

Villages Archery Club News - League Sign-up

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The Villages Archery Club

The Villages Archery Club has been running archery leagues since 2009. Through 2017, we ran only a single 12-week Winter League, but beginning in 2018, summer leagues were added. Starting this year, we decided to cut the length of the leagues down to 8 weeks, but to also increase the frequency. So, as long as there is enough interest, we plan to run 8-week leagues in each of the 4 seasons. Two 8-week Winter Archery Leagues just successfully wrapped up last week and now we are planning for the Spring League which will run on Monday mornings from April 8 to May 27.

The format used for the leagues has been either a 600 round (60 arrows shot in 4 ends of 5 arrows at 60, 50 and 40 yards) or a 300 round (60 arrows shot in 12 ends of 5 arrows at 20 yards). Since newer archers usually have difficulty hitting the target at the longer distances of the 600 round, the 300 round has been preferred by newcomers. However, for one of the recently completed Winter Leagues, we created a new format based on the 600 round but shot at 30, 20 and 10 yards.

Given that we had the bare minimum of shooters for each of the Winter Leagues (16) and the fact that we'll lose several snowbirds, we're probably going to have just one league in the Spring. The format options are 1.) a 300 league or 2.) a new "Call Your Distance" league based on the 600 format, but where each archer can declare the distances he/she will be using throughout the season, which would be one of 60-50-40 yards, 50-40-30 yards, 40-30-20 yards or 30-20-10 yards. Note that the 300 round is shot on the small 40 cm target face while the 600 round uses the large 122cm target face for all the distance choices.

A few notes about the league(s):

Handicaps are used to level the playing field. Handicaps are established by shooting a minimum of 4 rounds at least 1 week before the start of the league. However, if you've competed in a league with the same format within the past year, that handicap may be used.

Teams of 4 or 5 archers are constructed 1 week before the start of the league based on the established handicaps.

Competition takes place on Monday mornings at 9 AM at either range, Paradise or Dudley. Mondays are preferred but the rules are flexible to allow shooting later in the week or even earlier than Monday if needed due to schedule conflicts.

League dues are \$10 per archer, all of which is returned as cash prizes at the end of the season.

Click [HERE](#) for the League Sign-Up Form on the club website which includes a brief survey regarding your preference for the format we will use. The decision of league format will be made on March 15 based on survey results, so please respond as soon as possible. Please consider joining the league ... it's a great way to meet fellow Club members and to improve your archery skills!

Jeff