**Archery 2019**

(11- Spring Air 2019 Archery Match Program

Target: All archers will use the 40 cm. (16”) FITA targets. The targets are divided into ten (10) concentric circles. The values from inside-out are 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1 respectively.

Course of Fire: All archers – Three (3) scoring Ends consisting of five (5) shots each at

 10 Meters (10.936 yards) and then 15 Meters (16.404 yards) for a total of

 thirty (30) shots.

Categories: There will be two categories: **Genesis Bows and Recurve Bows.**Both categories will be operated simultaneously on the range. **A competitor may compete in in both the Genesis Bow and Recurve Bow categories, even if they are shooting in other disciplines/squadded events.**

Age Divisions: Juniors (ages 9 – 13) & Seniors (ages 14 – 19) as determined by the 4H

calendar year.

Range Limits: A maximum of 8 archers will compete simultaneously on the range.

Awards: First, second, and third place individual in each age division and each category. An achievement award will be given to each individual based

on their individual score.

First place team awards will be given in each age division for Genesis Bows.

Definition of a team: a team is composed of three (3) shooters. Therefore two (2) people do not make a team even if their combined score is higher than the combined 3 scores of a team. Team scores will be computed by adding the top three (3) scores of the individuals in each category and age division from each club. Thus, only one team award in each age division in may be won by a single club. “Make-up” teams from across county lines are not allowed unless the members practice and regularly shoot together as members of the club.

Achievement Award:

 Ribbon Score

 Gold 225 - 300

 Silver 150 - 224

 Bronze 75 - 149

Green 0 – 74

Ties: All individual ties to be broken by determining which competitor had a greater number of X’s, 10’s, 9’s, through 1’s. If a tie still exists, the scores from the third end will be compared, then the second end, etc. Team ties are determined by the same procedure.

Rules: When shooting, the archer shall straddle the shooting line.

 Participants will be instructed with verbal commands as follows:

* Shooter to the line, straddle the line with bow in hand
* The line is hot; nock arrow and commence firing
* The line is cold; go forward to the target line

If an unsafe condition occurs, the CEASE FIRE! command will be given.

An arrow leaving the bow is considered a shot unless the archer can reach it from their position with their bow. ***An archer must not attempt to reach for the arrow until instructed to do so by the match director, lane official, or range official***.

An arrow going through or bouncing off the target paper shall be shot again regardless of where it hit the target. If an arrow bounces out of the target during an End the match director, lane official, or range official should be made aware and they can give that archer another arrow during that particular End. If there are any archers that have a bounce out that was not re-shot during the End, then a bounce out End can be shot at that particular distance following the conclusion of that distance’s three Ends.

Scoring: a. All arrows must be scored before any arrow or the target’s

 face is touched.

 b. An arrow shaft (not fletching) touching the lines shall count as

 hitting the inner one and awarded the point higher value.

 c. An arrow that isn’t in a scoring ring is awarded “0” points.

 d. The “X” ring in the center of the 10 is simply scored as a 10.

 e. An arrow that “robin-hoods” another arrow receives the value

 of the arrow it “robin-hooded” in the target.

 f. An arrow that skips off the floor and strikes the target is

 scored where it lands.

 g. An arrow that skips off the floor and bounces off the target

 is treated as a bounce-out.

 h. Scannable (bubble-type) scorecards will be used.

 i. The scorecard must be signed by the archer at the conclusion

 of shooting and scoring.

Prior to the competitor pulling their arrows, the judge shall orally

count the score at the target. Any protest by the competitor must be taken up at this time. Final decisions rest with the Match Directors. The score shall then be recorded and the arrow pulled. Once an arrow is pulled the score for that arrow is final.

Official Postings: Following the shooters/coaches review, the official scores and

standing will be posted at the designated area. This will allow

shooters, coaches, and spectators to continually see the updated

scores and standings.

Equipment: Shooters **must** provide their own bows, arrows (each shooter must

bring a minimum of 5 arrows to the shooting line), accessories and

other equipment described for the categories below. Quivers are

required for all shooters. Eye protection is recommended but not

required.

A very small number of loaner bows, arrows and quivers may be available in

case ofequipment failures.

**Genesis Bow** – (i.e. Matthew Genesis-type stock bow). Only stock (original), unmodified Genesis Mini or Genesis Original are allowed. Genesis Pro and Genesis Gen-X are not allowed. Only bare bows with no let-off are allowed. Sights, sight marks/references, mechanical releases, draw stops, and stabilizers are not permitted. Archers may wear finger tabs, tape, or gloves to protect draw-hand fingers. Metal, tied, or heat-shrink nock locators may be used.

Only unmodified Easton aluminum 1820 Genesis arrows are allowed for the Genesis Bow category.

**Recurve Bow** – Only recurve bows with draw weights of 30 lbs. or less without pulleys or cams are allowed. Sights, sight marks/references, mechanical releases, draw stops, and stabilizers are not permitted. Archers may wear finger tabs, tape, or gloves to protect draw-hand fingers. Metal, tied, or heat-shrink nock locators may be used.

Any arrows that are 20/64 (.3125 inch or 7.93 mm) in diameter or less with field points are allowed for the Recurve Bow category.

Coaches Responsibility: It is the responsibility of each coach to insure that each of their competitorsis familiar with the rules, is able to understand and follow range commands, and practice safe archery equipment handling.

Match Director:James Bass

Range Official & Lane Official: 1) Volunteers from the Virginia 4H Shooting Ambassadors

 2) Volunteers as approved by the Match Director