

## Work Parties: July 7 & August 4

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### **Newsletter Deadlines**

Please write us about your archery experiences during the month. We will include them in the newsletter. If you are attending shoots at other clubs or are involved in tournaments or other archery related activities it will certainly be of interest to other club members.

### **Club Schedules (ed.)**

In case you were wondering how to keep track of archery activities at the club, there is a simple formula based on the start of the month. The club meeting is the first Tuesday, the indoor shoots are the first and third Fridays, the outdoor shoot is the second Sunday and the stump shoot is the last Saturday.

### **Work Party Notification**

(Ralph Adams)

The third and fourth Work Parties of the year will be held on 7 July and 4 August, respectively, from 9 am until 12 noon. In the event that not all tasks are completed, it will be greatly appreciated if some workers are able to remain until 1 pm or so. Participating Club members are asked, if possible, to fill in the Work Party Volunteer List on the far wall of the Clubhouse. This will help organizers to anticipate who will be there and what tasks they are able to perform.

The specific tasks to be completed during the day will be discussed at 9 am. See "Detailed Santa Cruz Archers Range Work Plan" (posted on the far Clubhouse wall and also to be distributed at the Work Party) for additional details.

The ongoing effort affecting Target 7 includes clearing plant debris, filling terraced steps with dirt, and reestablishing a path to the target hut. If this task cannot be completed on the Work Party day, it will extend into the future, until completed.

In addition to the Target 7 effort, there are priority vegetation clearing issues that require attention. These include Targets 3, 13, 16, 19, 22 and 23. See the Detailed Work Plan for specific instructions. Target 23 also needs the bow rack re-installed. On the stairs beyond the shooting markers leading down the hill to Target 28, the metal stakes need to be pounded down so that they do not extend above the steps.

If the above tasks are completed ahead of schedule, there are additional Carpentry tasks. Please see, "Detailed Santa Cruz Archers Carpentry Work Plan" (posted on the far Clubhouse wall and also to be distributed at the Work Party) for additional details.

If the above tasks are beyond your capability, please consider performing "Hub/Marker Maintenance", "Urgent Vegetation Clearing" or "General Range Maintenance" as described in "Detailed Santa Cruz Archers Range Work Plan".

Please bring your tools, gloves, safety glasses, etc. with you. Marking your belongings with your name will increase the odds that lost items will be returned to you.

Snacks, non-alcoholic beverages and bottled water can be purchased at the Clubhouse, or you can choose to bring your own. Please mark your calendar for the Work Party, sign-up at the Clubhouse and meet in the Clubhouse at 9 am. Thanks again, and see you there.

### **Outdoor Range Report & Communications (Ralph Adams)**

A broad spectrum of necessary maintenance tasks were performed throughout the month of June. Weed and vegetation removal and carpentry are ongoing efforts. In addition, due to increased Range usage this time of year, the condition of targets and hay bales are continually being reassessed.

Some targets are more popular than others, and need to be changed out more frequently. About 1/3 of the targets were replaced on 26 June. The remainder of the targets are either on the "watch-list" or are scheduled to be replaced in July.

The hay bales will also be evaluated in July to determine whether some of the older ones should be turned, rebanded or replaced. The existing bales will be tested using bows with about a 55 pound draw weight and 3-28 arrows to determine if they are still usable. If "shoot-throughs" occur at any target while using a draw weight of 60 pounds or less with 1/4" diameter arrows or larger, please leave a note on the Range Bulletin Board identifying the specific target(s).

The organized Work Party scheduled for 7 July will concentrate on completing some of the above described tasks. The Work Party planned for the following month on 4 August may include hay bale repair/replacement tasks, if determined to be necessary. The two

scheduled Work Parties, coordinated out-of-cycle efforts and Adopt-A-Target duties on the Range all contribute to the long term goal of having an adequate shooting facility to safely practice, hold organized events, host novelty shoots and enjoy ourselves.

### Indoor Shoots (ed.)

There was no shortage of shooting positions for the indoor shoot this month. Don't be shy, if you are new to archery or the club you will find the shoots very low key and fun. There are experienced archers there that would be happy to share knowledge with you and lend a hand with equipment tuning or shooting problems.

On June first Henry Bertram, Linda and Ralph Adams, Robert Hagerman and Mark Woodhead squared off for another 20 yard, 60 arrow battle. Many blue NFAA indoor targets were repeatedly perforated before the evening's festivities were terminated. Henry Bertram, shooting FITA shot 217 with 4Xs  
Linda Adams, shooting Traditional Longbow shot 218 with 7Xs, Mark Woodhead, shooting Traditional Recurve shot 222 with 8Xs, Robert Hagerman, shooting FS shot 263 with 18Xs and Ralph Adams, shooting Bare Bow shot 272 with 11Xs.

On June 15 Henry Bertram, Linda and Ralph Adams and Bob Denton got together to ply their skills. Henry Bertram, shooting FITA shot 215 with 3Xs, Linda Adams shooting Traditional Longbow shot 196 with 2Xs, Ralph Adams shooting Bare Bow shot 270 with 11Xs and Bob Denton, shooting Free Style shot 286 with 22Xs.

### Outdoor Shoot (Linda Adams)

The Outdoor Club Shoot scheduled for 10 June attracted only a couple of passers-by. Since no one needed a witness to help establish a handicap or to monitor a run on the Outdoor Score Board, the Shoot evolved into an informal event.

Those who attended used the opportunity to practice.

The next Outdoor Club Shoot is scheduled for 8 July at 9 a.m. and is a perfect opportunity to practice for the upcoming NFAA Outdoor National Championship. Hope to see you there!

### Stump Shoot (Linda Adams)

A basic truth about "Stump Shooters" is that they always come back if humanly possible. In the last year that Ralph and I have been "Stumping", someone appearing to be new shows up and we later learn that, "Oh, that's old What's His Name. Yep. He's back". And so was the case at the 30 June Stump Shoot. Except in this case, we already knew the traditional archer who had wandered away from his roots. . .but returned! Our Editor, Henry Bertram, had fallen into temptation and had taken up "FITA Shooting". . .You know. . .A recurve guy using a sight?

For the last two months, every time we saw Henry and invited him to shoot "Trad" with us he was much too busy. This Saturday morning I thought he was back as usual to bang away at the target in the Clubhouse with the FITA equipment while we were out "Stumping". But to my surprise, the "FITA Monster" did not emerge from his bow case, but instead, HIS OLD TRADITIONAL RECURVE BOW!

Our foursome, consisting of Gary Cramton, Henry Bertram, Ralph Adams and I (Linda Adams), started out for a memorable shoot. Not only was Henry back, but he was REALLY BACK. In fact, you could tell that Henry was having the time of his life, smashing every stake in sight. By the time the rest of us realized Henry's renewed commitment to Traditional Archery, he had pulled away in the lead with 6 points! None of us were ever able to chase him down. To

add insult to injury, Henry proceeded to lodge an arrow in the highly esteemed toilet seat (mystery target). Anyone thinking about entering a traditional competition where Henry is shooting might want to do something else.

So as the sun rose to usher in midday, we returned to the Clubhouse, knowing that we had been there to witness Henry's return to Traditional ways. For those archers eager to rendezvous with fate and push their Traditional performance to the limits, meet us at the Clubhouse at 9 a.m. on 28 July and we'll try to take Traditional achievement to the next level. And who knows, maybe Henry will do some exhibition archery for us. . .

### CBH/SAA State Field Report

(L. Adams)

The CBH/SAA 2007 State Field Championship was held on 9 & 10 June in Chino, California. The turn-out was light, with only a couple scores to report to the Club, but there was a wealth of information given out at the event that will be of interest to most. If you have never participated in this event, next year should be even better.

As far as we could determine, there were only about a dozen archers from the northern half of California. Four of those were from our Region and only two of those from our Club. Ralph Adams shot a 1316 to win 3rd Place in Male Master Senior Barebow; and Linda Adams shot 1328 to win 1st Place in Female Senior Barebow. Ralph and Linda, together, won the Kern County Archers (Husband & Wife) Perpetual Barebow Trophy. A complete list of results should soon be available at the CBH/SAA website.

The archery range in Chino has undergone some changes in the last few years making it a much more desirable place to shoot. Some of the trees have matured, providing

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filtered shade that moderates the temperature.



As a result, the temperature stayed in the mid-80s and was very pleasant. The tournament was very well managed and organized, everything happening smoothly and quickly. Since there were only 113 archers, only the bottom 28 target range was used, and although we shot 56 targets (28 field and 28 animal) on the first day, the gentle terrain of the bottom range made what might have been a miserable situation tolerable.

There was a change in scoring procedures this year. They have added "dots" to the animal targets and given archers an extra point for hitting the dot. The extra point applies to the first arrow to score on the target if it hits the dot. I understand that the old "Animal Records" that archers have previously established will be archived and new Animal Records will be added as the old records are broken.

Discussions are also underway to possibly have both a "Northern California State Field Championship" and a "Southern California State Field Championship". It is believed that this will encourage participation in both ends of the State in a given year. Archers currently complain that they can't take

the time off from work; or afford travel and lodging if they have to travel from their half of the State to the other. How awards would be handled can only be speculated, but presently, awards are given out at the end of the event since all archers are shooting at a single location. It is not clear yet as to whether separate awards will be given at the end of each "North" or "South" event; or if the scores will be consolidated and tallied at headquarters and awards will then be mailed out to the winners. Clarifications on these issues are expected well in advance of the 2008 State Field Championship.

Although the two day State Field Championship is made possible by shooting 56 targets on the first day; and shooting 28 targets and issuing awards on the second day, organizers are still looking at the possibility of shooting 42 targets (14 field/14 hunter/14 animal) on a single day. This would minimize travel and lodging expenses and time off from work. And if the awards are mailed after the event, 42 targets could easily be worked into a single day. Those archers who may be just getting warmed up, sighted in and hitting their stride by the second day, will of course, prefer 28 field/28 hunter/28 animal but it is difficult to please everyone. More information is expected in this area, as well.

If you have ideas and preferences regarding any of these topics, be sure to contact Chuck Rosario, 2nd V.P. Field, CBH/SAA to provide your input into the process.

## **A poem or three** (as noted)

In our constant efforts to bring a feeling of culture to our club, I offer the following, reprinted here without permission.

### **The Arrow and the Song**

(Henry Wadsworth Longfellow)

I shot an arrow into the air,  
It fell to earth, I knew not where;  
For, so swiftly it flew, the sight  
Could not follow it in its flight.

I breathed a song into the air,  
It fell to earth, I knew not where;  
For who has sight so keen and strong,  
That it can follow the flight of song?

Long, long afterward, in an oak  
I found the arrow, still unbroke;  
And the song, from beginning to end,  
I found again in the heart of a friend.

### **The Arrow** (Mad Magazine)

I shot an arrow into the air,  
It fell to earth, I knew not where;  
Though I aimed at a buck that stood afar;  
It pierced the radiator of my car.

### **Another variation** (Unknown)

I shot an arrow into the air,  
where it fell I know not where;  
Until late next day with rage profound,  
the man it fell on came around;

In words I do not care to tell,  
he told me where my arrow fell;  
And now I do not greatly care  
to shoot more arrows anywhere.

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## ARCHERY ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
7/6/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Indoor Club Shoot	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
7/8/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Outdoor Club Shoot	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
7/15/2007	Mt. Madonna Bug Shoot 3-D	Mt. Madonna Co. Park, Gilroy
7/20/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Indoor Club Shoot	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
7/28/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Stump Shoot	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
8/3/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Indoor Club Shoot	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
8/12/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Outdoor Club Shoot	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
8/17/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Indoor Club Shoot	SCA Clubhouse, Santa Cruz
8/19/2007	Primitive Shoot (8:00 am)	Bowhunters Unlimited
8/25/2007	Santa Cruz Archers Stump Shoot	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
9/2/2007	MTBA Regional 900 Round	Black Mountain Bowmen, San Jose
9/9/2007	Lodi Bowmen CBH/SAA Target Championships	Lake Comanche
9/15/2007	Kahlua Luau Shoot (8:00 am)	Bowhunters Unlimited
9/16/2007	Diablo Bowmen Red Devil 42 tgt 3-D	Clayton
10/6/2007	Stick Bows in the Redwoods (28 target/unmarked)[Trad. only]	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
10/7/2007	Redwood 3-D Shoot (28 target/unmarked) [NFAA/CBH styles]	SCA Outdoor Range, Santa Cruz
10/7/2007	Lodi Bowmen Grape Stomp - 28 tgt - paper	Lake Comanche
10/14/2007	MTBA Regional Field & Hunter Round	Woodside
10/14/2007	Oktoberfest Shoot (8:00 am)	Bowhunters Unlimited
10/21/2007	Flea Market Shoot	Black Mountain Bowmen, San Jose
10/28/2007	Diablo Bowmen Boo Shoot - 42 tgt	Clayton
11/17/2007	Turkey Shoot (8:00 am)	Bowhunters Unlimited
11/18/2007	Turkey Shoot	Salinas Bowmen, Salinas
11/18/2007	Redwood Bowmen Annual Turkey Shoot-28 tgt-Sight/Non-sight	Oakland
Sept 2007	11th Annual Grapestakes (SAC Calendar)	TBD
Sept 2007	CBH/SAA State Target Championships	Various Locations
8/4-5/2007	San Francisco Archers 1,000,000 BC	Pacifica
12/8-9/2007	MTBA Regional Indoor - 450 Vegas Round	Predator's, Gilroy; Santa Cruz Archers;
9/29-30/2007	Traditional Archers of California (TAC) Shoot	Rancho Neblina
7/13-15/2007	California Cup (SAC Calendar)	Discovery Park, Sacramento
7/23-27/2007	NFAA Outdoor National Championship	Darrington, WA.
9/14-16/2007	Pacific Coast Championship (SAC Calendar)	Discovery Park, Sacramento

The above schedule is a consolidation of select events from CBH/SAA, NFAA, SAC and NAA calendars. These, JOAD and other novelty shoots can be found at the respective internet sites. All archery activities are in California unless otherwise noted.

Visit: NAA Website - [http://www.usarchery.org/files/06\\_schedule\\_of\\_events.pdf](http://www.usarchery.org/files/06_schedule_of_events.pdf); SAC Website - <http://www.calarchery.com>;

California Bowmen Hunters & State Archery Assn.: Website - <http://www.cbhsaa.org> Phone: 925-208-2036;

National Field Archery Association: Website - <http://www.nfaa-archery.org> Phone: 800-811-2331