

## Don't Forget: Money Shoot & Outdoor Shoot Sunday November 12

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### Newsletter Deadlines

Henry Bertram (ed.)

Keep those cards and letters coming. I don't know how much text we can cram into one of these computer files but I think it's safe to say we can fit your article in without an intolerable operating system crash.

### Money Shoot (ed.)

Don't forget the Money Shoot Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup> at noon and 3 pm. Come to shoot with the local professional archers or come to watch. The shoot is a 450 round from 18 meters. We use the Vegas 40 cm target and archers can choose either a single spot or a 3 spot. Last year we had 2 archers shoot perfect 450s, Mark Poling shot 33 Xs to win Tommy Daley shot 32 Xs to take second. It was a very close match and was exciting to watch. Pick up a flier at the range and "read all about it."

### Indoor Shoots (ed.)

The indoor shoots are really growing with an infusion of new club members and the old standbys; it's time we can officially announce the opening of "indoor season."

On October six, twelve archers spent the evening initiating the mystical flight of the arrow (some more mystical than others, I have been shooting traditional and at times I have no idea where the ar-

row will land). We had a lot of good family fun with the Adams, Reader and Hagerman families in addition to individuals representing the Fortuno, Kimsel, Martinez, Sandkuhle and Bertram families. Debbie Hagerman and Henry Bertram shot Trad Recurve and battled neck and neck all evening, with Henry barely eking out the honors at the end. Sarah Hagerman and Wayne Reader tangled in Youth Free Style and Wayne, showing not the slightest twinge of chivalry slammed the door on Sarah, his 42 Xs taking the day. Youths Ricardo Fortuno and Jimmy Hagerman shot unopposed in BHFS and FSL respectively. In the "Non Trad, Adult" category (a category invented just moments ago) Ralph Adams (BB), Linda Adams (FSL), Jim Martinez (FS) and Robert Hagerman (BHFS) were unopposed while Rich Sandkuhle and Gregg Kimsel battled for the hotly contested BHFS honors with Rich sneaking ahead for the win.

On October 20, Ben Rogers improved his free style indoor board leading score by shooting a 58X 300 round while new member Jim Martinez jumped on the free style board with a 55S 300 round. Nice shooting guys! Just to put this in perspective for those unfamiliar with the indoor round, we shoot 12 ends of 5 arrows each end, perfect score is 300, we record Xs as a tie breaker and you can only 60 of those puppies. The X ring is about 4 cm in diameter. Not too small unless you have to shoot from 20 yards, which you do. Wayne Reader and Pat Pagnella finished out the fs shooters with Wayne shooting a 42X 300 and Pat shooting a 48X 298. Ralph and Linda Adams and Wendy Wolf shot bare bow with Ralph leading the group. It is interesting to not that Linda

recorded the most Xs in the group. In addition, both Ralph and Linda shoot compound bows while Wendy shoots a recurve. Henry Bertram shot his first 25 end with traditional recurve but amply compensated for that spark of brilliance falling short of a personal best. Tyler Casterson and Naomi Bradford shot young adult fs but had to leave early and could not complete the round.

### Outdoor 10/8 (Linda Adams)

This last Outdoor Shoot was a rare opportunity this time of year for field archers to stay on top of their games and for hunters to practice under realistic hunting conditions. Several archers that did not attend the shoot mentioned that they had made other plans under the assumption that it would probably be raining in October. However, since Henry Bertram, Ralph Adams and Linda Adams don't believe anything that weather forecasters even suggest, they showed up anyway for the Outdoor Shoot.

The weather was absolutely beautiful and the temperature was pleasant. The common bond that all three archers shared was seeking improvement. "Shoot today, for tomorrow it may rain!" was the battle cry. None of us did very well or set any records, but we all learned a lot. Henry had decreased his activities based on "doctor's orders" and was trying to regain his stamina and strength. I could never be sure if he was shooting a 60 or 70 pound draw weight compound bow. The more exhausted Henry became, the higher the draw weight he insisted that he was pulling. I wanted to offer him the use of my 45 pound draw weight bow so that he could at least make it to the finish line. But knowing Henry, he would probably become defensive

and crank his draw weight up to 75 pounds just to show me how tough he is, so I didn't make the offer. Although Henry did endure and finish with us, he was last heard mumbling to himself about needing to spend more time at the Gym. *(Editors note: Just in case you think that your diligent editor does not read his favored reporter's work, I am adding this note to show: 1) yes, I do read; 2) no, I do not remove accurate information simply because it seems unfavorable to other club members (especially your editor). Besides, I have promised myself to go on a diet and get back to the gym, I am going to do it in a few months. Now, back to your regularly scheduled programming.)*

Ralph and I have shot a lot of target archery for a few years (mainly in the Barebow shooting style) but are just now getting into field archery. And the results from our first three field shoots demonstrate that we have lots of room for improvement. Although the results were not particularly good on this third Outdoor Shoot attempt, we began to better understand how to execute our shots based on terrain, obstacles, lighting, etc. Stamina and especially balance on the course are some things that we don't seem to be able to develop from other forms of exercise. We are only now finding that we are able to get around the course without becoming totally exhausted. It was difficult to shoot consistently when we were huffing, puffing and trying to remain on our feet. The solution to our problem seems to be to get more experience on the course at every opportunity and attend every Outdoor Shoot possible.

We are hoping that the weather will allow us another window of opportunity on 12 November to attend the Outdoor Shoot. In the past, we have talked ourselves into not attending Outdoor Shoots because

"the weather could get bad" or "maybe no one else will show up". However, it is difficult for us to become good outdoor shooters by talking ourselves into a six month lay-off because it might rain, freeze, flood, etc. Then, regardless of our reasons, we're back at square one when the weather improves. For any of you who might also contemplate staying in practice outdoors year-round, I have found that at least one of the Club officers has been willing to brave the elements at every Outdoor Shoot that we have so far contemplated attending. If the weather is marginal, contact a Club officer for archery range shooting status prior to attending.

**Stump Shoot 10/28** (Linda Adams) Already knowing that most of the regular, old time stump shooters had prior commitments this weekend, we arrived expecting to find Gary Cramton and a number of new Traditional style Club members receiving their orientation. To our surprise, we found only Gary. But we also learned from him that there were lots of fresh wooden stakes just waiting to be demolished. . .

Another surprise we encountered was a cluster of Stump Shoot stakes located on the Practice Range. This may not be new since we have only been stump shooting for three months, but it was new to us. Practicing on the targets and then the stakes at the Practice Range before heading out to the actual Stump Shoot helped us to get off to a strong start. Several of us will try to keep some stakes in place on the Practice Range in between Stump Shoots so that Traditional archers can get some practice before they encounter them on the archery course.

So with the great weather holding, Gary Cramton, Ralph Adams and Linda Adams enjoyed the journey around the archery course, each

smashing their share of stakes. We were transported back in time to our hunter-gatherer roots. We were not the least bit tired when we returned to the Clubhouse and could have continued to shoot if there had been more stake clusters to pursue.

If the nice weather holds, we're planning on being out there again on 25 November. If you are new to shooting on a course, it might comfort you to know: 1) The course traveling distance is shorter for the Stump Shoot than for the Outdoor Shoot; 2) Only two arrows are shot at each Stump Shoot stake cluster compared to four arrows at each target for the Outdoor Shoot; and 3) The estimated completion time for the Stump Shoot is two hours, compared to four hours to shoot the Outdoor Shoot. The shooting distances are generally in the 15 to 25 yard range, with a couple at about 50 yards, but if you think that you might have some physical limitations of any kind, they can almost certainly be worked out with the Stump Shoot leader.

In order to establish better communications amongst the Traditional archers and provide any sudden changes in plans due to weather, etc., please leave your email address with an officer or Club representative at the Clubhouse and ask that this information be forwarded to Gary Cramton. Gary has offered to keep members up-to-date regarding Traditional activities and may be able to email reminders to members who may be as forgetful as I often am. We want to be sure that no one is left out of the activities, so to be sure that you are included, please leave your contact information at the Clubhouse for Gary.

**Indoor League 10/13** (L. Adams) Not to be confused with your "Indoor Shoots" that occur on the first and third Fridays of each month, the "Indoor League" has just started and will continue on the second and

fourth Fridays of each month at least through January 2007 in preparation for the Vegas Shoot. If there is popular demand these 450 Rounds (15 ends X 3 arrows/end) may continue beyond January. Although these FITA style targets are slightly more challenging to shoot, we were all eager to get started, especially since, besides the Vegas Shoot; the MTBA Regional Indoor Tournament, the CBH/SAA State Target Indoor Championship, and the NFAA Southwest Indoor Sectional are all using the FITA targets in the near future.

Through mainly word-of-mouth and on short notice, seven archers showed up for the first Shoot. The participants, both Club members and non-members, paid their \$2 per session league fee and set about to shoot their personal bests and assume their ranking positions on the "450 Ranking Sheet". Amongst the participants were Richard Sandkuhle, Ricardo Fortuno, Henry Bertram, Ralph Reader, Wayne Reader, Ralph Adams and Linda Adams. There may have been others who could have easily out-scored this highly talented group, but we don't yet know who they might be because they haven't shown up to claim their rightful position in the Ranking. So to fully extend the invitation, please come by and join in the fun, and if you beat any of us, we'll still like you anyway! If you are interested in participating, and want to learn more about the League, you can find the past results posted on the red poster board immediately to the left on the wall as you enter the Clubhouse.

**Indoor League 10/27 (L. Adams)**  
Our second Indoor League only proved that it is impossible to predict attendance. I was relieved that I didn't let my urges get the better of me after hearing that at least 14 archers were planning on attending. If we had brought steak and lobster

for 14 people at the second session, there would have only been four archers to eat all that food. Although Diana Reader and I might have made a run on the lobster to keep it from spoiling, who would have been able to eat all that steak? [Well, maybe steak and lobster is a bit of a stretch. . .] As the hour neared to start the second Indoor League, excuses poured in from all corners of the South Bay Area. Hunting trips, illnesses, exhaustion, unexpected house guests and more unusual excuses were all accepted as the desperate few kept trying to claw their way up the Ranking Sheet. Those who did not have excuses not to be there included Ralph Reader, Wayne Reader, Ralph Adams and Linda Adams. For those thinking about calling in with excuses in the future, don't call. . .please, JUST COME!

## Genesis Archery (ed.)

Elsewhere in this issue you relived the tale of the October Outdoor Shoot. Not mentioned there was that I had a bit of a problem with the top step on target 13, the 28 yard fan on the Hunter side. I just missed the step and fell dissipating the energy of the fall in my knee and splitting 4 of the 5 carbon rods on my stabilizer their entire length from the base to the first support.

I called Don Kudlacek at Genesis and he told me that he would fix it free of charge if I UPSed it to him. I dropped by the UPS store, bought a bailing tube and gave the clerk a bit less than \$20 for the tube, packing and 2 way postage. In less than a week, my stabilizer was back; good as new (it "healed" faster than my knee, by the way). On another occasion, I had had an issue with a stabilizer mount, their solution was to provide me with a new one and have me keep the old one.

In talking with Ken Gardner at the indoor shoot on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, he mentioned that he had stepped on his Genesis stabilizer and split one of the carbon rods. In answer to his query, Don promised to send out a new rod, again, free of charge.

I am highly impressed with both the owners of this company and their products and highly recommend their stabilizers.  
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## Archery Activity Calendar

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
11/3/2006	SCA Club indoor shoot (7:45 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
11/4&5/2006	MTBA Regional Indoor [450 Round] (noon & 3pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
11/5/2006	MTBA Regional Indoor [450 Round]	Predator's Archery, Gilroy
11/7/2006	SCA Club Meeting (7:30 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
11/12/2006	Money Shoot (noon & 3 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
11/12/2006	SCA Club Outdoor Shoot (9:00 am)	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
11/17/2006	SCA Club indoor shoot (7:45 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
11/18/2006	Bowhunters Unlimited Turkey Shoot	Stevens Creek County Park, Cupertino
11/19/2006	Redwood Bowmen 22nd Annual Turkey Shoot	Redwood Regional Park, Oakland
11/25/2006	SCA Club Stump Shoot (9:00 am)	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
12/1/2006	SCA Club indoor shoot (7:45 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
12/5/2006	SCA Club Meeting (7:30 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
12/10/2006	SCA Club Outdoor Shoot (9:00 am)	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
12/15/2006	SCA Club indoor shoot (7:45 pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
12/30/2006	SCA Club Stump Shoot (9:00 am) (call Gary Cramton)	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
1/13-4/2007	2007 California State Indoor (SAC Calendar)	Tulare Fair Grounds, Tulare, Commercial Bldg.
1/13/2007	CBH/SAA State Indoor Championship (10am, 1 & 4pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
1/14/2007	CBH/SAA State Target Indoor Championship (9am)	Predator's Archery, Gilroy
1/21/2007	Money Shoot (noon & 3pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
1/27-8/2007	NFAA Southwest Indoor Sectional (noon & 3pm)	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
2/9-11/2007	2007 World Archery Festival Las Vegas Shoot	Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, NV.
3/31-4/01/07	NFAA Indoor National Championships	Louisville, KY.
4/20-22/2007	Stanislowski Open (formerly WAF Atlantic Archery Classic)	Pittsburgh, PA.
5/4-6/2007	NFAA Marked 3-D Championship	Redding
May, 2007	2007 Sacramento Senior Olympic Games (900 Round)	Sacramento
June, 2007	CBH/SAA State Field Championship	previously in Clayton
6/30-7/1/07	NFAA Southwest Outdoor Sectional	Provo, UT.
7/23-27/07	NFAA Outdoor National Championship	Darrington, WA.

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