

Stewart, Jana

From: Kevin Liu <kevinliuser@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 12:19 PM
To: City_Council
Subject: Preservation of Pasadena's historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request the preservation of Pasadena's historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range.

It has been home to many times of fun and education for myself, my family, and my friends. I have learned a great deal through the help of instructors and through the time I personally spent on the range.

I have always felt safe and I have also always felt welcome.

I urge you to keep this in mind.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kevin Liu

Stewart, Jana

From: Naiche Lujan <naiche22@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 30, 2014 7:54 PM
To: City_Council
Cc: city_letters@rovingarchers.com
Subject: Lower Arroyo Archery Range

As a private citizen and frequenter of the Lower Arroyo Archery Range, I want to express my support for the use of the public space to practice the art of archery as well as the Pasadena Roving Archers and all that they contribute to the community.

I am also concerned that the democratic process is being compromised due to the influence the mayor's wife Claire Bogaard. I consider it an abuse of power to allow her bias against archers, archery and the use of the lower arroyo to bring the city's attention away from other more relevant priorities.

Currently, there are over 5 times the signatures showing support for the archery range and its activities than those opposing its use.

Please let's stop wasting city resources on baseless accusations made against archery in the lower arroyo.

Thank you,
Naiche Lujan

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Preservation of the historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

From: BRADFORD MANN [<mailto:mannford@verizon.net>]

Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 4:20 PM

To: City_Council

Subject: Preservation of the historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Pasadena City Council,

Not being from the area, (Upland Calif.) we enjoy coming to the Pasadena area not only for the Arroyo Archery Range, but enjoy its many restaurants, museums, specialty shop's etc. We consider the Archery Range one of Pasadena's many treasures that adds to it's diverse and unique quality and it would be a shame to see it go away.

Ever since my eleven year old son has been involved in archery, his friends and I frequent the Arroyo Archery Range as much as possible. After the first time we went I was amazed at how safe it was, and the individual attention the instructors provided to my son and the rest of the children. The volunteer staff is amazing!

When you hear that a wonderful program such as the Arroyo Archery is in danger of being taken away, it causes deep concern. In a time when children are logged into the internet, tv, Xbox etc, I, (as all parents) look for ways of engaging my children to the outdoors as much as possible. As well as being safer than most other sports, archery not only gets children outside, it increases their focus, teaches them patience and builds self esteem in ways other sports do not.

Seeing that my children and their future children are able to enjoy the Arroyo Archery is something we all should aim for. I, as well as many others, can only hope the Pasadena City Council will preserve it for future generations.

Thank you,

Bradford Mann

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Dear City Council Members:

I have been a teacher at Art Center College of Design for almost twenty years. For the past few years I have also been a member with my son of Pasadena Roving Archers.

I would like to point out that the archery range is a great place for parents and children to share a safe, outdoor experience together. Archery is a wonderful craft and sport, requiring concentration and sensitivity and observation; it is an effective antidote to too much screen time, an antidote which many kids (and adults as well) need.

The Pasadena Roving Archers are devoted teachers and provide a nurturing environment at the range for kids and adults to learn. Safety is always the foremost element of their instruction. They are also aware of their civic responsibility to be socially welcoming to all, and the range currently serves a very large, growing community, no doubt the largest in its long history.

The location of the range is very important to its success in these matters. To be accessible to the neighborhoods surrounding is crucial to its civic and its pedagogical effectiveness.

Our family urges the Council to maintain the Lower Arroyo Archery Range as it is.

Thank you for listening to my point of view.

Sincerely,

Tom Mancuso

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Preserve Pasadena Archery Range

From: Leo Mariscal [<mailto:leeyo22@gmail.com>]

Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2014 3:26 PM

To: City_Council

Subject: Preserve Pasadena Archery Range

Dear Council Members,

I'm a resident of West Los Angeles and I'm also an active member of the Pasadena Archery Range Club. I'm writing to ask that this historically safe, fun, community space be kept open. It would be a huge mistake to close this place down due to some misguided efforts by a few bordering residents. I ask you, if this place is such a hazard to the community, then why have there been no documented fatalities, let alone injuries since the inception of the program over 50 years ago. The organization that helps maintain and run weekly free classes are a fantastic group of community leaders who take their archery passions seriously, and make every effort to create an inclusive environment to promote learning and fun. In closing, it would be a big loss to the community, and it would mean that I, and my wallet, will spend 10-12 days less a year in the Pasadena area.

Go Bruins!

Sincerely,

Leo Mariscal

West Los Angeles Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Buchanan, Rita

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: Please do not shut down the Lower Arroyo

From: Lisa Markus [<mailto:lisahmarkus@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 7:42 AM
To: Bogaard, Bill; district1; Morales, Margo; Cruz, Christian (Field Rep); West, Jana; Sullivan, Noreen; De La Cuba, Vannia
Subject: Please do not shut down the Lower Arroyo

Dear Mayor and members of the Pasadena City Council:

My name is Lisa Markus (1253 Kollé, South Pasadena) and my dog Biscuit and I run along the lower Arroyo. Please do not award exclusive use of this area to the Pasadena Roving Archers as this is public land and should be shared by all -- not just used by an exclusive group. This is not fair and -- I hope -- not legal.

Sincerely,
Lisa Markus
(949) 228-7907

Buchanan, Rita

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: I support the Archery range

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This is a very good activity, people from outside of Pasadena come, and therefore visit Old Town as well. You should keep the Archery range for the Lower Arroyo.

Thanks,

Laurel Martin

40 year resident of Pasadena

121 S. Wilson Ave., Unit 101
Pasadena, CA 91106

Novelo, Lilia

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: In support of Pasadena Roving Archers and the Lower Arroyo Archery Range

From: ROY MAYEDA [mailto:roymayeda@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 2:16 PM
To: City_Council
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; city_letters@rovingarchers.com
Subject: In support of Pasadena Roving Archers and the Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Dear City Council Members:

I would like to express my support for the continued operation of the public archery range in Lower Arroyo Park. The range is of both historic and public value, and should be regarded as a resource and treasure by the City and protected as such.

I am not a Pasadena resident, but have been aware of the significance of the Pasadena Roving Archers (PRA) and their Range since I became involved in organized archery. Their club is the origin of organized competitive archery in the United States, and archers from all over the country know of their historic importance. Many influential people in the sport and business of archery have hailed from the PRA and called Lower Arroyo Park their home range -- I fletch arrows on a classic Bitezenberger jig, still considered the standard. So the club and its range are of historic value, not only to Pasadena (though hopefully the local folk will take great pride in them) but to archers across America. In terms of the history of California, restricting access to or repurposing the Lower Arroyo Archery Range area would be akin to taking Sutter's Fort and Sutter's Mill and building housing or shopping malls in their place.

As a former member and officer of one of the next oldest public ranges (Redwood Bowmen of Oakland, CA) I would also like to add that public archery ranges are a valuable resource to the community. I grew up on a small farm in the San Francisco East Bay (before the Silicon Valley boom) and had the opportunity to shoot a bow on our farm as a child. Today's children and adults often do not have the chance to participate in archery other than on organized ranges, private land for such activity being scarce and expensive. Availability of a public range is a great encouragement to families to engage in healthy, wholesome outdoor activity together. People of all ages can safely and pleasantly participate together, regardless of skill level or differences in preferred or available equipment. Few activities of any kind (let alone physical, outdoor activities) allow for this type of family-friendly . As a father, teacher, and community member, I cannot imagine taking an established archery range and removing it from public use. Access to such a high quality facility by the public is one of those occurrences that cause people the world over to exclaim, "Only in America!"

As with Redwood (which has similar agreements with the East Bay Regional Parks Department) the club is maintaining a public facility through their own private funding and dedicated workers. How many other facilities are owned by the City which are so maintained and operated? In these tough fiscal times, it seems obvious that a citizen-maintained public facility would be welcomed by any municipality as a way of both maintaining City services and saving hard-to-come-by tax dollars.

Please support the continuing cooperative operation and maintenance of the Lower Arroyo Archery Range by the PRA. It makes sense historically, civically, and fiscally.

Sincerely,

Roy Mayeda
Hoffman, MN
(former secretary - Redwood Bowmen, Inc.)

Jomsky, Mark

From: R. Dean McCreary <r.deanmccreary@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2014 8:21 PM
To: City_Council
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; city_letters@rovingarchers.com
Subject: Pasadena Roving Archers

Greetings,

I am writing to you in support of the Pasadena Roving Archers. My fiancée and I have been attending the Saturday morning instruction and look forward each week to the new faces and new friends we have made.

As a former Program Director and Fine Arts Instructor for a school located in the heart of Pasadena, I know the power of structured, passionate learning and have seen firsthand the transformation of my students - children, teens and adults alike - from inquiring to accomplished. Life long bonds of friendship through shared interest and growth were made in my studio. The same is true for the people I've met in the Lower Arroyo. It is an understatement to say I was very impressed by the structure, professionalism and quality of instruction we were met with on our first day with the PRA. And it keeps getting better! My own curiosity in archery has turned to a new found passion due to the dedication, generosity and attention to detail and safety provided by this cheerful band of like-minded archers. My fiancée and I truly look forward to our Saturday instruction and, as an added bonus, we are rediscovering the joy and beauty of Pasadena itself. It has become ritual now for us to round out our day by finding a new restaurant to lunch and relax in, while comparing notes from our morning instruction. In fact, just today, we were joined by several others from our group!

Since leaving my teaching post, I have made little time to visit Pasadena - quick jaunts to the Norton Simon or Huntington Gardens. Since finding PRA, my fiancée and I have spent the better part of our weekends in Pasadena and have decided to celebrate our upcoming six-year anniversary by booking a "stay-cation" at the beautiful Langham Huntington.

I am disheartened, and frankly offended, by the misinformation being disseminated by those opposed to the PSA, and their unwillingness to correct it for the public record. In a world where children are continually immersed in electronic stimuli and families spend less and less time in safe, healthy outdoor pursuits, the Pasadena Roving Archers are an absolute treasure. They are a vital, thriving community. And have been for almost 80 years... that is to be celebrated!

Thank you for your time and consideration, R. Dean McCreary Screenwriter

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: Archery Range in the Lower Arroyo

From: Toby McGill [<mailto:tobymcgill@att.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2015 2:43 PM
To: Bogaard, Bill; Jomsky, Mark
Subject: Archery Range in the Lower Arroyo

Dear Mayor Bogaard, City Council and City Clerk, Mark Jomsky,

I am a resident of West Pasadena. My family and I have enjoyed walking in the Lower Arroyo for 40 years and we request that a fair and safe plan be established for the use of the Archery Range.

Those of us who use the Lower Arroyo know that it is *just a matter of time before someone – on or off the Range – will be hit by an arrow, and we pray it will not be fatal.*

WHY:

- There has been a tremendous expansion in archery use in the Lower Arroyo in recent years, overburdening what Pasadena has designated a “nature preservation area.”
- It is unacceptable that a private group has control of almost half of the usable open space in the Lower Arroyo.
- Neighbors to the west of the Archery Range have limited use of their properties because of falling arrows. One neighbor has collected more than 70 arrows that have fallen on his land.
- Today’s bows and arrows are powerful and lethal weapons.
- Conflicts between archers and other users of the Arroyo are increasing.
- There are numerous reports of arrows almost hitting pedestrians and/or joggers.
- Archers come from throughout LA County and few are Pasadena residents.
- There is drinking, smoking and shooting arrows – even after nightfall.

A Solution:

- Limit the days and hours when the Archery Range is open – to weekends only.
- Improve signage and use flags to alert pedestrians and others when the Range is open for archery use.
- Targets must be closed and locked when the Range is closed.
- Trained Range officers must be present whenever the Range is open to assure that rules are followed.
- Adopt City staff rules for licensing, training classes and a reasonable fee structure.

Warmly,

Toby McGill and family

Stewart, Jana

From: Nancy McLellan <nancymclellan1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 12:19 PM
To: City_Council
Subject: Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Please do not remove the Pasadena Roving Archers from their space at Lower Arroyo Archery Range. My friends and I thoroughly enjoy our time together there. Weekly we gather to celebrate friendships, enjoy and learn about nature and hone in our skills as archers. Please let me know how I can help.

Thank you.

~ Nancy McLellan

Jomsky, Mark

From: Shannon McManus <shanmcmn@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2014 7:15 PM
To: City_Council
Cc: Jomsky, Mark
Subject: In Support of the Preservation of the Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Hi,

I'm writing in support of the Pasadena Roving Archer's efforts to preserve the world's oldest field archery range in the Lower Arroyo. My fiancé and I regularly attend the Saturday morning classes. We've been very impressed with the Roving Archer's level of safety, professionalism and commitment to building community through the sport of archery.

To be perfectly honest, we had not spent a lot of time in Pasadena prior to our joining the Saturday morning classes. Now, it's a Saturday ritual to find a new restaurant for lunch in Pasadena after our morning on the archery range. So far we've discovered gems like La Grande Orange, Central Park Cafe, Congregation Ale House and Marstons. In fact, just today we joined a couple of our fellow students for a post lesson meal at Congregation Ale House. That, in my mind, is what community is all about. We've enjoyed our weekends in Pasadena so much that we're thinking of taking a "staycation" at the Langham Huntington Hotel. And all this because the Roving Archers offered free classes so we could get to know the sport of archery. And the lovely town of Pasadena.

I will be extremely disappointed if the archery range is closed down. We've fallen in love with the sport, the team at Roving Archers and Pasadena. There are other ranges closer to our home in Los Angeles but they just don't have the same sense of camaraderie and passion for the sport. And, although I'm sure we would visit Pasadena once or twice a year for the Norton Simon or Huntington Gardens, we definitely wouldn't be brunching there every weekend.

I hope that the council will acknowledge the valuable community service the Roving Archers provide, the revenue their students bring to local businesses and finally, just how cool it is to have the *world's oldest continually operating field archery range* in your fair city.

Thank you so much for your time and attention.

Best,
Shannon

Shannon McManus
www.shannonmcmanus.com
202.368.3921



City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91109

Dear Mayor Bogard and City Council members:

I am a Lower Arroyo enthusiast since I am on the trails daily, either walking or running. The Lower Arroyo is a beautiful place and a wonderful resource for all of Pasadena and neighboring areas.

For years I have been on the paths that are now being considered as 'limited to archery use only.' My past experience has been that everyone got along well. If archers were in the area, walkers detoured around them. I am saddened that we have reached a new level of contentiousness between archers and walkers, but my concerns are safety, the inherent danger in the archery area, and the city's liability risk.

There are walkers who continue to use the trails in the areas now cordoned off for archery. In some cases these are people who know about the recent changes and are choosing to step over the rocks and continue on the trails. In other cases there are people who were simply not aware of the situation. They cut through where signage has not been posted or perhaps they simply missed it. In any case, it is clear that walkers continue to be in the archery area.

This raises a concern for the safety of walkers in that area. I understand that the members of the Pasadena Roving Archers (PRA) are all trained in proper safety techniques. However, the total openness of the targets could lead to a non-PRA archer using the targets without regard to walkers or safety rules. Early in the morning I frequently encounter single archers using the targets. I have no idea if they are PRA members, but I know that they are using the northernmost targets which are sanctioned only for use in tournaments.

Untrained archers and unsuspecting walkers could be a deadly combination and I think that the city has a responsibility to prevent such an occurrence. I understand that the PRA has an insurance policy, but that only covers PRA events. I think it is important to consider what the city's liability would be in the case of an accident. Does the city's insurance policy cover injury by arrow in the Arroyo? What if a victim sues the city?

There seems to be a number of alternatives short of the two extremes – banning archery or building a locked fence to keep out walkers. One suggestion has been to attach doors to the targets that could be kept locked with keys controlled by PRA members. This seems to be a good compromise, especially if combined with flags or some system to alert walkers to archery use in the area. These ideas were proposed at the 4/5/2011 Recreation and Parks Commission meeting, but the PRA representative was not receptive to the idea.

As a taxpayer of Pasadena, I am concerned about the liability for which the city may be at risk. I hope the worst never happens, but from what I have heard or observed, there are many issues that need to be resolved before finalizing a Use Agreement for the archery area of the Lower Arroyo.

Sincerely,
Betsy Mertens

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: Archery Showdown Monday February 2 - Pasadena City Hall

From: Tess Moore [mailto:tbmooreno7@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2015 11:29 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark
Subject: Fwd: Archery Showdown Monday February 2 - Pasadena City Hall

I agree with all of the email message below.

Tess Moore
Pasadena Resident

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Stewards of Public Land** <sopl@stewardsofpublicland.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 27, 2015 at 11:16 AM
Subject: Archery Showdown Monday February 2 - Pasadena City Hall
To: sopl@stewardsofpublicland.org

URGENT! HELP NEEDED! URGENT!

The hotly contested debate over the use of approximately one half of the Lower Arroyo for the exclusive use of a private club, the Pasadena Roving Archers, will come before the City Council again on **Monday, February 2, 2015**.

PLEASE WRITE TO THE CITY COUNCIL **NOW** – and ask that a fair and safe plan be established for the use of the Archery Range. The Pasadena Police Department agrees that the current situation is dangerous. Those of us who use the Lower Arroyo know that it is ***just a matter of time before someone – on or off the Range – will be hit by an arrow, and we pray it will not be fatal.***

Send your letters to:

- the Mayor and City Council, at bbogaard@cityofpasadena.net or
- to the City Clerk, Mark Jomsky at mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net

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- Adopt City staff rules for licensing, training classes and a reasonable fee structure.

In Addition:

- Establish an Olympic-sized Target Range in Eaton Canyon, **NOW**, on the site of the former Police Shooting Range. Eaton Canyon offers a safer site with improved visibility, fewer trees and convenient parking.

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: Pasadena Archery Range

-----Original Message-----

From: Flavia Muttera [<mailto:mutteraf@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 09, 2014 7:21 AM
To: City_Council
Subject: Pasadena Archery Range

Dear Pasadena City Council Members:

I am writing in support of maintaining open access to the Pasadena City archery range in the Arroyo park. Every time I visit my brother who lives in Pasadena, we make it a point to stop by the range. My niece and brother both participate in the archery program and have enjoyed it and benefited from it immensely. It is a wonderful family-oriented activity, rich with history, and a unique sport where proficiency is attainable regardless of sex or age. I have also been impressed by the high quality sportsmanship that the Pasadena City instructors impart to their pupils ... something that seems rare these days in many sports where the ethic seems to be win at all cost and the badder the better.

As an outsider, I fail to understand objections to the program. In the many times I have visited the range, I have observed only the best behavior by the program participants. And the park area is so vast in relation to the space periodically occupied by the range users, certainly there can be no objection in terms of the amount of space or area being utilized. There are far more cyclists, runners, picnic parties, etc.

Finally, it seems to me that use of the park area must also bring additional business to nearby restaurants and merchants. I know when I visit the area, we almost always go up to Russell's or another restaurant for breakfast and then enjoy strolling through the nearby shops and businesses.

I understand there is a movement that at its worst would eliminate the program and access to this historic and beautiful location all together and at its best would restrict access to a privileged few. In my opinion that would be an enormous loss for the City and would foolishly destroy a program that teaches "all the right stuff." I urge you to maintain and even expand the archery program in its current location.

Flavia Muttera
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Pasadena Roving Archery Range Supporter

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2014 10:33 PM

Dear City Council,

I am a member of the Pasadena Roving Archery group and have been so for many years. I as well as many others enjoy the Archery range. Professionally I am hold three California Teaching Credentials, Multiple Subjects with Clad, Math, and Art. My name on the public California teaching credential website is arlene mutterstein, please feel free to verify this information.

In addition to being a teacher, I am also a five time International Award winning photographer (WPPI), as well as WPJA and Nikon awards.

My photography website is arlenecatherine.com, under the press tab you'll see numerous magazines that I've been published under.

I realize that Archery much like bowling has a low class stigma, and that isn't an image Pasadena wants in their midst. In this case the reality of professional people there are numerous, and include several JPL scientists and engineers, business owners, as well as other teaching staff from various sites.

The Archery range provides entertainment and relaxation for numerous adults as well as a place for children to enjoy a sport with their parents. Teenagers today are hard pressed to find an activity that both they and their parents enjoy, this is one such activity.

Thank you for your consideration,

Arlene Mutterstein

818-207-3355

From: Mike Nickoloff <idpamike@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2014 4:14 PM
To: City_Council
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; city_letters@rovingarchers.com
Subject: Pasadena Roving Archers and the Lower Arroyo Canyon

Dear Pasadena City Council Members:

This letter is being sent as show of support for the Pasadena Roving Archers Club and their continued use of their improved archery facilities that stretch from under the bridge at the 134 Freeway all the way down past the bridge crossing near the lower parking lot and casting pond.

PRA is one of the oldest archery clubs in the western United States and has provided alternative recreational activities to residents of Southern California for more than half a century.

Archery is an ancient sport that requires skill, practice, concentration and determination to learn, and provides satisfaction, relaxation, and jubilation when your hours/years of practice allow you to hit the 'bull's eye' at will.

Uncounted numbers of adults, youth and children have experienced the outdoors through the decades at the Lower Arroyo with bow in hand, and have come back time and time again to enjoy the experience as the years have passed.

The club has always acted as 'conservator and protector' of this stretch of the Lower Arroyo; their active and caring presence alone deters law breakers from scrawling graffiti, destroying trails and habitat that is home to many native species of birds, animals and plant life.

To prevent the Pasadena Roving Archers continued occupancy and use of the arroyo would deprive residents and visitors alike from experiencing all the positive things that archery has to offer, as well as open the area to the potential degradation mentioned above, and even occupancy by the homeless and others who do not have the areas best interests at heart.

Respectfully,

Mike Nickoloff
La Canada Resident and member of
Verdugo Hills Archers

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Pasadena Roving Archers site preservation.

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Dear Pasadena City Council Members:

It seems that some residents adjacent/above the archery shooting range in the Arroyo Seco continue to object to the location of the archery shooting range in that location, which is used not only by the Pasadena Roving Archers Club, but by anyone who might want to access the site, except on scheduled shoot days by the archery club.

Anyone and everyone is welcome at these shoots, all they must do is register and pay a small participation fee to be able to shoot with the club members and guests.

I am not familiar with the conditions that may be causing the 'friction, between the community and PRA, but I have shot archery matches many times with the club and find all members and guest shooters, to be extremely friendly, helpful, and have an active program to minimize the environmental impact their presence may have on the flora, fauna and the land at their shooting site.

Please vote to preserve this historic archery shooting site and with it one of the oldest archery clubs in California.

Thank you.

Mike Nickoloff
La Canada, CA 91011
Member: Verdugo Hills Archers

Stewart, Jana

From: Kristina Nieto <krissykisses44@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 10:15 AM
To: City_Council
Subject: Archery range

The range is NOT closed to the public. ANYONE can walk/run/jog through it.

What is DANGEROUS is dogs off leash, which is illegal. I have almost been bitten by a dog off leash while walking along the archery trails.

What is DANGEROUS is stupid dunderheads thinking that walking close to the archery targets is a good idea. There are MANY signs warning of the archery range. NO WHERE does it say that you cannot enter!

I have stopped many times and talked to the people doing archery at the range. They have all been very open and interesting.

I am at the range EVERY WEEKEND. PLEASE do NOT ruin one of the few places these people can go and practice their sport. Keeping the range does not mean we cannot do what we want either, EVERYONE just has to use COMMON SENSE.

Please do NOT close or restrict the archery range.

Thank you,

Kristina Nieto

Buchanan, Rita

Subject:

FW: Pasadena Roving Archers

City Council Members,

I am writing you to let you know that I am in full support of the Pasadena Roving Archers and their location in the Arroyo. My wife and I have lived in Pasadena, in the Madison Heights area, in the same house for over 30 years. We believe the archers have the right to continue in the Arroyo. Please resolve this issue. We hope you will support the Pasadena Roving Archers. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Thank You,

William O'Connor

765 Magnolia Ave

Pasadena, CA 91106

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Pasadena Archery Range

From: S Olea [<mailto:starolea@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 1:10 PM
To: City_Council
Subject: Pasadena Archery Range

Dear Sir or Madame,
Please preserve the Pasadena Archery Range. This is a place that i have gone to and brought my daughter and friends.
It is the only place close enough to my office and my home, and archery is a love i have had since i was very young.
Please preserve this range!

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Have a great day!

Star Olea

Jomsky, Mark

From: Samuel Otis <skateboardsam9@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 8:42 PM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Forrest
Subject: Fwd: Archery Range in Pasadena

Please see the attached e-mail. We would like to receive a packet of information for the meeting concerning the Archery Range in Pasadena.

regards,

Kathryn, Brian and Samuel Otis

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From: **Samuel Otis** <skateboardsam9@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 30, 2014 at 8:38 PM
Subject: Archery Range in Pasadena
To: City_Council@cityofpasadena.net, Forrest <forrestbirdman@gmail.com>

Please do not vote to close the Archery Range in Pasadena. It has a perfect safety record and it provides recreational opportunities for hundreds of kids. Pasadena's access to and Archery range boosts sales and business in the Pasadena area. Please do not close this valuable resource in the community.

yours sincerely,

Kathryn, Brian and Samuel Otis

January 29, 2015

THE CITY OF PASADENA
Attn: Pasadena City Council
100 N. Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91109

Re: The Historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Mayor Bogard and Members of the Pasadena City Council,

I understand that the Council is intending to meet this coming Monday, February 2 to review the proposal to restrict usage of the Archery Range in the Lower Arroyo. As a resident of the area and frequent user of the Lower Arroyo, I am firmly in full support of maintaining the Archery Range and keeping with the terms of the agreement previously made with the Pasadena Rowing Archers.

As an instructor at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena for the past 17 years and the father of a 14-year-old Archer, I firmly believe in the benefits of maintaining this historic area. I spend many hours at the archery range each week watching the live lessons that the Pasadena Rowing Archer coaches have imparted to my daughter and the other youths in the Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD) program. The space is amicably shared with joggers, dog walkers, horse back riders, hikers etc. and I have never seen any contentian over use of the area as there is more than enough room for everyone.

I strongly urge the esteemed members of the Council to consider my request and vote to allow the continued usage of the proposed area as a full time archery range. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,



Paul B. Ortenghine



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September 8, 2014

Dear Mayor Bogaard and Members of the Pasadena City Council,

My name is Denise Parker, and I am the CEO of USA Archery, a three time Olympian and Olympic medalist. I am writing to you today to urge you to preserve the oldest continuously operating field archery range in the world, and keep it open as a full time public range.

Archery's connections to Pasadena run deep. USA Archery Junior Dream Team member Amanda Tamayo is a Pasadena resident, and got her start at this range. Four-time Olympian Janet Dykman is a member. The range is also home to two current World Champion barebow archers.

Pasadena Roving Archers have offered free archery classes to the public since 1964. This sport has enriched the lives of millions of children and adults throughout the United States, helping archers to build confidence and teaching them the important lessons of focus, discipline and patience.

Archery is actually considered one of the safest sports people can enjoy. The National Institutes of Health found that archery is a safer sport than more popular field sports (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22648468>), and the sport is taught in school physical education programs across the United States. More information about the safety of archery may be found at <http://cpw.state.co.us/Documents/Education/TeacherResources/CASP/ArcherySafetyInsight.pdf>.

I implore you to recognize the value of a full time and public archery range in a community with such deep roots in our sport. Access to archery practice space is vital for competitive archers and Olympic hopefuls like Ms. Tamayo. We are thankful that Pasadena Roving Archers exists and provides free classes, giving newcomers the opportunity to experience this wonderful sport.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Denise Parker
CEO, USA Archery



Member U.S. Olympic Committee

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: Preserve the historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Dear Council members,

My name is Ruchi Parikh. I'm 16 years old, attend Westridge School for Girls, and am a proud resident of the city of Pasadena (in council member Mr. Gene Masuda's district). I have lived in Pasadena since I was only a year old. I, along with my Dad, are both avid archers. We have been going to the Lower Arroyo Seco Archery Range for the past 3 years now, on weekends and weekdays during the summer and the holidays. We started with the Pasadena Roving Archers and attended their Saturday morning sessions to learn how to shoot and since then have bought our own equipment. The coaches at the PRA are some of the best coaches I've had for a certain sport. In our 3 years at the range, we have yet to experience a safety related incident. The coaches make sure everyone follows the proper safety protocol on the range and the surrounding area is safe.

I have started training with the advanced archers and hope to become an instructor myself. My greater goal is to represent Pasadena at the State and National level, and who knows, maybe someday in the Olympics!

I'm extremely disheartened to know that some people are trying to limit the use of the range and essentially close the range down. Every time we go to the range, I see a lot of people in the arroyo enjoying a nice stroll, a run or a walk with their dogs. In all my years, I have not heard anyone complain about the archers being a problem or not being able to enjoy the area. Even though the people who are opposed to the range say they are looking to share the range on weekdays, I know that if it's closed for us from Monday to Friday, it will only be a matter of time until the whole range shuts down. It will be a sad day, not only for the many Pasadena residents who enjoy the archery range but for many other residents of the nearby communities who sometimes drive over an hour to visit our archery range.

I hope that you will do the right thing and preserve our range!

Sincerely,
Ruchi Parikh

Jomsky, Mark

From: Sonia Pineda <soniapineda@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2014 12:03 AM
To: City_Council
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; city_letters@rovingarchers.com
Subject: Preserve the Lower Arroyo Archery Range

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to express my support for the archery community of Pasadena, specifically the Lower Arroyo Archery Range.

The range is a great resource in our community and should not only be kept alive, but it should be allowed to thrive. During my time at the range, I have seen countless people - from little tykes to retirees - enjoy themselves in a fun and safe environment where they can practice a sport that teaches focus, patience, and determination. It would be a huge blow to the community to have the range limited or taken away. I hope that the city supports the Lower Arroyo Archery Range, and the community it serves, now and for years to come.

Please note that I am cc'ing City Clerk, Mark Jomsky, so that this email and my comments are part of the official record in preparation for the City Council meeting.

Thank you,

Sonia Pineda

Buchanan, Rita

Subject: FW: Please preserve the historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

From: michael poston [<mailto:yttrius@gmail.com>]

Sent: Sunday, September 14, 2014 9:33 PM

To: City_Council

Subject: Please preserve the historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range

Dear Mayor and City Council of Pasadena,

I am writing to state my support for the Lower Arroyo Archery Range. It is a beautiful range and I enjoy shooting archery there. I encourage you to try it out for yourself one Saturday morning (see <http://www.rovingarchers.com/instruction.php> for more information).

Sincerely,
Michael J Poston
Caltech/JPL

Buchanan, Rita

From: cityclerk
Subject: FW: Historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range,

From: Traci [<mailto:traciproffitt@sbcglobal.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 5:39 AM
To: City_Council
Subject: Historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range,

To: The Mayor and Council of the City of Pasadena

Please preserve the Historic Lower Arroyo Archery Range, the oldest Field Archery Range in the country.

**Sincerely,
Traci Proffitt**

Jomsky, Mark

From: rabbitanimation@gmail.com on behalf of Tyler Rabbit <tyler@rabbitanimation.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 12:28 PM
To: City_Council
Cc: Jomsky, Mark
Subject: Archery in the Arroyo - for inclusion in public record

Hello,

I'm a Pasadena resident and my family owns several businesses in Pasadena.

This is a letter in support of The Pasadena Roving Archers.

The so-called "Stewards of Public Land" are currently running a very deceptive disinfo campaign, misrepresenting the details of the proposed agreement with the city, and painting the archery club as some sort of elitist special interest group, when the facts clearly indicate that the so-called Stewards are actually a tiny but powerful and influential group spearheaded by an individual with a personal vendetta..

Please choose to preserve the legacy of archery in the Arroyo. It's incredibly important to myself, my family, countless others, and am sure it will also be important to future generations. Don't let a few noisy individuals w/ money and influence destroy something which has never been a problem.

Many thanks,
Tyler