

From: Villages Archery villagesarcheryclub@gmail.com
Subject: Villages Archery Club News - Archery League Survey Results
Date: November 12, 2023 at 6:11 PM
To: undisclosed-recipients;
Bcc: villages-archery-club@googlegroups.com



The Villages Archery Club

Greetings everyone,

This email will summarize the results of the recent survey on archery league format and timing and will reveal the plans for leagues in 2024. Response was great, with 36 archers responding.

Interest Level:

"Yes"	25 (69%)
"Maybe"	11 (31%)

Format:

"300"	14 (39%)
"600"	5 (14%)
"Both"	17 (47%)

Total "300"	31 (86%)
Total "600"	22 (61%)

Length and Timing:

"4 8-week leagues"	26 (72%)
"2 12-week leagues"	7 (19%)
"3 12-week leagues"	3 (8%)

Length and Timing (among the 18 previous 600 league participants who replied):

"8-week leagues"	11 (61%)
"12-week leagues"	7 (39%)

Winter League Format:

"300"	20 (56%)
"600"	16 (44%)

So, in summary, there is strong interest in both formats, 300 and 600, there is a strong preference for the shorter 8-week leagues even among archers who have participated in past 12-week Winter 600 leagues, and the preference for the winter league format is pretty evenly split between 300 and 600.

Accordingly, here is the plan for archery leagues for 2024:

- Jan 8 – Feb 26: 8-week 600 Winter League
- Jan 8 – Feb 26: 8-week mini-600 Winter League (shooting 30, 20 and 10 yards)
- Apr 1 – May 20: 8-week 300 Spring League
- Jul 1 – Aug 19: 8-week 600 Summer League
- Oct 7 – Nov 25: 8-week 300 Fall League

A mini-600 Winter League was chosen over a 300 Winter League to avoid the problem of running competing simultaneous leagues where the 600 league might lose participants to the 300 league, while still providing a format for newer shooters to participate during the winter season. This will also allow newer shooters to get used to 600 format shooting. Anyone comfortable with shooting the small targets at 20 yards should have no problem at 30 yards, since they will be using the large 122-cm target faces. In future renditions we may extend this to a 40-30-20-yard format.

For the 600 Summer League, we may consider combining the 60-50-40-yard format with one of the shorter versions, with participants choosing their desired distance, establishing a handicap at that distance, and sticking with it for the duration of the league.

With the shorter duration of the leagues, we will also adjust the handicap system to use the best 3 of the 4 most recent rounds and pre-season handicaps may be established with only 4 scores instead of the previous 6.

It is hoped that these changes will address the preferences expressed by survey respondents and provide an opportunity for archers

of all skill levels to participate in each season if desired. We can re-evaluate at the end of the year to see how it worked and whether further changes are warranted.

Emails announcing the details of the 2 Winter leagues will be sent out soon.

Jeff Wiseman

--

You received this message because you are subscribed to the Google Groups "Villages Archery Club" group. To unsubscribe from this group and stop receiving emails from it, send an email to villages-archery-club+unsubscribe@googlegroups.com.