

2025 Western PA JOAD Clubs Archer(s) of the Year (AOY) Awards Rules and Guidelines

Purpose

This information was put together and accepted by the Western PA JOAD Clubs in recognition of the outstanding 6 Male and 6 Female archers (1 Male Recurve U18/U21, 1 Male Recurve U13/U15, 1 Female Recurve U18/U21, 1 Female Recurve U13/U15, 1 Male Open Compound U18-U21, 1 Male Open Compound U13/U15, 1 Female Open Compound U18-U21, 1 Female Open Compound U13/U15, 1 Male Fixed-Pin Compound U18-U21, 1 Male Fixed-Pin Compound U13/U15, 1 Female Fixed-Pin Compound U18-U21, 1 Female Fixed-Pin Compound U13/U15 for the 2025 Indoor JOAD Season.

The idea of this program is to encourage participation in Club Shoots while at the same time awarding our archers with a designation worthy of their achievements.

Requirements

1. Must be a current USA Archery Member in good standing throughout the 2025 Indoor Season
2. Must be a member of a registered Western PA JOAD Club including Beaver Valley Archers, Chieftain, Clairton, Coraopolis, Crowfoot, Falcon, Gold-N-Grain, McDonald, or North Side Sportsmen.

Guidelines/Statements

A. Archer of the Year (AOY) awards will be based on the archer's total points score using their top 6 scores from the 9 2025 season local JOAD tournaments. This is so that it encourages participation but does not penalize individuals unable to make an event due to other circumstances. If you attend a USA archery tournament that is scheduled for the same weekend as one of the local JOAD shoots, we will count that score towards your points. However, if you make it to both, a USA Archery event and the JOAD event that is scheduled for the same weekend, we will only count the JOAD score.

B. Clubs will provide a roster that will be verified for current memberships to USA Archery for each member. The roster serves as a listing for the program administrator as allows verification of membership especially when memberships expire during the shoot season.

C. All Clubs that have participating archers in the AOY are required to make a monetary contribution of \$150. Checks can be made out to Gold-N-Grain JOAD before February 25, 2025. GNG will be handling the purchase of and ordering of the awards. Please send to: Gold-N-Grain JOAD, 75 McCullough Road, Sharpsville, PA 16150.

D. **The award is available to participants shooting in the following age categories a) U13, b) U15, c) U18, and d) U21. These are the competitive classes recognized by USA Archery for all regional, state, and national competitions.

**Archers are permitted to shoot in a higher age class if they want so long as they participate in that age class at all events.

Scoring and Point Accumulation

To keep things straight forward we will use each archer's scores from the club events and accumulate these throughout the season. The scores will be the final result scores posted by the hosting club each week. The archer's best 6 scores will be used to determine their total points for the year and for seeding purposes for the AOY invitational.

Points will be maintained in a Master Spreadsheet by Equipment Type (Open Compound, Fixed Pin Compound, and Recurve), Age Class, and Gender (Male/Female) and will be updated after the final results of each event are posted. Once the hosting club posts the final results, there will be no changes allowed.

There are 9 JOAD Club Shoots where points can be earned using the highest 6 scores out of the 9 shoots. The top 6 archers with the highest total scores for each Group will be selected for the shoot-off. If a Group does not have at least 6 archers with 6 or more JOAD scores, then the next Archer or Archers with the highest total points within that Group will be selected until all 6 positions are filled. An Archer with 6 or more JOAD scores will be ranked higher than an archer with less than 6 scores regardless of point totals.

Shooter of the Year Invitational

After the last local event of the year, the top six archers in the following age classes and divisions will be invited to the Western PA JOAD Shooter of the Year Invitational. This invitational will follow an Olympic Match Play format with the club shoot season being the qualifier.

In the match-play competition, archers will shoot three-arrow ends. The total score of each end from each archer will be matched. The high-score holder gets 2 points for winning that end, while the loser gets 0. A tie results in a 1-1 split. The match winner is the one who earns six points first. If there is a tie at the conclusion of five (5) ends, then there will be a one-arrow shoot-off. The winner is the archer with the arrow closest to the center.

Competition Categories/Pairings:

- Top Six Male Recurve Shooters in the U13 and U15 Classes.
- Top Six Female Recurve Shooters in the U13 and U15 Classes.
- Top Six Male Recurve Shooters in the U18 and U21 Classes.

- Top Six Female Recurve Shooters in the U18 and U21 Classes.
- Top Six Male Open Compound Shooters in the U13 and U15 Classes.
- Top Six Female Open Compound Shooters in the U13 and U15 Classes.
- Top Six Male Open Compound Shooters in the U18 and U21 Classes.
- Top Six Female Open Compound Shooters in the U18 and U21 Classes.
- Top Six Male Fixed Pin Compound Shooters in the U13 and U15 Classes.
- Top Six Female Fixed Pin Compound Shooters in the U13 and U15 Classes.
- Top Six Male Fixed Pin Compound Shooters in the U18 and U21 Classes.
- Top Six Female Fixed Pin Compound Shooters in the U18 and U21 Classes.

An Archer May Only Compete In One Class For AOY

Within these groups the shooters will be pared by seeding with the Number 1 and Number 2 participants having a first-round bye. Brackets will be set up as described below.

Top two archers (Archer #1 and #2) from each group will get a bye for the first round. Archer #6 will shoot against Archer #3 and Archer #4 will shoot against Archer #5.

For the second round, Archer #1 will shoot against the lowest ranking of the winning Archers from the first round and Archer #2 will shoot against the highest ranking winner of the first round.

For the third round, the two remaining winners will square off for AOY.

March 15, 2025 Western PA JOAD Archer of the Year Invitational

The invitational will be held at Gold-N-Grain Archery located in Sharpsville, PA with the event beginning at 10:00am with awards to follow each head-to-head competition.

Recurve Class will shoot at: noon

Open Compound Class will shoot at: 2:00pm

Fixed Pin Compound Class will shoot at: 10:00am

This Invitational will be rotated to other clubs each year.

Awards

The awards for the twelve (12) archers will be of the same value and will include at a minimum an AWARD (trophy/plaque), and a Gift on the day of the event. In addition, each individual receiving this award will receive a sport type jacket identifying them as the 2025 Western PA JOAD Archer of the Year.

.....This program will be reviewed at the coaches meeting held each year before the start of the events for any amendments or changes to the program.....