



Welcome to 2023 Perry County S3DA!

Hello all! Thank you for your interest in our Youth Archery Program. We are entering our second year as a S3DA program and I want to welcome our new archers and welcome back our returning archers! 2022 was an amazing year that included 9 regional events, 3 state events, and 3 national events. We had at least one archer place on the podium in each of the events! Several Shooter of the Year Awards and a National Conservation Award also found a home in Perry County. As a coach I'm proud of all those accomplishments, and most of all, I'm happy to report that our archers learned a lot about the sport and grew at every practice, made new friends across the country, and supported each other throughout the year! Great job archers!

2023 Overview and Changes:

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Starting in only 3 states at their first national tournament, S3DA is now active in 24 states and growing all the time and booming in Pennsylvania. In 2022, PA participation doubled! Ages eligible for the program are 8-18 (age as of January 1) and I do strongly urge that each archer have taken the Intro to Archery Class. For S3DA, each archer **must have their own equipment**. S3DA teaches three disciplines of archery (Indoor Target, 3D, and Outdoor Target) and has 4 age groups and 4 equipment classes. Each S3DA class provides a natural progression that helps students grow from elementary school all the way through high school, which provides the opportunity for scholarships and to compete at the collegiate level, if interested. S3DA events are family oriented and family friendly. My goal as an S3DA coach is to teach archery skills from the most basic to advanced and create a fun learning environment where the kids can really learn to love archery.

PRACTICES

- **DATE:** WEDNESDAYS only! No more official Saturday practices.
- **TIME:** DEPENDS ON HOW MANY ARCHERS
 - o * Determination will be made by Nov 29 and parents will be notified at the Parents Meeting
 - o **If MORE THAN 28 ARCHERS sign up:**
 - First Session 5:30pm-6:45pm
 - Second Session 7:00pm-8:15pm
 - o **If LESS THAN 28 archers sign up:**
 - ONLY ONE SESSION 6:00pm – 7:30pm
- **Start Date:** December 7, 2022
- **End Date:** September 27, 2023

Registration

- **MUST BE DONE IN PERSON**, see dates below
 - o **SUNDAY OCTOBER 30, 2022 from 1:00-3:00pm** at Perry County Archers
 - o **WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2022 from 6:00-7:30pm** at Perry County Archers

- *Please make every attempt to register at one of these times. I will accept registrations at the Parents Meeting in November, but please make contact with me so I can add the participant to the roster **if slots are still available**.
- **COST:** The cost for the program is a club membership (can be youth or family membership) and a \$65 club S3DA fee per archer payable to Perry County Archers. Each archer must also have a S3DA membership (\$25 per archer) which must be done online at www.S3DA.org. I do understand that the club S3DA fee has increased and it seems significant compared to last year, but it was a necessary increase and was determined at this rate to reduce the need for reevaluating the cost for a long time. This decision was discussed and voted on at the September club meeting. Regional, State, and National S3DA Competitions are optional and will cost additional fees. Please let me know if you have any concerns.
- **REQUIRED FORMS** *will be posted to the website and Facebook shortly and available day of registration
 - S3DA Registration form
 - *Please use one form per family
 - Register archers on www.S3DA.org prior to registering at the club so you have S3DA membership #s.
 - Perry County Archers Membership Application
- **PARENTS MEETING**
 - **November 29, 2022 - 6:00-7:00pm**
 - We will review expectations, rules, practice format, competition schedules, etc.
- **Apparel:** T-shirts are no longer included. A team store is in the works... stay tuned.

VOLUNTEERS AND COACHES

- Let me know at registration if you are interested in becoming a coach
- **Existing COACHES:** We will have a coaches meeting **November 16 – 6:00-7:00pm**
- **VOLUNTEERS:** I am exploring the idea of a PCA S3DA “Board” but need support from additional parents. Ideas for positions would be a fundraising coordinator, competition coordinator, special events coordinator, media coordinator, etc. Please bring any ideas you have to the parents meeting!

Clubhouse: The clubhouse will be undergoing renovations in January and I’m working on securing locations for practices on the Wednesdays we will be impacted. The time the club is closed will be completely worth it! We are getting new targets, lights and we have a LOT of banners to hang 😊

Team Snap: This year I will be using the Team Snap App for ALL COMMUNICATIONS! The Facebook page and website are still active and will be used, but pertinent team information will ONLY be sent via Team Snap App. I will add each archer to the roster as I get registration information.

Closing: I am so excited for all the opportunities that 2023 will bring us. Our coaching staff has expanded and our practices will be more in depth, but still just as fun! The concept of moving away from Saturday is to keep those days open for competitions as needed.

Happy Hunting to ALL!!! Share your stories on the Youth Facebook page !

Thanks- Head Coach Carla Orris

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