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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Henry Bertram

Working on the Range

Our January work party was January 8th. There were five eager workers ready enjoy a wonderful time outdoors on a very nice day. Jerry Granger and new member Gene Massion (gee Gene, it took you four days to get to a work party) rebuilt the target 10 target

hut such that it would last through the winter; it was a holding action because we didn't have the help we needed to rebuild it from the ground up. Neil Splain, John Molea, and Henry Bertram took SuperBales up to target 22, but Henry was appalled at the condition of the two SuperBales that were there. Water had seeped through the roof and rusted the metal bands on the bale and because they broke the bale had expanded grotesquely out of shape. The question, of course was, "Why?" It turns out that there was no roofing material on the target hut, just plywood. Henry went back and forth with the trailer for materials of the two projects and removing the construction and demolition debris while John and Neil reroofed the hut. John, who shouldn't be climbing, was up on the roof when I returned for the third run. He was replaced by Neil, who completed the last half of the roof.



I think we got a lot of work done with five people, and I thank everyone who came and worked. It should be noted that there are a lot of members who do less visible work. Cindee comes to mind; she keeps the indoor range and snack room clean and nice and also gets things ready for our indoor shoots. Friday night we simply had to plug the coffee maker in and toss a match in the stove for heat. Jerry, of course, split all our wood and then split some of the split wood for kindling wood, a critical factor in actually getting a fire to light in a reasonable time period. Jerry also glued a bunch of targets this month and cut up some fallen trees that were blocking the range trails.

There are a number of our members who weed-whack the trails during the summer, and that is greatly appreciated by all who hate pulling off ticks. We have also been blessed to have Matt Rosso re-roof many target huts in his spare time as well as help out during work parties. Jud and Sam Muse arranged for, managed, and participated in a lot of range work last year as did Robert Perry, who, of course, arranged for and managed fire crews doing trail work for us.



The difficulty with making a "list" like this is that so many people come to the range and quietly work—we don't know who does it, it just gets done.

If you are working (as many are) at times other than the work parties, please email: scarchers@comcast.net, or send me a letter if you prefer, with your accomplishments.

Instructor Training

January 22nd and 23rd will be the Intermediate Instructor Training and Certification class in the indoor range. The indoor range will be closed on Saturday January 22nd due to the class. We would like to have many new archers come on Sunday at 1 p.m. so the new instructors can have a chance to practice their newly acquired skills.

Work Party and Beginning and Intermediate Classes

Our next work party is scheduled for February 5th, starting at 9 a.m. Since I will be teaching the first of the February Beginning Archery group classes, I will not be available. We will publish the work needed at the next club meeting.



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Please note that February also brings us the Intermediate Archery group class. Get a flier for both classes from the website or from the counter on the left as you enter the indoor range.

State Indoor Championships
Saturday January 15th is the state indoor championships 450 round in the indoor range starting at 10 a.m. Please pre-register if you wish to shoot. The range will be open by 9 a.m. for practice and warm-up.

Bring your beginning archer friends to the range on January 23 so new instructors can practice their newly acquired skills!

Outdoor Shoots by Appointment or Self Run

Since the president is either alone for the Outdoor Shoot or there are one or two others there, he will no longer be opening the gate before 9 a.m. on the second Sunday of the month. If you would like to shoot and you don't have a key, call me and I will arrange to open the gate for you. If you want to shoot a formal Field and Hunter Round (a.k.a. the Outdoor Shoot), arrange a group of at least 3 people to shoot with you and call me. I will come down in that case. You must shoot with at least 3 people in your group to have an official shoot.

Randy needs dryer lint and wax to make fire starters. please bring some in!

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Steve Andrews 1/4/2011 1930 hrs

President's Report

We need to replace the outdoor range targets during or after the work party this Saturday. Jerry will glue them up. Thank you, Jerry. We will also need to get them put up on the course.

Traffic on the range road must go in the indicated direction all weekend. After hours, or not, must go the one way.

Leave all gates as found. If the gate is open, leave the lock locked to the gate latch slides, and the chain lock locked to one of the chain lock stands. The gates are opened and closed on the weekends by First Alarm. Both gates will be open at noon. The front gate will be closed at 1600, and the back gate will be closed at 1730.

The promised date for the completion of the club's taxes has been made impossible by the state of California's thoroughly necessary complication of the laws pertaining to non-profit groups such as ours. Urg.

1st Vice President's Report (Mike Tracy)

No report.

Secretary's Report (Steve Andrews)

No report.

Treasurer's Report (Susan Bertram)

Club is solvent, no major problems.

Outdoor Range Captain's Report (Andy Sterbenz)

No report.

Indoor Range Captain's Report (Cindee Damron)

Decaf is out here, caffeine is in the snack room.

Newsletter and Membership Chair's Report (Lynn Rollins & Jodie Blair)

Renewal letters will go out tomorrow. December's newsletter is out on time and on target.

Publicity Chair's Report (Robert Perry)

President extends congratulations on his marriage!

KeyMaster's Report (Randy Redmond)

Water in the back room has reared its ugly head yet again. Thank you Jerry for trying to get it stopped. A possible solution may be to dig a ditch along the wall for a drain to divert the water off the hill.

The parking lot is flooding again; may need another, bigger ditch over there; also, a pipe which drains that area is clogged.



Thanks to David for working with PG&E and Davey Tree to get the power drop to the clubhouse cleared off. Thanks to Carl Anderson for the electrical work in the indoor range. Need some bulbs replaced. Thanks to Jerry for splitting and stacking all the firewood; we should stack the wood before the rains get heavy; September? Jerry also opened up the damper in the stove; not smoking any more. (And by the way, Jerry is also helping with the key swapping this evening.) Please show up to the work parties. Let's try to get the fire crew out here for 4 days this year. (On the agenda for next meeting). Voicemail has not been answered lately—has been in the past by Jonathan Marks. The city has told us to call 911 for the dogs on the range, (which are not allowed) so they can start getting a history of the problem. This is Henry's last year as president; he's put in a lot of time for the club. Please help with the trash and recycling. We need more archery instructors on the weekends. Henry and Randy do the bulk of it. Please



watch the speed on the road, not just where it gets tight, but also in the neighborhood on the way up to the gate. People think we drive too fast all the way around when they see us driving fast on the road to the gate.

Slow Down!
Please watch your speed on the range road. We have received some complaints.

Old Business

1. The dues structure has been brought up and will be discussed at the February meeting, giving more time for discussion.
2. A suggestion to get some firewood racks has been made. There are some good ones that cost around \$130; buying two will cost around \$230 with shipping. There are cheaper ones, but we need strong ones. We have some time to decide this, as we don't want to move all the nicely stacked wood in here right now. We can decide around springtime.
3. The State Indoor Championships are January 15th. You must pre-register. Thanks to Jerry Granger and Ken Lewis for stepping up to referee. Thanks to Jerry for gluing up a bunch of Vegas single and 3 spot targets.
4. We need a vice to hold the bender. Ken Gardener is looking for one, and so is Mike. Mike will also look for some materials, and for some pre-made ones.
5. Intermediate Archery Instructor Training and Certification is January 22 and 23. You must register and pay the fee by around noon tomorrow (January 5th) so the materials can be ordered. The indoor range is closed on the 22nd for the class; the students will be honing their newly acquired intermediate instructional skills on

whoever comes to the range on the 23rd. The testing will be later on in the day on the 23rd.

6. Work party is this Saturday starting around 0900. Need new bales on 4, 22, and 28 cub. Need a new base or entire hut for target 10. Need some banding on some of the bales. The city forester has recommended removing some non-indigenous trees before they become a problem on target 2. We need to come up with a solution for the 50-yard position on target 2 before the Stick Bows and 3D shoots.

7. We must also choose a date for Stick Bows and 3D shoots. How about 5/21 and 5/22? Henry will check for conflicts, and send the info in to CBH for inclusion into their newsletter.

8. Intermediate Archery classes are scheduled for each Wednesday evening in February, and beginning Archery classes will held each Saturday morning in February. See the flyer. Tell your non-archery pals to take the first steps on the journey to the nirvana that is putting an arrow right where you want it!!

It's time to renew your membership.



Please send in your renewal form!

Brookwood Dr, and Prospect Heights, intro to archery (and the club). Walk around and give out fliers to invite our neighbors up to learn how to shoot.

This could spread to other neighborhoods if it works.

9. Do we want to participate with Mt Madonna for the Redwood Coast Unmarked 3D series? 14 unmarked targets, good moneymaker, pretty easy set up and take down. 5 or 6 people is ideal, 4 here this evening are willing. Mike moves, Jerry 2nds to participate. Unanimous. Thank you.

10. Dues Structure. A long discussion ensues. Randy would like the dues lowered for people who do the work around the range. This has been discussed, and there is a feeling that keeping track of who does what for how long may prove onerous. Comments follow.

Gene suggests it is not that hard, a clipboard at work parties with members names. Members sign in when they arrive to work. Folks who do not put in their time could be named in the newsletter, or given a letter informing them of their lack of effort. Honor system is in place for this to work. How do we keep track of people who come up and work during the week, and do not go to work parties? Leroy says that the Scotts Valley Sportsman's club has a system that you must sign in and log your hours. If you do not, you pay a fine at the end of the year—\$50. Pete gives an example of the bad end of the deal—his son's gymnastics center makes you sign up to do \$2,200 of fundraising each year, at 13 bucks an hour. So you put in around 160 hours, or you pay up. Someone says we would need a working member coordinator to keep track of things. (Randy states he would do this.) Kay and Ken Gardener belong to three archery clubs—us, Salinas Bowmen, and Mt Madonna. They say there is nothing written in stone. They say they will get about 20 out of 200 members for work parties. David suggests charging all members \$100, and give \$50 back to members who put their time in. Gene asks what the goal is here? To raise money? Increase



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membership? Increase participation in work parties? Pretty much all of the above. Randy says the \$200 non-working membership drove many members and prospective members away from the club. This one subject has gone on for about an hour; Jud Muse moves, Andy 2nds that the discussion be tabled for the February meeting. 29 ayes, 1 no, 2 abstain. To be continued.

Randy makes a motion to decrease the key deposit. There is no 2nd. We have a key deposit because we do not own the gate—the city does. The key deposit helps us control the keys for the city. Jud makes a motion, Daun 2nds to table the key deposit discussion until next month as well. 31 ayes, 0 no, 1 abstain. To be continued.

New Business

1. New Members!! Gene Massion wants to be a working member. He has only been shooting since Thanksgiving and has found that both his son and daughter are enjoying it as well. Peter Glynn wants to be a working member, and has skills in printing and mailing. Remembers going to the Bow Rack as a kid, and wants to do the same for his kids. Shannon Gwon is guardian for the Allen children; they are all new to archery. As is our custom, we vote to approve these folks as members in Santa Cruz Archers. The vote is unanimous. Welcome.



2. During the tree vs. power drop incident, Henry had to spend more than the \$100 he usually limits himself to for the purchase of equipment to deal with downed trees and tree limbs impacting power lines. We should have a reasonable limit or process for the times when things come up between meetings. The club used to approve expenditure with the approval

of 3 officers or board members. What do we think about that? Randy Moves, Jerry 2nds that the member doing the research and doing the shopping should decide how much to spend. Discussion ensues, some feeling that is too carte blanche. Henry will propose something at the next meeting. Randy withdraws his motion.

3. Should we consider purchasing a foot-operated wood splitter? Should we consider a riding lawn mower? The membership appears to have had about enough this evening, and would like to table these out to the next meeting. No motions, no worries.



4. Dave Ray would like to donate a pallet jack to the club, which we gratefully accept. Thank you. (President's note: Dave delivered the pallet jack after the meeting. It is awesome, a huge help moving those bales around the range!)

Event Calendar

- Indoor 1/7 1945
- Work Party 1/8 0900
- Outdoor 1/9 0900
- State Indoor 450 1/15 1000
- Indoor 1/21 1945
- Stump 1/29 0900
- February work party 2/5 0900

Motion to adjourn by Mike, 2nd Jerry. Unanimous.

Adjourn 2106

ANY NEWS?

Jodie Blair

Please write about your archery experiences and send them to us. The deadline is the end of the day, the Saturday after the club meeting. Send entries to rollins@braveNewWorld.com.

INDOOR SHOOT

Henry Bertram

1/7/2011	Style	Score	X
Henry Bertram	FITA/A/M	236	8
Jerry Granger	Trad-R/A/M	147	0
Scott Covington	Trad-L/A/M	141	4
Brandon Beuhr	Trad-R/A/M	120	0
Jeanne Burke	FITA/A/F	DNF	0
Karen Williams*	FITA/A/F	222	7
Niklas Ohlsson	FS/c/M	DNF	0

*Karen Williams improved her X count on the board.

Niklas Ohlsson was shooting with his dad's arrows; they were a bit stiff for his bow. Niklas gave up after a while. I just think Anders wants to keep Niklas's score down.

OUTDOOR SHOOT

Oops, no one showed up for the outdoor.

The fenced area to the right as you walk toward the clubhouse is off limits.



It has been defined as a habitat restoration area and is locked.