



**NATIONAL ARCHERY
IN THE
SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

Brass Nock Memo
Memo dated July 3rd 2007
From: The NASP Board of Directors

Archery is an extremely safe sport. It is safer than all ball sports with the exception of table tennis. We have a Rules and Regulations change that will be effective for the 2009 NASP Nationals. We strongly suggest that all NASP archers remove the brass nock from their bowstring. Instead, archers should use a “tie-on” nock or the factory heat shrink nock. NASP Archers will be permitted to compete at the State and National levels for the 2007 – 2008 school years with a brass nock. We will require 100% compliance-in the 2008 – 2009 school year.

While extremely rare, brass nock locators have been known to come off the bowstring upon release of the bowstring. As we describe in the BAI training series, we are concerned that a brass nock locator could detach and strike an archer. In our training program we will replace instructions about applying brass nock locators with information about using string to form nock locators.

We have removed the brass nock locators as well as the nock pliers from the NASP archery supply box. These items are being replaced by 75 yards of “tie on nock” material. Thank you for your participation in the National Archery in the Schools Program.