

STRAIGHT ARROW

ARCHERY LEARNING CENTER

Straight Arrow Archery Learning Center is a nonprofit organization located in Victoria, Texas providing qualified instructors for anyone wanting to learn archery and adults who want to teach archery in a safe range environment.

Straight Arrow is home to local and regional archery programs including Victoria County 4-H, District 11 4-H Archery, South Texas Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD), Victoria College and a host of independent archers.

Straight Arrow is affiliated with the National Archery Association, the National Field Archery Association, The Texas State Archery Association and the Texas Field Archery Association.

Donations to support Straight Arrow Archery Learning Center are tax deductible and can be made online or by contacting our administrative offices at 361.676.5823, or via email @ joni@straightarrowarchery.org

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A note from Coach Barker:

First and foremost, we are all happy to see Coach Gene is on the mend after finding out over the Christmas holidays that he needed a new aortic valve. (Coach Tom got his 11 years ago so folks can't say Coach Tom and Coach Gene don't put their heart into archery.) The doctors decided that while they were in there doing the valve replacement they



would do a triple bypass also. Coach Gene is sorely missed, but is home resting and will be back in no time. In the meantime, Coach Tom is holding down the fort along with lots of good help from JOAD parents.

Straight Arrow Archery held its second Shoot Your Way Across Texas TFAA event and had the largest attendance to date for the SYWAT events with 62 entries. SAA has been asked to host a sectional next year in addition to the two SYWAT events.

Coach Tom's college archery class at Victoria College has been meeting for several weeks now and the students will actually get to shoot arrows this week at the SAA range. The class has been enthusiastically received. The college kids are mostly new to archery, so they would be very impressed to watch the JOAD's shoot!

With the assistance of a loan from the Hosford Foundation of the Texas State Archery Association, SAA purchased a cargo trailer so that we can now take the show on the road for archery clinics and camps in the Victoria area. Decals for the sides of the trailer with the SAA logo are in progress. We'll be traveling in style!

JOAD archers as well as many adult archers continue to come to the range in preparation for the pinnacle of the indoor season in just a few weeks. The weekend of February 5-7 is the state indoor in Austin. The following weekend SAA is hosting the state indoor JOAD in Victoria. Finally, USA Archery indoor nationals will be taking place in College Station February 26-28. Good luck to all the archers.

As things warm up we will be hosting more clinics, coaches' certification classes and then some outdoor events.

See you on the range!

Sponsor a target and help us grow!

Sponsorships are available to any interested individual, family, or business. A \$100 tax deductible donation gets your name or logo on a target stand at SAA for all of our local and out-of-town visitors to see. Great way to advertise your business AND support SAA!



Thanks to all the JOAD shooters who have paid their \$15 participation fee. Attendance is strong with lots of new, young archers giving it a try. You are all doing a great job of demonstrating for the younger ones, not only how to shoot, but how to conduct yourself at an archery range. We are proud of you!

With lots of competition to look forward to this month, it's a busy one for JOAD families, but it's a great time to reconnect with all of those long-distance friends you've been able to make through your archery travels.

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**Best of luck to each of you in Austin,
Victoria and College Station!**

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