



# TRYZUB

## ARCHERY NEWS



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**Greetings Fellow Archers,**

### **Tryzub Archers Strike Gold and Bronze in the State Games of America**

Thousands of amateur athletes gather annually to participate in the State Games of America. From July 31st to August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013, over 10,000 athletes, from 44 States and the District of Columbia competed in 28 Sports, at various venues in the Harrisburg-Hershey, PA area, which hosted this year's event.

Ukrainian American Sport Center archers, Ilya Buynevich and Eugene Luciw, from the "Tryzub Striltsi" team competed in the so-called the FITA 900 Target Round, in which each archer shoots 30 arrows each at targets set at 60, 50 and 40 yards.

A morning rain storm and a steaming afternoon heat with swirling winds seemed only to invigorate team Tryzub. In the Male Recurve Division, Buynevich delivered a sizzling total score of 716 out of a possible 900 points, while Luciw shot a respectable score of 567 in the Male Master over 50 Recurve ranks. The scores were tabulated and Buynevich was awarded the Gold Medal, while Luciw won the bronze in the competitive Master Senior Recurve Division. They added to Pennsylvania's eventual victory in the overall medal count; Keystone State athletes captured 471 total medals, outscoring the next three winners (MA, TX, and VA) combined.

"These certainly were great personal achievements for Gene and me, but I am so honored that we were able to capture these medals for the Ukrainian community, for Tryzub and for Pennsylvania", said Buynevich. "I guess we better start getting ready to defend them next year then", added Luciw.

### **Ilya Buynevich Crowned PA Outdoor State Champion**

Earlier in the year, on June 28, with a score of 825, Buynevich won the Pennsylvania Outdoor State Championship, in Walnutport, PA, shooting a full FITA Round at challenging target distances of 90, 70 (the official Olympic distance), 50 and 30 meters.

### **Winter 2012-2013 Season**

The Tryzub Striltsi team also shot the indoor circuit. On November 10-11, in the extremely competitive 2012 US Eastern Regional FITA Championship held at Reading, PA, Buynevich (Senior) and Luciw (Master 50+) took seventh and fifth place, in their respective categories. Significantly, some of the best shooters from throughout the Eastern Seaboard had entered the competition. Oliver Buynevich won a bronze

medal in the Recurve Male Bowman division.

On March 3, 2013, in the PA State Indoor Championship tournament, held in Walnutport, PA, in their said divisions, Ilya Buynevich failed to defend his 2012 indoor title, securing fourth place in his division. Luciw secured 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the over 50's. Oliver Buynevich placed fifth.

Later in March, Ilya Buynevich placed second (261/300) in the Pennsylvania Field & Target Archers' Indoor Tournament and fourth (259/300) in Mid-Atlantic Sectional Championship in the Male Freestyle Limited Recurve/Longbow Division (National Field Archery Association rules).

## **Archery Golf**

The Tryzub Striltsi also participated in a number of recreational 3D archery shoots and in an Archery Golf tournament sponsored by the PA Bow Hunters Association at the Linfield National Golf Course, in Limerick, PA. It was a truly interesting hybrid sport that, following basic golf rules and practices, allowed the archer to shoot across great lengths while still requiring them to use great precision to hit the final target located at each green.

## **Winter League**

Through the winter, the Tryzub Archers, Ilya Buynevich, Vlad Kozlovsky, Chris Lopez, and Eugene Luciw welcomed Charlie Sterling to the team and entered the **Bucks County Fish and Game Society** Indoor Archery League competition. Being the only Olympic target recurve archers in a field of compound bowmen, it was nearly impossible for the Striltsi to win with any consistency. They placed seventh in a field of 8 teams. Significantly, however, they beat the league winning team in 7 out of 9 games. These seven losses were that team's only losses for the entire winter.

## **Upcoming Events**

Recreationally, the Striltsi will participate in 3d Archery shoots, in the expected two archery golf tournaments and in the Indoor winter league at Bucks County Fish and Game Society (BCFG). After competing in the BCFG 900 round Memorial Outdoor Shoot, team Tryzub will focus on indoor training and the various and sundry indoor competitions.