## 2007 Arizona State JOAD Outdoor Target Archery Championship By Mike Cullumber, President Papago FITA Archers

## I have seen the future of Archery and it is good!

On Saturday, April 21 2007, twenty-five Dedicated JOAD Archers braved the cold and wind to participate in The AZ. JOAD Outdoor Target Archery Championship. The tournament was held at the Papago Park Archery Range in Phoenix, AZ. and was hosted by the Papago FITA Archers Club. Archery Headquarters in Chandler, AZ. was the sponsor and provided Tournament T-shirts for each Archer.

The day started off cloudy, windy and cold. The temperature was a chilly 50°. By 1:00 the temperature was a warm 68° and partly sunny. First thing in the morning the event staff received some sad news. Ten guest JOAD Archers from Mexico had car trouble in Yuma and had to withdraw. The coach and one Junior Archer, Hafid Jaime, left in a separate car and made it to the tournament. We were all sorry to hear the news. The good news is their coach Naty Jaime will bring the team up for more tournaments. We look forward to some great competition. In the mean time event staff had to scramble to reassign lanes. For at least a third of the field, it was their first full FITA and some of them had never shot at the long distances. Add the fact that this was a one-day FITA all of the Archers put their game face on and pushed ahead. Because of the weather and some Archers shooting at distances they had never shot before, long distance scores were low.

After Lunch, which consisted of two, six-foot subs provided by the Papago FITA Archers, the short distances started. The wind died down and the sun began to peek through the clouds. It was familiar territory for most and scores increased. Although there were no World Records set, many did their personal best. At the end of the tournament, after shooting over 160 arrows in practice and the tournament, a tired but satisfied group of Archers and Parents smiled.

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## **Stats**

Arizona State JOAD Outdoor Target Archery Championship, One-Day Star FITA April 21, 2007 Papago Park Archery Range in Phoenix, AZ. Hosted by the Papago FITA Archers Club Sponsored by Archery Headquarter, Chandler, AZ. TD/DOS: Mike Cullumber Judges: Barbara Noblet and Ed Votruba Technical Advice: Bob Pian Weather:

Morning; Windy, 50° and Rain Clouds Afternoon; Partly sunny, 68° and lite winds

Lunch: Two, six-foot subs

Total Archers: 25

Schedule:

7:30 am - Check-in and equipment inspection 8:15 am - Announcements 8:30 am - Official Practice 9:00 am  $-1^{st}$  long distance 10:30 am  $-2^{nd}$  long distance 12:00 pm - Lunch 12:45 pm  $-1^{st}$  short distance 2:00 pm  $-2^{nd}$  short distance 3:30 pm - Scorecard tally and field take-down 4:00 pm - Awards

Volunteers;

Richard Doria – Papago FITA Archers Sue McGee – Papago FITA Archers Jim Cantillo – Papago FITA Archers Michelle Gibbs – Papago FITA Archers Mary Jo Dhein – Papago FITA Archers Angi Lopez – Papago FITA Archers Jim Mulvany – Papago FITA Archers Bill, Annette and Will Golz – Papago FITA Archers Glenn Liptack – Papago FITA Archers

Heather Collins-Brunelle – Straight-N-Arrow North The Van Patten's – Straight-N-Arrow