



San Francisco Archers Inc.

ARROW

March 2007

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There has been much activity around the archery range this past month and much to report. The new 3D Club Shoot was a great success thanks to the work of many people. Fifty-six people showed up on Sunday, March 11, to participate and many stuck around to enjoy the Sunday evening barbecue. The next 3D Club Shoot will be on Saturday, May 12. Please read Josh Porter's article in this newsletter for more information. The work party on the Saturday before the shoot really made the shoot a success and I would like to thank all of those who turned out to contribute their labor. Seven or eight targets had to be rebaled on the White Range and this was done largely through the efforts of Jim Robison, Josh Porter, Donnie Connell, Bill Lafferty, and Dan Worman. Thank you for all of the heavy lifting. From trimming trails to pasting targets to weed whacking and general maintenance I would like to thank Darlene Flynn, Floyd Conn, Pat and Charlie Heimsoth, John Brusco, Alan Holsworth, Mike Porter, Sean Marchetti, Don Shopes, Darryl Skrabak, and others I failed to mention, for all of your time and effort.

We have used up every new bale on the range and while we do not usually take delivery on new bales until May, I have been forced by circumstances to order them now and take delivery on **Saturday, March 31**. **We will need every able-bodied person we can get to unload and stack these 180-lb bales.** Pray that it does not rain. **We will also need several open-bed pickup trucks to move these bales** because I do not think that even Steve Rickey will be able to get a truck into the range this time. The new bales cost \$48 each and we purchased 100 of them. Those carpet bales seem to have greater appeal every year.

On Sunday, March 18, we hosted our Outreach Program and Jim Langell's bow-making class. Both were a great success. The Outreach Program for the second straight time drew about 50 people, used every arrow we had, and kept everyone very busy. Thanks to Bill, Corey, Don, Jeanine, Marina, and all of you who helped. We just took delivery on one gross of new arrows for about \$370. I didn't count them but it seemed like about 20 people attended the bow-making class. It started at 8 AM and some people were still working at 5 PM and they had a great time. Only about 10 of them had working bows when they left but the others were close behind. Estele Pereira was working on a purpleheart stave and that had to be the best looking bow there. Pictures and a summary are included elsewhere in this newsletter.

There is more good news for San Francisco Archers. The water tank that was going to be placed on the White Range for the Water Reclamation Project is going to be placed elsewhere. It appears that action taken by local environmentalists led by Jon Campo that included a threatened lawsuit has convinced the North Coast County Water District to find a better site. This is very good news for the local environment and San Francisco Archers. Thank you very much Jon.

Dan Mauer is the project director for covering the lead in the old rifle range and he says that he is waiting for information from the State and for public meetings before he can continue the project. It is likely no action will be taken to remove the dirt in the parking lot until summer.

Lastly, lest you think I have forgotten my roots and neglected to mention that on March 20, 43 BC, Ovid the Roman poet was born, no such luck. His mythology and love poems became an inspiration for the Renaissance and, considering how the water tank problem worked out, this pithy quotation would seem to be appropriate:

Most safely shall you tread the middle path

Ovid, from *Metamorphoses*

I hope to see you all on the range and at the Traditional Shoot on April 22.

Jack Rauch

(submitted March 21, 2007)

3D TARGETS TRULY ARE A RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

I'd like to thank the 56 people who came out to shoot our first ever 3D Club Shoot. I'd also like to thank the work party crew for their hard work the day before. Without their help the 9 target butts we rebaled on the white range that day would still be in bad shape. The next 3D Club Shoot will be held on May 12, which you may note is a Saturday. Since May 13th is Mothers Day, we thought Saturday would work better for most of our members. There is a scheduled work party that Saturday as well, so if you can, come out and help set up targets or empty trash bins on the range before the shoot starts.

Our next major shoot is coming up fast...our Traditional Rendezvous will be on April 22nd this year, two months earlier than last year. We'll need plenty of help on the Saturday before to clear out the trails and to cut back this years overgrowth. Hope you can make it!

For those of you who may not be aware of why we changed to the earlier date: in order to help out a fellow club in need, we swapped the June 17th date of our traditional shoot with Briones Archers for their April 22nd date. The past few years, they have been plagued with range closures on the day of their biggest shoot, the Big Game Open. I hope the June 17th date will give them the relief they need with a positive turn out for their shoot. If you've never been to Briones archery range, located in the East Bay at Briones Regional Park, I really recommend going. It's a beautiful range with mostly oak and madrone trees which provide ample shade during the shoot. It rivals our red range as far as hilly and off-camber shots go, it's a real challenge.

See you on the range.

Josh

MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP

To date, our member count is 232 STRONG! Thanks to all who quickly responded to my several reminders. ☺ The 2007 member roster is officially closed but it is still not too late to send in your renewal.

I urge those members who have not paid to immediately send your payment to:

SF Archers P.O. Box 1274 Pacifica, CA 94044

or

Drop a check off in the "red box" inside the clubhouse.

Please make sure to inform me of any changes to your name, mailing address, phone number and email address. Feel free to contact me by email at treasurer@sfarchers.com.

Any 2006 members who do not renew for 2007 will NOT BENEFIT from SFA club perks including discounts at our Club 3D Shoots and the upcoming Wednesday Night 3D shoots. Those who fail to keep their membership current are also in jeopardy of having to re-apply to become an SFA member and may incur another initiation fee.

Club 3D: We had a great turnout for this year's 1st 3D club shoot. What a bargain! For \$5.00, we got great sunny weather while flinging arrows from a variety of yardages at both 3D and bale-mounted targets. In addition, we took advantage of the time change by having a big evening potluck. Josh and I had a very pleasant time shooting with SFA Secretary Nancy Rauch and member Mark Tobin. Many members suggested having a cooler of cold drinks and maybe some snacks at our next Club 3D. The score tally is included in this newsletter or you can view it on our website at www.sfarchers.com

Pacific Traditional Rendezvous: Don't forget, you may pre-register for this year's Trad Shoot on Sunday, April 22nd. Avoid the lines and spend the morning warming up your shots!

Trish Porter

DFG ANNOUNCES SPRING AND SUMMER YOUTH ARCHERY CLASSES

The California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) is offering spring and summer archery classes to young people who want to learn basic archery skills.

The first class is scheduled Saturday, April 28, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Maya Archery Range in Roseville. The class will include fundamental archery instruction, types of equipment, and plenty of shooting time at a variety of stationary bulls-eye targets. A brief outdoor-stewardship presentation is also included. This is a popular range and space is limited.

This will also be a great chance to enjoy wildlife and spend time outdoors. All classes are open to youth at least 10 years old and accompanied by a parent or guardian. Classes cost \$15 per youth which includes the use of the equipment and lunch. Parents and guardians are included in the lunch at no additional charge. Pre-registration is required for all classes and is open now. Participants may register online for all events at www.dfg.ca.gov/yo.

"Archery is increasingly becoming a more popular outdoor activity and these classes help provide additional opportunities for families to spend time together outdoors," said Lesa Johnston, program coordinator. Other classes are as follows: Saturday, June 16, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Nevada County Sportsmen Range in Nevada City; and Saturday, July 14, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Feather River Bowmen Range in Loyalton. Each class will include basic archery instruction, types of equipment, outdoor ethics, and time spent shooting on a field archery course.

These events are co-sponsored by the California Bowmen/State Archery Association (CBH/SAA).

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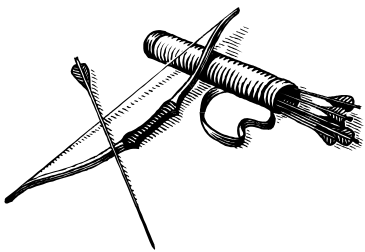
CLUB 3D Scores for March 11, 2007

NAME	Class	M / F	3/11
Long, Jim	BHFS	Male	556
Connell, Heath	BHFS	Male	552
Ceccarelli, Matthew	BHFS	Male	550
Solari, Tim	BHFS	Male	550
Connell, Donnie	BHFS	Male	544
Diaz, Brad	BHFS	Male	no score
Ceccarelli, Noel	BHFS	Female	542
Long, Jessica	BHFS	Female	522
Brainerd, James P.	Lowbow - Sr.	Male	330
Farley, Matt	Longbow	Male	402
Marchetti, Sean	Longbow	Male	400
Tobin, Mark	Longbow	Male	244
Rauch, John	Longbow	Male	216
Heimsoth, Pat	Longbow	Female	210
Flynn, Darlene	Longbow	Female	142
Lew, Megan	Longbow - cub	Female	310
Raven, Alan	Recurve - Sr.	Male	340
Cuneo, Peter	Recurve - Sr.	Male	318
Porter, Josh	Recurve	Male	504
Robison, Jim	Recurve	Male	408
Hamack, Tim	Recurve	Male	394
Shopes, Don	Recurve	Male	370
Lew, Mike	Recurve	Male	340
Talamantez, John	Recurve	Male	312
Holsworth, Alan G.	Recurve	Male	274
Talamantez, Sean	Recurve	Male	78
Lamadora, King	Recurve	Male	no score
Sturtevant, Charles & Christy	Recurve	Male	no score
Marchetti, Nico	Recurve - cub	Male	244
Robison, Cathy	Recurve	Female	388
Porter, Tricia	Recurve	Female	316
Hamack, Marina	Recurve	Female	308
Schneider, April	Recurve	Female	232
Lew, Candice	Recurve	Female	222
Rauch, Nancy	Recurve	Female	216
Lew, Kimber	Recurve	Female	214
Talamantez, Ema	Recurve	Female	120
Pereira, Estel	Primitive	Female	310
Gambony, Beatrice	Primitive	Female	248
Robison, Jimmy	Selfbow	Male	268
Robbins, Tyler	BB	Male	258
Sturtevant, Aaron	fingers comp.	Male	no score
Dahl, Bill II		Male	no score

* high score

NON-Members (Guest Class)

James Zelaya	Recurve	Male	350
Hampton, Steve	BHFS	Male	544
Rinehart, Gary	BHFS	Male	546
Rinehart, John	BHFS	Male	524



Bow-making Class

We are very grateful to SFA member Jim Langell & Paul Rogers for volunteering to teach a bow making class last Sunday, March 18th. A good group of aspiring bowyers including King Lamadora, Ed Marchese, John & Diana Brusco, Robert Nelson, Tricia Porter, Estel Pereira, along with others including "Matt" from Redwood Bowmen across the East Bay came to class with stave in hand.

Our Sunday outreach program was also in full swing and onlookers young and old marveled at the artful craft of bow making. Jim began the class with basic instructions and information about

different woods available like ewe wood, ash, and hickory to name a few. Estel won the prize for the most exotic looking stave made out of purple-heart.

Instructor Paul Rogers helps a student find the growth line



The instructors skillfully demonstrated step by step the process of taking a piece of wood and tillering it into a bow. It was a humbling experience learning the

patience involved in hand-making a selfbow. There was a great sense of accomplishment though as the sun began to go down and several started stringing up their bows and made their first shots.



Jim Langell worked tirelessly around the clock so that he could help us complete our tasks. Many of us still need to finish our bows but this great introductory class helped us get to those final stages. We also want to thank Charlie Heimsoth and Jim Robison. Charlie helped many make strings for their bows and Jim Robison offered some great advise as he has made bows in the past.

Many, many thanks to Jim Langell and Paul Rogers
for taking the time to set up this class and offering fellow archers a chance to make their own bow. We appreciate you sharing your knowledge and tools with us.

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Calendar

March 31, Saturday	Special Work Party—100 bales being delivered—bring your open-bed trucks
April 1, Sunday	SFA Outreach Program
April 1, Sunday	Yahi Bowmen Spring Fling — 28 marked 3-D - Modesto
April 1, Sunday	Salinas Bowmen 3-D Island Shoot - 28 targets/3 arrows
April 2, Monday	Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
April 7, Saturday	Work Party, 9:00 a.m.
April 7, Saturday	Lodi Bowmen Traditional "Gold Country" — 42 target Unmarked 3-D, Lake Comanche
April 8, Sunday	Club Shoot
April 15, Sunday	Maya Archers Around the World — Roseville
April 21, Saturday	Special Work Party—Pacific Traditional Rendezvous setup, 9:00 a.m.
April 22, Sunday	San Francisco Archers—Pacific Traditional Rendezvous—flyer attached
April 28-29, Saturday-Sunday	Fresno Field Archers Safari — Dunlap
April 29, Sunday	Diablo Bowmen-3-D Traditional Trail Shoot-40 Targets
May, 4-6, Friday-Sunday	Straight Arrow Bowhunters Western Classic - 70 marked 3-D/NFAA Nationals
May 19, Saturday	Bowhunters Unlimited: Presidents Shoot
May 19-20, Saturday-Sunday	Diablo Bowmen Red Devil Cartoon, 42 targets, Clayton
May 20, Sunday	Ishi Archery Club "3-D Rock Festival" - 42 targets marked, Red Bluff
May 26-27, Saturday-Sunday	CBH/SAA Broadhead Championships - Cherry valley