



TRYZUB

ARCHERY NEWS



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Winter 2013-2014 Season

The Tryzub Striltsi team was very active in the indoor archery circuit. The youngest member, Chris Lopez, joined the **Junior Olympic Archery Development (“JOAD”)** program at Tryzub’s home training venue, Bucks County Fish and Game Association (“BCFG”), Doylestown, PA. He is pictured below with teammates (l to r) Chelsea Malone, Bryanna Young, and Jess Templeton. Notably, Chris is the only BCFG JOAD team member who competes in the Olympic Re-curve Bow Category.





Lopez (2nd from left) with JOAD teammates (l to r) Jess Templeton, Bryanna Young, Alex Woodruff and Jack Sheehan.

On November 9-10, in the extremely competitive **2013 US Eastern Regional FITA Championship** tournament held at Reading, PA, Ilya Buynevich and Vlad Kozlovsky took seventh and eighth places in the Senior (main) Male Re-curve competition, with scores of 488 and 460, respectively. Eugene A. Luciw and Charles Sterling came in fourth and fifth in the Masters 50+ Division, scoring 458 and 382, respectively. Chris Lopez took the fifth position in the Re-curve Male Cadet Division. Significantly, some of the best shooters from throughout the Eastern Seaboard had entered the competition.

On March 1-2, BCFG was among the venues hosting the **2014 PA State FITA Indoor Championship Tournament**. Ilya Buynevich captured the Silver Medal with a score of 495, while Vlad Kozlovsky came in fourth with a score of 475. Luciw, with a score of 456, secured Silver in the Master 50+'s. Lopez took the bronze in the Re-curve Male Cadet Division with a score of 464.



Chris Lopez and his JOAD colleagues in action at the PA FITA State Indoors held at Bucks County Fish and Game Society, Bucks County, PA.

Later in March, Luciw won State Championship Gold in the Master 50+ division of the **2014 Pennsylvania Field & Target Archers' Indoor Tournament**; Buynevich won Bronze in the main competition (262/300).

The Mid-Atlantic FITA Championship capped the indoor circuit. Chris Lopez captured fourth position, just out of the medals. Buynevich shot a sizzling score of 509, but fell one point short of Championship Gold.

Archery Golf

The Tryzub Striltsi also participated in two recreational Archery Golf outings sponsored by the PA Bow Hunters Association at the Linfield National Golf Course, in Limerick, PA and the Tree Top Golf Course, in Mannheim, PA. Archery Golf is a truly interesting hybrid sport that, following basic golf rules and practices, allows the archers to shoot across great lengths while still requiring them to use great precision and accuracy to hit the final target located at each green.



Luciw, Buynevich and Sterling (3rd, 4th and 8th from left, standing) with friends from Bucks County Fish and Game Society prepare for archery golf at Linfield National Golf Club.

Winter League

Through the winter, all of the Tryzub Archers, Ilya Buynevich, Vlad Kozlovsky, Chris Lopez, Eugene Luciw and Charlie Sterling competed vigorously in the **Bucks County Fish and Game Association** Indoor Archery League competition. Being the only Olympic target re-curve archers in a field of compound bowmen, it was nearly impossible for the Striltsi to win with any consistency. They are currently in last place in a field of 8 teams; however, they have already won a number more games than last year and are in striking distance of several teams above them in the standings. When all four archers are shooting at their peaks, the Striltsi can compete with anyone in the field. Consistency remains the greatest challenge for an Olympic archer.