



TRYZUB
ARCHERY NEWS



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Greetings Fellow Archers,

Official Club Status:

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ukrainian American Sport Center, Tryzub's Archery team was recognized and accepted formally as a program of the Club. The Board elected Ilya V. Buynevich as the official program director and head coach. We will shortly also register with the US National Archery Association.

Late Fall - Winter

Throughout the Fall, shooter-coach Buynevich and his twin sons, Oscar and Oliver, spent many hours at "Tryzubivka" (our center's Ukrainian name) teaching a squad of beginners the basics about equipment, shooting and the rules of play. Winter saw the fledgling team move indoors to Target World, a local target range for intense training and practice sessions. Essentially, the squad practiced every Thursday and Sunday.

In February, the coach took part in the Indoor World Championship Trials in King of Prussia, shooting right next to the top ranked Olympic archer in the world, Brady Ellison (how many sports will give you this kind of experience!). The top three archers from these trials went on to win the team gold medal in Las Vegas a few weeks later.

Tryzub's Target Archery Team Strikes the Gold in First Competition.

On February 19, five Tryzub archers entered the 2012 Mid-Atlantic Indoor FITA tournament in the recurve bow division. It was the first competition for all of the team members, except for the coach.

Tryzub's results were quite remarkable. In the most competitive and featured Male Senior competition, Ilya Buynevich placed third with a score of 523 points out of a possible 600. In the extremely competitive Male Bowman junior category, Oliver Buynevich (233 points) placed third and Oscar Buynevich (176 points) placed fifth. In the equally competitive Male Cub junior division, Christopher Lopez placed fourth with a strong (especially for a complete newcomer) score of 303. In the far less competitive Master 50+ category, Eugene A. Luciw placed first with a score of 152.

Excited by these results, shooter-coach Buynevich exclaimed: "I am so proud of this team. I believe that we represented Tryzub's legacy of championship and sportsmanship very well. We will return to the practice ranges with the goal of exceeding our personal best in future competitions."

Pennsylvania Indoor State Championships

On March 3, Ilya Buynevich represented Tryzub in the Pennsylvania Indoor State Championships. He captured gold with 534 points and was crowned the Commonwealth's champion. Please take time to congratulate Ilya on this accomplishment.

Spring Plans – Outdoor Target Facility

The Archers are erecting an outdoor shooting range. A target shed is already in place and will soon be fully equipped with appropriate more permanent target cubes and reinforcement. In the interim, portable cubes will be positioned inside the shed for the more experienced archers and can be easily installed just outside the shed for the beginners.

Only team members in good standing will have permission to use the range. Additional rules and regulations will be published soon. The team will also soon publish official practice dates and times.

Team Membership in Good Standing

The fee for joining the Tryzub Archery squad is \$65 which must be submitted with an appropriate application. Communicate with Gene Luciw at 267-664-3857 or eluciw@comcast.net for additional information or for an opportunity to join the team.

The Reigning Olympic Gold Champion is a Ukrainian.

It is of interest to note that the reigning Olympic champion in archery is Viktor Ruban who captured gold in Beijing in the year 2008. He will defend his title at the upcoming 2012 Summer Olympics in London.

Sincerely,

Tryzub Archery Club