In 1983, like-minded archers gathered to celebrate a very special bow. The longbow wasn't just a tool but a way of doing things. A spiritual change of pace from the hustle of modern society. In their hands, it became a conduit of energy and enthusiasm. A torch to be passed down through the generations to preserve the beauty and wonder of a simpler time.

They caught lightning in a bottle, and the Michigan Longbow Association (MLA) was born.

Several decades have passed, and little has changed, save for the fact that there are more of us. We are still here: laughing, camping, and flinging arrows together.







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MISSION

- Preserve and spread the true spirit of archery.
- Bind together people with a mutual love for the longbow.
- Encourage the use of and respect for the longbow in all its forms, including tournaments, target archery, and lawful hunting.
- Educate the public in the use of and respect for the longbow as an effective and suitable weapon for the hunting of game and fish.
- Cooperate with organizations and individuals interested in perpetuating the use of the longbow.
- Encourage the study and art of crafting archery equipment.
- Support and honor organizations and individuals who have made notable contributions to the sport of archery.
- Promote and respect those values, activities, endeavors, and places associated with the longbow, including camaraderie, woodcraft, conservation, respect for excellence, the thrill of the chase, the beauty of nature, and the spirit of all things wild.

POPULAR YEAR-ROUND EVENTS

Winter Banquet

A night of food, fun, and fellowship.
Enjoy a fantastic dinner while participating in raffles, games, and live auctions. The evening also includes game awards and other special presentations.

Annual Spring Shoot and Membership Meeting

This is a free camping and shooting weekend for all MLA Members—three days of outdoor fun for the entire family. Enjoy outdoor 3D target ranges, various family events, and a free catered dinner.

Great Lakes Longbow Invitational

Our largest event of the season, the Great Lakes Longbow Invitational, includes three days of outstanding family fun. In addition to open outdoor 3D target ranges, the weekend includes structured, themed shoots for all ages. Kickback and enjoy watching competitors shoot it out for bragging rights or join in and be part of the fun!



MEMBERSHIP

You can't buy much for \$30 these days, which makes joining the Michigan Longbow Association an incredible value for yourself and your family. That's right, your membership includes members of your immediate family, including kids under the age of 18. It will include the following benefits:

Our quarterly STICKTALK publication is delivered in both printed and digital formats. (One of the best archery club publications in the country!)



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Special pricing on MLA merchandise.

A lifetime of memories living the longbow lifestyle.

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