturer, a link from our site to yours!

### Advertising Rates

	100% Club Per Issue	Non-100% Club Per Issue	Pro-Shop Per Issue	Pro-Shop Per Year	Non Affiliate Per Issue	Non Affiliate Per Year
Full Page	\$25	\$40	\$75	\$350	\$100	\$400
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Quarter Page	-	-	\$30	\$140	\$40	\$160
Eighth Page	-	-	\$15	\$70	\$30	\$120

Ads may be emailed as attachments created in Adobe Indesign, Illustrator, MS Word or pdf through Adobe Acrobat. Payment must be received by the copy deadline. Email [arrow.msaa@mnarchery.org](mailto:arrow.msaa@mnarchery.org) if you need help!

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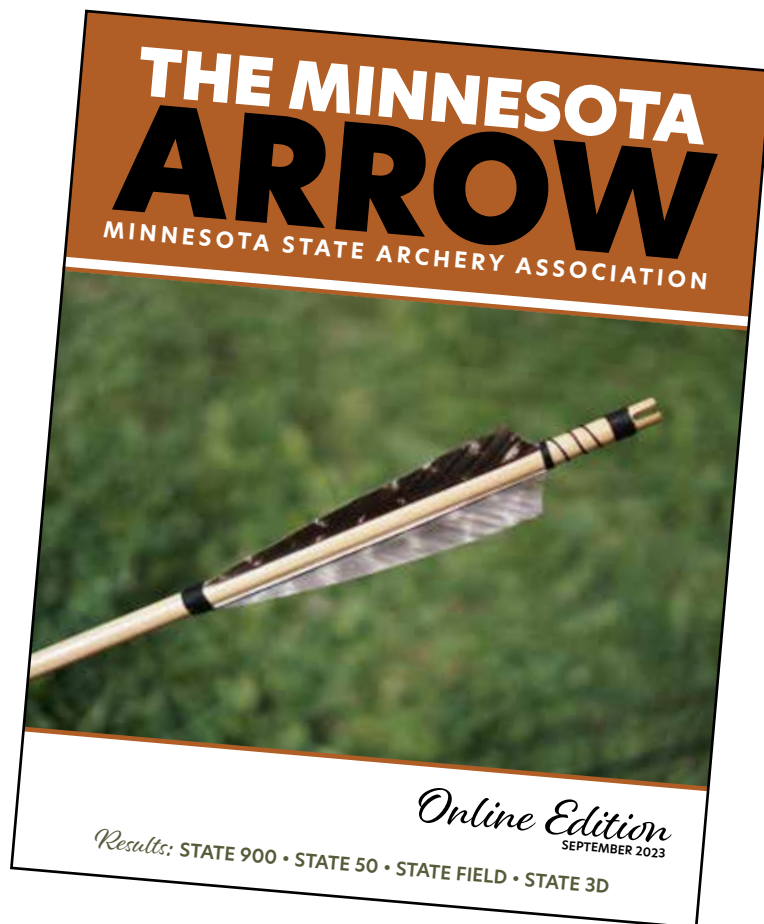
The MSAA stands for affiliates, events, and government oversight.

By joining and advertising you are making the choice to support the largest presence in Minnesota archery for over 68 years!

#### Payments can be mailed to:

MSAA Treasurer  
c/o Bruce Strom  
11681 River Creek Dr.  
Hibbing, MN 55746

Please note what the payment is specifically for.



*Special thanks to...*

**Thank you to all the clubs who hosted both regional and state shoots in 2025. Your hard work is appreciated!**

And thank you to our members - your participation goes a long way to keep the MSAA strong and to support the association's other events. We look forward to seeing you at the next one!



Join us for the

**2025 MSAA  
POLICY MEETING**

*December 13, 2025*

**9:00 AM**

**TRIPLE R**  
GRILL & BAR

37 Maus Drive  
Kimball, MN 55353  
(320) 398-7778

**DID  
YOU  
WIN?**

BUT DON'T HAVE YOUR CERTIFICATE(S)?

If you won a certificate at a state shoot this past shoot season, we've got it. Just pick up your awards at the next state shoot!



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Affiliated Clubs and Shops, please send in your shoot calendars and they will be posted in the Arrow!*

*We need your help with this!*

[arrow.msaa@mnarchery.org](mailto:arrow.msaa@mnarchery.org)

## From the MSAA Secretary

### Regionals:

Regionals are coming up in early 2026. Consider being a Regional host. Interested clubs must be affiliated. The affiliation form is on the MSAA website. Please mail the filled-out form with the affiliation fee to the MSAA secretary. If you are interested in hosting a Regionals weekend please contact Leann Boes, Indoor VP. Up to date contact information is on the MSAA website.

### Consider hosting a State event:

Ever considered hosting a MSAA State Event? We have the State Indoor, 900/50m, Field, and the 3D. If interested, please email the MSAA secretary. At the policy meeting in December the board will vote on who will host the 2025, 900/50m, Field, 3D and get your bid in for the 2027 State Indoor.

### Did you know the MSAA offers?

- A \$500.00 scholarship to two graduating seniors towards continuing education costs, see page 17 of the MSAA Constitution (MSAA Website) for details.
- All tournaments pass, see page 11 of the MSAA Constitution (MSAA Website) for details.

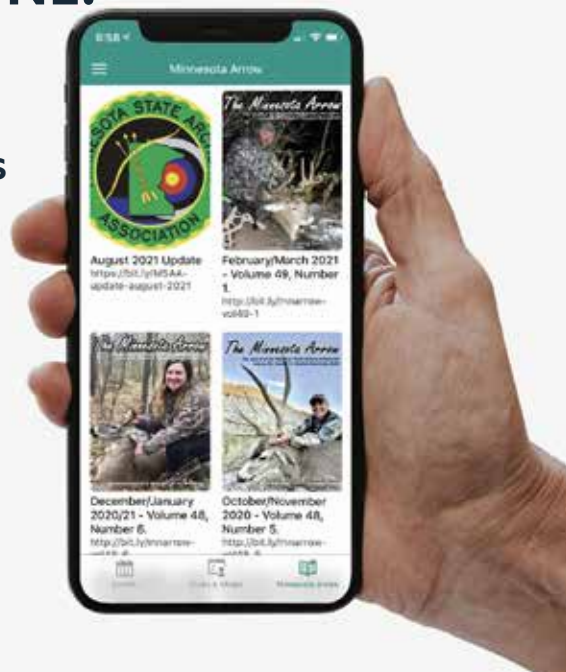
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# *Congratulations* 2025 MSAA Grand Champions!

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>STYLE</b>	<b>Indoor</b>	<b>900M</b>	<b>50M</b>	<b>Field</b>	<b>3D</b>	<b>GC Total</b>
Georgia	Glitsos	CFBHFS	300	883	680	675	287	2825
Caleb	Hansch	CMCBB	237	774	558	569	202	2340
Dar	Arndt	GMBHFS	284	811	552	738	266	2651
John	Slate	GMFS	295	856	644	805	306	2906
Mccoy	Jakel	JCMCBB	165	645	368	356	152	1686
Taylor	Given	MBHFS	299	879	676	819	316	2989
Taylor	Given	MFS	299	888	676	828	316	3007
Jesse	Given	MFSOpen	300	887	677	827	308	2999
Trent	Skjefte	MMBH	300	877	677	801	311	2966
Dominic	Berg	MRBB	171	554	316	369	113	1523
Lori	Dargatz	SFFS	297	788	634	723	254	2696
Phillip	Kern	SMBHFS	300	864	652	776	295	2887
David	Lutterman	SMFS	300	864	644	812	308	2928
Phil	Mannon	SMRBB	258	644	390	520	224	2036
Carolyn	Kiefer	SSFFS	251	840	585	741	242	2659
Brian	Peters	SSMBHFS	291	808	572	675	323	2669
Todd	Nelson	SSMFS	300	870	672	793	310	2945
Joe	Pfannenstein	SSMFSL	283	823	595	767	249	2717
Rick	Thielen	SSMTRAD	212	517	187	322	179	1417
Lucas	Bird	YAMBHFS	292	823	633	730	301	2779
Violet	Berg	YFRBB	225	642	205	433	171	1676