



## Indoor Jan 4; Club meeting

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### Newsletter Deadlines

Please write us about your archery experiences such that we can 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 be of interest to other club members. The deadline is the end of the day on the last Saturday of the month (Stump Shoot day).

### SCA meeting minutes Nov 6, 07 (Diana Reader)

#### President's Report:

Dave brought in flyers for upcoming area shoots and he also brought kindling for the wood stove. The January meeting falls on New Years Day so the meeting will be moved to Tuesday, January 8th.

#### 1st VP Report:

Linda reported on all of the club shoots that were held in November. Ralph Reader has contacted Rich Sandkuhle regarding the upcoming range inspection. Ralph will set up a time when we get the paperwork

from NFAA. Then indoor regional will be held at Santa Cruz on Saturday, December 8th at 10:00am and 1:00pm.

#### Outdoor Range Captain Report:

There was an outdoor range work party on Saturday, November 3rd. The next work party won't be scheduled until sometime in February due to the Holidays and upcoming winter weather.

#### Indoor Range Captain Report:

Linda turned in \$61.56 from concession sales.

#### Treasurer's Report:

There is \$1,975.80 in the regular account.

#### Newsletter Editor Report:

Please send any newsletter articles to Henry Bertram. His email address is:

henrybertram@comcast.net.

#### New Members Voted In:

Jeremy Leonard  
Mike Schoeneman  
Jeffery & Jennifer Mead  
Jack Williams  
Irene Jones  
Kyle Alameda

#### New Club Officers for 2008:

President – Henry Bertram  
1st VP – Ralph Reader  
2nd VP – Wolff Bloss  
Secretary – Diana Reader  
Treasurer – Diana Reader  
Range Captains:  
Outdoor – Mike Tracy  
Indoor – Rick Chase  
Publicity Chair – Steve Grundy  
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#### New Business:

1. Rick Chase brought up the idea of having an end of year awards party. The scores for this year have not been kept up and we don't have an accurate record of who should receive awards. Discussion was

held on having a Holiday party or potluck instead. Dave suggested that we table the discussion until next month for 2008 awards.

2. Discussion was held on having a primary contact phone number for the range. We discussed having a general number with an answering machine or a discussion forum on the website.

### January Archery Event

(Linda Adams)

The CBH/SAA State Target Indoor Championship will be held in the Santa Cruz Archers Clubhouse on 19 January 2008. Shoot at either 10 am or 1 pm. Please arrive 30 minutes early to sign up at the event. Registration prior to the day of the event is not required at this location. In recent history, each session has only required a single shooting line (7 participants or less). However, should there be a larger than expected turnout, a 4 pm session may also be held. If the earlier sessions are full and you still would like to shoot at 4 pm, be sure to let the Tournament Director know of your intentions prior to 2:30 pm.

This tournament will be a 450 round shot from 18 meters. Each archer shoots 15 ends of 3 arrows for a total of 45 arrows. It is considered a "mail in" tournament, in that all scores will be sent to CBH headquarters and awards will be issued (typically in about a month) based on entries from numerous locations around California.

Archers must be NFAA members in order to receive awards. A CBH membership alone will not suffice. Many archers have membership in both organizations. All NFAA members have been issued NFAA membership cards so be sure to either include your membership expiration date on your entry form; or just to be safe, bring your NFAA

membership card with you to the tournament in case there are questions. If membership status cannot be established at the event, participants must shoot as guests and are not eligible for awards.

There is one other type of membership that will enable archers to compete for awards in this tournament. Archers may be NAA members, but must also be CBH members.

Be sure that your membership is current and does not expire on or before the day of the event.

More details about the CBH/SAA State Target Indoor Championship are posted on the wall on the right hand side as you enter the Clubhouse.

Hope to see you there.

### **New Member Sponsors Beware!**

(Linda Adams)

I only became aware of the pitfalls in the system for New Membership when I built and put up the Membership Renewal Box a few months ago. I installed the Renewal Box because a considerable number of existing members felt that it was overly difficult to renew their membership and wanted a more convenient method. Several of the Club officers expressed concern that new membership applicants might start using this box inappropriately if installed. To respond immediately to their concerns I printed "**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL BOX**" in **BIG BOLD BLACK LETTERS** on the Renewal Box itself. I further noted on all the posted notices and new membership applications that prospective members must come to the monthly Club meeting to be voted in, and that any new membership applications found in the Renewal Box would be held until new applicants were able to attend the Club Meeting. I really believed that this action would resolve the issue.

At the end of December I checked the Renewal Box to tally the renewals for the January Club Meet-

ing when I discovered not one, but four New Membership Applications in the Renewal Box. Now this wouldn't have been surprising if four prospective applicants had each acted on their own to take forms from the bins, fill them out by themselves and drop them in the Box, but these forms ALL had Sponsors' signatures on them!

Unfortunately, this does not get prospective members off to a good start. It may cause delays in joining and it can't help but make applicants feel at least uncomfortable while trying to get this issue resolved. But the person who has let the applicant down, causing delays; and the cost of correspondence and phone calls, etc. is really his or her Sponsor.

The Club By-Laws, Article I, Membership, (B), (2) is very clear: "A person shall submit a written application in person at a club meeting. . ." There are no alternate procedures identified to become a Club member. Membership applications brought or delivered to the meeting by someone other than the applicant cannot be voted upon.

A current member, likewise, has responsibilities when becoming a Sponsor in . . . Club By-Laws, Article I, Membership, (B), (1): "A person will need a sponsor who is to explain the workings of the club and the responsibilities of the new member." So for starters, the "Sponsor" needs to explain all the workings of the Club which includes filling out their applications and **how** to apply for membership. If the "Sponsor" has any concern that the prospective member will not abide by the Club Constitution & By-Laws which would include submitting the application in accordance with the By-Laws, the Sponsor should not sign the application form. Although a rare accidental mishandling of a new Membership Application might occur, Club officers have visibility to remedy continuing patterns since the Sponsor's name appears on the application. Being a Sponsor is not for every-

one, and if a member is not capable or willing to carry out the duties of a Sponsor, he or she should not become involved in the process.

Sponsors sometimes need to help potential new members put the Club requirements in perspective. Prospective members must understand that the Constitution & By-Laws cannot be waived or relaxed by the decision of any individual; and Club members or Sponsors must make it clear to prospective members that they cannot agree to grant special privileges that are in conflict with the Constitution & By-Laws. Once the Constitution & By-Laws are understood by new members, they will also understand the procedural difference between submitting a new membership application and submitting a renewal. If Sponsors ensure that prospective members submit their applications in accordance with the Club Constitution & By-Laws, then it is likely that the Membership Renewal Box can remain in place to be used by all renewing Club members in the future.

### **Indoor Shoots (ed.)**

On December 7th we had one individual shooting Barebow, two shooting FITA, three shooting Bowhunter Freestyle and four shooting Freestyle. I wonder if there is some hidden meaning there. Ralph Adams holding up the Barebow end shot 255 with 5Xs, Norm Quadros and Dennis High were FITA competitors with Norm shooting 281 with 11Xs and with Dennis High shooting 261 with 10Xs. LeRoy Burke, Rich Sandkuhle and Candace Douglas were nailing spots with their Bowhunter Freestyle equipment with LeRoy shooting 271 with 12Xs, Rich shooting 271 with 20Xs and Candace shooting 276 with 20Xs. The Freestyle folks were Henry Bertram, Kay and Ken Gardner and Rick Chace. Henry was saving the spots for other archers that evening and shot 285 with 37Xs, managing to miss the target completely twice!

Ken Gardner shot 291 with 16Xs, Rick Chace shot 293 with 37Xs, and Kay Gardner shot 294 with 32Xs.

On December 21st things were heating up for the holidays, with the fire warming the chill out of the winter air and holiday spirits soaring. Our special thanks go out to Candace Douglas who brought a generous supply of freshly baked Christmas cookies, and to Ben Rogers who brought a large box of See's candy. There would be no starvation at the range that night!

Linda Adams was back shooting and plied the targets for 281 with 22Xs shooting her Freestyle setup. Also shooting freestyle were Henry Bertram, Kay and Ken Gardner, Rick Chace, Jim Martinez and Ben Rogers. Henry, experimented with Ken Gardner's renowned scope tightening technique, noted successive shots in practice climbing dangerously toward the lighting. After applying some torque to the attachment bolt, he struggled to a 295 with 29Xs. Ken shot 282 with 20Xs and Kay shot 291 with 32Xs. Rick is getting back into the swing of things shooting a 294 with 33Xs and Ben shot a 300 with 53Xs. Swearing that "the sun was in my eyes" Jim Martinez was able to pound out a 300 with a paltry 57Xs, the remaining 3 Xs stubbornly avoided his diminutive arrow shafts.

The Bowhunter Freestyle folks were hunting spots between bites of goodies, Mark Thomas shot 285 with 20Xs, LeRoy Burke shot 264 with 14Xs, Rich Sandkuhle shot 290 with 37Xs and Candace Douglas shot 265 with 13Xs. Norm Quadros was shooting FITA and managed 247 with 13Xs while Ralph Adams shooting barebow unopposed, shot 267 with 10Xs.

### **Outdoor Shoot (Linda Adams)**

The Outdoor Club Shoot, to be held 9 December, lacked the 3 participants required for the scores to be counted. For those just beginning Field Archery, there are many not-so-nice Outdoor Club Shoot days during fall and winter that are shootable and by gaining experience on those kinds of days it can make a big difference in your scores. When the weather becomes pleasant and all the "fair weather" archers are finally out, you will already be on the top of your game. The next Outdoor Club Shoot is 13 January at 9 am. We hope you can attend.

### **Stump Shoot (Linda Adams)**

The Stump Shoot, scheduled for 29 December had only 3 participants, Ralph and Linda Adams and some guy called "the rain." Unfortunately, "the rain" arrived first, and by the time Ralph and Linda arrived at the scheduled time, the rain had claimed the entire course for itself. But in our mild coastal climate, the rain doesn't threaten every Stump Shoot in the fall and winter. Check the weather for 26 January, and if it looks shootable, please join in the fun. The event starts at 9 am. We hope to see you there.

### **The amazing shot (Jack Mills)**

Anyone who has been around the archery game for a while sees them. You know - it's that one arrow that only Robin Hood himself could shoot. This is the short story of one of those.

Among the rewards of volunteering to look after the practice range during our last two-day tournament is seeing lots of great shots. In the morning before the tournament begins, most everyone is serious and intent on warming up. Later in the day, though, archers hit the practice range expecting a little fun. I had gotten one of those burp gun things that shoots ping pong balls and my idea was to stand beside the archers and shoot ping pong balls which they were then supposed to be hit in mid air with an arrow. The only problem was that it was just too darned hard. Several good shooters gave it a try but no one was able to connect. Young people are usually good at that kind of thing so I asked Nick Hart if he wanted to give it a try. He said ok and grabbed a kid's bow with a little arrow maybe twelve inches long. I fired a ball and Nick, shooting from the hip, nailed it in mid air first try.

Its tempting to think that luck was at work here but after watching Nick Hart shoot over the years I'd say that it was more likely just great shooting.

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