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Santa Cruz Archers Newsletter October & November 09

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November Calendar

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Work Party Scheduled

The work party this month is scheduled for November 7th when we will be fixing the layout of Target 7 (see the article for details) and upgrading a few target huts. Please come by at 9AM and join the fun.

President's Message (Henry Bertram)

We are coming perilously close to the end of the year and have many reasons to be proud.

The club put on 3 major shoots this year, Stickbow in the Redwoods, 3D in the Redwoods and the Bad Boys of Branciforte marked 3D shoot. In addition, we alternated unmarked 3D shoots with Mt. Madonna Bowmen. We also kept up our traditional monthly shoots, the 1st and 3rd Friday night indoor shoots, the standard NFAA Outdoor shoots on the 2nd Sunday and the stump shoots on the last Saturday.

We also hosted two Santa Cruz Parks and Recreation Introduction to Archery classes and will add a third by months end. These classes introduce new archers to the sport and new members to the club.

Our membership grew and the number of people coming to our range to shoot during the open hours grew also.

My informal exit poles at the big shoots showed that the shooters like our range and the way we conduct our shoots.

That's a lot to be proud of, let's continue to improve and focus on our mission.

Nominations (Henry Bertram)

November is nomination month. We will be electing a new slate of club officers in December and nominations are open as of November first. Nominations can be made at the November meeting or by email or postal mail as long as they are received by November 31st.

October Meeting Minutes

(Steve Andrews)

10/06/09 1934

Please sign the roster

President's report- Acceptance of minutes tabled until next meeting. Congratulations to Randy Redmond, Scott Covington, Mike Tracy and Kenny Tracy who are all now certified Level 1 Archery Instructors. Another Level 1 certification will be coming up soon, probably at the club. Henry will advise the particulars when they are available.

The range will be one way only next week, and the agreed upon traffic plan will be in effect. Thank you Leroy for the signs.

1st VP, Keymaster and Indoor Range Captain's Report- Nothing to Report.

Secretary's Report- Nope.

Treasurer's Report-

Club is solvent, bills are paid.

Outdoor Range Captain's Report- 4 or

5 target huts still need to be rebuilt; idea for next BBoB shoot to make the green bldg look like a saloon, Christine will give a list of work to Henry.

No other officer reports.

Old Business

Parks and Rec Intro to archery has gone well, next session Nov 5 through Dec 17. Extra instructors are very helpful for the 1st two nights; after that the students seem to know what's what. We could use some more female instructors.

Next work party is on 10/10. We need to fix any broken animals, paint aim spots and plan shot distances. Thanks to all for the work so far; it looks great.

Bad Boys shoot is 10/18/09. Ed Callas will help out with the raffle, as John must be out of town. Susan has animal costumes, and the course markers are very cool. Andy has the novelty Bats and Soda cans finished, and they are very cool also. Thank you all. Food will be confirmed soon.

ATV- Voted upon amount may not be enough to get one. Talk of renting. Mike will follow up.

New Business

New Members- Anders Ohlsson and his family would like to join. Anders shoots compound and would like to be a working member. Unanimous approval. Welcome.

NFAA club charter- our 4 star range is up for inspection and certification this year, probably sometime mid Nov. We will need to improve the back stop on target 7. Christine will bring some found carpet for this, and we will get this up before BBoB. Thank you.

Winter and Spring Parks and Rec intro to Archery. Do we want to take this on as well? Randy R and Andy S move that we do. Vote is unanimous to do so.

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Vegas Shoot Prep league. Should we do this as well? In January, 3 Tuesday nights. Pros would show up to practice for Vegas. John T and Andy S move to do so. Unanimous approval. Henry will put out a flyer.

Events Calendar

Work Party 10/10 0900
Outdoor 10/11 0900
Indoor 10/16 1945
Set up BBoB 10/17 0900
BBoB 10/18
Stump 10/31 0900

Motion to adjourn unanimously approved. 2041

September Meeting Minutes

(Steve Andrews)

9-1-09 1932

Please sign the roster.

President's Report- Minutes corrected. Unanimously approved as corrected. Girl Scout shoots went well, Henry thanks Randy for the help. They will be back. City has a grant to repair and upgrade the culverts along the road, they will be working 9/3 to 10/15. City assures us it will be done on time.

Secretary's Report- no report.

Treasurer's Report- Club is solvent, lots of donations coming in from the boxes.

Publicity Chair- is in SoCal, doing us proud.

Webmaster- New phone number added today, 10 bucks a month. Robert Hagerman will get the messages and Leroy Burke will be asked to update the signs to reflect the new number.

Indoor Range Co-Captain, Gatekeeper, Keymaster's Report-Recharged the indoor range fire extinguisher, followed up that he sees people using the donation boxes, and thanks Mike Tracy for the work on them.

Old Business

We are signed up to host the NFAA State Indoors. It is Vegas style, and should be fun. 3 members needed for each session. More to follow.

SCParks &Rec Intro to Archery will be on Thursday evenings 9/17 thru 10/22 and 11/5 thru 12/17. We will need some extra help the first two nights of each session; usually people get the hang of things after that, and not so many instructors are needed. Times TBA.

Need to set next work party. We would like to finish up the picnic area, and fix the corner foundation of the BBQ. Many thanks to John Thomas and all who helped last work party. Good progress was made. Please don't burn the excess wood from the picnic tables in the woodstove. Andy will open the gate for the work party, 9/12/09 at 0900.

The pallets are just the thing to put the indoor bales on; some mold was found during the last session of turning them. Dave Ray will loan his pallet jack to help turn the bales, on certain Monday nights. If you can help flip bales, let Henry know by e-mail. New bale strap has arrived, quite heavy.

Raffle for work parties. Mark Thomas has come up with a plan. It goes like this. When a member works for the club, they put their name and member number (date?) on a card we will make up, and put that card in a box for that purpose. The box will be mounted out on the animal shed. At the Bad Boys of Branciforte Shoot (not this year) 3 names will be randomly drawn out of the box to receive a nice prize for working so much. The prizes will not be more than \$300.00 for all three prizes total. Moved by Mark Thomas and 2nd by Steve Andrews, unanimously approved. Thank You Mark.

BBoB40 Shoot. Fliers are printed, and since Robert is down south slaying the dragon, Henry will distribute the fliers. John reports from Arkansas the raffle prizes are not in yet, keep on the lookout. Susan reports decorations

coming along, any old Halloween costumes would be appreciated. She will check with Woodworm and Halloween Superstore if they have any they want to contribute. Andy has "soda can" and bat targets in the works. Henry will contact Mike and or Brian about food.

New Business

New lights adorn the path to the clubhouse from the parking lot.

No new members at this meeting.

With the construction project occurring in a few days, we need a method to switch from a one way loop to a two way road from each gate. An idea is for a large, bright sign noting something like "downhill 1200-1220, uphill 1230-1250" and so on thru the day, and a sign telling which gate to use, and to drive extra carefully. Henry will find out from the city which side of the loop they are going to start on.

Randy Redmond moves, Andy Sterbenz 2nds that the club purchase a lighter poundage bow for smaller shooters. Henry will get one, cost to be less than \$130.00. Unanimous approval.

The arrows used for indoor lessons are getting worn, and there are no two alike. Should we get some more? There are some from the JOAD program that could be put to use; so we will. No motion required.

Jonathan Marx will try keeping track of people working at the work parties to get their names in the news letter. Thank you Jonathan.

Events Calendar

Work Party 9/12 0900
Indoor Shoot 9/4 1945
900 Round, Black Mountain 9/6/09 0900
900 Round, Salinas Bowmen 9/12 and 9/13 0900
Outdoor shoot 9/13 0900

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Indoor Shoot 9/18 1945
Stump Shoot 9/26 0900

Motion to adjourn, unanimous. 2114.

Target Problem (Henry Bertram)

Did you ever fail a test in school and got a do-over? Well, on the negative side, our range failed the bi-annual range inspection. On the positive side, we get a do-over.

Before you jump out of your pajamas yelling "we always passed before and nothing has changed" read a bit further. The inspections have become a bit more stringent and we have always failed an important note on page 7 of NFAA document "170-2005404-Archery Range Guidelines" that states: "The foregoing safety guidelines assume that in no case should an errant arrow cross the range boundary, even if the adjoining property is uninhabited." Add to that the fact that bows are now capable of shooting small diameter arrows at 360 feet per second (over 245 miles per hour), combined with the carpet backstop that we use, and we have a risk of putting errant arrows "on the fairway." A good place for golf balls, but arrows? Not so much! I think you will agree that we need a change.

The bottom line is that Target 7 needs to be moved. We have suggestions from Randy Redmond and John Thomas that I will be reviewing before the club meeting. We will need a work party early this month to make the necessary changes.

Without the changes, we will lose our 4 star NFAA Certification and will either lose our insurance or have to close that target to get insurance coverage.

Contributing writers (ed.)

As you know, we here at SCAN Editorial Central welcome and encourage members to write about their archery experiences. By "encourage" we mean that we stop just short of shanghaiing and conscriptions. Based on the response we normally

get, we were considering escalation to actual physical abuse but, just in the nick of time, new members Jody and Maya Blair, children of Steve Blair and Lynn Rollins, come to the rescue with the following insightful offerings.

Archery (Jodie Blair)

Monday August 3, 2009

I started archery with my family. We started Saturday June 13, at the archery range. We also decided to start a group class, for beginners. The class started Thursday, June 18, and ended Thursday, July 23.

When I'm about to pull the string back and release the arrow, I allow only the faint smell of hay and equipment into my body. People who were once there are now gone. All I can see is my target. I release and the arrow flies, then hits. Now the magic is gone, but that's just for now!

Archery Rocks! (Maya Blair)

Tuesday, August 25, 2009

Archery is a very unique sport. You don't have to be very strong, fast, tall, big or coordinated. Archery's all about repeatable form, and a lot of practice and time to learn the basic parts of it, but with archery you'll be shooting arrows and getting bull's eyes in about 15 minutes. After someone shows you what to do.

My sister and I have been wanting to do archery for a while, and this summer my mom and dad signed us all up for a 6 week archery class.

The class is over, but my family and I go to shoot at the indoor range and the outdoor range at DeLaveaga every weekend, and it is really awesome to have a sport that the whole family can do together. And that mom and dad can keep up with Jodie and me. Because everything else we do, we are much better than they are at it.

So I think we will be doing archery for a long time now (we all have our own

bows and arrows), and thanks to DeLaveaga we have a wonderful archery range to practice in.

Indoor Shoots

9/4/2009	Style	Score	X
Scott Covington	FS/A/M	296	39
Heather Shaffer	FS/Y/F	240	9
Jonathan Marx	Trad-R/A/M	143	1
Josh Marx	Trad-R/c/M	72	1
Ben Marx	Trad-R/y/M	90	3

9/18/2009	Style	Score	X
Anders Ohlssen	BHFS/A/M	227	11
Mark Thomas	Trad-R/A/M	192	0
John Thomas	BHFS/A/M	294	31
Scott Covington	FS/A/M	298	40
Niklas Ohlssen	BB/c/M	16	0

10/2/2009	Style	Score	X
Niklas Ohlssen	Trad-R/c/M	29	0
Mark Thomas	Trad-R/A/M	167	3
John Molea	BHFS/A/M	227	3
Anders Ohlssen	BHFS/A/M	271	17
Kevin Covington	Trad-R/y/M	58	0
Heather Shaffer	FS/Y/F	227	2
Scott Covington	FS/A/M	298	39

10/16/2009	Style	Score	X
Anders Ohlssen*	BHFS/A/M	294	35
Jud Muse	Trad-R/A/M	141	1
Henry Bertram	FS/A/M	290	22
Niklas Ohlssen	BHFS/c/M	191	3
Lucas Ohlssen	Trad-R/p/P	0	0

Outdoor Shoots

9/13/2009	Style	Field	Hntr	Total
John Thomas	BHFS	249	0	0
Anders Ohlsson	BHFS	184	DNF	0
Scott Covington	FS	256	0	0

10/11/2009	Style	Field	Hntr	Total
Anders Ohlssen	BHFS	241	241	482
Henry Bertram	FS	DNF	243	DNF
Niklas Ohlssen*	BHFS	203	226	429
Matt Singh	FS	241	257	498

Anders Ohlssen made the indoor board on October 16th with his 294 BHFS score and Niklas Ohlssen made the outdoor board with his 429 BHFS score. Congratulations Ohlssen's!