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“if I would study my old, lost art, let us say, I must make myself the artisan of it...”

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THE THROWING ARROW

Hank Buchmeyer and Frank Lukes

Retired couples with idle time on their hands is a dangerous thing. One day, Anita Lukes, my lovely wife, beckoned me to her computer and proceeded to show me the Swiss arrow. Soon I was on the internet looking for more information. One of the articles I found appeared on a site called *Sensible Survival* and was called “Making a Throwing Arrow” (January 2, 2013) by Hank Buchmeyer. The article follows with Hank’s permission:

The throwing arrow is a hunting arrow that my old mentor taught me how to make. Some people call it a Swiss arrow; others call it a Yorkshire arrow. He always called it a throwing arrow, so that’s how I refer to it. The throwing arrow works on the same principle as the atlatl, but instead of using a solid stick as a dart thrower, you use a piece of string.

The arrow or dart is much like a regular arrow except it is a little larger in diameter and a little longer. The arrow that I am making here is about 3/8 inch on the large end (back), 5/16 inch on the small end, and around 36 inches long.

So, let’s make a throwing arrow. The first thing that we will need is an arrow shaft. I found a nice straight shoot of Yaupon Holly that I cut for my arrow shaft, but any good solid, straight wood will do. If you don’t have access to any wild material, you can buy a 3/8-inch dowel rod at the hardware store. After removing the bark, I let the shaft dry of a couple of days so that it wouldn’t be too sticky. I did a little gentle hand straightening to take a couple of small kinks out of the shaft. Pictured below: Yaupon Holly arrow shaft.

Next is the fletching. I split a couple of wild turkey wing feathers and cut them to length for fletchings. I am going to use four fletchings on this arrow. Don’t



ask me why. That’s the way my mentor did it, so I’m just continuing the tradition. I’m sure it will work just as well with three fletchings. Pictured below: Turkey feather fletchings.



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After the fletchings are cut, they need to be attached to the shaft. In this case I used glue and deer sinew to attach the fletchings. After the sinew is dry you can cut the fletchings to shape. Here's a hint, don't leave the fletchings too tall or they will slow down the speed of your arrow, kind of like a floofloo arrow. Pictured below: is a view of the fletched arrow.



Because I am going to use this arrow for target practice I attached a commercial field point to the front. For actual hunting you would want to knap out a nice broadhead from flint or glass. Pictured below: Field point attached to front



of arrow.

Now the last step. Come down about an inch below the front of your fletchings and cut a notch in the shaft. The notch should be cut to a depth of little less than half way through the shaft. The front side of the notch (the side toward the front of the arrow) should be straight up and down. The back side of



the notch should be sloped back toward the fletchings. The picture below gives a good illustration of how the finished notch should look.

Now you need a string to throw the arrow with. I twisted one up out of yucca fiber, but a piece of paracord or any other similar size string will do. The string needs to be about one-and-a-half times the length of the arrow.

You will need to tie an overhand knot in each end of the string. These directions for attaching the string to the arrow are for a right-handed person:

1. Hold the arrow in front of you in right hand with the notch facing you.
2. Lay the knotted end of the string into the notch from the left with the knot ending up about 1/8 inch to the right of the notch.
3. Put your left thumb on top of the string in the notch to hold the string in place.
4. Using your free right hand, wrap the string in back of the arrow and then pass it over the top of the string between the arrow shaft and the notch.
5. Pull the string tight in order to lock it in place in the notch.
6. Use your left hand to keep the string tight while you wrap the loose end of the string around your right hand two or three times.
7. Now pull your right hand to the front of the arrow (keep tension on the string so that it doesn't fall out of the notch).
8. Grip the arrow shaft between the thumb and fingers of your right hand about three inches back from the point. You may have to wrap or unwrap a little more string around your right hand in order to have your hand in the right place on the shaft. You are now ready to throw.

This process sounds kind of complicated, but it really only takes about three seconds to get the string on the arrow and have it ready to throw. The pictures





I can throw one of these arrows about 40 to 50 yards, but I have to admit that my accuracy is not that great. It's like anything else; practice makes perfect, or at least better.

Editor's Notes: As Hank mentions, the throwing arrow has also been called a Swiss Arrow or Yorkshire Arrow. I also found references to the throwing arrow as a French Arrow, Dutch Arrow, Scotch Arrow and Gypsy Arrow. YouTube has a number of video clips demonstrating making and throwing the throwing arrow (there is an interesting mix of accents). A sampling of the video titles follows:

1. Testing The Swiss Arrow at Malta Archery
2. Homemade Throwing Arrow
3. Making Dutch Arrows
4. Throwing Arrows



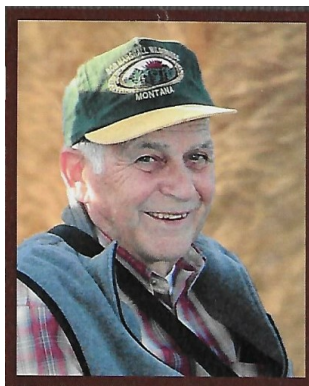
Throwing the arrow just takes practice. You want to throw it with an overhand motion, not side-arm. Your arm should be fairly straight but not locked at the elbow. I find that I get the best results if I just forget about the string and act like I'm trying to throw the arrow with my hand; and then keep my throwing hand moving in a follow-through that ends by my knee. Pictured next: Throwing the arrow.

IN MEMORY OF TROY HELMICK

August 31, 1933 — February 20 2018

By Anita Lukes

Troy was a charter member of the World Atlatl Association; one of those 75 who thought, and rightly so, that an organization of atlatl enthusiasts was a great idea. He was President of WAA during 1996 and 1997 and worked to preserve knowledge of atlatls. He, as well as members of his family, won numerous atlatl contests; he won Grand Champion awards at Valley of Fire a number of times. He was a man of so many talents: a surveyor, a civil engineer technician, fireman, historian, sportsman, flintknapper, photographer, athlete, and artist.



York Island were identified and commemorated. Troy had a lifelong interest in archeology. He donated over 6000 artifacts that sit in permanent archives at the Billings Curation Center. Troy's work endures through articles and artwork in professional journals and through his field work in the Bob Marshall Wilderness, on Turner's Flying D Ranch outside Yellowstone Park and at the site of the tragic Mann Gulch fire. In 2002 Troy received a personal award from Montana's Governor for his contributions to archeological work in Montana.

He and his wife also had a lifelong interest in the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Thanks to their efforts, their chapter of the Lewis and Clark Heritage Trail Foundation, Crimson Bluffs, and

We remember his soft-spoken mannerisms, his kindness, friend-to-all nature, and dry wit. All of us who knew him will miss him.

2018 EVENT CALENDAR

DEADLINES

Fri 15 Jun 2018 – Deadline for July 2018 Newsletter
 Sat. September 15, 2018 — Deadline for October 2018 Newsletter
 Sat. December 1, 2018—Mon. December 31, 2018 Competition Season Closed
 Sat. December 15, 2018—Deadline for January 2019 Newsletter

North America EVENT

DATE/STATE	EVENT
Thur 19 Apr Colorado	Durango Atlatl Club Thu 19 Apr 2018 at 00:00 - Durango Atlatl Club: Durango CO – United States Contact James Turner (970) 946-2096
Fri Apr 20 Missouri	April Wake Up Throw Fri 20 Apr 2018 - Home of Steve and Barb Spencer: Trenton MO 64683 – United States barbspencer@cebridge.net Barb 660-359-7597 or Home 660-359-3635 or Steve 660-654-3904 ISAC and other events throw Friday evening only from 4:00p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Hope you can attend for an evening of throwing and visiting. Contact Steve/Barbara Spencer at barbspencer@cebridge.net for more information
Fri Apr 20 New York	Earthday Gathering and Mastodon Open Fri 20 Apr 2018 - Sun 22 Apr 2018 - NY AAI: Elmira New York – United States Jack rjrowe93@gmail.com 570-888-8258 ;389 Simkin Rd. Elmira, New York ISAC and NYAA events (Team, Individual, Hunter, Distance and European). A New York Atlatl Association, Inc. sponsored and insured event. Contact: Jack; 570-888-8258 rjrowe93@gmail.com or Justin Covey; 570-423-0318
Fri 20 Apr Wisconsin	Ojibwa Bowhunters Fri 20 Apr 2018—Sat 21 Apr 2018—Ojibwa: 3045 Johnson Road; New Berlin, Wisconsin- ISAC Friday night. Demo and ISAC Saturday. Contact Lenny 920-917-0335
Sat 21 Apr Wyoming	Blooming Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC Sat 21 Apr 2018—Sun 22 Apr 2018 at Trail's End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyoteclownd@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time
Sat 28 Apr West Virginia	First Annual Barboursville, WV Self-Reliance Festival Sat 28 Apr 2018 at 10:00 - 17:00 - Barboursville Farmer's Market: Barboursville WV 25504 – United States Contact Nisa Holbrook nisaholbrook@aim.com for more information.
Sun 29 Apr California	9th Buckeye Gathering Sun 29 Apr 2018 - Sat 5 May 2018 at All Day Pacific- Bruce Weidman: Oroville Calif 95969 – Bruce Weidman bweidman@comcast.net 925-817-8732 ISAC daily. Hours may vary. Lake Concow is located about 24 miles from Oroville, CA. Take Hwy 70 north from Oroville. Go about 19 miles and turn left onto Concow Rd. Go about 5 miles. Turn left into campground. The Buckeye Gathering is two, one-week events, for paid students only. However, those coming to throw in the ISAC only can do so for free, but will have limited access to rest of the event. Contact Bruce Weidman at 925-817-8732 or bweidman@comcast.net . Phone and internet connections at Lake Concow can be iffy!
Sun 29 Apr Wisconsin	Joe's Cast Your Dart Through The Pines Throw Sun 29 Apr 2018 - Joe's Place: Pine River WI – United States We will begin around noon, novelty targets and ISAC competitions. Please call ahead so we have an idea of the number of participants. Contact: Joe Struyzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Fri 4 May New York	Genesee Valley Flint Knappers Weekend Fri 4 May 2018 - Sun 6 May 2018 - Letchworth State Park – Highbanks: Mt. Morris New York – United States Letchworth State Park – Perry, New York ISAC (Fri 4pm-Sun 4pm), New York Atlatl Association, Inc. events (Team, Individual, Hunter and European). NYAA fully insured event, part of the Genesee Valley Flint Knappers Weekend at the Highbanks Tent & Trailer Camping Area. Nearby camping, cabins and lodging available. Non-camping participants must stop at the Camper Contact Station to get a visitor's pass. For information contact Douglas Bassett 585-493-3625; Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov
Fri 4 May Missouri	Pomme de Terre Mountain Man Rendezvous Fri 4 May 2018 - Sun 6 May 2018 at 00:00 - Pomme De Terre Damsite Park: Hermitage MO 65668 – United States ISAC for the Pomme De Terre Mountain Man Rendezvous at the Pomme De Terre Lake dam outlet park Will be held Friday May 4 (after 5:00 PM), Saturday (throughout the day May 5), and Sunday Morning (before noon May 6). Pomme De Terre dam is located in Hickory County Missouri South of Hermitage Mo. and the Park is located immediately downstream of the dam. For more information contact David Lohr at (417) 280-6304.
Fri 11 May Missouri	May Madness Fri 11 May 2018 - Home of Steve and Barb Spencer: Trenton MO 64683 – United States Steve and Barb Spencer barbspencer@cebridge.net Barb 660-359-7597 or Home 660-359-3635 or Steve 660-654-3904 Friday evening ISAC and other throwing events. Be ready to throw and visit during a spring evening. Contact Barbara/Steven Spencer at barbspencer@cebridge.net for more information.
Thu 17 May Missouri	Spring Fling Atlatl And Fun Throws Thu 17 May 2018 - Sun 20 May 2018 at - Horse Around Ranch: Truxton Missouri 63381 – United States Dawn dawn83170@yahoo.com 6365975029 We will throw ISAC in the afternoon and have fun throws! Woolly Bully our Mammoth will Abe put up! Contact Brian n Dawn at 636-597-5029 for more info

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Fri 18 May Missouri	Osage Knap-in and Atlatl Competition Fri 18 May 2018 - Sun 20 May 2018 - Brady Show Grounds: Boonville Mis- souri – United States Jerry Nevins wdhd@aol.com 573-353-5313 ISAC's and other throws at the Osage Knap-in near Boonville, Missouri. ISAC's will start Friday afternoon, all day Saturday and final ISAC's Sunday Morning. Come throw some darts and check out some of the best flintknappers around, along with lots of knapping tools and some high quality knapping stone. Free primitive camping. Some full hookups are available for a small fee. Clean restrooms and showers on site. I-70 and HWY 179, east of Boonville, MO. For more info and/or directions contact: Jerry Nevins @ 573-353-5313 or wdhd@aol.com
Fri 18 May New Jersey	The Bunn Valley Atlatl Event Fri 18 May 2018 - Sun 20 May 2018 - Walt Podpora property: Milford NJ – United States ISAC, locals and NYAA events (Team, Individual, Hunter and European). Camping available on site. Bring a dish to pass for Saturday evening. Also, bring a hammer & camera for nearby field trip to singing rocks (resonate olivine diabase boulder field) earlier on Saturday. A New York Atlatl Association, Inc. sponsored and insured event. Walt Podpora property. Rte 519 to 615 to Javes Rd to Miller. Contact: Erich Zeh (H) 908-859-4943; (C) 908-329-8236; Eandnzeh@aol.com
Sat 19 May Ohio	Rendezvous at the Rock Sat 19 May 2018 at 10:00 - 15:00 - Leo Petroglyph, Ray, OH 45672 (US Rt. 35 to County Rd. 28, left in Leo on Township Rd. 224). Exhibits and entertainment. OAA will provide instruction and conduct atlatl accuracy contests. ISAC and Ohio locals. 11:00 – 4:00. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351
Thu 24 May Colorado	Durango Atlatl Club Thu 24 May 2018 at 00:00 Mountain US- Durango Atlatl Club: Durango CO – United States Contact: James Turner (970) 946-2096.
Fri 25 May Michigan	25th Annual Marshall Primitive Archery Rendezvous Fri 25 May 2018 - Sun 27 May 2018 at All Day - Wilder Creek Conservation Club: South Marshall Michigan 49069 - Peter Benner jumpingfoxtw@gmail.com 5174024797 19833 D Drive, South Marshall, Michigan, 49069 Come join us for the 25th year of this staple archery event! Flint knapping demos, classes, bow building, vendors, and camping! Amazing 3D course with 30+ targets, atlatl friendly, field points only. Atlatl event schedule: — — Friday, May 25th: The FAMOUS 90 YARD OVER THE POND SHOOT! — — Saturday May 26th: 10am, 3D course atlatl tournament 1pm, ISAC, awards and prizes to top 3 placements! — 7:30pm, Moche toss — — Sunday May 27th: 10am, 3D course atlatl fun shoot 3pm, moche toss contest, prize to 1st plac Flint knapping, friction fire, dart making, and atlatl workshops all weekend long from Peter Jumping Fox of Michi- gan, and the mammoth hunter, Sean Sullivan of Wisconsin. All ages, kid friendly, lots to do, local brewery has amaz- ing beer and food. For more information contact Guy Dasher at 419-796-7269
Fri 25 May New York	Letchworth State Park Fri 25 May 2018 - Sun 27 May 2018 - Letchworth State Park – Castile Entrance: Castille New York 14548 – United States Letchworth State Park – Castile, New York ISAC (Fri 4pm-Sun 4pm), New York Atlatl Association, Inc. events (Team, Individual, Hunter and European) except during picnic time noted below. NYAA fully insured event. “Learn to Catch a Fish Family Picnic” 11am – 4pm on Sat with no fishing license required at a stocked trout pond, free picnic & door prizes, “Spear-fishing” Carp Target Derby and a variety of learning stations. “Red, White and Blue Balloon Rally” with massed balloon flights at 6:30pm Fri-Sun and 6am Sat-Mon, weather permitting. Nearby camping, cabins and lodging available. For information contact Doug- las Bassett 585-493-3625; Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov
Sat 26 May Wyoming	Green Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC Sat 26 May 2018—Sun 27 May 2018 at Trail's End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Con- tact: Richard Russell coyotecdown@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time
Sun 27 May Wisconsin	Joe's Cast Your Dart Through the Pines Throw Sun 27 May 2018 - Joe's Place: Pine River WI – United States (715) 455-6229 We will begin around noon, novelty targets and ISAC competitions. Please call ahead so we have an idea of the number of participants. Contact: Joe Struyzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Mon 28 May Washington	Between the Rivers Gathering - Chewelah, WA Mon 28 May 2018 - Fri 1 Jun 2018 at 00:00 Timezone - Pacific US - Chewelah WA area Contact Bob Kitch 509-493-1971 or 541-806-4771 Chewelah, WA. May 28-June 1, 2018. ISAC every day. Contact Bob Kitch for more information,
Fri 1 Jun New York	Atlatl-in-Action Fri 1 Jun 2018 - Sun 3 Jun 2018 - NYAA: Elmira New York – United States Jack.rjrowe93@gmail.com 5708888258 389 Simkin Rd. Elmira, New York ISAC, Mastodon Open and NYAA events (Team, Individual, Hunter, Distance and European). A New York Atlatl Asso- ciation, Inc. sponsored and insured event Contact: Jack 570-888-8258 rjrowe93@gmail.com or Justin Covey; 570- 423-0318
Sat 2 Jun	World Atlatl Day Sat 2 Jun 2018 All Day World Atlatl Day (WAD) was initiated by Linda Brundage and the New York Atlatl Association in 2011. Due to its popularity, the WAA membership attending the 2012 Annual Meeting voted to officially recognize the first Saturday in June of each year as World Atlatl Day.
Sat 2 Jun Wyoming	World Atlatl Day and Fat Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC Sat 2 Jun 2018—Sun 3 Jun 2018 at Trail's End: Chey- enne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Con- tact: Richard Russell coyotecdown@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time

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Fri 1 Jun Iowa	World Atlatl Day Fun Fri 1 Jun 2018 - Sun 3 Jun 2018 at 09:00 - 04:00 Central- Granneman's Field: Ottumwa IA Four miles West of Ottumwa, IA -Roger & Mary Granneman marug1018@outlook.com 641-799-8600 or 641-799-1219 ISAC all three days with Friday start time at 6:00pm, Saturday 9:00 a.m. until 4:00p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m until 12:00 p.m.. Camping available at site. Bring your lunch and beverages. Come one, come all & lets enjoy the day. For more information call: Roger 641-799-1219 or Mary 641-799-8600
Sat 2 Jun Wisconsin	World Atlatl Day Competition and ISAC Sat 2 Jun 2018 —Glen Oechsner's Campbellsport Wisconsin 53010 Glen Oechsner's 1167 Minnie Lane Campbellsport WI. — ISAC Contact Glen Oechsner' 920-533-5039
Sat Jun 2 Connecticut	World Atlatl Day Ct Sat 2 Jun 2018 - Westbrook Ct: Westbrook CT 06498 – United States Gary Nolf garynolf@gmail.com 8605754263 World Atlatl Day Competition plus ISAC. Please contact garynolf@gmail.com for more information.
Sat 2 Jun Ohio	World Atlatl Day Sat 2 Jun 2018 at 09:00 - 16:00- Athens Public Library: Athens OH 45701 – United States OAA will host atlatl accuracy contests – Ohio locals, ISAC, World Atlatl Day team contests. 9:00 am – 4:00pm. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351
Sat 2 Jun Missouri	World Atlatl Day Event at Graham Cave State Park Sat 2 Jun 2018 at 10:00 - 14:00 Central USA - Graham Cave State Park: Danville Missouri 63361-5509 – United States World Atlatl Day at historic Graham Cave State Park near Danville, Missouri. The Missouri Atlatl Association will be demonstrating & teaching the use of the Atlatl to the public from 10am-2pm. ISAC's, World Atlatl Day Team Competition, Moche Toss and other games after 2pm. For more info, contact Jerry Nevins @ 573-353-5313, wdhd@aol.com or: Graham Cave State Park: 573-564-3476 https://mostateparks.com/park/graham-cave-state-park
Fri 8 Jun Indiana	Tippecanoe and Atlatls Too Event Fri 8 Jun 2018 - Sun 10 Jun 2018 at 00:00 - Tippecanoe County Amphitheater Park: West Lafayette IN 47906 – United States Tippecanoe County Outdoor Explore Weekend at Tippecanoe County Amphitheater Park, 4449 St Rd 43 N, West Lafayette, IN 47906; use exit 178 off I65. ISACs 4 pm to 7 pm on Friday, demos, ISACs, other contests 8 am to 5 pm on Saturday, ISACs on 8 am to 11 am Sunday. Camping at Prophetstown State Park (5 miles from Amphitheater) or lodging at Exit 172 off I65. Contact Anita Lukes for more event information, directions, hotel listings (317-361-6002) or alukes@gmail.com
Fri 15 Jun Missouri	Gooseberry Festival Fri 15 Jun 2018 - Sat 16 Jun 2018 - Home of Steve and Barb Spencer: Trenton MO 64683 – Steve and Barb Spencer barbspencer@cebridge.net Barb 660-359-7597 or Home 660-359-3635 or Steve 660-654-3904 The Gooseberry Festival ISAC throw will be in two locations; Friday evening will be at the Spencer home address with the Saturday morning throw at the Rock Barn on Oklahoma Avenue beside the Middle School. If enough throwers are available, another throw will be held back at the Spencer home around 4:00 p.m. RSVP if interested in a Saturday afternoon/ evening ISAC. Contact Steve/Barbara Spencer at barbspencer@cebridge.net for more information.
Fri 15 Jun Pennsylvania	Meadowcroft Fri 15 Jun 2018 - Sun 17 Jun 2018 at 12:00 - 14:00 - Meadowcroft Rockshelter & Historic Village: Avella Pennsylvania 15312 – Noon Friday till 2:00 Sunday (Eastern Time). ISAC all 3 days. Local contests w prizes Saturday. Potluck (bring a covered dish to share..meat provided) Saturday evening. Primitive camping w flush toilets available. No showers. For more info or questions call Margie and Frank @ 1.740.264.1755 OR email margieandfrank@hotmail.com . Meadowcroft Rockshelter Dig into archaeological evidence that reveals the earliest signs of human habitation dating back 16,000 years in North America.
Thu 21 Jun Pennsylvania	Terry Keefer Memorial Atlatl Tournament Thu 21 Jun 2018 - Sun 24 Jun 2018 .- Bald Eagle State Park: Howard PA 16841 – United States Terry Keefer Memorial Atlatl Tournament – Bald Eagle State Park, Pennsylvania ISAC and New York Atlatl Association, Inc. events (Team, Individual, Hunter and European). NYAA fully insured event. Camping on site. For information contact Dale Bookhammer 814-515-4935 or Bald Eagle State Park (814-625-2775) baldeaglesp@pa.gov
Sat 23 Jun Ohio	Atlatl Educational Day Camp Sat 23 Jun 2018 at 09:00 - 16:00 - Athens Public Library: Athens OH 45701 Atlatl Educational Day Camp. OAA will provide instruction and conduct atlatl accuracy contests. ISAC and Ohio locals. 9:00 – 4:00. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351
Sun 24 Jun Wisconsin	Joe's Cast Your Dart Through the Pines Throw Sun 24 Jun 2018 - Joe's Place: Pine River WI – United States We will begin around noon, novelty targets and ISAC competitions. Please call ahead so we have an idea of the number of participants. Contact: Joe Struyzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Fri 6 Jul Ohio	Flint Ridge Fri 6 Jul 2018 - Sun 8 Jul 2018 at All Day - Flint Ridge State Park: Glenford OH 43739 – OAA will provide instruction and conduct atlatl accuracy contests. ISAC and Ohio locals. Friday afternoon to Sunday afternoon. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351.
Fri 6 Jul Wisconsin	Joe's Summer Rendezvous Fri 6 Jul 2018 - Sun 8 Jul 2018 - Joe's Summer Rendezvous: Ogdensburg WI 54962 – United States 9430 County Road E. Ogdensburg, WI. 54962 ISAC all three days Contact: Joe Struyzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Fri 6 Jul Missouri	July Heat Fri 6 Jul 2018 - Home of Steve and Barb Spencer: Trenton MO 64683 – United States Steve and Barb Spencer barbspencer@cebridge.net Barb 660-359-7597 or Home 660-359-3635 or Steve 660-654-3904 Enjoy a warm evening of ISAC and other events throwing while visiting at the Spencer's. Please bring lawn chairs. Contact barbspencer@cebridge.net for more information.
Sat 7 Jul Wyoming	20th Annual Foothill-Mountain Atlatl Bow and Open Sat 7 Jul 2018—Sun 8 Jul 2018 Trail's End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyoteclownd@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time

Fri 20 Jul DATE/STATE Missouri	MOJAM Self Bow Jamboree and Atlatl Throw <i>Fri 20 Jul 2018 - Sat 21 Jul 2018 - Indian Foothills Park in Marshall, MO: Marshall Missouri 65340 – United States</i> EVENT Jerry Nevins wdhd@aol.com 573-353-5313 ISAC's and other throws including the Moche Toss and two 3-D courses at the MOJAM Self Bow Jamboree, in Marshall, Missouri. ISAC's will begin after noon on Friday the 20th, and begin mid-morning Saturday the 21st. There is an archery range located next to our Atlatl station. So bring your bows and arrows too, field points only. There is a concession stand on site. For more info, contact: Jerry Nevins @ 573-353-5313 or wdhd@aol.com http://www.marshallbowhunters.org
Thu 26 Jul New York	Atlatl Rattle at Green Flats <i>Thu 26 Jul 2018 - Sun 29 Jul 2018 - Casa de Fuma: Hancock New York 14548 – United States</i> ISAC, locals and NYAA events (Individuals, Hunters & European). A New York Atlatl Association, Inc. sponsored and insured event. Final Team Championships held on the grounds of Ray Turner's Casa de Fumo. For more information contact Douglas Bassett (585) 493-3625; Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov
Sun 29 Jul Wisconsin	Joe's Cast Your Dart Through the Pines Throw <i>Sun 29 Jul 2018 - Joe's Place: Pine River WI – United States</i> We will begin around noon, novelty targets and ISAC competitions. Please call ahead so we have an idea of the number of participants. Contact: Joe Struyzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Fri 3 Aug Missouri	Summer Ending <i>Fri 3 Aug 2018 - Home of Steve and Barb Spencer: Trenton MO 64683 – United States</i> <i>Steve and Barb Spencer barbspencer@cebridge.net Barb 660-359-7597 or Home 660-359-3635 or Steve 660-654-3904</i> Friday evening ISAC and cookout with the Spencer's; please bring your lawn chairs. Contact barbspencer@cebridge.net for more information
Sat 4 Aug Wyoming	Hot Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC <i>Sat 4 Aug 2018—Sun 5 Aug 2018 at Trail's End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680</i> Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyoteclow@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time
Fri 10 Aug Ohio	That Dam ISAC <i>Fri 10 Aug 2018 at 17:00 - 21:00 - Steve Barnett's House: Pomeroy OH 45679</i> ISAC and Ohio locals at Steve Barnett's house. 5:00 pm – dark (or thereabouts). Contact Ray Strischek (ohioatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351 or Steve Barnett (barnz@juno.com) 740-698-6553 more information.
Sat 11 Aug Ohio	Albany Fairgrounds <i>Sat 11 Aug 2018 - Sun 12 Aug 2018 at All Day - Albany Fairgrounds: Albany OH 45710 –</i> OAA will provide instruction and conduct atl atl accuracy contests. ISAC, and Ohio locals. Saturday morning to Sunday afternoon. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351 or Steve Barnett (barnz@juno.com) 740-698-6553.
Wed 15 Aug Michigan	23rd Annual Great Lakes Primitives Gathering <i>Wed 15 Aug 2018 - Sun 19 Aug 2018- CedarLake Outdoor Center, Chelsea, MI: Chelsea MI 48118 – United States</i> Peter Benner jumpingfoxptw@gmail.com 5174024797 ISAC tentatively scheduled for Saturday August the 18th 2pm There are many other activities and classes to attend, please visit https://www.facebook.com/events/158173774828929/?ti=as for more info
Thu 23 Aug New York	Stone Tool Craftsman Show <i>Thu 23 Aug 2018 - Mon 27 Aug 2018 - Letchworth State Park – Highbanks: Mt. Morris New York – United States</i> Douglas Bassett Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov 585-493-3625 Stone Tool Craftsman Show (Aug 25, 26 & 27 10:00 am to 5:00 pm) Highbanks Recreation Area, north end of Letchworth State Park – Mt. Morris, New York 28th Annual Eastern Seaboard Atlatl Competition (State Round, Closest-to-Pin, Distance) Aug 23, 24 & 25. ISAC, Hoop Toss, New York Atlatl Association Contests (National & International), Throw Over the Gorge Qualifiers & wooded Animal Round all four days. Handicapped Mammoth Hunt (Saturday); Long Distance Accuracy and Atlatl Battle (Sunday) New York Atlatl Association, Inc. insured event. Stone Tool Show contact: Dana & Kay Klein 585-968-1577. Atl atl Competition contact: Douglas Bassett 585-493-3625; Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov
Fri 24 Aug Wisconsin	Sugar Creek Invitational Rendezvous <i>Fri 24 Aug 2018 - Sun 26 Aug 2018 - Sugar Creek: Brussels WI 54204 – United States</i> 10151 Lovers Lane, Brussels, WI. 54204 ISAC all three days. Contact: Joe Struyzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Fri 31 Aug Ohio	Flint Ridge Lithic Society Knap-In <i>Fri 31 Aug 2018 - Sun 2 Sep 2018 at All Day - Flint Ridge State Park: Glenford OH 43739</i> OAA will provide instruction and conduct atl atl accuracy contests. ISAC, and Ohio locals. Lots of booths, flintknapping, crafts, etc. Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351 or Steve Barnett (barnz@juno.com) 740-698-6553.
Fri 31 Aug Wisconsin	Mattoon Rendezvous <i>Fri 31 Aug 2018—Mon 3 Sep 2018</i> On Sep 2, various competitions, ISAC Sep 3 in AM only — Contact Gordy Behrendt at 262-334-5099 — Mattoon, Wisconsin
Fri 7 Sep New York	Tyoga Shoot-Off <i>Fri 7 Sep 2018 - Sun 9 Sep 2018 - NY AA: Elmira New York – United States</i> <i>Jack rjrowe93@gmail.com 5708888258</i> 389 Simkin Rd. Elmira, New York ISAC, Mastodon Open and local Animal Round. A New York Atlatl Association, Inc. sponsored and insured event. Contact: Jack 570-888-8258 rjrowe93@gmail.com or Justin Covey; 570-423-0318
Sat 8 Sep Idaho	Rabbitstick Gathering - Rexberg, ID <i>Sat 8 Sep 2018 - Sat 15 Sep 2018 at 00:00 - Rexburg ID Area: Rexburg, ID</i> ISAC every day. Contact Bob Kitch for more information, 509-493-1971 or 541-806-4771.
Sat 8 Sep Wyoming	Wyoming Archaeology Awareness Celebration & ISAC <i>Sat 8 Sep 2018</i> Frontier Prison; Laramie, Wyoming Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyoteclow@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time and information.

DATE/STATE	EVENT
Sat 8 Sep Missouri	Archeology Day at Historic Graham Cave State Park Sat 8 Sep 2018 at 10:30 - 17:30 Central - Graham Cave State Park: Danville Missouri 63361-5509 The Missouri Atlatl Association will teach and demonstrate the use of the atlatl from 10:30 am until 2:30 pm. Equipment available for public use. ISACs will begin at around 2:30pm For more info and/or directions contact: Jerry Nevins @ 573-353-5313; wdhd@aol.com or: Graham Cave State Park: 573-564-3476 https://mostateparks.com/park/graham-cave-state-park
Fri 14 Sep New York	Native American Heritage Day Fri 14 Sep 2018 - Sun 16 Sep 2018 - Letchworth State Park – Castile Entrance: Castille New York 14548 – United States Douglas Bassett Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov 585-493-3625 Letchworth State Park – Castile, New York ISAC (Fri 4pm-Sun 4pm) and local events except during Heritage Day noted below. NYAA fully insured event. “Native American Heritage Day ” 10am – 4pm on Sat, Sept 15, with Native American Dance, Crafts and Food. Nearby camping, cabins and lodging available. For information contact Douglas Bassett 585-493-3625; Douglas.Bassett@parks.ny.gov
Fri 14 Sep Ohio	Nineteenth Annual PawPaw Festival Fri 14 Sep 2018 - Sun 16 Sep 2018 at All Day - Lake Snowden: Albany OH 45710 Nineteenth annual PawPaw festival. OAA will provide instruction and conduct atlatl accuracy contests. ISAC, and Ohio locals. Lots of booths, crafts, pawpaw food and information. Friday evening (4:00) for atlatl, through Sunday afternoon. Admission fee per car. No pets allowed. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351 or Steve Barnett (barnz@juno.com) 740-698-6553.
Sat 22 Sep Wyoming	Cool Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC Sat 22 Sep 2018—Sun 23 Sep 2018 at Trail’s End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007 -1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyotecdown@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time
Sat 22 Sep Vermont	23rd Annual Northeastern Open Atlatl Championship Sat 22 Sep 2018 - Sun 23 Sep 2018 at 10:30 - 03:00 eastern - Chimney Point State Historic Site: Addison VERMONT New England 05491 – United States Elsa Gilbertson elsa.gilbertson@vermont.gov 8027592412 CHIMNEY POINT NORTHEASTERN OPEN ATLATL CHAMPIONSHIP Saturday, Sept. 23; 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM * COMPETITORS: \$7 PRE-REGISTERED, \$8 SAME-DAY REGISTRATION * VISITORS: \$5 ADULT, FREE UNDER 15 Participate in or watch this annual atlatl championship testing skills in accuracy and distance. Newcomers to experts welcome. ISAC, distance, accuracy, and Grand Champion competitions. Children’s activities. Workshops and demonstrations on flint knapping, Woodland pottery, and other crafts and skills. Call 802-759-2412 for details and to pre-register. Sunday, Sept. 24 10:00 AM to Noon * COMPETITORS: \$7 PRE-REGISTERED, \$8 SAME-DAY REGISTRATION * VISITORS: \$5 ADULT, FREE UNDER 15 Second day ISAC competition. If you’re interested, Friday, Sept. 22, atlatl-making workshop with Thunderbird Atlatl. Noon to 5:00 PM. \$70, includes instruction and all materials. Vermont Archaeology Month programs
Sun 23 Sep Wisconsin	Joe's Cast Your Dart Through the Pines Throw Sun 23 Sep 2018 - Joe's Place: Pine River WI – United States We will begin around noon, novelty targets and ISAC competitions. Please call ahead so we have an idea of the number of participants. Contact: Joe Struzinski, Home phone (920) 244-7401 Cell phone (715) 455-6229
Fri 28 Sep Missouri	21st Annual Bois D'Arc Primitive Skills Camp Fri 28 Sep 2018 - Sun 30 Sep 2018 at All Day Central, - Hulston Mill Historic Park: Everton MO 65646 The 21st Annual Bois D'Arc Primitive Skills Camp & Knap-in at Hulston Mill Historic Park near Greenfield, Missouri. ISAC's to start around noon on Friday 28, throughout the day on Saturday 29 and am only Sunday 30. Instructions and equipment will be available for anyone wanting to try using this ancient hunting method. To view the complete skills schedule: www.boisdarc.info For more info and/or directions contact: Jerry Nevins @ 573-353-5313 or: wdhd@aol.com
Fri 5 Oct Missouri	2018 World Atlatl Association Annual Meeting Thur 4 Oct 2018—Sun 7 Oct 2018 at Graham Cave State Park just off I-70 near Montgomery City, Missouri There is plenty of room for multiple events, easy to find, nice motels and food nearby as well as on site camping. More Details will be provided in future editions of the Newsletter. You can visit https://mostateparks.com/park/graham-cave-state-park for more details on the meeting site.
Fri 5 Oct Ohio	Indian Mounds Festival Fri 5 Oct 2018 - Sun 7 Oct 2018 at All Day - The Plains: The Plains OH – Indian Mounds Festival, across the street from The Plains Elementary School. OAA will provide instruction and conduct atlatl accuracy contests. ISAC and Ohio locals. Friday afternoon to Sunday afternoon. Contact Ray Strischek (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351, or Steve Barnett (barnz@juno.com) 740-698-6553 for more information.
Fri 5 Oct New York	Candor Fall Festival Sat 6 Oct 2018 - Sun 7 Oct 2018 at All Day - Side Hill Acres Goat Farm: Candor New York 13743 Side Hill Acres Goat Farm, Route 96, Candor, New York 13743, Local atlatl contests all day on Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ISAC on Saturday, Oct. 6, during day and Sunday, Oct. 7, at 11 a.m. For further information contact Bob and Cheryll Berg at contact@thunderbirdatlatl.com or 607-659-3854.
Sat 13 Oct Wyoming	Falling Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC Sat 13 Oct 2018—Sun 14 Oct 2018 at Trail’s End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyotecdown@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time
Sat 13 Oct Wisconsin	Horicon Marsh Horicon WI Sat 13 Oct 2018—Sun 14 Oct 2018 Demos and ISAC. Contact Glen Oechsner 920-533-5039
Fri 19 Oct Wisconsin	Muskrat City Rendezvous Fri 19 Oct 2018—Sat 20 Oct 2018 — Muskrat City: Kewaunee , Wisconsin — ISAC Friday evening , Saturday — Contact: Lenny 920-917-0335

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Fri 19 Oct Missouri	Missouri Day Atlatl Throw Fri 19 Oct 2018 - Home of Steve and Barb Spencer: Trenton MO 64683 – United States Steve and Barb Spencer barbspencer@cebridge.net Barb 660-359-7597 or Home 660-359-3635 or Steve 660-654-3904 ISAC and other events throw at the Spencer's; please bring your lawn chairs. Contact barbspencer@cebridge.net for more information.
Fri 26 Oct Ohio	Ohio ROAR Days Fri 26 Oct 2018 - Sat 27 Oct 2018 at 00:00 - Zaleski State Forest: Zaleski OH Ohio ROAR Days – OAA will provide instruction and conduct atlatl accuracy contests. ISAC and Ohio locals. Friday evening (4:00) for atlatl, all day Saturday. Camping available. Contact Ray Strischek for more information, (ohioatlatl@hotmail.com) 740-331-4351 or Steve Barnett (barnz@juno.com) 740-698-6553.
Sat 27 Oct Wisconsin	W.A.S. Fall Gathering, Oktoberfest Sat 27 Oct 2018 — Dundee Sportsman's Club, Dundee, WI. — ISAC, European, 3-D Targets — Contact Lenny 920-917-0335
Sat 3 Nov Wyoming	Frosty Blanket Atlatl Throw and ISAC Sat 3 Nov 2018—Sun 4 Nov 2018 at Trail's End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyoteclow@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time
Sat 24 Nov Wyoming	Desperate Man Throw Sat 24 Nov 2018—Sun 25 Nov 2018 at Trail's End: Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007-1680 Open to all equipment and instruction cheerfully provided. Sponsored by the Wyoming Atlatl and Social Club. Contact: Richard Russell coyoteclow@aol.com — 307-772-0550 for time

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Sat 21 Apr Andalusia Spain	Benahadux-Almeria Sat 21 Apr 2018 - Sun 22 Apr 2018 at 00:00 CEST- Benahadux-Almeria, Spain: Benahadux Almeria Andalusia – Spain This is a European event. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Vanessa Lores Vargas vane.loresvl@gmail.com for more information.
Sat 21 Apr Occitanie France	La grotte de Limousis Sat 21 Apr 2018 - Sun 22 Apr 2018 at 00:00 - Grotte de Limousis: Limousis Aude Occitanie – France European event sponsored by Association Terre Mère. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Bernard Bouffier mere.terre@wanadoo.fr for more information.
Sat 21 Apr Liège Belgium	Ramioul Sat 21 Apr 2018 - Sun 22 Apr 2018 at 00:00 - Préhistomuséum: Flemalle Liège 4400 – Belgium European Event sponsored by Préhistomuséum. Contact Christian Lepers christian.lepers@yahoo.fr for more information. ISAC on Sunday.
Sat 5 May Madrid Spain	Aranjuez Sat 5 May 2018 - Sun 6 May 2018 at All Day - Aranjuez area: Aranjuez Madrid – Spain European event. Contact Monica Ortega Fernandez arquerosiberenos@gmail.com for more information and precise location.
Sat 5 May Oise France	Crépy-en-Valois Sat 5 May 2018 - Sun 6 May 2018 at All Day CEST- Musée de l'archerie et du valois: Crépy-en-Valois Oise 60800 – France European event sponsored by Musée de l'archerie et du valois. Contact Marion Roux at musee@crepyenvalois.fr for more information and precise location. Rue Gustave Chopinet, 60800 Crépy-en-Valois, France
Sat 19 May Luxembourg Belgium	Poix St Hubert Sat 19 May 2018 - Sun 20 May 2018 at All Day - Poix St. Hubert: Poix St. Hubert Luxembourg – Belgium European event sponsored by WBCC. ISAC on Sunday. Contact Michel Laurent pr550916@proximus.be or info@WhiteBuffalo.be for more information and precise location. ISAC on Sunday.
Sat 26 May Graubünden Switzerland	Domat/Ems Sat 26 May 2018 - Sun 27 May 2018 at All Day - near Domat/Ems: Domat/Ems Graubünden – Switzerland European event. Contact Jürg Hassler fam.hassler@bluewin.ch for more information. ISAC on Sunday.
Sat 9 Jun Morbihan France	Carnac, France Sat 9 Jun 2018 - Sun 10 Jun 2018 at All Day - Carnac Museum of Prehistory: Carnac Morbihan 56340 – France European event. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Philippe Guillonnet philippe.guillonnet@hotmail.fr for more information.
Sat 16 Jun Charente-Maritime	Paléosite de St Césaire, France Sat 16 Jun 2018 - Sun 17 Jun 2018 at All Day - Paléosite de St Césaire: Saint-Césaire Charente-Maritime 17770 – France European event. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Pauline Colombet p.colombet@paleosite.fr for more information.
Sat 23 Jun Aragon Spain	Azaila, Spain Sat 23 Jun 2018 - Sun 24 Jun 2018 at All Day DST- Azaila area in Spain: Azaila Teurel Aragon – Spain European event. Contact Eva Gil Latorre eva@vidaprimitiva.com for more information.
Sat 23 Jun Pays de la Loire France	La Chaize le Vicomte Sat 23 Jun 2018 - Sun 24 Jun 2018 at All Day - La Chaize le Vicomte: La Chaize le Vicomte Vendée Pays de la Loire – France European Event. Contact Yannick Pouessel Archillebaude@aol.com for more information.

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Sat 30 Jun Occitanie France	Musée de Tautavel, France Sat 30 Jun 2018 - Sun 1 Jul 2018 at All Day - Musée de Tautavel: Tautavel Pyrénées-Orientales Occitanie 66720 – France European event. ISACs Saturday and Sunday. Contact Jaques Pernaud conservateur@450000ans.com for more information. Avenue Léon Jean Grégory, 66720 Tautavel, France
Sat 30 Jun Gipuzkoa Spain	Zegama, Spain Sat 30 Jun 2018 - Sun 1 Jul 2018 at All Day - Zegama: Zegama Goierri Gipuzkoa – Spain European event sponsored by Sociedad de Ciencias Aranzadi. Contact Jesus Tapia jexuxtapia@yahoo.es or jtapia@aranzadi-zientziak.org for more information.
Sat 7 Jul France	Canyon de Saulges, France Sat 7 Jul 2018 - Sun 8 Jul 2018 at All Day - Vallée des Grottes de Saulges – Musée de Préhistoire: Thorigné-en-Charnie 53270 – France European event. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Philippe Guillonnet philippe.guillonnet@hotmail.fr for more information. a Roche Brault, 53270 Thorigné-en-Charnie, France
Sat 14 Jul Basque Country Spain	Errentaria, Spain Sat 14 Jul 2018 - Sun 15 Jul 2018 at All Day - Errentaria Area: Errentaria Gipuzkoa Basque Country – Spain European event. Contact Ion Zumalabe Makiriain jdzumalabe@gmail.com for more information.
Sat 21 Jul Germany	At Heuneburg Museum Sat 21 Jul 2018 - Sun 22 Jul 2018 at All Day - Heuneburg Museum: Herbertingen 88518 – Germany European event. Contact Klaus Haller museumsleitung@heuneburg-keltenstadt.de for more information.
Sat 28 Jul Piedmont Italy	Santa Maria Maggiore, Italy Sat 28 Jul 2018 - Sun 29 Jul 2018 at All Day - Ambrosis Felice Al Piano Delle Lutte: Santa Maria Maggiore VB Piedmont 28857 – Italy European event. Contact Cristiano Brandolini bran1066@gmail.com for more information. ISAC on Sunday. Via Domodossola, 57, 28857 Santa Maria Maggiore VB, Italy
Sat 4 Aug Lombardy Italy	Boario Terme, Italy Sat 4 Aug 2018 - Sun 5 Aug 2018 at All Day - Boario Terme Archeopark, Italy: Boario Terme Brescia Lombardy 25041 – Italy European event sponsored by Archaeopark. Contact Christian Foppa christian.foppa@hispeed.ch for more information.
Sat 4 Aug Limousin France	La chapelle aux saints Sat 4 Aug 2018 - Sun 5 Aug 2018 at All Day - Musée de l'homme Neandertal: La Chapelle-aux-Saints Limousin 19120 – France European event sponsored by musée de l'homme de Néandertal. ISACs Saturday and Sunday. Contact Roselyne
Sat 11 Aug Occitanie France	Le Mas d'Azil Sat 11 Aug 2018 - Sun 12 Aug 2018 at All Day CEST - Grotte du Mas d'Azil: Le Mas-d'Azil Ariège Occitanie – France European event sponsored by le propulseur azilien. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Claus Sauer claus.sauer@cazadoro.org or propulseurazilien@gmail.com for more information.
Sat 11 Aug Germany	Sinntal-Sannerz, Germany Sat 11 Aug 2018 - Sun 12 Aug 2018 at 00:00 - Sinntal-Sannerz: Sannerz Hesse 36391 – Germany European event. Contact Günter Kohlhepp gerhardstark@aol.com for more information.
Sat 1 Sep Fribourg Switzerland	Gletterens, Switzerland Sat 1 Sep 2018 - Sun 2 Sep 2018 at All Day Central European- Village Lacustre: Gletterens Broye Fribourg – Switzerland European event. Contact Doris Aeberhard dorisaeberhard@bluewin.ch for more information.
Sat 8 Sep Nouvelle-Aquitaine France	Arudy, France Sat 8 Sep 2018 - Sun 9 Sep 2018 at All Day Central European- Arudy area in France: Arudy Pyrénées-Atlantiques Nouvelle-Aquitaine – France
Sat 8 Sep Hauts-de-France France	Samara, France Sat 8 Sep 2018 - Sun 9 Sep 2018 at All Day - Parc de Samara: La Chaussée-Tirancourt Somme Hauts-de-France 80310 – France European event sponsored by Parc de Samara. Contact Patricia Marchand p.marchand@somme.fr for more information.
Sat 15 Sep Baden-Württemberg	Engen im Hegau, Germany Sat 15 Sep 2018 - Sun 16 Sep 2018 at All Day - Municipal Museum Engen: Engen Konstanz Baden-Württemberg 78234 – Germany European event. Contact Christian Foppa christian.foppa@hispeed.ch for more information. ISAC on Sunday.
Sat 29 Sep Italy	Val Senales, Italy Sat 29 Sep 2018 - Sun 30 Sep 2018 at All Day - ArcheoParc Schnalstal: Schnals South Tyrol 39020 – Italy European event sponsored by archeoparc Schnalstal. Contact Johanna Niederkofler info@archeoparc.it for more information. http://www.archeoparc.it
Sat 29 Sep Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur France	Vence, France Sat 29 Sep 2018 - Sun 30 Sep 2018 at All Day - Vence Area, France: Vence Alpes Maritimes Provence -Alpes-Côte d'Azur – France European event. ISACs on Saturday and Sunday. Contact Ishmaël Yahemdi prehistotir@gmail.com or ismael136@hotmail.com for more information.

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Sat 6 Oct Nouvelle-Aquitaine France	Bougon, France Sat 6 Oct 2018 - Sun 7 Oct 2018 at 00:00 - Musee des Tumulus de Bougon: Bougon Deux-Sèvres Nouvelle-Aquitaine 79800 – France European event sponsored by Musée des Tumulus. Contact Emmanuelle Brisson rodolphe.aubugeau@cg79.fr or emmanuelle.brisson@deux-sevres.fr for more information. La Chapelle de Bougon, 79800 Bougon, France
Sat 6 Oct Spain	Piñar, Spain Sat 6 Oct 2018 - Sun 7 Oct 2018 at 00:00 - Cuevas de las Ventanas, Piñar: Piñar Granada 18658 – Spain European event. Contact Celedonio Martinez Vilchez celemartinez68@hotmail.com for more information.
Sat 20 Oct Nouvelle-Aquitaine France	Brassempouy, France Sat 20 Oct 2018 - Sun 21 Oct 2018 at All Day - La Maison de la Dame à Brassempouy: Brassempouy Landes Nouvelle-Aquitaine 40330 – France European event. ISACs Saturday and Sunday. Contact Christophe Chartier christophechartier@gmx.com for more information and location. The map shows La Maison de la Dame à Brassempouy.
Sat 20 Oct Andalusia Spain	Gorafe, Spain Sat 20 Oct 2018 - Sun 21 Oct 2018 at All Day - Parque Megalítico de Gorafe: Gorafe Granada Andalusia 18890 – Spain European event. Contact Miguel Pérez Navarro turismocimgorafe@gmail.com for more information.
Sat 17 Nov Centre-Val de Loire France	Aunay sous Auneau Sat 17 Nov 2018 - Sun 18 Nov 2018 at All Day - Auneau area in France: Auneau Centre-Val de Loire – France European event sponsored by Les Daims d'Auneau. Contact Fabrice Brutus frabric.brutus@inrap.fr for more information.
Sat 1 Dec Castilla y León Spain	Atapuerca, Spain Sat 1 Dec 2018 - Sun 2 Dec 2018 at All Day - Museo de la Evolucion Humana: Atapuerca Burgos Castilla y León 09002 – Spain European event. Please note that the ISAC season closed on 11/30, so any ISACs thrown during this event will not count for the standings . Please contact Eduardo Cerda Romero eduardo@paleoliticovivo.com for more information.

International Standard Accuracy Contest Scores

2018 ISAC Results for Men (70 and Above)

PLAC E		SCORE	NAME		CITY OF	STATE/ COUNTRY	DATE OF THROW	CONTEST
1		95xxxxx	Douglas	Bassett	Warsaw	NY	2/24/2018	Jim's Pro Shop, Shortsville, NY
2		94	Doug	Majorsky	El Cajon	CA	3/17/2018	Valley of Fire, NV
3		93xx	Bob	Kitch	Husum	WA	2/11/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
4		88	Greg	Maurer	Vergennes	VT	2/17/2018	Silver Springs, FL
5		87	Neville	Robins	unkown	PR	2/17/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
6		86	Ben	Struzynski	Ogdensburg	WI	3/18/2018	Wood Tick Rendezvou, Montello, WI
7	*	85x	James	Turner	Ignacio	CO	2/13/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
8	*	85x	Brian	Wagner	Truxton	MO	1/20/2018	HorseAround Ranch, Truxton, MO
9		85	Ray	Madden	Joplin	MO	3/15/2018	Valley of Fire, NV
10		82x	David	Patterson	Ashland	MO	1/20/2018	HorseAround Ranch, Truxton, MO
11		82	David	Sheppard	Cheyenne	WY	1/27/2018	Trail's End, Cheyenne, WY
12		81	Jim	Fisher	Grand Island	NY	1/6/2018	Jim's Pro Shop, Shortsville, NY
13		79	Glenn	Purpura	Moab	UT	2/13/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
14		78	Charles	Bracken	Meadville	PA	2/17/2018	Silver Springs, FL
15		76	Gordy	Behrendt	West Bend	WI	3/11/2018	Glen's Cave, Campbellsport, WI
16		75	Glenn	Fretwell	Jordan Valley	OR	3/19/2018	Valley of Fire, NV
17		74xx	Sean	Matney	New Franklin	MO	2/10/2018	HorseAround Ranch, Truxton, MO
18	*	73	Jerry	Nevins	Jefferson City	MO	1/20/2018	HorseAround Ranch, Truxton, MO
19	*	73	Frank	Lukes	West Lafayette	IN	3/15/2018	Valley of Fire, NV

PLAC E		SCORE	NAME		CITY OF	STATE/ COUNTRY	DATE OF THROW	CONTEST
20	*	71	Bob	Berg	Candor	NY	2/24/2018	Sopchoppy, FL
21	*	71	Travis	Brenden	Cheyenne	WY	1/27/2018	Trail's End, Cheyenne, WY
22		70x	Allan	Turner	Scottsbluff	NE	2/15/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
23		70	Lenny	Riemersma	Cascade	WI	3/16/2018	Wood Tick Rendezvou, Montello, WI

2018 ISAC Results for Women (50 and Above)

PLAC E		SCORE	NAME		CITY OF RESIDENCE	STATE/ COUNTRY	DATE OF THROW	CONTEST
1		77	Sue	Mercer	Attica	NY	2/17/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
2		62	Dawn	Wagner	Truxton	MO	1/21/2018	HorseAround Ranch, Truxton, MO
3		54	Cheri	Hughes	Loveland	CO	2/13/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
4	*	51	Mariah	Sheppard	Cheyenne	WY	1/28/2018	Trail's End, Cheyenne, WY
5	*	51	Dayna	Turner	Durango	CO	2/13/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ
6		50	Anita	Lukes	West Lafayette	IN	3/15/2018	Valley of Fire, NV

2018 ISAC Results for Youth (40 and Above)

PLAC E		SCORE	NAME		CITY OF RESIDENCE	STATE/ COUNTRY	DATE OF THROW	CONTEST	AGE
1		88xx	Marlin	Bassett	Warsaw	NY	1/6/2018	Jim's Pro Shop, Shortsville, NY	14
2		73	Caleb	Gates IV	Durango	CO	2/16/2018	Winter Count, Florence, AZ	15
3		44	Leilani	England	St Louis	MO	1/20/2018	HorseAround Ranch, Truxton, MO	13

* Denotes that tie breaking rules were applied for placement

INDOOR SHOOTS

BY DOUGLAS BASSSETT

To continue enjoying atlatls during the weather of the Winter season, some of the less hardy have taken to the realms of the indoor shoots. So...no rain, no snow, no wind, no numbness, no runny eyes or dripping noses or white-out conditions through which to prevail - just the expense, unforgiving concrete floors, wood and metal in the backstops, echoes, interruptions in close proximity from non-atlatlists and lighting reflections to concentrate through. However, the trade-off is a shelter that is well lit, heated and has an open two-story space free of beams and obstacles, so that high-arc darts are not stuck in ceilings or otherwise hard to retrieve. In regards to that backstop, foam may be good, but the proprietor may wish you to hang some intervening archery rounds to save on the wear and tear. Also, organizers should avoid compressed cardboard layers that may whip the arc of your dart so violently into conformity that your beloved cane in shattered in the experience.

Besides the joy of the ISAC, we have found the mini (40cm) color archery target serves as a great warm-up game. Follow the same rules as ISAC, but the target is only the size of the nine-ring so you will have to get use to lower

scores and missing the target more often. So far, our best games are 29 for Youth and Women and 40 for men with only 8 scoring hits. On the plus side, it trains the atlatlist to aim small, miss small. So give it a try and good luck, if you choose to bring the outdoors inside. But I, being a naturalist, always prefer the outside when I am able.



Marlin and Douglas Bassett & Jim Fisher at Jim's Pro Shop in Shortsville, NY during the Winter 2018 season. Photo by Sue Mercer

2018 WINTER/SPRING EVENTS

WINTERCOUNT 2018

BY BOB SIZEMORE

There is not a more beautiful site in the Sonoran desert to hold an event. However, Wintercount 2018, with all the changes, had it's challenges this year. A couple of rainy days did not help, however dedicated atlatlists persevered (Bob Kitch described mud so deep he could not move his feet). Notables on site were Douglas Bassett, Sue Mercer, Bob Kitch, James Turner, Ron Mertz plus twenty one more threw ISAC's throughout the week. The field round for the atlatl and archery was the best ever, even with a days delay for weather. The site offered some interesting and challenging throwing opportunities.

I know that the organizer had a big job with 600 plus people to accommodate. What was learned this year will be applied to make Wintercount even better.

If you would like to immerse yourself in a unique Sonoran Desert experience, learn preindustrial skills and participate in 8 ISAC's and a field round for atlatl and archery, be sure to come to Wintercount next year.



STATS: In the ISAC we had 19 flights with 25 separate people throwing.

The best ISAC scores: MEN: Bob Kitch-93XX, **WOMEN:** Sue Mercer-77, **YOUTH:** Cable Gates IV-73.

FIELD ROUND: 42 participated in atlatl and 35 in archery.

ATLATL MEN'S DIVISION: 1.Bob Kitch, 2.Neville Robins, 3.James Turner.

WOMEN: 1. Sue Mercer, 2. Lila Travis, 3. Dana Turner.

YOUTH: 1.Garnet Shaver, 2.Cable Gates IV, 3.Cree Johanningneier and MiCha Hartman were tied.

JUNIORS: 1.Arwin Heartson, 2.Cole Thompson, 3.Cedar Turner.

ARCHERY: MEN: 1.Tomaki Sage 2.Gary Steele 3.Kiyota Sage

WOMEN: 1.Mahina Gelderloes 2.Ann Galazen 3.Trice Oshant

YOUTH: 1.Garnet Shaver 2.Kailas Cassidy 3.Helios Brighthouse

JUNIORS 1.Azmun Pixie

COMBINED ATLATL AND ARCHERY SCORES: MEN:

There was a tie with Douglas Bassett and Gary Steele with a score of 135.

YOUTH: Garnet Shaver - 132. No women or Juniors did both.



VALLEY OF FIRE 2018

BY FRANK LUKES



The Valley of Fire Atlatl Event from March 14th to March 19th featured daily ISAC throws with 3-D target competitions and Moche Toss on the weekend. Competitors from across the country participated (New York, Indiana, Missouri, Nevada, California, Washington State, Oregon, and Idaho were among the states represented). All participants enjoyed great Spring desert weather and the fellowship of kindred atlatlists. Over the years this event has developed into a special contest given the setting at Atlatl Rock and the great support given by the Valley of Fire State Park Staff.



Atlatl Darts Versus Locked Vehicles

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Just as I was settling into our van after a long day of contests at Flint Ridge, Ohio, I heard voices and, looked out the window and saw a number of folks gathered around Margie Takoch's van. Trotting over to the van, I found out that these 6-7 atlatlists were trying to figure out a way to get Margie's keys out of her now locked van. The keys were on a ledge that ran around the upper part of the van. Margie had driven to Flint Ridge by herself, so no Frank to pull out an extra set of keys.

Several individuals were working on windows with wire in hand, but the windows were not budging. Doug and Marlin Bassett climbed on top of the van, opened the vent, hoping one of them could slide through it and into the van. Just too small an opening. After about 45 minutes, Doug went after his dart. By now, it was dark, so Steve Barnett focused a beam from a big flashlight through the window to illuminate the inside. Doug laid down on top of the van and with his head and dart inside the vent, threaded the dart tip through the key chain, quickly tipped the dart upward, and the keys slid down into his hand. Doug and his dart saved the day! By that time, Margie was more than ready to do some settling down in her van.

*Imagine my surprise a few days ago when I ran across an article in the Summer 1990 edition of the ATLATL. The title was **Atlatl Takes on Subaru**. The following is an excerpt:*

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Following the quarterly business meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society held in Los Animas, Colorado, 25 members engaged in a field trip to local sites. It was while stopped at the wagon ruts of the Santa Fe Trail, Don Tucker locked his keys in his car. For a half an hour, he and wife, Jeanne, struggled with clothes hangers and other items trying to break back into their late model Subaru to no avail.

Security expert, and CAS member, Larry Woods, suggested that they might "spring" their side window enough to reach in and flip the lock. With 2 sets of hands gripping the upper edge of the window and pulling outward they managed to make a half inch wide opening. This proved just enough to slide one of Keith Abernathy's atlatl darts through and across to the far side of the car to flip the lock--*proving that the atlatl is mightier than the Subaru*.

Who knew????

Have you used an atlatl or dart for another purpose? Send THE ATLATL editor your story (theatlatl@gmail.com)

KANAWHA KNAP-IN HOSTED BY DANA ROWSEY

Nisa Holbrook sent me the following link to an article of interest:

https://www.wvgazettemail.com/outdoors/recreation/kanawha-knap-in-will-feature-primitive-tool-making-techniques/article_05f3e1af-c5be-563d-a3db-dd1409e7db5c.html

Dana Rowsey is a good friend of Nisa's and has been throwing with the atlatl for about four years.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE 2018 ANNUAL MEETING

*The 2018 Annual WAA Meeting will be held at Graham Cave State Park near Montgomery City, Missouri on **October 5, 6, and 7.***

The 2018 WAA Annual Meeting will be held at Graham Cave State Park in Missouri (see map). There are many motels close by. Jerry Nevins has checked out some of the motels available and found these three with high ratings and reasonable rates:



stores.. Historic Herman, MO is a very nice small town that sits on the Missouri River about 20 minutes from the cave. Columbia MO is about 30 minutes west of the park with a wide variety of restaurants, accommodations and one of the oldest wineries in the mid-west

A link to the State Park

- 1) Days Inn New Florence — 4.5 out of 5 stars—
Phone: 573-835-7500 — 4.0 miles from Danville
- 2) Americas Best Value Inn New Florence — 4.5 out of 5 stars
Phone: 573-835-8888 — 4.2 miles from Danville
- 3) Motel 70 — 5 out of 5 stars
Phone: 573-835-2900 — 8.9 miles from Danville

Jerry notes that there are many other motels close to the park. There is camping in the park and several commercial campgrounds close. New Florence and Montgomery City are two towns near the park with restaurants and grocery

can be used to reserve camping at the park:

<https://mostateparks.com/park/graham-cave-state-park>

The event is actually south of I-70 just after you pass the Missouri River Tire business. The entrance to the event is on the east side of Hwy 179.

Jerry has been working with the manager of the park, Cade Harp who is excited about this event. We hope to be able to hold ISAC's in front of the cave and possibly hold our meeting in the cave.