

From the Prez To all CVA member's

2013 was an interesting year for CVA. We have made significant progress on moving the club forward. We established several new policies and procedures, ratified a new set of by-laws, and added a weekly scoring round at JOAD. Membership is up, membership retention is up, volunteer turn out has sig-



nificantly improved, finances are solid, and we have made significant progress toward realizing the tournament range in the back canyon.

And with progress comes challenges. The lower portion of the field range has been closed for several months, we engaged in heated debate on the coaching policy, and vandalism has stuck on the 3D range. These are issues that we have worked through or are in the process of addressing until we achieve closure.

One of the most disturbing issues is the abuse of the 3D range in the back canyon. If you have read George Blevins' article in this month's Quiver, you will know what I am talking about. George has been working hard to maintain the 3D range and the discovery of vandalism is very frustrating to say the least. He has put in countless hours in the back canyon and could really use your help. Everyone who shoots the 3D range should work with George to see how you can get involved and make the back canyon a better range.

Many members do not realize that in order to have a range it takes an incredible amount of maintenance. If we abandoned the range by no longer maintaining it, most of us would not want to be shooting the range in just a matter of months. It would fall apart that fast!! Weeds would take over, bales would get soft, etc... There are some members who have a belief that by paying club dues they are "entitled" to shoot all they want and they do not have to do another thing to help the club. I am not saying you cannot do that, , but if that was the only type of member we had, the range would be a disaster by the summer. I would not expect members that are not actively shooting the range to come out and help, but individuals that do use the range should volunteer. Dues only cover about half of our operating expenses. We need members to cover the gap through fundraisers and maintenance of the facilities in order to ensure CVA continues to be an archery destination that all members are proud to call "our range".

Please come out and help this year! The CVA range would not be possible without the help of volunteers to maintain the facilities. If you use any range (JOAD, field, or 3D) please step up and volunteer to help in the maintenance and improvement of the property. Even a few hours really makes a difference. Some of the areas where we know we could use help include but are not limited to work parties, tournaments, public session archery, 3D range, etc... Everyone can help. Many of the tasks do not require physically demanding labor (work the snack shack at a tournament, clean the snack shack, take pictures of events, etc...). If you don't know what to do find a board member and we will help find something you can do to contribute to the club.

If you see, know or hear about anyone doing things on the range that should not be done please let me know as soon as possible so I can address the issue and get things resolved. This includes vandalism, broadheads, or any other questionable action. I hate to hear "Last year so and so did blah, blah, blah..." I have heard this twice this month, where if I would have heard about it when it happened; it could have been addressed it at the time. Do not assume that someone else will tell me. Assume I know nothing (which is often the case). Help me so I can address the take care of problems in a timely manner.

As a reminder, there are to be "*No broadheads or blunts shot on range, except in special broadhead lane/area*" If you want to shoot broadheads, please contact myself or Keith Murphy and we will assist you and ensure it can be done is a safe manner that does not destroy the range. Anyone found shooting into CVA targets (3D or bales) will face disciplinary action,

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which would very likely result in expulsion from CVA and criminal charges of vandalism. If you see any broadheads being shot, please report them to me immediately so appropriate action can be taken.

Enough time on the soap box. Let's move forward to upcoming events.

On Feb 1 there is a work party where we will start getting the lower targets moved. We have spent months planning the new target layout (which was a lot more technical and time consuming that I had ever imagined), and had the safety inspector out this last weekend to review the proposed course changes. The plans received a preliminary approval, so at this next work party we will begin the move. It will be a lot of work and we do not expect to finish it in one day. We will still need to get some heavy machinery to move dirt, but it will be a good start and hopefully we can open up a few of those targets soon! How much we get done is proportional to the number of volunteers we have to help. Let's make a huge step in the right direction by mobilizing the work force, so we can have a fully functional 28 target range as soon as possible.

The Pac Coast 3D is on February 16. We will put out targets on Saturday the 15th, clean the kitchen, and get everything else ready. Please come out and help on Saturday then come out and shoot on Sunday. We still need volunteers in the kitchen and the back canyon snack shack. If you want to help, call me on my cell (805) 630 1749. No experience necessary.

Well, let's get off to an excellent 2014.

I hope to see you out at the range.

Clark Pentico CVA President From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

The Public Session weekly 300 rounds have been expanding so much that we have run two lines for the first time! I'm very happy and encouraged at the participation and enthusiasm around this weekly event. We will continue to



refine the 300 round in the coming months, with scoring done in a tournament format, assigned targets, etc. If you have any ideas to improve the 300 round let me know. And – help in facilitating the event is always welcomed! Come on out and shoot, and look for your scores posted on the bulletin board on the JOAD bin.

Last month I reported significant progress on the CVA Scholarship, the intent of which is to assist youth club members in offsetting the costs of tournament attendance. The document is ready for review and the Board is working to get this program started in the first quarter of 2014. For those young archers that are interested in the program, be ready to participate.

This year's California State Indoor tournament was the largest in the tournament's history, with CVA making a strong showing at the venue. Our JOAD archers did exceptionally well with medals being taken, and at the time of my writing of this article the second weekend of the shoot is still in progress, so the final tournament results are not yet tabulated. As always a great time was had by all. For me it is always inspirational to see how many other people in California enjoy our sport and to see more and more archers participating in State sanctioned tournaments.

Upcoming events and activities that you can expect to hear more from me on in the coming months:

- The Adult Achievement program we are working with US Archery to complete the Club requirements for CVA to offer this program. Once this is completed we will be formalizing participation specifics.
- US Archery Mail-in tournament shooting logistics and specifics are being determined.

See you on the range!

Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

Conejo Valley Archer's Saturday Morning Public Sessions now offers weekly **"300 rounds".** These quick, scored competitions will allow those who are interested to test their archery skills in a friendly environment.

You may be wondering...what is a 300 round and how does it work

- The 300 round is 30 arrows, shot in 5 ends of 6 arrows, maximum of 10 points per arrow, 4 minute ends at 18M.
- Targets are provided. Archers have a choice of either a 40cm face or 40cm three-spot.
- The round is shot at CVA's 18M Line at the JOAD range.
- If more than 20 archers are participating, the round will be shot in two lines.

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- The round adheres to the standard competition whistle system and format.
- During shooting the 300 round runs on its own whistle system independent of the Public Session range.
- If you are interested in participating, please write your name on the sign-in sheet located on the tables by the 18M line by 10:45am.
- Shooting starts promptly at 11:00 am. No makeup ends will be offered for latecomers.
- Typical time to complete a 300 round is ~1 hour.
- Scorecards will be provided, and scores will be tracked weekly. Look for your score posted on the JOAD bin bulletin board each Saturday.
- While shooting is underway for the 300 round, the FITA range (30M 90M) will be closed for safety reasons. Cones will be put up to indicate FITA range closure.

300 rounds are free for CVA Club Members. For non-members, CVA Public Session fees apply (\$5 per person / \$15 per family).

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JOAD NEWS

From Coach Dave Hi Everybody,

First, I would like to wish all a Happy New Year! I apologize for not having an article in the December issue. With the holidays and work the time just got away from me! I did not get a chance to thank everyone who came out in December for the JOAD work party, so even though it's a little



late it's still very much appreciated and the JOAD Range looks great!! THANK YOU!!! Also in December we had our 2nd annual Coaches Dinner and it was a great time. Good food, great friends, and lots of fun had by all. Thanks again to the entire JOAD Staff for your continued dedication to our program and I'm looking forward to a busy and prosperous new year!!

The New Year started out with a bang with the California State Indoor Championships being held over 2 separate weekends for the first time in our history!! The first weekend saw the JOAD Championships on Friday night January 3rd with a record breaking 150 plus kids competing! I can remember in recent years that there were only 35 to 40 kids competing and we thought that was big. This just shows the huge growth and interest in Archery!

We had five of our kids competing with all doing very well. To begin, we had Doritina Pentico taking home a Gold Medal and Miles Gould brought home a Silver medal in their respective divisions. Erin Thompson and Joy Biggs joined and were both shooting their first tournament. After a little confusion as to which classification Joy was shooting in, we were able to get her in the right one and she ended up in 2nd place with a Silver medal! Erin also did very well for her first tournament in a tough division that included girls with a lot more experience. Last but not least, we had Emily Newart shooting in a competition for the first time in about five years. Emily also did very well, but most importantly she has been inspired to continue shooting in more competitions! All of our archers did their very best and had a great time and a positive experience! From all the coaches a big "Congratulations" to each. We are very proud of you!!! We also had 10 adults shooting but at the time of writing this article we haven't received their results. We will publish those next month, but I know all did well and also had a great time!

I just want to take a moment to thank the Parents for encouraging and supporting your children. I know that times are still tough for some of us and that these tournaments can get expensive, so "Thank You" for your support and I promise you that you will see rewards beyond medals in your child's growth and development into becoming young productive adults! It looks like this year will continue to be very busy at JOAD because of the movies and all the media exposure. And like I have stated in the past, more people are coming out. What is new is that a larger percentage are sticking with the sport and that is creating some interesting challenges for all of us. I will be putting together a schedule for a Coaches Meeting soon to get input and discuss how to handle the huge increase in our Saturday JOAD Program. Check your email for time and place. With all that said, I am sure that we can work together in solving these challenges in the most positive and productive way and continue to make Conejo Valley Archers the premier program and range that we are!

Thanks again to the entire Staff!

Look forward to seeing you all at the range.

Coach Dave

Head Coach, CVA JOAD

"Erin Thompson waiting to enter her first tournament. Her smiled never dissappeared the whole weekend!"



BALANCE IN KNIFE KNOWLEDGE By Curtis Hermann

Every archer is an outdoorsman, regardless if your goal is to become an Olympic contender or America's next great bowhunter (or both) you have the enjoyment and the love of living the good life in the great outdoors ingrained in your soul.

Living or enjoying the outdoors requires a certain amount of knowledge of the tools one will utilize in this experience and the most common tool every outdoorsman carries is a knife. Knives were one of man's earliest inventions and yet there is still a lot of mystery about what is the "perfect knife" or at least "what is a good choice" when it comes to acquiring this tool.

In this year's theme of trying to bring balance to "all things archery" I am now going to attempt to find a balanced approach to choosing a knife or a series of knives that you will want in your tool box, hunting pack, pants pocket or on your belt. After all an archers relationship to his knife is probably only second to his relationship to his bow.

There is an old saying "no blade is better than its steel," true I suppose, but this also sets up the mystery of just what is the best steel for your blade? Let me dissolve this mystery right now! There is no one perfect steel for your knife, there are many choices- many of them good – and you will end up with several types in your possession over time.

You do not need to be a steel expert to make your choices but you do need to have a reasonable understanding of today's array of choices to help you make a choice (s). Almost all knives that an archer would purchase today are made from stainless steel, unfortunately there are many grades of stainless so let us first explain stainless then put them in categories.

"Stainless means that it resists (does not prevent) rusting, this ability to resist rusting is accomplished by adding chromium into the carbon steel,

, by varying the amount of chromium/carbon different properties of hardness, edge retention, blade flexibility and rust resistance can be accomplished.

11% chromium is considered to be the low end, you will find that knives begin just below that amount, these will be labeled as 7CR13MOV (7% chromium, 13% MOV or Molybdenum/Vanadium) and more common 420 stainless series of A,B & C ("C" has the highest amount of chromium in this series). These are not bad knives but they do require frequent touch ups to keep them sharp, carry a couple of porcelain crock sticks in your pack or tool box and "touch them up" before each use. They will dull just sitting in a tool box or pack, so they do require having a stone nearby. If you are the occasional knife user and have an even soft touch when it comes to sharpening, these knives are workable. Rockwell hardness of 57-58.

Next is 8CR13MOV (8% Chromium), D2 (tool steels), 440 -A,B,& C (Martensitic) stainless and AUS (Austenitic) stainless in grades 6,8 and 10, (most of your upper end filet, kitchen cutlery and surgical steel are AUS-8 the more flexible blades use AUS steel) and most of your hunting knives will be in the 440 (Martensitic) grades of A, B or C, again "C" having the higher chromium content and will be a harder knife to sharpen but will retain an edge longer between sharpening. These are all good knives, I own several in AUS-8 and 440-A or C and really like them for general camp work and general field dressing and skinning. Unless you are an Outfitter or professional outdoors man that will be relying on a knife on a daily basis, the above knives are more than adequate for most archers. Rockwell rating is 58-59 hardness. It is in this grade of knives that sharpening begins to separate the neophyte from the experienced outdoorsman, stick with it as sharpening is a talent you want to create.

Finally the hardest (and most expensive grades of steel) are CPM154 (my personal favorite), S30V - the Buck Knives we win at the annual awards banquet are S30V, these are essentially 440-C with 30% Vanadium added for a finer grained steel, hardenability and edge wear retention and VG-10 (I have no experience with VG-10 steel but it does enjoy an excellent reputation). Depending on beauty of handle materials, polishing and custom work on top of blade cost, these are not knives to be handled carelessly or left behind in the woods, they can be expensive and should be used and cared for accordingly. Rockwell rating 60-61.

Blades that have edge retention capabilities are blades that are harder (60-61 Rockwell) and therefore more brittle, they are not to be used in prying or other similar activities that knives are not designed to do. Most blades of this quality come pre-sharpened from the manufacturer and therefore easier for you to touch up as needed, this is an advantage as the initial edge on these knives is not easy to achieve on your own.

I have not discussed Damascus (layered steel), MAI-III (laminating several grades of steel, hard in the center, flexible on the sides), or ceramic blades because these are just a step beyond the basic knowledge needed by the average archer. Although prices for these have come down and lower Damascus and ceramic can be quite reasonable, we will leave you to research these on your own.

I have also not discussed folding versus fixed blade knives as I have done that in previous columns.

There are two knives that should be available in every archer's toolbox and those are a quality multi-tool and a Victorinox Swiss Army knife (the latter should be stored next to a small First Aid Kit.) For archery, I like the Leatherman Wave, it is a very versatile tool that covers many archery needs, especially those with take-down or compound bows. Swiss Army knives are made of AUS-8 surgical steel and perfect for so many of the little jobs around camp or the range, especially when dealing with first aid items like gauze and splints, etc.

A Balanced Outdoorsman has respect for his tools and is careful with them in both use and storage. If you store your knives for long periods, wash them with soap and water and dry them well, then cover them with a light coat of rust preventative like Birchwood Casey Sheath Corrosion-X or Ballistol (WD-40 or sewing machine oil is also capable). Store knives outside their sheaths as leather and even Kydex will capture moisture and corrode a stainless steel blade. I like to put on a light coat of oil, wrap with a Kleenex tissue and then wrap with a layer of wax paper and lay them in a chest away from moisture sources.

You do not need to spend a fortune to get a good knife (however if your name is Curtis, this may be wasted advice), you do need to know what to shop for, I think we have solved that little problem with this column and you are now just a little closer to being an all-around balanced archer.

Stay tuned as "Balance" will take a new direction next month! Till then'

Curtis

"Life is Better Outdoors"



Falconry Show at CVA

This Saturday was a full day up at the JOAD range. After another very busy Open Public Session, we followed up the crazy morning with a beautiful and awesome afternoon with some of the local natural birds of California.

Club member Bill Feldt and fellow "dirt-hawker" Lorie Pritchard, representing the California Hawking Club brought three of their birds to the range for a beautiful display of hawking in the field.

Bill is a Master Hawker having been involved with the birds for 40 years now. State law has very tight standards as to who can handle these types of birds and Lori has been mentored by Bill for many years.

Lori mentioned that there is a strict "Code of Ethics" in the hawking family and if there is a mentor, or any hawker who sees something not appropriate when it comes to handling these majestic birds, fellow hawkers have no problem making sure it is known, that person should not be licensed or purchase birds.

"Taking care of these birds is a lifestyle and takes an enormous amount of your time", Bill notes. Each bird is handled every day from feeding, to weighing and hunting, exercising and training, which include treks all over the state to do field work. Each hawker must be committed to the care and training of their birds.

Lori started the show with her bird Snookie, an almost 2 year old Harris Hawk. As Lori spoke to the members, answering questions and teaching about these beautiful birds, Snookie was very busy watching out for the local Red Tailed Hawks that lingered above her in the sky. After a few warning screams from her the Red Tails disappeared and she was happy again. Bill then came out with his bird Lola. Her leather hood reminded me of pictures from old books showing royalty on horseback handling their hawks and falcons. Bill talked about how the Harris Hawks are excellent hunters with the females being the larger bird in all of the hawk species. After a very interesting question and answer time, they put the birds to flight.

Snookie did some beautiful full flight passes over the crowd and you could hear her wings in the air as she passed over us swooping down to get her treat from Lori. Bill then showed us how he trains Lola with a rabbit lure. She was hesitant to give up her catch until a suitable treat was given to her for an exchange.

Club members Julio Durado and Doratina Pentico were allowed to stand and have the birds land on their gloves from a free flight. This was a lifelong dream of Julio's as has he has been testing to get a license to work with the birds.

Members were then allowed some close up time with the birds and many of the kids were able to hold and touch the birds. (See photos) I would like to thank Bill and Lori for sharing their expertise and time with us and to Lola and Snookie for their patience with all of us two legged characters that were standing around watching them. Look for them in the skies around the range when they visit us again. Bonnie

Please make sure to go to our CVA Facebook page to see more pictures and also some videos of Lola and Snookie and their time with us on the range. Pics will also be up on the website soon also.

I hope to be bringing more special events like this to the range for our members. If you have any ideas for events or contacts that might be willing to come out for any type of presentation please let me know. Look out for spiders soon!!











Club members,

Let me introduce myself. My name is George Blevins and I am one of a handful of people that take care of the 3-D range for Conejo Valley Archery Club.

A couple of individuals have volunteered a few suggestions for target bases and mounting techniques of the 3D targets. Although, all of the suggestions are great ideas, we have encountered a huge problem with the illegal use of broadheads. Targets are so blown out by the use of these broadheads that even repair foam will no longer save them.

Strict adherence to the 'Code of Conduct Policy' that clearly states "No Broadheads" will need to be observed before any more 3D targets will be donated. The club donates a couple of targets each year, but with the broadhead damage, the amount of donated targets can no longer keep up with the damage target replacement.

Please do not use broadheads on the 3-D targets!

The practice butts adjacent to the 3-D range are there if you wish to use your own 3-D targets with broadheads. However, please be advised that the "Broadheads In Use" A-frame warning sign has vanished along with a previously donated broadhead target. We are currently clearing the brush along the practice butt lane so that there is a full view of the lane and anyone walking around the corner. In addition, a new sign will be made to block the entry into the lane and warn others that the practice lane is in use.

The 3-D range is a beautiful place and provides hours of enjoyment to many people.

If anyone would like to help with brush clearing and target maintenance your

assistance would be greatly appreciated!!! As a side note, weed spraying will start in the springtime and into the summer.

Thank you

George



MEMBERSHIP CORNER

January 2014

Membership renewals went into full swing this month with the range gate locks being changed and all keys now needing to be renewed for access. Our new key exchange went extremely well with members not getting just their keys but also their new membership cards in a gold embossed membership wallet. Also for picking up their keys at the range members were all given one of the new signature club logo lapel pins. Members were also able to purchase all the new clothing and decal items that have arrived with the new updated club logo. Thanks to Keith Murphy for helping to set up and keep the exchange going smoothly especially when we got busy. I don't believe anyone felt that they had to wait long at all.

Now that the two weekend opportunities have been completed to pick up keys at the range please note that all further key exchanges will only be done either at any of the General Membership Meetings, held every 4th Sunday of the month at the range or by mailing your renewal check to club treasurer, Dan Dix at 4800 Monterey Court, Newbury Park, CA. 91320 and include your old key in the envelope attached to an index card or a \$5.00 deposit for a new key if you have lost your old one. A new key, membership card and wallet will then be mailed to you. I will be working this year towards being able to do all renewals on line as an additional option. Remember it is your club dues that keep our range working along with the volunteer hours that you provide for our amazing nonprofit group.

New club and JOAD logo embroidered patches are in!! Those of you, who are interested in buying any clothing, decal, patch or pin promotional items please stop by during the Saturday Public Open sessions or see me at the general meetings, tournaments or call me to pre order, and I can have items for you to pick up at the range. Anniversaries this month include:

6 Years - Brian Phillips

5 Years - James Staiti

4 Years - Clint Diaz

3 Years - Mike Moyer, James Veenstra

2 Years - Don Danyko and family, John Danyko, Lynn Bujnowski, Peter Dedlow, Michael Mardsden and family, Luke Sekerka and family, Tim Miller and family, Brian Riggs and family, and Joe Cavalieri

1 Year - Denver Leamy, Shayna Naulin and family, Michael Bunderson and family, Eric Bushow and family, Juan Iniguez, Joe Tiscler, Todd Christopher, Karl Weschta and family, Stephen Smith and family, and Allen Zatkin.

Congratulations to you all and thank you for your continuing support of our club and our sport.

Please remember at any time if you have questions about the range, membership or anything else that you would like answers to, please never hesitate to contact me and if I can't help you I will certainly find someone who can.

Happy Shooting, Bonnie

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Jan 26th Riverside Archers Javelina Hunt 42 Marked 1 arrow

Jan 26th CVA Club Shoot

Jan 26th Cherry Valley Bowhunters Winter 300 indoor 11am 20 yard

Feb 9th Oranco Bowmen Rendezvous 42 Unmarked

Feb 16th Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club 2014 Point Series 30 unmarked 1 arrow.

Feb 16th Conejo Valley Archers Pacific Coast Adventures 45

Feb 16th Riverside Archers Team Toughman 30 unmarked 1 arrow

Feb 22nd Mojave Archers Lucky 7 Combo

Feb Rocky Mtn Elk Foundation Banquet - Rancho Cucamonga

Feb 23rd Pasadena Roving Archers 21 or Bust Shoot 28 marked 4 arrow

Feb 22nd CVA Club Shoot

Mar 1st Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club DT CHANGE 22 targets

We had a really good turn out this month, with over 30 archers turning in score cards. Additionally we had a number of new faces out on the range.

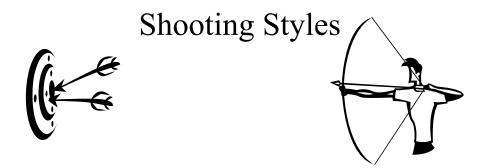
Keith Murphy once again had the top score of 519. He was in turn followed by George Blevins (485), Steve Price (479) and Norman Rice (478).

Top Traditional score (Recurve or Longbow) went to Curtis Hermann (300), followed by Tom Swindell (277) and Garry Magness (270).

As this was just the second shoot of the new club year, no one has a handicap yet. A number of folks will pick up a handicap next month by shooting their third tournament of the new club year.

Three of our archers also shot two different styles in December, including Rob Lind, Garry Magness, and Tom Swindell.

NAME	SCRATCH	HSCORE	DIVISION	STYLE	SEX
Keith Murphy	519	519	А	BHFS	М
George Blevins	485	485	А	BHFS	М
Steve Price	479	479	GA	FS	М
Norman Rice	478	478	GA	FS	М
Carlos Parada	466	466	А	FS	М
Alan Murphy	455	455	Y	BHFS	М
Rick Gabbie	435	435	А	FS	М
Steven Mahoney	414	414	А	BHFS	М
Chuck Thurber	412	412	GA	FS	М
Jack Sampson	412	412	Y	FS	М
Chris Murphy	379	379	Y	BHFS	М
Curtis Hermann	300	300	GA	TRAD	М
Tom Swindell	277	277	GA	TRAD	М
Garry Magness	270	270	А	TRAD	М
Garry Magness	259	259	А	LB	М
John Brix	233	233	GA	TRAD	М
Robert Luttrell	221	221	А	TRAD	М
Rob Lind	189	189	GA	TRAD	М
Tom Swindell	188	188	GA	LB	М
Didier Beauvoiz	179	179	А	TRAD	М
Robb Ramos	162	162	А	TRAD	М
Jonathan Geiger	158	158	А	TRAD	М
Bob Bombardier	156	156	А	LB	М
Joe Cavaleri	154	154	A	TRAD	М
Rob Lind	134	134	GA	LB	М
Steve Erikson	76	76	А	TRAD	М
Belle Raquez	75	75	А	FSL	F
Andrew Ramos	68	68	Y	TRAD	М
Dawn Burnham	65	65	А	TRAD	F
Amanda Ramos	63	63	Y	BH	F
Diana Geiger	54	54	А	TRAD	F



Don't forget to put your style of shooting on your scorecard.

Styles are as follows:

Freestyle Unlimited (FS) - Allows for the use of virtually all types and styles of equipment and aids, including mechanical releases, movable sights, scopes, long stabilizers, etc.

Freestyle Limited (FSL) – Same as Freestyle unlimited above, except that mechanical releases are **not** allowed.

Barebow (**BB**) – No sighting devices or mechanical releases allowed. String walking (or multiple anchor points) is allowed.

Bowhunter Freestyle (BF) – Must use fixed pin sights with no more than 5 pins that **cannot** be adjusted during a tournament. Length of stabilizer limited to 12" max. Mechanical releases are permitted.

Bowhunter Freestyle Limited (BHFSL) – Same as Bowhunter Freestyle Unlimited above, except that mechanical releases are not permitted. Fingers may be protected by gloved or finger tabs.

Bowhunter (BH) – No sights or mechanical releases. Length of stabilizer limited to 12" long. Must use a single anchor point and string walking is **not** allowed.

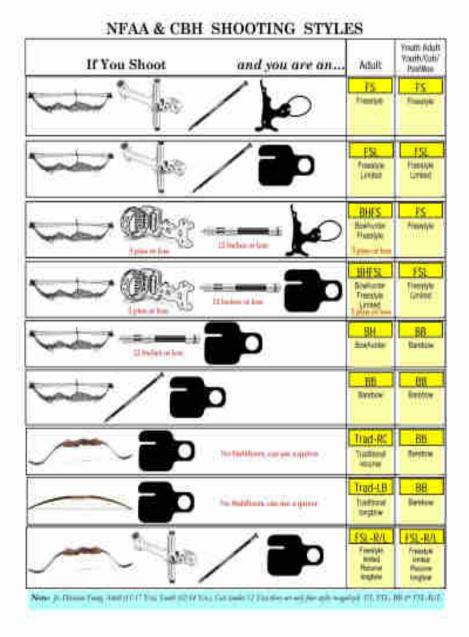
Traditional Styles: (please start one on your score card)

Longbow (*LB*) – No sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases allowed. Single anchor point only.

Recurve (*RB*) – No sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases allowed. Single anchor point only.

Selfbow (SB) - No sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases allowed, Single anchor point only.

Shooting Styles Explained



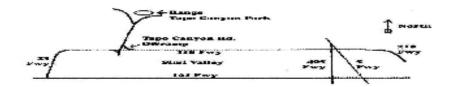


For everyone interested in archery! Saturday May 17th, 2013 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

Activities to include:	Field Tours of our		
□ Open Public Archery Session 9am-1pm \$5 fee	28 Target Roving Field Range		
USA Archery Certified coaches and equipment			
will be available	6 6		
□ Free Interactive Workshops on:			
□ Arrow Cresting/Fletching	Tapo Canyon Prk,		
Leather Workshop	4651 Tapo Canyon,		
String Making			
□ Informational presentations on various bows	Simi Valley,		
-	CA		

Hot Dogs, water and soda will be available for purchase

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For more information contact Robert Luttrell at 805-490-8601 or wudstoc@aol.com Check us out online at www.cvarchers.com

From the Editor

A club can only be as strong as its members. Each one of us are the key to ensuring Conejo Valley Archers is not only a place to share the love of archery, but a place where friendships are made and we not only have a fun place to go to, but a safe place as well. Every member holds the responsibility to ensure that the rules that keep our club safe and flourishing are adhered to at all times.

As you have read in the article from fellow club member George Blevins, we have encountered an issue with the use of broadheads in the 3D range. Not only is the use of broadheads a safety issue to all members and guests of the range, a financial issue to the club, but the use of broadheads is strictly forbidden as stated in the CVA Code of Conduct, rule #2 "No broad-heads or blunts shot on range, except in special broadhead lane/areas".

Every member and their guests are responsible for obeying all Club By-Laws (rules) and policies. Any violations of the above restrictions can be grounds for dismissal from the club.

Please help to ensure CVA continues to prosper and meets the goals of our mission: "...to foster the growth of the sport of archery by maintaining a facility for family oriented events, and by promoting skill and sportsmanship through educational outreach, for all ages and abilities.

You can view the Club By-Laws on the CVA website (under Membership Packet), but as a quick reminder the rules are listed below:

1. No hunting anywhere on the range.

2. No broadheads or blunts shot on range, except in special broadhead lane/area.

3. No overnight camping or open campfires on the range except by permit. 4. No firearms or crossbows allowed on the range.

5. No dogs allowed on the range at any time.

6. No one except club members shall be allowed to have a key to the gate, and each member is responsible to see that the gate is securely closed and locked upon entering and exiting the range.

7. No wandering off of the range onto adjacent property is allowed. Our lease of the park property is restricted to the range area only.

8. No glass bottles allowed except in the picnic area. The Conejo Valley Archers club officers, representatives, and members shall not be liable for the actions or behavior committed by club members or guests under the influence of alcohol while on club premises.

A. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited before or during any shooting activity on the practice and shooting ranges and is only permitted after a club member or guest has finished shooting for the day.

9. No smoking on the range except in designated areas. Areas with red "Butt Cans" are considered designated areas. Please use these cans.

10. No controlled and/or illegal substances shall be used or possessed on the range at any time.

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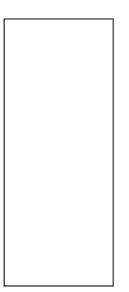


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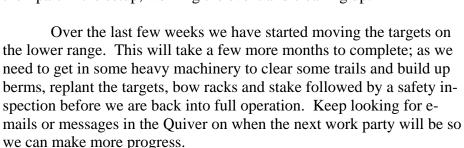
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Monthly Newsletter

February 2014

From the Prez

The 2014 Pack Coast 3D Adventure was a big success. With over one hundred shooters, great weather and excellent volunteer help what else could you expect. First of all I want to thank all the volunteers for their help and support. We could not have had such a successful event without everyone doing their part in the setup, working the event and cleaning up.



Moving the targets is just one of many changes to the club in recent times. As the club grows we will continue to adjust how we are doing things in the best interest of CVA and archery in general. Progress should be changes with a purpose (efficiency, safety, more participation, liability, etc...) but often there are some downsides, inconveniences to some members or unintended consequences that are associated with these new policies. I think of these things as "growing pains," that we must endure to make sure we have a safe, healthy club in the long run.

Any of you who know me, know I am all for freedom, selfresponsibility and hate unneeded policies or procedures that restrict people from doing what they want or make things more difficult than needed. As the club grows there will be more changes driven by the CVA Board of Directors, based on what is believed to be the best interest of CVA. I assure you that when the board changes things there is a reason otherwise we would not be doing it. Typically, we set policy based on the following order 1) safety, 2) liability and 3) organizational long term growth. It is not always easy to figure out where we want the club 1 to 2 years out, but we try our best, based on the information we have at hand.

If we do not make these changes, there will come a time when I would expect chaos where prospective members would not be getting the correct information, current member would be doing things that could put the club at jeopardy, and confusion form the members. These are things that we did not need as a smaller club, but are needed as we grow. We do not want complete breakdown in the system, so we must put some of these regulations in place for the long term growth of the club.

Please support your board members, by letting us know your perspective of the club, bring ideas on what we might do differently, and be willing to help make the changes. This is your club, be involved and active in shaping CVA into the club you want.

Now, get out there and enjoy the range.

Clark Pentico

CVA President

From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

The Public Session weekly 300 rounds slowed a bit this month due to the cold weather. I would like to thank Julio Durado and Ryan Vartio for running the event when I was unable to make it to our Public Sessions earlier this month.



I'm very happy and encouraged at the participation and enthusiasm around this weekly event. As always, come on out and shoot, and look for your scores posted on the bulletin board on the JOAD bin.

We will be announcing the start of the CVA Scholarship during the Club meeting this month. The intent of the Scholarship is to assist youth club members in offsetting the costs of tournament attendance. Information on how to apply and the necessary forms will be available on the CVA WEB site sometime within the next few weeks. If there are questions about this program please contact me.

For those who are interested in competing, the US National Indoor and 2014 JOAD Indoor Championships will be held in Tulare, CA on March 7-9, 2014. Deadline for registration is February 28th, so if you are interested in participating visit the USA Archery WEB site for more information. If you have questions I'm more than happy to help. Upcoming events and activities that you can expect to hear more from me on in the coming months:

• The Adult Achievement pin program. Information on this program will be announced after our weekly 300 round this month. Specifics will also be posted on the CVA WEB site for review. I am working on the final logistics of offering the program and am excited to provide this to our adult members who are interested in working on goal setting in archery.

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- Restart of the JOAD pin program. This program is very much like the Adult Achievement program and I am hoping to piggy-back this program on the weekly 300 rounds we are running during the Saturday sessions.
- US Archery Mail-in tournament shooting logistics and specifics are underway.
- Do it yourself arrow repair seminar. I've had numerous archers come to be with questions on how to repair their arrows fletches, nocking points, and other parts without all the fancy gadgets that engineers like me just have to go out and buy. I've been working on some techniques that may help those on limited budgets to get their arrows shoot-able again. I'll be scheduling out the seminar (most likely after our Public Session on Saturday) sometime within the next couple of months.

See you on the range!

Your VP,

Kurt

"THE IMBALANCE'S IN THE BALANCE"

By Curtis Hermann

Our little world of being an archer is always in a state of flux, a chaotic group of influences are always tugging us one way or the other and in many ways for every progressive step forward there is a cost/ benefit ratio that is not always comfortable to live with. With this column, I will give you examples of this conundrum, I may not provide all the answers needed to solve all the issues, but I do think you will begin to realize just how large our world is, how far beyond tuning a bow and getting an arrow to fly straight your knowledge as an archer must encompass.

Ever since the mid-eighties, I have been in a position to promote archery/bowhunting and have spread the idea that we need numbers of archers/bowhunters to increase in order to have enough clout in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. to protect and advance our sport and to ward off the anti-hunters and other special interests groups that would end our way of life. When I started justifying the need for more archers there were approximately 5 million bow hunters and 3 million target archers with an equal amount of anti-hunters/anti-weapons fighting us not only to end the hunting but to commandeer all the park/civic land they could to replace archery ranges with dog walking parks, etc. All during this period, 75% of the general public approved of bow hunting, as long as the hunter ate his take.

Times change, today there are 16 million (11M-bowhunters/5Mtarget archers), the anti-everything macho groups have lost membership and 79% of the general public except bowhunting as a valid way of life and now appreciate its organic/health benefits. For the first time target archery is growing nearly as fast as bowhunting (thanks to my friend Roy Grimes* who started and runs the NASP or National Archery in the Schools Program).

Side effects of this growth has appeared, hunting numbers are up, deer/game numbers are up, access to private land by your average working bowhunter has diminished by 80% putting enormous pressure on public lands, the available private land sector has been leased by large outfitters that have tied up 100's of thousands of acres, especially in the west. The result is that bowhunting has become big business and therefore expensive and changes are coming at a pace that is hard to keep up with and a hunting future that is hard to predict. We have lost the relationship of the average man being able to ask his friend farmer John for permission to hunt his land, now we must deal with the outfitter who has the leased this land and we never get to speak with farmer John again.

Target archery is also seeing explosive growth and keeping up with that growth is an exceptional challenge. Without an adequate amount of ranges being built, this growth will begin to slow. Ranges require space, funding, insurance, maintenance, upgrades, facilities (bathrooms, storage, working shop, etc.), coaches, regulations, tournaments and social events, administration and public relations. Thousands of hours of voluntary labor and a spread of "archer's passion" is required to have a successful club/range.

The dynamic interrelationship between target archery and bowhunting starts in the USA right after the civil war with the beginning of the United Archers of Philadelphia. The first National Champion was Will Thompson, but it was Will and his brother Maurice that insured that archery would survive by writing the first book of American bowhunting "The Witchery of Archery." This book opened up a whole new world to the American public, it changed archery from a leisure afternoon of a few rounds of arrows, conversation and tea with ladies dressed in fine attire to a bold adventures relationship with the wilderness.

The introduction of bowhunting insured that enough participation in the sport to make for a viable industry was possible, that symbiotic relationship continues today. It has always been bowhunting that has driven this industry, faster more accurate, more versatile bows for hunting allows for the R&D money that moves us forward. National, World and Olympic Champions all make for great promotional events but if the industry relied on target archery as its only

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market our world would be 60% smaller and equipment advancement would be twenty years behind what it is today.

This imbalance of explosive growth in archery has stressed communities that need to include our presence, to game management departments that must prepare for, educate and accommodate our wilderness aspirations and even at our own table, our field archery club in the beginning never really envisioned this growth and interest and now diversification of target archery and eventually the inclusion of crossbows to manage, share and enlarge our world.

So needless to say, I no longer argue for the growth in the numbers of archers, the side effects are enormous, I now concentrate on how to manage and hold on to what we have, and hope that we can keep up with the demands our sport makes on us.

There will always be the new, the old and the status quo and we must always keep them in balance, leaving none behind and insuring the future for all.

The imbalance within the balance is always a challenge, but archers are resourceful and we always meet the challenges ahead of us.

Curtis

*Roy Grimes shares a seat on the NBEF BOD with me, he also created the NASP program when he was Deputy Commissioner of the Kentucky Department Fish & Wildlife; Roy is currently the CEO/President of NASP.

NASP = National Archery in the Schools Program (est. 2003 ?) with over 100,000 students in all 50 states, their annual tournament draws over 4,000 participants.

NBEF = National Bowhunter Education Foundation. Est. 1967, Roy is a board member of the NBEF, I am the Western (Region 1) Coordinator over 7 western states. We meet bi-annually as board members and coordinators and industry leaders to work on issues, this year will be on a ranch in north central Nebraska, followed up with 3 days of turkey hunting.

January Club Shoot Results

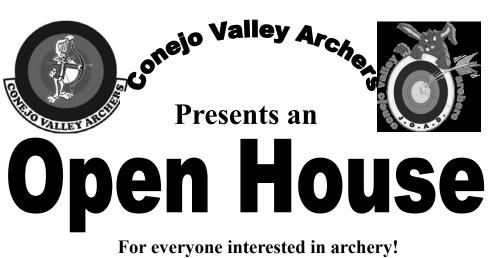
We had another nice turn out for the January Club Shoot. Twenty-four sets of cards were turned in, and at least one hearty individual made the round twice shooting two different styles. January had the distinction that this was the first month that handicaps started showing up (for those archers that have shot three club shoots in the same shooting style).

When it was all done and the scores were tallied we had a number of folks at the top of the board for the first time. Julio Durado had the top score of 562, and was following in turn by Jonathan Geiger (557) and Rick Gabbie (556). In fourth place and just one point back was Stan Ogle (555). Frequent leader board winner, Keith Murphy had to settle for fifth place. Keith did however pick of the top scratch score (514).

I should point out that a couple of the score cards turned in this last time had some problems with them. One was probably in the wrong division and another was not properly totaled.

Please double check your scores and shooting styles. If yourscore card for example says BHFS but you normally shoot FS, I have no way of knowing if you changed your style that month or had an oops. I will enter the score & style the way it is reported. You as the archer, are responsible for your score card.

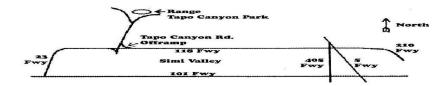
NAME	HSCORE	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
Julio Durado	562.00	463.00	А	BHFS
Jonathan Geiger	557.00	270.00	А	TRAD
Rick Gabbie	556.00	463.00	А	FS
Stan Ogle	555.00	431.00	А	BHFS
Keith Murphy	552.00	514.00	А	BHFS
Norman Rice	548.00	488.00	GA	FS
Randy Estrella	547.00	485.00	А	FS
Luke Sekerka	543.00	476.00	А	BHFS
Steve Price	542.00	480.00	GA	FS
Chuck Thurber	539.00	405.00	GA	FS
Joe Cavaleri	533.00	235.00	А	TRAD
Curtis Hermann	533.00	319.00	GA	TRAD
Tom Swindell	498.00	237.00	GA	TRAD
Rob Lind	489.00	190.00	GA	TRAD
Robb Ramos	487.00	187.00	А	TRAD
Steve Erikson	486.00	111.00	А	TRAD
Dawn Burnham	482.00	97.00	А	TRAD
Robert Luttrell	477.00	199.00	А	TRAD
Norman Rice	467.00	467.00	GA	BHFS
John Brix	463.00	204.00	GA	TRAD
Kris Ogle	448.00	448.00	А	BHFS
Jack Sampson	426.00	426.00	Y	BHFS
Didier Beauvoiz	278.00	278.00	А	TRAD
Bob Bombardier	153.00	153.00	А	LB



For everyone interested in archery! Saturday May 17th, 2013 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

	Field Tours of our
Activities to include: Open Public Archery Session 9am-1pm \$5 fee	28 Target
USA Archery Certified coaches and equipment	Roving Field Range
will be available	
Free Interactive Workshops on:	
Arrow Cresting/Fletching	Tapo Canyon Prk,
Leather Workshop	4651 Tapo Canyon,
String Making	_ •
Informational presentations on various bows	Simi Valley,
	CA

Hot Dogs, water and soda will be available for purchase



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Membership Corner March 2014

The final call for renewals has now gone out and we are getting quite a few replies back. Thank you to all who have committed their support for our club for another year. We think we are worth it!

We all ask that if you know of someone who is still using the range and has not renewed their membership to please notify me as such. This issue is twofold for us as a club. These persons are on the range without permissions and have not filed an updated waiver which opens us to issues if someone gets injured. This can jeopardize our lease and our club. It is serious. Also such persons are utilizing the range which costs money to run. If they are using the range they need to contribute towards its care and maintenance with their membership dues just as the rest of us are. Our fees are not extravagant and if someone is having financial issues then, again they should be directed to me for options.

The best way for all of us to keep the range safe is to make sure that the main gate is being locked every time a member comes in and out of the gate. Do not wait until you are done shooting to lock it behind you. It is at this time that nonmembers come into the range area. We again had two people who came in last week and got locked inside with their vehicles.

It is up to all of us to make sure that we are utilizing the facilities safely and securely.

See you all on the range, *Bonnie*

Steve Demski – 10 years Cher Riggs and son Tyler – 8 years Clark Pentico and daughter Doratina – 6 years Jeff Goodwin F – 6 years Craig Nelson – 5 years Victor Westerburg, and Graham Peace and family Peter Balgochian and family, Robert Luttrell and Dave DeWaard – 3 years John Heaney and Bobby Marks – 2 years

All all with their 1 year anniversaries are: Patrick Boland, Raquel Francisco and family, Don Schooler, Ruth Haskins, Ryan Prusa, Tristian Dubois, Jonathon and Diana Geiger, David King, Joe Ramirez, Rudy Saling, Rich Howell and Sean Kelly.

Congratulations to all and thanks for your continued support of our club!

Calendar of Events

Feb 22nd Mojave Archers Lucky 7 Combo

Feb Rocky Mtn Elk Foundation Banquet - Rancho Cucamonga

Feb 23rd Pasadena Roving Archers 21 or Bust Shoot 28 marked 4 arrow

Feb 22nd CVA Club Shoot

Mar 1st Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club DT CHANGE 22 targets

Mar 2nd Verdugo Hills Archers wildwoods 3-D 1 arrow 42 targets

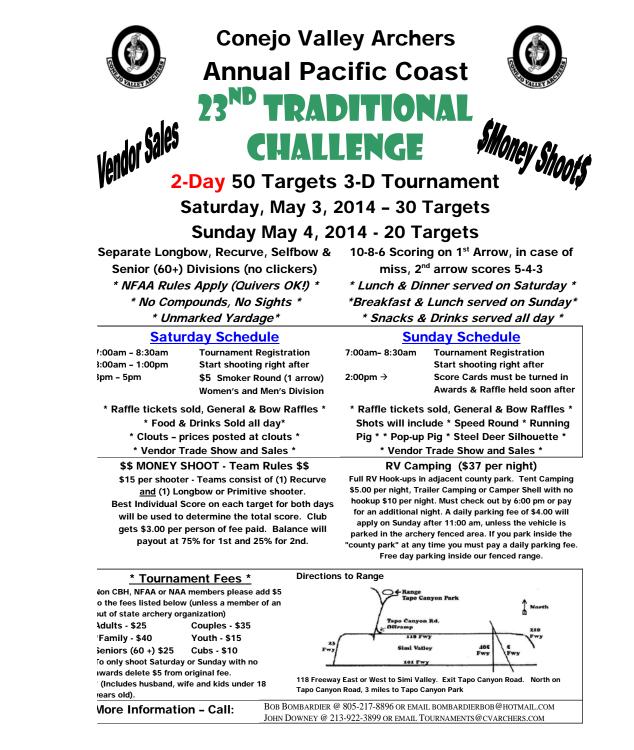
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Mar 16th Riverside Archers St Patty's Day 1 arrow 42 targets

Mar 23rd Cherry Valley Bowhunters Bighorn Canyon Ranch shoot

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Mar 23rd CVA Club Shoot



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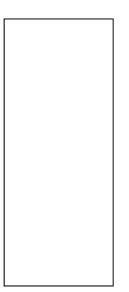


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From the Prez

As with every year, spring is a time at the range where there is a lot of work to be done. This year this hold true more than past years due to the moving of the targets on the roving range.

If you have been to the roving

range recently, you will notice that there has been a lot of heavy equipment action happening as the new lanes begin to be cut. And on March 22nd, we will start moving the bale stands that hold the targets.

Now that we have momentum, we want to get the range completed ASAP, so anyone that wants to help please look for e-mails announcing times we will be having work parties. There will be several in the coming weeks, so I am hopeful we will have the full 28 target range completed before the April club shoot.

This will take a concentrated effort of all members so I want to encourage you to come out and help for at least one of the work parties, if not more.

Daylight Savings time is here, so we will now be starting our monthly meeting at 11:00 a.m. This also means we typically start the club shoot around 7:00ish, so we can finish before the meeting and beat the high temperatures as we move into the summer months.

Go and become one with the arrow.

Clark Pentico

CVA President

From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

Due to the rains and my tournament schedule our 300 round has flagged a bit this month. I'll be 'asking' for 'volunteers' during our Public Sessions to get trained on running our weekly tournament so if I need to be away from



the range for a few weekends we can still offer this popular event. If you are interested in helping, feel free to ask!

We have announced our CVA Scholarship and the relevant forms will be posted to the CVA WEB site. If you are a youth archer interested in the Scholarship, please take a look at the requirements and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Indoor tournament season is for the most part over, so the next sanctioned tournaments will be outdoor format at longer distances. Tune your bow for distance and start practicing. I'll be working with the JOAD coaches to be sure that we have targets at all the FITA distances.

I will also be announcing the start of the Adult Achievement pin program, which works very much like our existing JOAD pin program. I'll have information with me during our Public Session so if you are interested in shooting for score and earning pins this will be for you.

Our Coaching Policy will be undergoing an evolutionary revision, with the requirement of USA Archery's Safe Sport Certification program. If you are a Certified Level 1 or 2 Instructor, or a Level 3, 4, or 5 Coach, this certification is a requirement to coach on CVA's range. Please reference the article about this program in this month's Quiver for specifics. Upcoming events and activities that you can expect to hear more from me on in the coming months:

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See you on the range! Your VP, Kurt Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

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"Quiver Column" for March 2014

By Curtis Hermann

At 40,000 feet in the luxury of a Boeing 777, I was fortunate enough to be the only one to occupy a seat in my row, I also had six hours before setting down in LA and that gave me time to contemplate both the weekend training session I had just presented, and also the next thing on my agenda, which would be this column.

The training session took place at the University of Hawaii's Institute for Astronomy's Advanced Technology Research Center in Pukalani, Maui. An odd place for a gathering of bowhunter's, one would think, but one of the volunteer Hunter Education Instructors was also a researcher at the Institute and was able to book the conference room for us. Andrew Choy the Hunter Education Coordinator for the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources began the meeting by asking each person to introduce themselves and to state what it is that makes them "happy". As the featured speaker, I was the last to introduce myself. Like the others, I gave my family as my purist source of pride and happiness and also my sixty years as an archer and I had to end with the statement, "We are in Hawaii with a bow in hand, this beautiful mountain under our feet and Axis deer in plentiful numbers, is it possible for a bowhunter to be unhappy in this scenario"

More than the beauty of Hawaii, it is the people on the islands that exude pure joy and happiness and it is captivating when you are around them. Jaye and Mary both ran forward with a hug the moment I walked into view, it had been seven years since I was with them last, but you would have thought it was last week. They placed the traditional Lei around our necks, (I was attending with Marilyn Bentz the Executive Director of the NBEF and her husband Dick) and the welcoming was now complete.

I will get a little more into the training in paradise before I finish but for the moment, back to the plane. You do not realize how fast a day can disappear until you are doing 600 miles per hour away from the setting sun, first you see the clouds way down below and the ocean below that and the yellow turns to orange and then to blackness almost like closing a door. As I watch the day disappear and the night take over, I realize that this theme of "happiness" is still occupying my mind and I began to wonder how much of my happiness is due to my years of involvement in archery and bowhunting. As the miles ticked away below me, my mind wandered and mulled over thoughts as I tried to make comparisons and judgments connecting happiness and archery.

I had always judged myself as a naturally cheerful child/person but in thinking it over, I began to realize how much the natural baseline of happiness, that is me, had been enhanced by the years of pulling a bow, the meandering across the prairie, the exploration of the western peaks and ranges and the intimate relationship I had with the wilderness and the involvement in the life and death struggle that is its dynamic. I wanted to find a way to bring in this year's theme of "Balance in all things Archery" into the mental discussion I was having with myself.

It was then that I began to realize that archery and my life as a bowhunter, those two things had brought stability and emotional balance to my life but there was one more element and that was probably the most important one, it was the giving back that really made it all such a benefit to personal happiness. My thirty years of sharing my experiences through the International Bow hunter Education Program, my writing, friends I have made and cherish and the days afield, if you have those you are a happy person, you have no choice.

Sunday morning arrived, we were all (all 40 of us) in the hotel lobby and figuring out transportation to the "field day site" where Andrew Choy, Master Instructors Ken Saito and Alan Nakagawa and I planned the outdoor portion of our training. It was a scenic farm, small as they tend to be on the islands, the lush tropical foliage was crisscrossed with game trails, Axis Deer sign," rubs" were everywhere, bedding areas and travel routes along with tracks and scat made for a very realistic scenario.

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Ken laid out our "Shoot, Don't Shoot "range, Alan took it over from there and laid out the recovery - blood trail and field dressing leg which ended at the "Treestand Safety" demonstration that Marilyn and I held. I had previously gone over "What to carry" and "Outdoor Preparedness" sections and the local pro-shop owner covered, determining your own "Effective Range."

Some of those attending this training had logged in over 8,000 hours of helping others learn to hunt safely and responsibly and were still trying to improve their game.

There is nothing more natural than pulling a bow, hunting quarry and exposing and involving yourself with the life and death struggle of nature and then topping it off with helping others to have the same experience, that is truly "Perfect Balance."

I have noticed that almost everyone who participates in archery, has an overall genial manor, not only when they are participating, but in life generally. There may be some truth to the idea that archery is just attractive to genial people. Over the years I have known many who entered the sport bringing with them personalities that were not as likable as one would want if they were to represent a "HAPPY" sport. Even the worst of these troubled people became kinder and gentler as their archery aspirations and friendships blossomed.

So remember these three things, participate in archery, involve yourself in nature, share it with others, be a full member of the most balanced and happy group around, "Archers."

"Life is Better Outdoors"

Curtis





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Rules & Regulations, Map and General Information on Back of Flyer

2014 CBH/SAA State Broadhead Championship Tournament General Working Mechanics

- This tournament is designed to appeal to the bowhunter as opposed to the tournament archer. It is designed to offer the hunter some benefits without his/her becoming entangled in the aspects of a Field tournament. NFAA rules do not apply to this event
- 2. The State Broadhead Tournament shall be either a one or two day event held on Memorial Day weekend.
- 3. The 2nd Vice President of Hunting or his delegate shall govern this tournament.
- The range for this event shall be laid out in such a manner as to simulate hunting conditions when possible.
- 5. Archers shall use hunting tackle for this event which is in keeping with California State Fish & Game Laws on Big Game Hunting.
 - A. Scoring:
 - 1) Vital 10 Kill 8 Wound 5
 - An arrow must be in the target to score, except a "Pass-through" which must be witnessed and scored as witnessed by other shooters in the group.
 - Bounce-ins and "Glance-offs" shall not score.
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 - 4) "Antlers" do not score.
 - 5) Shaft of arrow must touch the line for higher score.
 - 6) Double scoring is required.
 - This shall be a one-arrow tournament at unmarked yardages.
 - B. Divisions and Styles of Shooting:
 - Divisions
 - a) Seniors (65+)
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 - 3) No awards will be mailed.
 - D. Tackle:
 - 1) One stabilizer not over 12 inches, allowed
 - 2) Bow quivers are allowed in all styles.
 - 3) No magnifying scopes are allowed.
 - No compound bows over 80 pounds peak draw weight. Recurves and longbows have no limit
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We had another good turnout in February for the 3rd club shoot of the new club year. We also had a bunch of new faces in the top five including two of the extended Murphy Clan. As I type this on Saint Patrick's Day it seems only fitting (as a fellow Irishman) to give you all a Top 'O the Evening toast to my fellow Irishmen. Erin Go Bragh

At the Tip 'O Top was Alan Murphy with a 589 (Chris and Keith are probably glad right now that Alan is in a different age division). Allan was in turn followed by over-achiever Norman Rice with a 558 (FS Style) and a 490 in BHFS. The two were in turn followed by Steve Price (554), Chris Murphy (552), and both Rick Gabbie & Randy Estrella who turned in identical scores of 551 for 5th place.

All in all, we had 12 scores that broke 500. That also includes Curtis Herman (511), John Brix (532), Didier Beuvoiz (509) and Robb Ramos (506), all doing it without the benefit of training wheels or other such fancy paraphernalia.

Note: JBD also shoots a compound bow when he finds the time and is allowed to poke fun at other "wheel bow" shooters (all of which no doubt shoot better than JBD anyway ... sigh).

We are heading into the summer months now when it gets a bit hotter on the range. Everyone is encouraged gto drink lots of water in addiction to starting their shooting round a bit earlier. Since our General Meetings are starting a hour earlier (at 11:00am now), this is another good reason to get an early start. Remember only Mad dogs, Englishmen and Archers go out in the noon day sun anyway.

See you all out on the range.

John B. Downey (aka JBD) Tournament Chairman

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Chuck Thurber	499.00	366.00	GA	FS
Garry Magness	495.00	258.00	А	TRAD
Steve Erikson	494.00	130.00	А	TRAD
Robert Luttrell	494.00	215.00	А	TRAD
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Norman Rice	490.00	490.00	GA	BHFS
Tom Swindell	488.00	241.00	GA	TRAD
Garry Magness	482.00	240.00	А	LB
Joe Cavaleri	468.00	169.00	А	TRAD
Dawn Burnham	460.00	75.00	А	TRAD
John Brix	270.00	207.00	GA	LB

Membership Corner

This month's anniversaries include another one of our long time members. Congratulations to Garry Magness for 22 years with the club. Gary has been an amazing volunteer every year and although I hear rumors of his moving on, to out of state pastures it looks like he is hanging with us for a while longer. Glad you're still with us!

Another notable member reaching his 10th year with the club is Richard Carpenter. Richard has served as President and on the board for multiple years and has also been the tournament director for our up and coming Dry and Dusty Tournament. He is also a lead coach of our JOAD program. Thanks Richard for your many years of commitment to our club.

Members celebrating anniversaries include: The Thomas Family - 6 years Carlos Parada – 4 years Michael Duckett and Dennis Kunkel - 3 years Troy Zedlar, Ryan Frazier, Matthew Mitchell, Kevin Mooney, Paul Long – 2 years Dustin DuBrall, Michael Freed, Steve Mahoney, Ngan Truong, Johnathan Analogue and Michael Koller – 1 year

Congratulations to all!

Just a reminder that clothing, decals and patches are all on sale. Let me know if you would like to order anything and I can bring it to the General Membership Meetings. I will have more sizes in in the next few months and will also be getting some type of order system online where you can view items for sale.

Have a great month and see you at the meeting!

Bonnie

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Range under construction , more to come. When you see Keith make sure you let him know his 20 plus hours over the weekend were very much appreciated





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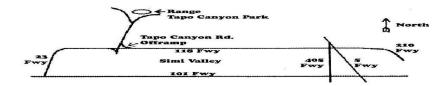
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Activities to include: Open Public Archery Session 9am-1pm \$5 fee	28 Target
USA Archery Certified coaches and equipment	Roving Field Range
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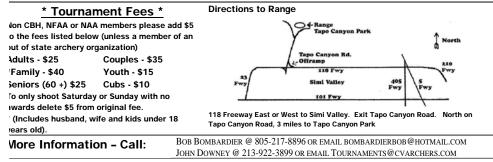
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1 arrow 42 targets

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50 Targets 1 arrow

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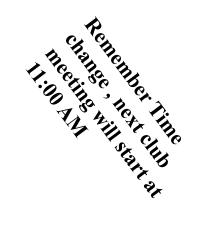
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Reminder

Saturday April 5th Is Range Beatification Day Please come out and give us a hand

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Conejo Valley Archers P.O. Box 3982 Thousand Oaks, CA



Reminder: Range Beautification Days are the 1st Saturday of even months

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Monthly Newsletter

April 2014

From the Prez

In case you have not noticed all the commotion around the field range, it is back in action with 28 targets. Keith and crew have been putting a full court press every week for the last couple of months to get it finished. So, if you want to come out and try the new course at this month's club shoot we would love to have you. There is still a little more work out there to finish things up, but at least we have a full course.



The tournament range is moving forward, we believe we have been able to figure a way to cover the budget gaps and will hopefully be able to break ground in the coming months. I will give a more detailed report at the club meeting, so show up for the details.

I have been asked by several members about the 3D range and why it has so little support from the club. The animals are old and shot out. The reason, which I have addressed several times in the past, is simple. We have tried to put good animals out on the range and someone keeps shooting broad heads into them or vandalizes them. I would love to have new targets out there, but the cost is prohibitive to continually replace or repair them.

CVA offers a space to have a permanent 3D range, which is a lot more than any other clubs. I only see a few members who are willing to help maintain the 3D range. If those of you who are shooting the 3D range are serious about having new targets, you can always donate targets and the club can give you a donation letter for costs incurred, if you have a receipt. If a group of people want to pool their money for new targets that is another way so it does not cost as much for any one person. CVA is also willing to buy repair kits, but you will need to be willing to put the work in to do the repairs

The Pacific Coast 3D traditional Challenge is coming up the first weekend of May. There is a lot of work to be done to prepare for the shoot. If you would like to help out please contact Bob Bombarier. There are many opportunities to help (kitchen, trail maintenance, CLOUT, raffle ticket sales, etc...). So please come out and show our guests a great shoot.

Now, go out, keep a strong bow arm and shoot for the X,

Clark Pentico

CVA President

From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

This month was very busy on the range. Keith Murphy and crew have done an amazing job in moving a large number of targets on the roving range. To say that there was a lot of work to do to make these changes a reality is an un-



derstatement. The roving range is ready to go, so come out during our next Club Shoot to break in the new targets. The work isn't finished as there are the final details to complete, and I know that Keith would appreciate any help. I personally want to thank everyone that worked so hard on this safety related project – there are too many people to list! Thanks for your hard work and dedication to CVA!

We have a group of 15 or so archers that are consistently participating in our 300 rounds. To make the rounds more interesting and to drum up more participation I want to announce the following enhancements to this event:

- JOAD Pin Program. This program is for youth archers to earn pins for shooting a specific score at 18M distance. The cost is \$10 per year to join and the pins and lanyards are \$3 each. We will be shooting for score during each 300 round, so if you are interested please contact me for more information.
- Adult Pin Program. This program works just like the youth program, only it is specifically offered to adults. The cost is the same for enrollment and pins / lanyards. Please contact me for more information.

Our annual Traditional Challenge extravaganza / tournament is scheduled for the weekend of May 3rd and 4th, which is coming up quickly. This two day event is specifically for traditional archers.

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If you don't serve that discipline and would like to help, please contact Bob Bombardier or John Downey.

My much discussed arrow seminar will be offered during CVA's annual open house, scheduled for May 17th. This is but one of many informative topics scheduled for the Open House. Each Open House that I have attended has been a learning experience for me, and I've always taken away a great deal of information as we have a large number of highly knowledgeable archers at CVA. Please mark your calendars!

See you on the range!

Your VP,

Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

USA Archery Safe Sport Program

Kurt Hoberg

SafeSport seeks to create a healthy, supportive environment for all archery participants. Through education, resources, and training, SafeSport will help members of the sport community recognize, reduce, and respond to misconduct in sport.

SafeSport is a required course for Level 1 instructors and volunteers who routine access to minors within a USA Archery or Club event or activity and all Level 2 and higher instructors/coaches.

As of January 1, 2014, USA Archery will require all Level 1 instructors and volunteers who routine access to minors within a USA Archery or Club event or activity and all Level 2 and higher instructors/ coaches to complete SafeSport training prior to becoming a certified instructor.

Current Instructors and Coaches will have one year from the effective date of policy (January 1, 2014) to complete SafeSport Training. Any Instructor or Coach not in compliance with this policy will be have their USA Archery certification suspended until SafeSport training has been completed and verified by USA Archery.

Visit the SafeSport website (<u>http://training.teamusa.org/store/</u> <u>details/1</u>) to begin your training. To register for your training, scroll to the right of the SafeSport homepage and click on "Add to Bag" to register.

SafeSport training is <u>free</u> for clubs, coaches, parents and athletes. SafeSport training takes 90 minutes to complete.

When you register for the SafeSport course you are asked to indicate which sport you are taking the course for. Be sure to indicate that you are taking the course for Archery.

USAA has access to SafeSport records by sport category and can verify your training. Also, at end of your SafeSport training each participant will receive a certificate of completion. Please print this certificate and keep it in your records.

CVA will require a SafeSport certificate for all coaches on the range. In addition to this requirement, our Coaching Policy has been amended to require a copy of the SafeSport Certificate be attached to show compliance to this important program.

Please contact **Kurt Hoberg** if you are a certified Instructor / Coach and have questions.



Range Information, Directions, Camping & Motel Info

(951) 897-5685 Joe Dotterer

Rules & Regulations, Map and General Information on Back of Flyer

2014 CBH/SAA State Broadhead Championship Tournament General Working Mechanics

- This tournament is designed to appeal to the bowhunter as opposed to the tournament archer. It is designed to offer the hunter some benefits without his/her becoming entangled in the aspects of a Field tournament. NFAA rules do not apply to this event
- 2. The State Broadhead Tournament shall be either a one or two day event held on Memorial Day weekend.
- 3. The 2nd Vice President of Hunting or his delegate shall govern this tournament.
- The range for this event shall be laid out in such a manner as to simulate hunting conditions when possible.
- 5. Archers shall use hunting tackle for this event which is in keeping with California State Fish & Game Laws on Big Game Hunting.
 - A. Scoring:
 - 1) Vital 10 Kill 8 Wound 5
 - An arrow must be in the target to score, except a "Pass-through" which must be witnessed and scored as witnessed by other shooters in the group.
 - Bounce-ins and "Glance-offs" shall not score.
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 - 4) "Antlers" do not score.
 - 5) Shaft of arrow must touch the line for higher score.
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 - This shall be a one-arrow tournament at unmarked yardages.
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By Curtis Hermann

"The Mystery of Learning to Hunt with a Bow and Arrow"

Does the idea of hunting with a bow and arrow seem mystifying to you? Does it pique your interest, but you're not just sure how to get started? Fortunately there is an opportunity coming up soon for those of you who would like to at least explore the idea of learning how to pursue game animals with a primitive weapon (yes, believe it or not, a "compound bow" is still considered a primitive weapon) and except the challenge of man's oldest weapon.

The date for this opportunity is Sunday – August 3, 2014, but there is work to be done before you can take advantage of this event, that work is done on line at your leisure in your own home. What we are talking about here is a combination Online course followed up with an extensive Field Day to put what you have learned online into perspective, "make it real" is the term I often use to describe the Field Day portion of the program.

The online portion will take the average person 4.5-6.5 hours to complete, particularly if you are an experienced archer with some hunting background. I have seen the course completed in 3.5 hours by those who just take the tests (until they pass) and up to 13 hours for those who have zero knowledge of either archery or bowhunting or hunting in general. This can be done an hour or two at a time at your own pace in front of your computer and should be completed at least a few days before the Field Day. I recommend taking the course over the month of July so that is still fresh in your mind when you come to my class room.

The online course is a very solid course in the broad basics of the world of bowhunting, nearly everything you really need to know is in this course and it will make you a better bowhunter.

On the other hand, we are talking about the outdoors world in which a life will eventually be taken, humanly, effectively, and with respect and that life will be used to enhance the needs of your family, "locavore" is the term our new breed of upcoming bowhunters choose to use, and these things just don't quite come through the computer screen all that well, so we include a "Field Day" to "make it real" and to enhance the experience as close as we can to the real thing.

We will also cover the California bowhunting regulations, the items on the California test, equipment recommendations, scouting, including game sign, calls and lures, treestand safety, use and advantages, 3-D shooting to learn your personal "effective field range," blood trailing, game recovery and field dressing and some safety and survival techniques.

I have been teaching (and at the forefront of updating this course) for over thirty years, I think I can safely say that it is an experience you will enjoy and consider as time well spent. The how to sign up information is in the sidebar and I can always be reached at <u>onerobin-hood@roadrunner.com</u> to answer questions. I do recommend that children be at least 12 years of age and have a parent in attendance on class day. I want only the responsible adult's email address, no email contact with minors.

The International Bowhunter Education Program class will not allow you to purchase a hunting license, if you have never been a licensed hunter or taken a Hunter Safety Course, then you will have to complete that first, same place (Angeles Ranges) same class room, different instructor. Contact Jim Overman (818) 840-3729. This is a one day class that is held twice a month with a top teacher. Sorry it is the law, even if you never intend to hunt with anything but a bow. Some things I just have no power to change. Hunting archery is not the same as target archery and many more things come into play before one can become good at "shot placement" in the field, I do recommend that you master reasonable shooting ability before moving into the hunting aspect of archery. A good goal for reasonable field shooting ability is to be able to place 4 out of 5 arrows into a 10" pie plate at 25 yards.

I'm looking forward to having some Conejo Valley Archers in my August 3rd class, won't you be one of them!

Till next month,

Curtis

"Life is Better Outdoors"



Thirty-two sets of scorecards were turned in this month. This is the most we have had in a while. The weather was quite nice. I can't think of a better way to spend a Sunday morning.

A number of folks ran the course twice this month including Norman "Ironman" Rice who also had the top scratch (508) and handicapped score (566). Norm also picked up third spot with a 549 (497 scratch) shooting his alternative "Free Style". Fellow Golden Ager Chuck Thurber picked up second with a handicapped 555, making it a clean sweep of the top three by the "Oldsters".

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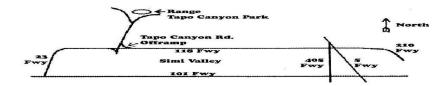
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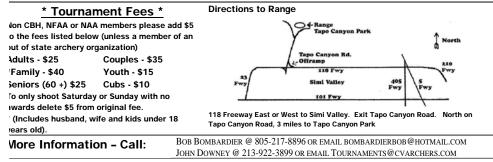
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June 15th Riverside Archers Muley Crazy Shoot 42 1 arrow 3-D



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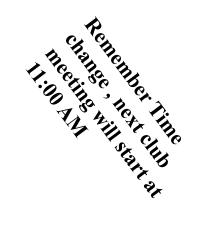
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Saturday April 5th Is Range Beatification Day Please come out and give us a hand

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Reminder: Range Beautification Days are the 1st Saturday of even months

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Monthly Newsletter

May 2014

From the Prez

I want to give a big thanks to Bob Bombadier for making the Pacific Coast Tradition Challenge a great success. There were 148 archers and from what I heard everyone had a great time. If you see Bob around the range, feel free to thank him. His hard work and the help of all the volunteers helped raise money for the club, keeping your dues down. I



heard several comments from the participants that all the work we have done on the range is incredible and they want to become members of CVA because we have such nice facilities.

A big part of CVA is allowing people to experience archery at all levels. This is especially important to new archers. As the summer months are upon us, we expect a surge of participants at the Public Open Sessions at the JOAD practice field on Saturday mornings. We want everyone's first archery experience to be a good one. If you have time and would like to help please come on Saturday morning and let a coach know you would like to help. There are always things to be done to help out. Things as simple as helping people get armguards and finger tabs, or waiver paperwork really helps, and you don't even need to be a coach. If you are a coach, you can help with equipment and safety. We even have a coaching mentorship program for anyone who wants to become more involved. Regardless, keep in mind that "non-members" are guests and it is our responsibility to be a good host. If you see a line of people at the bin, please assist to make sure everyone has a positive experience.

One of the key things that make CVA such an excellent range is its volunteers. Without these giving members the facilities would end up in disrepair in matter of months. In the last few months we have had a strong turnout to rebuild the range and make the traditional shoot a success The issue is that it is always the same people doing all the work. We need more member involvement in order to have a better club. We need to make sure we do not burn out the few active members that we do have.

I have a philosophy about people and life. "There are givers and there are takers." The question I have for you is, "Are you a giver or a taker?"

Most members do not realize that the dues cover only a small portion of cost of operating the range. We have to rely on other sources of income (tournaments, donations, selling CVA member items, corporate funds, grants, etc...) in order to cover the budget gap. Sometimes when I talk to members they complain that they want all these upgrades to the range because they pay their dues. These members feel "entitled" to ask for more because they have a "paid" membership. Well, even a family membership is only \$160 per year. So the question I have to ask is "If you are using the range are you getting more than \$13.33 worth of value per month?" It is really as simple as that. If you are getting more than you are putting in you are a "taker."

"Taker" members make more work for the club. They use the facilities, shoot up targets, ask for more benefits, complain at meetings, shoot broadheads into the 3D targets, etc... Basically, they are a drain on the club and make us a weaker organization.

If the CVA membership was all takers, we would not have a club, organization, range, JOAD program, etc... We would fall apart in under a year.

Given the Herculean efforts of a few of the members the club has a slow progression to improve. But there are many projects that do not get resources applied to them just because we do not have the volunteers to make it happen. Today, I ask you the big questions:

"Are you a giver or a taker?"

"If you are a giver, how does that make you feel?" "If you are a taker, how does that make you feel?"

"Would you prefer to be a giver?"

As we move forward there are a lot of things any member can do to become a "giver".

-Adopt a target- Contact Keith Murphy

-Public Open Session Archery/JOAD- Show up on Saturday morning and ask any coach

-If you do not know what you want to do but would like to help – Contact Clark Pentico

I throw down the gauntlet. Become a "CVA giver!"

Shoot for the center,

Clark Pentico CVA President From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

We had a great showing for the Traditional Challenge. My wife and I worked the back canyon snack shack and had the opportunity to meet and talk to a great many archers. To say that the event



was a lot of fun is an understatement...to the point where I am thinking about getting a longbow so I can shoot the event next year. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to help during a CVA event I highly recommend getting involved as it is a really good time!

We have a group of 15 or so archers that are consistently participating in our 300 rounds. We also have a handful of Adult Pin participants, and I'm happy to announce that we have handed out our first award! My lovely wife Rose Hoberg earned her first pin by blowing away the 100 points she needed. Just think...that could be you!

Here are the particulars of the pin programs:

- JOAD Pin Program. This program is for youth archers to earn pins for shooting a specific score at 18M distance. The cost is \$10 per year to join and the pins and lanyards are \$3 each. USA Archery membership is required by the third pin earned – see <u>http://</u> <u>www.teamusa.org/USA-Archery/Membership/Membership-Benefits</u> for membership options. We will be shooting for score during each 300 round, so if you are interested please contact me for more information.
- Adult Pin Program. This program works like the youth program, only it is specifically offered to adults. Adults need to be a current USA Archery member to join the program. The cost is the same as the JOAD program for enrollment / pins / lanyards.

Our next CVA shooting event is the Dry and Dusty, sometimes called the Wet and Wild if it rains – somehow I think Dry and Dusty is what we'll have this year. This event would be a great one to help at, or come out and shoot to support your club. This is scheduled for July, so you have some time to mull it over...

For those who are interested in competing, the California State Outdoor tournament is scheduled for June 14th and 15th. Archers from all over California converge on Long Beach's El Dorado Park to shoot some distance! Rose and I will be attending, and I'm sure some other CVA members will be shooting in their CVA shirts with us. (We have those for sale, by the way!) If you are interested in attending an outdoor tournament this is a good one. Let me know if you have questions.

See you on the range! Your VP,

Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

Membership Corner

May 13, 2014

As I write this "Spring" (do we really get Spring in California?) newsletter, I see the hot summer months coming at us fast. Membership numbers tend to drop slightly during the hot months as it is harder to get new people to try out the range during the heat. Our Open House on the 17th will be a great opportunity to get people on the ranges and see what we are all about. More often than not, people will notice our shirt or patch that you may be wearing and ask you a simple question about it. Always look to these moments to spread the word and tell people about our Open Public Sessions or give them a personal invite as a guest to come and walk or shoot the range if they have experience. Sometimes it is the most casual of comments that feed an idea or inspire someone to try something "new" or " different"!

As plans for the Tournament Range start to really come together we will also be looking for continual support from the communities that we work at every day. How can your workplace help our club? You may be surprised that many companies like Baxter, Amgen or Microsoft have matching donation programs and/or programs that pay <u>us</u> dollars for <u>your</u> volunteer hours. We have recently received \$2500 from our VP, Kurt Hoberg through Amgen from these exact programs. Just think of all the hay bales that will pay for! Maybe if you are the owner of a business you may think about starting one of these programs for your employees. Studies prove that employees that volunteer are better workers!

Speaking of volunteering, we have had many great members out there helping out during the major target relocation project that our Range Captain, Keith Murphy and Bob Bombardier have been spearheading for the past few months These are the members that as you all know I like to call our "quality members". I hope you are one of them! If not yet, please don't hesitate to talk to me and I know we can come up with a project, big or small that matches your time and temperament!

I will also be calling on members for some help with upcoming Private Parties. Remember these parties are a big part of our fundraising dollars and sometimes just 20 minutes of help is all we need to get a group suited up with their equipment and get them on the line shooting and having fun. We have two large parties coming up over the next few weekends. Please reply to email flashes when they come out. Also remember that these parties are for members too! If you would like to put together an event for a birthday, church group, sports group or team building event, we can do that "different" event that you have been looking for.

That's all I have for this month and here is the list of April and May's membership anniversaries! (Sorry I missed last month!)

Congratulations to you all and thank you for your continuing support of our club!

Bonnie

April/May 2014 Anniversaries

Garry Magness – Congratulations on 22 years with the club! Keith Murphy, Range Captain Extraordinaire is celebrating 12 years with us!

Past President and Dry and Dusty Tournament Chair, Richard Carpenter has reached the 10 year mark!

6 years - Mike Keena and Marc Freedman

4 years – Carlos Parada, Mark Ridgley and family, and Dennis Smith and family

3 years – Michael Duckett, Dennis Kunkel, Thomas Caiya, James Reddington and Gary Ervin

2 years - Edward Lerma and Matthew Wardlow and family

And completing their first year with the club:

Steve Mahoney Thien Troung and family, Michael Koller, Peter Burdi, John Barrow and family, and Michael Davis.

"On Hallowed Ground" By Curtis Hermann 5/8/2014

Archery History in America is a very rich and colorful topic and every archer should have a certain amount of knowledge of the past pioneers of our sport. Of course the history of America's first people and their relationship with the bow and arrow as a tool of survival and war goes back over a thousand years, but very little of that history has been written down for us to study. Modern archery on the other hand is well documented and fairly recent and is only a little over 150 years old.

Because of this short history I have been fortunate enough to have been involved with portions of it and have actually had a friendship with some of those who have made our sport what it is today. This last weekend I had the opportunity to tread on some of our sports "Hallowed Ground" and I would like to share that experience with you, but before I do - lets just go over some very important moments in our history that leads up to this experience.

Archery in America was officially started in 1828 with the start of the first archery club "The United Bowmen of Philadelphia." Target archery using the latest in European technology had begun, but bowhunting was not on the horizon until the end of the civil war (1865). Will and Maurice Thompson were brothers who fought on the side of the south, at the end of the war the north sent them home without their muskets, they took up the bow and arrow as a hunting weapon and as a means of survival. A decade later (1878) Maurice wrote a book on the brother's exploits while hunting with a bow and arrow, it was titled the "Witchery of Archery." Up until this point in history archery was a social sport involved in city parks and shared with ladies dressed in their best finery and having tea between ends or rounds as a drawing in the front of the book shows. The importance of the "Witchery of Archery," is that for the first time the national perception of archery as a "social sport" was changed to include a perception of "a personal adventure in the life and death struggle of nature", the term bowhunter had begun. And for all you JOAD guys and gals the National Archery Association (NAA)

was formed one year later (1979) and the first National Champion was Will Thompson.

The next event every Conejo Valley Archer should be aware of is the story of "Ishi" America's last wild Indian, because Ishi was a native Californian. In the early 1900's a survey team for the telegraph company was measuring a canyon up near Oroville for a new telegraph line when a couple of arrows came flying out of the canyon at them, going for help and returning they found two native American huts (Ishi, his wife and two kids and his mother lived there) that were now empty, they took everything as souvenirs. Ishi and family had been hiding for twenty-five years from the white man and now his family was scattered, his mother was never found, his wife and kids may have made it to a reservation and Ishi in thirty days decided that hanging was better than starving to death. So one morning he sat next to a corral post in Oroville - hungry and sick. The sheriff took him to jail, fed him and called on a Professor Kroeber from the University of Berkley, the only known person to speak Ishi's Yana language.

Ishi returned to Berkley with the Professor and was turned over to the Chief Medical Doctor for the school of Medicine Dr. Saxton Pope. Ish

I was very impressed with this powerful "Witch Doctor" and they soon became fast friends. Ishi taught Dr. Pope and his friend Art Young to hunt with a bow and arrow and they in turn wrote a book titled "Hunting with a Bow and Arrow." They became known as the "Fathers of Bowhunting."

Were getting closer folks! Next in line was a tall, skinny guy from Michigan that wore a size 13 boot named Fred Bear. Fred had met Art Young and fell in love with bowhunting, in 1933 he started making leather goods for archers and eventually arrows and bows, by the late forties he was America's largest bow manufacturer and a worldrenowned bow hunter. Fred hunted worldwide but he had two favorite hideaways,

, one was his own hunting camp in Michigan named "Grouse Haven" and when he really wanted to get away from all the cameras and publicity he went with his mid-west field representative Dick Mauch to Dick's hunting cabin in the Nebraska Sand Hills along Plum Creek. Dick's place was 2,000 acres of cedar, pine, oak and cottonwoods filled with whitetail deer and turkey in the north-central Nebraska sand hills. This is still a active hunting camp today, Dick is in his eighties and both he and his wife Carol are active bowhunters. This is a small cabin with probably more bowhunting history than any camp in American bowhunting history. Inside are three sets of double bunks with a couple of beds up in the rafters. Each set of bunks is covered with a curtain and each curtain is covered with hundreds of signatures from our bowhunting ancestors. The center section was known as the "Fred Bear Suite," the one on the right the "Dick Mauch Suite." The cabin was a living history of bowhunting, it was filled with arrows, quivers and other memento's of hunts gone by, to touch anything was to get a tingle in your fingers. On a small table in the corner lay some magazines and on top was a "National Bowhunter" magazine with a column in it by yours truly, what a surprise to think that perhaps Ted Nugent, Dick or Carol Mauch, Glenn St. Charles or any of the other fine hunters had actually settled in after a days hunt and may have picked up that magazine and actually read what I had to say, it was overwhelming.

Carol Mauch entered the cabin adorned in her turkey hunting garb, a very old hunting compound in her hand, I'm glad I got back in time to see you she said, the turkey's are not cooperating today and I was ready to give it up till tomorrow. She gave us a tour of the cabin, pointing out the gravity water system from the pond behind the cabin, a new bedroom was being added and the kitchen where her beloved Dick spent so much time as camp cook and host as well as chief hunter.

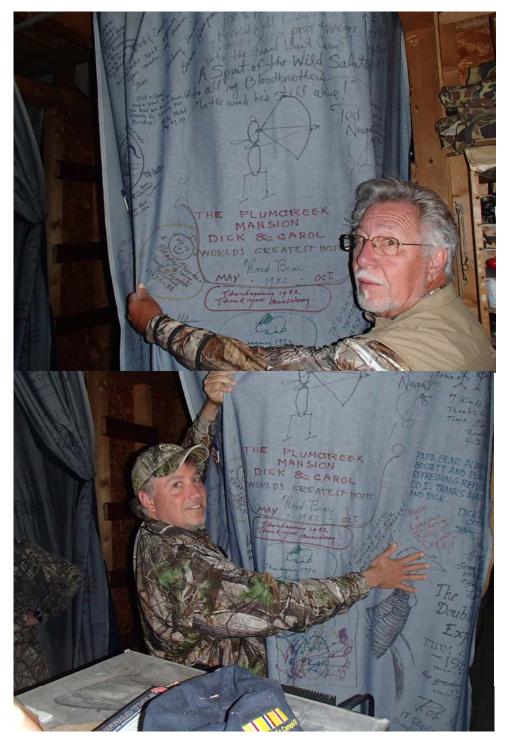
This was truly "Hallowed Ground" as she pointed to a ridge where Fred like to place his tree stand, in the old days, when they were much younger and gave little thought to the steepness of the climb.

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I had no idea my friend Joel Klammer (Nebraska bowhunter of the year) had made arrangements for myself and my partner Stephen George to visit this cabin and to meet Carol Mauch, while we were turkey hunting in the Sand Hills on Joel's farm seven miles up Plum Creek from the famed hunting camp. It was a thrill, I have to say, never visualizing that I would actually be in the same camp where Fred Bear loved to hunt.

History has meaning, fill yourself with it, it adds a real richness to life.





Hi All CVA members,

Since we have changed up the target order/locations on the roving range I have decided to start fresh with the "Adopt A Target" list.

"Adopt a Target" is for members to volunteer to help maintain one of the 28 shooting lanes on the Roving range. It mostly consists of keeping the weeds and brush at bay and general clean up on a selected lane. On most lanes this would require the person(s) to spend only about 30 - 45 minutes working on the lane maybe 2 or 3 times a year. This would allow me to focus on other project on the range. Because if I have to clear all of the lanes (30 minutes x 28 lanes) it eats up my available time to do other things like working on bales, spraying weeds, putting up covers on the target, fire abatement, repairs, etc.....

If you're not sure of what maintaining a lane would consist of feel free to give me a call with any questions you may have.

If you are interested on a particular lane send me an email. It will be first come first serve so if you want a particular lane let me know ASAP.

Thanks,

Keith Murphy (CVA Range Captain)

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Adopt a Target Sign-Up Sheet

Target #	Distance	Adoptor(s)	
1	35 yrd fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Gary Magness	
2	30 yrd. field 32 yrd hunter		
3	20 yrd. field 19walk-up hunter	Robert & Dawn	
4	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd hunter		
5	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd. walk-up hunter	Norman Rice	
6	25 yrd field 28 yrd. fan hunter		
7	55 yrd field 53 yrd walk-up hunter		
8	45 yrd walk-up field 44 yrd hunter	Terry Gieskewski	
9	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	Terry Gleskewski	
10	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter		
10	40 yrd field 40 yrd. Hunter		
11	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up		
13	45 yrd field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter		
13	50 yrd. field 48 yrd walk-up hunter		
15	45 yrd.walk-up field 44 yrd. hunter		
16	50 yrd. field 48 yrd. hunter		
17	20 yrd field 19 yrd. walk-up hunter	Clark Pentico	
18	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd walk-up		
	hunter		
19	55 yrd. field 53 yrd. walk-up hunter		
20	25 yrd. field 28 yrd. fan hunter		
21	35 yrd. fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Jim Niehoff	
22	30 yrd. field 32 yrd. fan hunter	Jim Niehoff	
23	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd. hunter		
24	45 yrd. field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter		
25	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter		
26	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up		
27	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter		
28	40 yrd. field 40 yrd. hunter		
	20-40 yrd practice butts		
	20 yrd. practice butts by running pig	Kris Ogle	

Would you like to make your very own custom bow?

Villars Custom Bows is offering a bow making class at the Conejo Valley Archers' range the weekend of June 28th and 29th.

Cost of the workshop is \$350 per person, and includes the price of the bamboo backed ipe longbow blank.

Students will learn to take their bow from floor tillering through braced tillering, with the goal being to make a shootable bow during the workshop. Emphasis is on fun and hands on learning, with plenty of theory and introduction to many bowyer basics, starting with glueing up a backed bow and including making a bowstring, cutting in nock grooves, and understanding how to make a bow bend properly.

Class runs about eight hours on Saturday, and until about 1 pm on Sunday. We're asking for a minimum of three students, and we'll accommodate as many as are interested. Another workshop will be scheduled in the fall.

Contact Ken Villars at (760)242-2086 to join the class and arrange to have your bow blank glued up to match your draw length and draw weight desired (a 50% deposit is required to prepare your bow blank), and with any questions. You can also send email enquiries to ken@villarscustombows.com.

VillarsCustomBows.com

April Club Shoot

Turnout was a bit lite for April with only seventeen archers turning in scorecards. This is due in part no doubt to Norm (Ironman) Rice taking the month off from shooting.

Back at the top again, was Clark (call me Lefty) Pentico with a 585 (505 scratch). He was followed by Luke Sekerka with a 559 (493 scratch) and Chuck Thurber 557, 436).

Top 'Traditional' score this month was shot by Garry Magness (536, 306).

The hot months are upon us. Everyone is encouraged to bring and drink lots of water while out on the range. A couple of archers were sick shooting our recent Traditional shoot (May $3^{rd} \& 4^{th}$) due to the heat. Fortunately we also have a couple of new water fountains around for everyone to make use of.

NAME	HSCORE	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
Clark Pentico	585.00	505.00	А	FS
Luke Sekerka	559.00	493.00	А	BHFS
Chuck Thurber	557.00	436.00	GA	FS
Randy Estrella	553.00	497.00	А	FS
Rick Gabbie	551.00	477.00	А	FS
Jack Sampson	548.00	430.00	Y	FS
Keith Murphy	547.00	500.00	А	BHFS
Chris Murphy	547.00	416.00	YA	BHFS
Kit Raquel	540.00	389.00	А	FS
Garry Magness	536.00	306.00	А	LB
Alan Murphy	533.00	457.00	А	BHFS
Robert Luttrell	507.00	230.00	А	TRAD
Didier Beauvoiz	499.00	261.00	А	TRAD
Rob Lind	498.00	221.00	GA	TRAD
John Brix	491.00	246.00	GA	TRAD
Jonathan Geiger	468.00	214.00	А	TRAD
Dawn Burnham	445.00	59.00	А	TRAD

Hope to see you all out on the range. John Downey, Tournament Chairman

Calendar of Events

May 25th CVA CLUB SHOOT

June 1st Mojave Archers Pirate Shoot 30 2 arrows June 15th Riverside Archers Muley Crazy Shoot 42 1 arrow 3-D June 21st Santa Ynez Valley Bow club 2014 Point Series 25 marked 2 arrow

June 22nd Mojave Archers Mojave Traditional 25 unmarked 2 3-D

June 22nd CVA Club Shoot

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June 29th Oranco Bowman Firecracker 42 Unmarked 1 arrow

Jul;y 13th Mojave Archers No-See-UM 30 unmarked 2 arrow 3-D

July 13th Conejo Valley Archers Dry and Dusty 30 targets 2 arrows

July 13th Pedillton Sportsmans Club. Bowhunter 3-D 42 Unmarked 1 arrow

July 19th Riverside Archers 20 unmarked 1 arrow 3-D July 27th Lodi Bowen Bowhunter Challenge 28 unmarked 2 3-D July 27th CVA Club Shoot



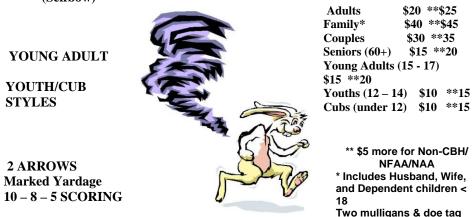
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CONEJO VALLEY ARCHERS ANNUAL DRY & DUSTY 3-D SHOOT

SUNDAY July 13, 2014 30 TARGET MARKED YARDAGE 3-D

ADULT STYLES FS, FSL, BHFS, HFSL, BH, BB FITA Recurve - LB Longbow) RB (Recurve) -SB (Selfbow) REGISTRATION 7:00 am TO 8:00 am SHOOT STARTS AT 8:AM

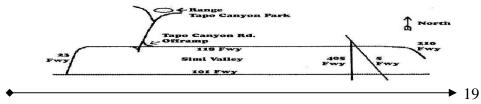
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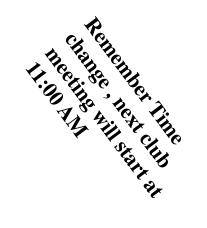
No Dogs Allowed on Range or left unattended in County Park

DIRECTIONS TO RANGE

TAKE THE 118 FREEWAY INTO SIMI VALLEY. EXIT AT TAPO CANYON. GO NORTH ON TAPO CANYON ROAD 3 MILES TO TAPO CANYON PARK, TURN LEFT INTO THE PARK. THE RANGE IS INSIDE THE PARK TO THE LEFT AS YOU ENTER.



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Monthly Newsletter

July 2014

From the Prez

To all CVA members,

The Dry and Dusty was a lot of fun. All the volunteers came out in force and made quick work of the event. A special thanks goes out to John Downey and Keith Murphy for stepping in and filling in on some key items to make the shoot the success it was.

During the summer months, there are a few key reminders for everyone at the range.

- Do not shoot broadheads into the bales. If you are planning to shoot broadheads, do it in the back canyon with your own target, by the swinging tire shot.
- No hunting on the range. Some people are tempted to shoot critters as they stand under the target when you are at full draw, but don't do it. It is against our lease and you put the whole club at risk.
- Watch out for rattlesnakes. They like to come out and sun themselves. If you see a rattlesnake, please leave it alone if it is not bothering anyone. They play an important role in our environment keeping the rodent population in check. If they are in a dangerous location (i.e. under the target or bin, on a trail during a shoot, etc...) please be careful, use your best judgment to make the situation safe for yourself and others. Keep in mind that this is the snake's natural environment and in most cases, the snake can be left alone.
- Stay hydrated. During the summer months try to shoot before it gets too hot and make sure you drink liquids. There are several new water fountains on the range for your convince.

So go out there be safe and have fun.

Clark Pentico CVA President From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

Congratulations to our Adult Achievement Pin program award earners this month! Great job and fine shooting! The program is growing as you can see with the new names added to the leader board this month.



- Barbara Richter 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Basic Compound (Fingers)
- Brianna Erickson 1st, 2nd, and 3rd pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Brandon Newcomer 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Cher Riggs 3rd pin, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Fred French 3rd and 4th pin, shooting Barebow
- Julio Dorado 1st, 2nd, and 3rd pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Rose Hoberg 4th pin, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Tyler Hines 1st and 2nd pin, shooting Compound (Release)

The JOAD pin program is starting to take off, with several new signups this month. We have our 'early program adopter' listed below, who has already earned his first two pins. Congratulations Connor! For those youth archers who are interested in participating in the JOAD pin program please see me during our Saturday Public Sessions.

• Connor Blackwell – 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Compound (Release)

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As mentioned last month I'll be reaching out soon via E-Mail to our certified coaches to ask that you complete USA Archery's Safe Sport training requirement. Included in my e-mail will be the specifics on how to complete this free USA Archery mandatory training program and request that you provide CVA a copy of your completed certificate. It should be noted that this certification is a requirement to retain your coaching or instructor training and is free of charge. As CVA is dedicated to providing a safe environment for all archers who participate in our sport, we will be asking for adherence to this USA Archery required training. Feel free to contact me with questions or comments. See you on the range!

Your VP,

Kurt Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

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CVA Youth Archer Miles Gould Takes California State Outdoor Tournament by Storm!



From his father's company picnic to setting a State record, Mile Gould has come a long way in archery in a short time. He was introduced to the sport in 2012 and is an active competitor and CVA club member.

During this year's California State Outdoor tournament held in El Dorado Park in Long Beach, Miles set a new State record in the Bowman Compound Male division at 30M distance. Miles beat the old record set in 2009 of 355 with a 356. A perfect score at 30M is a 360, so his performance was nearly perfect. "I didn't know about State Records until the tournament awards ceremony, it's really cool," said Miles, who lives in Santa Rosa Valley and goes to Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School.

Shooting to this level takes dedication and hard work. Miles shoots 100 arrows a day and makes up any missed practices. Miles has been training with two-time world champion archery coach John Norberg for the past year, working with his coach once per week. "I really like working with John as he is serious but sometimes I get distracted he doesn't really get mad." Miles said. "I also like his crazy stories about how he gets hurt at work."

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Miles enjoys the sport of archery as he finds competition very fun, and always loves (like all of us archers) shooting that perfect end of 30 points for three arrows. "Practicing isn't as fun, although shooting at the range is fun, but the backyard is boring," Miles admitted.

Miles is an inspiration for his friends, as they think his participation in the sport is unique. He knows of three friends that have picked up a bow because of him. He mentioned he would like to lead by example in the sport so more of his friends might become interested in participating. Miles would like his dad to shoot with him sometime though he also thinks that would be "kinda weird..."

Like most youth his age Miles is plugged into popular media and movies, many of which include the sport of archery. "I don't like how quickly in the movies the bows are drawn," he mentioned.

Miles shoots a Hoyt Freestyle Compound bow, 30 lbs. with 70% let-off. His release is a Carter Evolution Plus back tension release. For arrows he shoots PSA Radial X Weave Pro 100s with Blazer vanes. He is looking to get some Easton A/C/G's as his next arrow of choice.

Miles' current goals are short term. His next competition is the USA Archery National Target Championships held in Ohio in July 2014. He hopes to shoot a 1400 or better for the tournament, with a score of 700 for each day of the two day competition. With how Miles has been performing, those numbers are defiantly within his ability to achieve.

Congratulations Miles on your new State Record! Your dedication and hard work are inspirational and CVA is rooting for you!

By Kurt Hoberg, CVA Vice President

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Odocoileus hemionus

By Curtis Hermann

Unless you are a recent biology student you may have a little trouble pronouncing the title of this month's column, I've been trying to get it right for thirty years and I'm still unsure of my efforts. Anyway it is a general term that is involved with the dreams of many of our members as fall inches closer and your field point or target point dreams of becoming a broadhead. If you are having as much trouble with the pronunciation as I do - you can just say "mule deer," which is a term we can all relate to.

Even though our club seems to be made up of hunters and non-hunters as two separate groups, my experience tells a slightly different story. There are many members who start archery as a target sport with no interest in the hunting aspect, but archery and nature have a comradery that goes back thousands of years and that pull begins to work on one's soul over time. Eventually the pull becomes strong and I get a call asking about my next bowhunter education class.

Even if the urge to hunt never comes your way we almost all have some interest in the critters that call our range home, one of those is the several Mule Deer that enjoy the security of our back canyon, the acorns (mast) of our oak trees and they also cross our area at both the east and west ends to partake in the exotics that reside in the nursery next door. They tend to water and bed north of the back canyon. When we first arrived the back canyon was a favorite fawning area but our 3-D range put an end to that activity.

Deer seem to be deer to most of us, they all look alike but you might be surprised to find that there are six subspecies of Mule Deer is California. I am not going to go into detail on these as it is a bit much to take in but there is some general information you may find interesting. The deer on our range are a subspecies known as California Mule Deer (Odocoileus hemionus Californicus) and are deer that reside year around in a small area without a winter migration, except for those on the high western Sierra slopes that must come down to avoid winter. If you were to harvest one of these local deer west of the 5 freeway and have it recorded in the California Bowman Hunters Record book, you would then refer to it as a Pacific Coast hybrid. The California Mule Deer and the Columbia Black tail deer overlap their areas in central Santa Barbara County and often interbreed making it difficult to decipher just which species they are. The Black tail will have a full length black tail and the California Mule Deer will have a black tipped tail.

Primarily deer are browsing animals. The prefer twigs (about the thickness of a match stick), buds, and leaves of shrubs and trees. Deer will graze on grasses in the spring and fall, weeds and other herbaceous plants, they also like ornamental plants, vegetable gardens, grain fields and orchards (just ask the nursery next door). Even sage is a primary source of nutrition for the Mule Deer. Deer are not generally considered to be scavengers but they have been known to take in protein and fats when they have an opportunity, I have an 8mm film of one taking a BLT sandwich from my daughter's hands and eating not only the sandwich but the paper plate as well!

A Mule Deer's hearing is its keenest sense. Air movement governs its sense of smell (as every hunter knows). Deer have very large eyes placed in the far corners of the skull that gives them a range of view of approximately 270 degrees (almost every direction except directly behind), they have many cones in their eyes to detect movement but few that detect color. So they have trouble discerning color or stationary objects but are very quick to see and decipher movement, they understand body language better than you might think.

The male deer grows antlers and sheds them annually from pedicels (two little bumps above the eyes on the top of the skull). Growing antlers are covered with a velvet like skin , at this time they are filled with blood and nerves and are sensitive and easily injured,

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by the time mating season arrives the antlers have shrunk, hardened and they have rubbed off the velvet outer layer. Mule deer have a main antler beam that splits (bifurcate) and points will grow on each beam, a typical mature buck will have four points (two on each split) and be referred to as a 4x4. Antlers are not a good indication of age, for that the DFG uses the rings in the teeth much as you would age a tree.

Of the six subspecies of mule deer in California two are quite large, they are the Rocky Mountain Mule Deer that resides in the northeast corner of the state and the Burro Mule Deer that resides along the Colorado River from near Blythe and south from there. The Burro Deer has enlarged ears that have superior hearing to make up for the loss of smell due to the dry heat of the desert. If you are looking for a trophy this is where you need to focus your efforts.

Just for your knowledge the six subspecies of Mule Deer in our state are: Columbia Black Tail, California Mule Deer, Rocky Mountain Mule Deer, Southern Mule Deer (Orange, Riverside & San Diego counties), Inyo Mule Deer (Inyo County), Burro Mule Deer (San Bernardino, East Riverside & Imperial counties).

So there you have it" Odocoileus hemionus 101"your life as a naturalist has begun (I hope), enjoy the deer on our range, it is a privilege to have them there, they struggle with our presence as they try to survive in close proximity to us.

Till next month,

Curtis



Hi All CVA members,

Since we have changed up the target order/locations on the roving range I have decided to start fresh with the "Adopt A Target" list.

"Adopt a Target" is for members to volunteer to help maintain one of the 28 shooting lanes on the Roving range. It mostly consists of keeping the weeds and brush at bay and general clean up on a selected lane. On most lanes this would require the person(s) to spend only about 30 - 45minutes working on the lane maybe 2 or 3 times a year. This would allow me to focus on other project on the range. Because if I have to clear all of the lanes (30 minutes x 28 lanes) it eats up my available time to do other things like working on bales, spraying weeds, putting up covers on the target, fire abatement, repairs, etc.....

If you're not sure of what maintaining a lane would consist of feel free to give me a call with any questions you may have.

If you are interested on a particular lane send me an email. It will be first come first serve so if you want a particular lane let me know ASAP.

Thanks,

Keith Murphy (CVA Range Captain)

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Adopt a Target Sign-Up Sheet

Target #	Distance	Adoptor(s)	
1	35 yrd fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Gary Magness	
2	30 yrd. field 32 yrd hunter	Rob Lind	
3	20 yrd. field 19walk-up hunter	Robert Luttrell	
4	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd hunter		
5	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd. walk-up hunter	Norman Rice	
6	25 yrd field 28 yrd. fan hunter		
7	55 yrd field 53 yrd walk-up hunter		
8	45 yrd walk-up field 44 yrd hunter	Terry Gieskewski	
9	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter		
10	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter		
11	40 yrd field 40 yrd. Hunter	Steve Price	
12	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up		
13	45 yrd field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter		
14	50 yrd. field 48 yrd walk-up hunter		
15	45 yrd.walk-up field 44 yrd. hunter		
16	50 yrd. field 48 yrd. hunter	Julio Durado	
17	20 yrd field 19 yrd. walk-up hunter	Clark Pentico	
18	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd walk-up hunter		
19	55 yrd. field 53 yrd. walk-up hunter		
20	25 yrd. field 28 yrd. fan hunter		
21	35 yrd. fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Jim Niehoff	
22	30 yrd. field 32 yrd. fan hunter	Jim Niehoff	
23	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd. hunter	Sharron Jacobs Casey Nolte	
24	45 yrd. field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter		
25	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	Kit Raquel	
26	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	Jonathan & Diana Geiger	
27	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	Chuck Thurber	
28	40 yrd. field 40 yrd. hunter	Chuck Thurber	
	20-40 yrd practice butts		
	20 yrd. practice butts by running pig	Kris Ogle	

Sixteen folks made the round for the June Club Shoot. After the scores were tallied, Jack Sampson landed at the top with a 562 (462 scratch). He was in turn followed by Jim Niehoff with a 556 (459 scratch) and Keith Murphy with a 553 (502 scratch).

Top 'Tradional' Score (Recurve or Longbow) went to Rob Lind with a 517. Rob also picked up the top handicaped score with a 259.

We have three more shoots left in this club year (July, August and September). There is still time for a number of folks to get in the required five shoots to qualify for a Range Record Trophy. Every year a number of trophies that could be awarded go unclaimed.

Also, it should be no surprise that is getting quite warm out on the range. Please make sure that you drink plenty of water or Gatorade (or similar) while making the rounds, and keep an eye out for rattlesnakes.

See you around the range John Downey, Tournament Chairman

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NAME	HSCORE	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
Jack Sampson	562	462	Y	FS
Jim Niehoff	556	459	GA	BHFS
Keith Murphy	553	502	А	BHFS
Luke Sekerka	551	497	А	BHFS
Rick Gabbie	551	487	А	FS
Norman Rice	549	494	GA	BHFS
Jonathan Geiger	549	303	А	FITA
Norman Rice	546	497	GA	FS
Steve Price	536	463	GA	FS
Rob Lind	517	259	GA	TRAD
Steve Erikson	492	130	А	TRAD
Robb Ramos	490	189	А	TRAD
Joe Cavaleri	485	203	А	TRAD
Didier Beauvoiz	481	219	А	TRAD
John Brix	471	209	GA	TRAD
Bob Bom- bardier	460	131	А	LB

Club Trophy (Best Five Handicapped Scores in the same Style) Rick Gabbie is at the top of the leader board right now with a 551.4 average. He was by Keith Murphy with a 547.8 and Norm 'Ironman' Rice with a 539.6.

NAME	HSCORE AVG	STYLE
Rick Gabbie	551.4	FS
Keith Murphy	547.8	BHFS
Norman Rice	539.6	FS
Luke Sekerka	533.4	BHFS
Randy Estrella	533.2	FS

Calendar of Events

July 19th Riverside Archers 20 unmarked 1 arrow 3-D

July 27th Lodi Bowen Bowhunter Challenge 28 unmarked 2 3-D

July 27th CVA Club Shoot

Aug 2nd 3rd Cherry Valley Bowhunters Big Bear 3D shoot 60 unmarked 1 arrow.

Aug 8th Mojave Archers, State Capitol, 28 targets 2 arrows

Aug 24th CVA Club Shoot

Sept 6th 7th Oranco Bowmen CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round Sept 7th Verdugo Hills CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round Sept 14th San Diego Archers CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round Sept 28th CVA Club Shoot



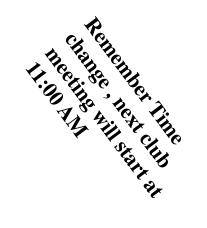
805.581.1671 2150 Agate Court • Simi Valley, CA 93065 I and John would like to thank everyone who helped out with putting on the Dry and Dusty tournament. We made over \$1000.00 from this tournament which will allow us keep the range going.

If you have any comments or suggestions please send me a email or talk to me at the range about things you think would make these tournaments better.

Again thanks for helping or attending the tournament.

Richard Carpenter Conejo Valley Archers USA Archery Level 4 Coach email: <u>richardcarpent@hotmail.com</u>

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Reminder: Range Beautification Days are the 1st Saturday of even months

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Monthly Newsletter

August 2014

From the Prez

To all CVA members,

with the reorganization of the field range I hope everyone is staring to enjoy the benefits of all the hard work of the volunteers. This has been a big undertaking, but it has also been a major upgrade. If you have not shot the field range show up around 7:00 a.m. on Au-



gust 24th (or any club shoot) and we can have you join an experienced group to show you how (scoring, where to stand, target types, etc...) to add another dimension to your archery experience.

As the end of this CVA year approaches, we are looking toward elections of officers and board members. If you would like to make a difference in the club and share your wisdom, please consider running for office. Position's up for election are President, VP and Secretary and 3 board member seats. The job of board member for the most part is simple. Pay attention around the range (observe, get members input, etc...), give you input at meetings (board and club meeting), and be an ambassador to the CVA community. If you are already an active members you are already doing most of this work anyways. The only real additional time commitment is being at a board meeting once a month. Here is the question I would challenge you to think about, "Is CVA is worth an extra 3 hours per month to make it the club you want it to be?" We want a diverse board with input from all types of archers, who have different wants and desires from the range.

I want to be clear on this: **THERE IS NO SMOKING ON THE FIELD RANGE!!!** There have been cigarette butts found out on the field range. If you must smoke there are some butt cans near the practice butts and kitchen. Please contain your smoking to those areas. As hunting season approaches, I want to remind everyone that no one is allowed to shoot broadheads at the targets. If you want to practice with boradheads, please do so on your own targets in the back canyon by the swinging tire. If you do not know where that is please contact me or Keith and we can assist you making sure you shoot your broadheads in a safe manner that does not destroy our facilities.

On a similar note, please do not camp out on any of the field range targets. People have been practicing on specific targets, emptying their quiver again and again. That is not the purpose of the field range targets. It shoots out the centers of the targets making it difficult if not impossible to properly score the targets. This also shoots out the bales faster than our scheduled bale replacement time line causing more work for our work party members. Please have some consideration for your fellow archers. If you want to practice, please bring your own target. There are bales set up for this purpose at the JOAD range, or you can shoot near the swinging tire.

In the last couple months we have been adding to our Public Open Session archery program on Saturday mornings. Mike, Brett and Lee have been leading up a 10m line to help shooters move to the longer distances. They are also teaching interested archers to make arrows, strings and other "equipment maintenance" type of items. This is helping with the overcrowding issues with the 5m line and giving beginning archers a way to progress. If anyone is interested in helping or participation, please show up Saturday morning and tell them your intentions. I think is a great addition to the Saturday morning program, filling a gap that we have had for quite some time

Now, become one with the arrow, keep a strong bow arm, and have fun with you bow.

Clark Pentico CVA President

From the Desk of the Vice Prez Kurt Hoberg

CVA Election time is upon us. The Nomination Committee, Bonnie Marshall, Norm Rice, and me, are looking for member nominations for the following open CVA Board positions:



- Vice President
- Three (3) open Board of Director positions



Nominees must be CVA Members for one (1) year, and obviously need to accept their nomination.

Please talk to Bonnie, Norm, or me on the range if you wish to be nominated or have a candidate you would like to nominate. We will be listing out the nominees during this month's General Board meeting and will also be taking nominations at the meeting from any Senior CVA member. Elections will be held in September so please let us know your nominations as soon as possible.

Congratulations to this month's Adult Achievement Pin program award earners. Great job and fine shooting!

- Barbara Richter 5th and 6th pins, shooting Basic Compound (Fingers)
- Cher Riggs 4th pin, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Chuck Thurber -1^{st} pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Fred French 5th pin, shooting Barebow
 Julio Dorado 4th, 5th, and 6th pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Rose Hoberg 5th pin, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Terry Marvin -1^{st} and 2^{nd} pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Tyler Hines -3^{rd} , 4^{th} , and 5^{th} pins, shooting Compound (Release)

The JOAD pin program has officially arrived, with many new youth participants. For those youth archers who are interested in participating in the JOAD pin program please see me during our Saturday Public Sessions. Congratulations to the following archers for their fine shooting!

- Amelie Leviant 1st and 2nd pings, shooting Compound (Release)
- Connor Blackwell 3rd pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Jack Sampson 1st pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Joyanne Begg 1st pin, shooting Barebow
- Kale Hayes 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Katie Stone 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Thomas Hayes 1st pin, shooting Compound (Release) with his first robin-hood! Check out CVA's Facebook page for the picture.

For reference, here are the particulars of the pin programs for those interested in participating.

- JOAD Pin Program. This program is for youth archers to earn pins for shooting a specific score at 18M distance. The cost is \$10 per year to join and the pins and lanyards are \$3 each. <u>USA Archery</u> <u>membership is required by the third pin earned</u> – see <u>http://</u> <u>www.teamusa.org/USA-Archery/Membership/Membership-Benefits</u> for membership options. We shoot for score during CVA's weekly 300 round held Saturday mornings at 11am, so if you are interested please contact me for more information.
- Adult Pin Program. This program works like the youth program, only it is specifically offered to adults. <u>Adults need to be a current</u> <u>USA Archery member to join the program</u>. The cost is the same as the JOAD program for enrollment / pins / lanyards.

I'd like to thank everyone that helped create our new 10M line – Brent Richter, Mike Keena, and Lee Glasser, thanks for putting the bales together and running the show. If I forgot anyone please feel free to berate me at our next Public Session, it's not intentional! This much needed addition to our range is helping move archers that are 'stuck' at the 5M line to an intermediate distance, before the even more daunting 18M line. See you on the range!

Your VP,

Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

Odocoileus Hemionus #2

or

12 Mistakes very Mule Bowhunter Makes!

By Curtis Hermann

Because hunting is foremost in the mind with September just around the corner many of my Instructors in the Bowhunter Education Program or friends I've made in the Outdoor Writers of California - just love to write a how-to articles on hunting this or that. I don't think I need to add to that list, there is plenty of help at your local newsstand. Instead, I thought a list of mistakes that are commonly made by both the best and least experienced of bowhunter's may be just as helpful and a good follow up to lasts month's column.

Bowhunter's may have a hard time trying to pattern a Mule Deer, but Mr. Mulie has a much easier time patterning us.

Skill and today's advanced technology aside, today's bowhunter at his best is a poor predator, Mr. Mulie is far better at surviving than we are at turning him into backstraps or burger. I'm willing to bet that you (like me) are very prone to learning things the hard way, a process of learning from the embarrassment of mistakes being blatantly made, so let's us discuss some classic blunders that we are all prone to make!

(12) Parking in the same spot every hunt!

I have a favorite hunting area in the Eastern Sierra (Unit X9A) and I was accustomed to pulling up in the dark about twenty yards from a cattle tank, I used the same place the rancher (who leased this area) used to park his truck, feeling deer would just mistake me for the rancher. Soon it was just grey enough in the morning light to glass the north facing slope of the ridge in front of me. Doing a 360 degree glassing, satisfied the coast was clear, I headed toward the top of the ridge in a southwest direction. About two hundred yards out I was crossing a small swell that was just a hair deeper than I was tall, it was then I heard the sound

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of a branch crack! Quickly I turned left and climbed toward the sound just in time to see a beautiful 4x4 rack disappear over the edge of the ridge.

How could I have missed him with my glassing, I thought? To answer that question, I headed toward where he must have been bedded, there at the base of a large Jeffrey Pine was a spectacular sight, a bed that had been used by so many big bucks for so many years that the depression was six inches deep! Down on all fours I crawled into that bed and looked over my left shoulder, sure enough through the opening in the sagebrush was a direct line with my truck at the other end! Deer had been using this bed probably for more years than I have been a hunter, to get an edge on every hunter that came by. Yea, we hunters can be patterned and the big boy's know how!

Lessoned learned, I now occasionally hunt that same area, never parking near the tank, never parking the same place twice, it's an extra ¼ mile hike to check out that bed now - but I do it every time!

(11)Hunting just One Animal

(An Old Time Mentor's Axiom: "Never pass up on the first day what you would be happy with on the last day")

We all get that urge, usually in our 30's or 40's, when we feel that we have been at this game long enough that we are ready to settle for nothing less than "Mr. Big"! To be sure there are the Chuck Adam's of the world out there that have made that transition very successfully, for most of us if is much better to be willing to accept a buck that meets a lesser criteria, should the opportunity arrive. Two or three hard hunted seasons without a chance at Mr. Big and no venison in the freezer usually equates to a softening of one's position of becoming a "Trophy Hunter".

(10) Coming in out of the rain

Last year in Colorado it rained on and off for 12 days, my wife was with me and was very tired of the interior of our trailer, all in all I probably gave up 30% of my hunting time, would 30% more time afield have made the hunt successful? I guess I will never know, but I do know that a sudden change to worsening weather can get a mule deer up out of his bed and moving, that you can move silently and that your movement is harder to discern from a prey's point of view and your scent is often forced to the ground and washed away.

Jerry and I had just followed what was left of an old logging road to a point where we stopped for a break and a snack, a break in the rain had made the time most delightful, but soon the rain returned and a decision was made to head back down the mountain. Less than a ¹/₄ mile down the road we ran into a fresh elk track that fell right on top of our uphill tracks, these tracks continued for several hundred yards without any sign of alarm or that scent had ever been picked up, that is what a decent rain can do for you!

The wet back of a Mule Deer is a line and dark color that is much easier to see moving through the Bitterbrush for an alert hunter to spot, the glint of a wet antler will just pop out in your spotting scopes field of view, hunting in the rain is a smart thing, staying in camp for the poker game, less smart!

(9) Talking Out Loud

Any buck that has survived through 5-6 hunting seasons has a pretty good idea what it means when headlights stab through the dark, when a door slams shut and human voices are jabbering - you can bet he is aware that trouble has entered the neighborhood.

Likewise voices carry far in the crisp, cold, clean air of the mountains or even at our near sea level environment. It is difficult to switch from "city rhythm" to the natural cadence of wilderness, but it is essential. It usually takes until about day #3 of a hunt before I am satisfied that my rhythm is what it should be, that being said I consider myself "good" compared to many hunters because it is always at the forefront of my thinking to "Quiet Down & Slow Down " and listen and listen and observe in my environment.

I think this is the hardest skill the new hunter has to conquer in learning to bowhunt, because walking and talking with purpose is a sign of a successful human competing in our society, in the woods it is a very poor strategy that does not allow for the time it takes to listen and observe. More deer will always see you than you will see of them, lessening of those odds is what we must accomplish!

(8) Wimping out on range time

I have a hard time knowing what to say here as this one is so obvious that I'm not sure what I can add. I can say that the most common mistake that is made is not taking enough time to shoot from ones knees or from shooting from a stool or log, If I had taken count of the many good field range shooters that I have known that that have wounded or lost or missed deer in the field because they only practiced from a standing position, I'm sure we would both be shocked!

(7) No Map, No Compass?

I know a lot of hunters who carry a map and compass but then never pull them from their pack and use them! Is this any different than leaving them at home? Well yes, the difference is that once you are lost it is a least a little easier to find yourself if you're carrying the proper tools.

Not carrying or using a map and compass is a great recipe for adventure and leads to great stories other people enjoy telling more than you, I know as Gary loves to tell about the time I lost his truck in the desert!

(6) Hunt too hard

This is similar to #9 where I discussed rhythm and noise but is zeroed in on movement. You already know that deer have many more cones in their eyes that see movement better than we do, also their eye size, shape and position give them a panoramic view of their world, to avoid being discovered by this advanced warning system takes real strategy, patience and care. Bowhunting pioneer Fred "Papa" Bear always would say, "Want to see a lot of deer, take a walk in the woods, want to kill a deer – sit down"! Seeing deer run away because they saw you first through your movement is exciting but not a productive hunting strategy, sit down often, listen, look everywhere, use your binoculars, kneel and look under brush, do these things and you will see more deer than before and sometimes before they see you, that is a winning moment!

The truth is, the more you slow down and relax the more you enjoy the experience, there are times to move with purpose to get from point "A" to point "B" but in between, soak it all in leisurely and look under every bush, you might just be surprised with a successful hunt.

(5) *Give it a quick once-over*

Some years ago I had a student from China Lake in the Owens Valley, he was a nice guy, a Preacher, and so we had to schedule our hunt between Sundays. We had chosen the June Lake area north of Mammoth (again X9A) and he wanted to go scout two weeks early, so I told him where to go look. He checked back in two days later and said I saw a few does but that is all. Ok I said, let's meet at the camp ground on Monday and look again, early Tuesday morning we headed out to the draws and canyons I had told him to look in the week before. At the head of each draw I had him stop the Jeep and turn off the motor, then I mounted my spotting scope on a small tripod and placed it on the hood of the Jeep, glassing each draw, in 3 of the 5 draws or canyons I found a bachelor group of bucks, 11 total bucks! So I asked my friend if he had brought his spotting scope along on his scouting trip, yes, he said, it was packed in the Jeep in case I needed it. You needed it, I replied, giving a draw a "Quick Once-over with binoculars just doesn't quite do the trick".

(4) Walk the Skyline

Even most beginning bowhunters know that it is not wise to "Skyline Yourself"

by walking the very edge of a ridge but I have seen many (and been guilty myself) that have done so simply because it is the easiest path. You will notice that most deer trails will be just over the edge a few yards, enough to at least cover their height. Yes, you will find deer tracks on the fire breaks but you can be sure that most of them were made at night.

We were hunting above Lake Encino back in the days when the Santa Monica's were open to bowhunting. It was a Conejo Valley Bowhunters Club hunt and we all decided to split up and find a "sittin" spot" on different ridges. I was two ridges east and down in about 200 yards, a newer club member said he didn't sit still very well and he took a point of a ridge just to the west of me, there was a large California laurel bush taller than he was that he was using for cover. He was right, he couldn't sit tight and every time I looked his direction he was circling the bush with the pace of a soldier on guard duty, sky lined as could be. About thirty minutes later a fine buck was headed up my draw heading to bed after dining in the fancy backyard of the luxury home in the canyon bottom. I got myself into position for a shot, he was at 75 yards (or so) and closing, 60 yards, then at 50 he pulled to a sudden stop – staring straight at that skylined bowhunter circling the laurel bush, a moment of staring and then he flattened his belly to the ground and slid deep into the canyon and under a laurel bush that I swear there was no way to get under. Forty minutes later, he was still there, I presume still watching the circling bowhunter, there was no shot and it was time to meet the guys at the trucks. Today I would have tried a last minute maneuver to ease him out of the bed and hope for a shot, but I was greener in those days and that is how it goes.

(3) Watch the does

Bucks have been known to use small bucks and does as a decoy, often you will see one or the other moving out but stopping to look over their shoulder every now and then, a buck will poke them with an antler tip and send them out in the open to draw you out. Look where the decoy looks over his shoulder and see if you can't spot a bedded buck in a patch of low juniper, manzanita or bitterbrush. So watch the does and young bucks but study the cover they just came from for an antler tip or the straight line of a big boys back!

(2) Ignore the wind

A buck may not give much response to a car door, a human voice or the snap of a branch, especially if it is farm or ranch related, but he will never second guess his nose. All bowhunters know to hunt into the wind, but sometimes the wind is so still it is almost impossible to tell its direction and at these moments we tend to get a little careless and it often bites us in the butt! So before you just move forward, stop and take the time to study that canyon with your binoculars, top to bottom and side to side - at different levels look for signs of the breeze in the movement of grass and leaves. Wind or breezes are like a river and follow paths that make sense for easy movement, some things slow them down, some narrow areas compress them and speed them up, try to figure it out before just diving into that canyon. Because we are not as sensitive to the wind as a deer it is sometimes hard for us to conceive of their dependence on an air shift. Think of a deer's nose as having the same value as your eyes, his eyes you give the same value as your nose and you will begin to understand.

(1)Rush the Stalk

The idea is to catch a buck early in the sunrise on his way to bed, watch him bed down, plan an approach and stealthily move into position for a shot. Once he is down, he is most likely there until midday when the sun is overhead and his shade begins to disappear, at this point he may rise from his bed, stretch, urinate and browse for a few minutes and then re-bed a few yards away in better shade.

You do not need to RUSH! Plan your approach, pick your landmarks, move close to your shooting position and wait – wait – wait until he rises and you have your moment for a shot. More mule deer opportunities are lost because of impatience at this stage of the hunt because it is so hard to know that the buck of a lifetime is less than twenty yards away, the wind may change and you have no control of the situation, the urge to control things is overwhelming, to want to make him stand up to give you a shot! Patience my friend is your best ally, go over the shot in your mind a hundred times until you know you can make the shot perfectly no matter which direction he gets up and then when he finely does stand, you are actually in control for that few seconds that all hunts boil down too......success will be yours!

Till next month,

Curtis



Membership Corner

As August finishes and September hits, we have so much going on at the range! With end of the year club events, awards, tournaments and renewals all in final planning stages, we all are working hard towards making all of these events successful. Along with this being a busy month at the range I know this is a busy time for most of us personally. With the kids going back to school, we all have some scheduling readjustments to do and evenings become busier. Remember that this is when we need all of you to step up and help! Please don't wait to be asked to do something....just step up at the next meeting and ask what you can do to help. We will find something for you!

I hope that some of you might consider throwing your hat in the ring for an Executive Board position. Do you have great ideas or frustrations that you feel need addressing? Now is the chance to create solutions and make a difference. The board is a great "sounding board" (see how I did that) and support system for all of our member's ideas! This upcoming year will be an exciting one for the club. I know I am very excited for what's ahead! If you're not sure what being on the board entails just give me a call or stop and chat with me at the range. I am always happy to share!

I would like to thank new members Cassandra and Kai Nolte and a young lady who isn't even a member but always supports the club, Brianna Erickson, for stepping up and taking on the awards project that I asked about at the last meeting. We are still looking for someone to help out with turning in aluminum cans and plastic bottles for recycling at the JOAD range area.

We will be announcing some new renewal processes in next month's article. Dan Dix and I are working together to make sure that renewing continues to be as easy and convenient as possible. We will again be doing renewals and key exchanges at the JOAD range for the first 2 or 3 weekends in October. We felt that it worked very well last year and we received a lot of positive remarks from members that it made things much easier. For those that cannot get to the range on Saturdays we will have the mail in option of course but the mailing will be coming to me instead of Dan. There will be more to come on all that next month with dates and all.

My last piece is about Private Groups coming to the range. We do not advertise too much for these groups but mostly through word of mouth people continue to come. There is almost always at least one person in a new group that has been to a previous party. I think that means we are doing a good job so far! Our largest group so far has been 100 shooters. These parties raise significant funds for the club. These monies go to all those things that you shoot at everywhere from the bales, to the targets and the 3D animals and everything else on the range.

But we always need help!

The regular JOAD coaches can usually handle the parties that are up to about 30 shooters, but when we start getting these bigger numbers we start to need more help getting all these people into their safety gear and equipment sorted in a timely and organized manner. Remember these parties only last 2 hours. If you know shooting basics that is all we need. The amount of time is limited (usually less than an hour!) because as we get everyone shooting and through their first end we can start immediately releasing anyone who is not instructing on the line. Help is needed with guiding people through lines, getting finger tabs and armguards on, setting up shooting lines and moving racks and shade canopies if needed, refilling the water cooler, collecting waivers and watching out for anyone who needs help getting those first few arrows flying. Cleanup after the groups is another time to help if you just want to come by at 3PM. Many hands make light work and this is all fundraising money for the club without any monetary output from the club. Just reply to the emails flashes for request to help or just show up!!!

See you all at the next General Meeting on August 24th at 11 am!

Last but not least; our anniversaries for this month!

8 years - Laura Loya and family

7 years - Jill and Carlos Barraza and family

James Lowry

4 years – George Blevins

3 years – Ryan Ritchie and family

2 years – Daniel Gilday and family

Jeff Holwager and family

Jalen Lowry

Arnold Sandoval and family

1 year – James Elwell and family

Richard Carino and family

Henry Gabbie

And I missed an anniversary in May, for Chuck Thurber, who has been a member for 7 years (sorry about that Chuck!)

Congratulations to you all!

See you on the range,

Bonnie

We had a nice turnout again in July with 26 archers making the round and turning in completed cards. We would have had one more but Norm "Iron Man" Rice's bow broke before he could complete the round shooting in BHFS.

Carlos Parada took top honors this month with a 572 (506 scratch). He was followed by Barbara Richter with a 564 (356 scratch), and Keith Murphy picked up the third spot one point back at 563 (517 scratch - which was also the top scratch score).

NAME	HSCOR	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
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Carlos Parada	572	506	А	FS
Barbara Richter	564	356	Α	FSL
Keith Murphy	563	517	А	BHFS
Alan Murphy	554	480	А	BHFS
Curtis Hermann	552	298	GA	LB
Joe Bittner	548	449	А	BHFS
Steve Price	547	473	GA	FS
Rick Gabbie	546	484	А	FS
Randy Estrella	546	491	А	FS
Norman Rice	544	494	GA	FS
Jack Sampson	544	455	Y	FS
Rob Lind	530	265	GA	TRAD
Chuck Thurber	508	369	GA	FS
Joe Cavaleri	496	206	А	TRAD
Didier Beauvoiz	493	219	А	TRAD
Garry Magness	478	247	А	LB
Tom Swindell	475	225	GA	TRAD
Derek Lyneis	471	471	А	FS
John Brix	470	196	GA	TRAD
Rob Lind	437	165	GA	TRAD
Jacque Rice	408	408	GA	FS
Jonathan Geiger	373	373	А	FS
Connor Richter	99	99	YA	LB
Wesley Richter	77	77	Y	LB
Brent Richter	44	44	А	TRAD

Club Championship – Best 5 Handicapped Scores in a Particular Shooting Style

As on now Keith Murphy is back at the top in the run for the Club Championship. His 552.2 average is 0.8 points ahead of Rick Gabbie, so this could change before the club year is over. Randy Estrella is not out of it either being less than 3 points off the pace.

NAME	HSCOR	STYLE
	E AVG	
Keith Murphy	552.20	BHFS
Rick Gabbie	551.40	FS
Randy Estrella	548.40	FS
Steve Price	541.80	FS
Jack Sampson	540.40	FS

Perpetual Trophy Highest Scratch Total out of 10 Highest Scores. Norm Rice is currently at the top for this trophy having shot more scores (10) than anyone else.

NAME	SCRATC	STYLE	AVERAGE
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Norman Rice	4963	Mixed	496.3
Keith Murphy	4551	BHFS	505.7
Rick Gabbie	4181	FS	464.6
Norman Rice	3949	FS	493.6
Jack Sampson	3374	FS	421.8
Steve Price	3334	FS	476.3

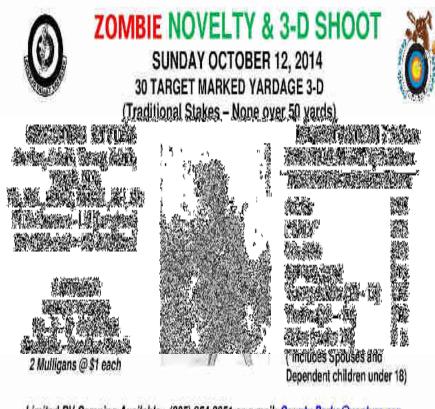
Golden Ager Trophy Best Three Scores in a Particular Style. As of now, Chuck Thurber is at the top of the list for this award. His 550.3 average is 2.3 points ahead of Norman Rice, and 3.3 points ahead

of Steve Price.	NAME	HSCOR E	STYLE
	Chuck Thurber	550.3	FS
	Norman Rice	548.0	BHFS
	Steve Price	547.0	FS

Everyone should be aware that we only have two more club shoots, August and September. After that, it is the October Club Fun Shoot and Awards Banquet. Please make plans to attend.

Remember: We are really getting into the hot summer months now, so remember to drink plenty of water while making the rounds and look out for rattlesnakes. John Downey Tournament Chairman

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Hi All CVA members,

Since we have changed up the target order/locations on the roving range I have decided to start fresh with the "Adopt A Target" list.

"Adopt a Target" is for members to volunteer to help maintain one of the 28 shooting lanes on the Roving range. It mostly consists of keeping the weeds and brush at bay and general clean up on a selected lane. On most lanes this would require the person(s) to spend only about 30 - 45 minutes working on the lane maybe 2 or 3 times a year. This would allow me to focus on other project on the range. Because if I have to clear all of the lanes (30 minutes x 28 lanes) it eats up my available time to do other things like working on bales, spraying weeds, putting up covers on the target, fire abatement, repairs, etc.....

If you're not sure of what maintaining a lane would consist of feel free to give me a call with any questions you may have.

If you are interested on a particular lane send me an email. It will be first come first serve so if you want a particular lane let me know ASAP.

Thanks,

Keith Murphy (CVA Range Captain) klmurphy1@sbcglobal.net 805 558-9312

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Adopt a Target Sign-Up Sheet

Target #	Distance	Adoptor(s)
1	35 yrd fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Gary Magness
2	30 yrd. field 32 yrd hunter	Rob Lind
3	20 yrd. field 19walk-up hunter	Robert Luttrell
4	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd hunter	
5	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd. walk-up hunter	Norman Rice
6	25 yrd field 28 yrd. fan hunter	James, Nathan, & Joshua Colins
7	55 yrd field 53 yrd walk-up hunter	James, Nathan, & Joshua Colins
8	45 yrd walk-up field 44 yrd hunter	Terry Gieskewski
9	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	
10	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	
11	40 yrd field 40 yrd. Hunter	Steve Price
12	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	
13	45 yrd field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	
14	50 yrd. field 48 yrd walk-up hunter	
15	45 yrd.walk-up field 44 yrd. hunter	
16	50 yrd. field 48 yrd. hunter	Julio Durado
17	20 yrd field 19 yrd. walk-up hunter	Clark Pentico
18	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd walk-up hunter	
19	55 yrd. field 53 yrd. walk-up hunter	
20	25 yrd. field 28 yrd. fan hunter	
21	35 yrd. fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Jim Niehoff
22	30 yrd. field 32 yrd. fan hunter	Jim Niehoff
23	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd. hunter	Sharron Jacobs Casey Nolte
24	45 yrd. field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	
25	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	Kit Raquel
26	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	Jonathan & Diana Geiger
27	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	Chuck Thurber
28	40 yrd. field 40 yrd. hunter	Chuck Thurber
	20-40 yrd practice butts	
	20 yrd. practice butts by running pig	Kris Ogle

Calendar of Events

Aug 24th CVA Club Shoot

Sept 6th 7th Oranco Bowmen CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round Sept 7th Verdugo Hills CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round Sept 21st San Diego Archers CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round **Sept 28th CVA Club Shoot** Oct 11th Mojave Archers Boo's Eye 28 2 arrow Novelty Oct 12th Orance Bowmen Tomahawk Mkd 42 2 arrows **Oct 12th Conejo Valley Archers (Fun in the Sun/Zombie Romp 30 targets 3D/Novelty** Oct 18th Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club 2014 Point Series 25 Mkd 2 arrow Oct 19th Pasadena Roving Archers Traditional Shoot 28 arrows 3D/Trad bows only



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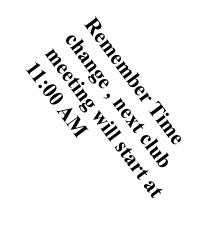
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Monthly Newsletter

September 2014

To all CVA members,

September is elections month at CVA. I want to encourage all members to vote. This is your opportunity to make a difference by selecting officers to represent your stance in the direction of the club.



This has been my third year as president of

CVA. I regret to inform you that I will not be seeking another term, as I feel it is time to let someone else take the helm of the club and allow us to expand in fresh directions. I will still be very active in the club, but focusing on other projects that I do not have time to do while being president.

I believe that we have accomplished many major tasks over the last 3 years:

- 1) More structure to the organization so that we can grow
 - A. Rework of bylaws
 - B. Implementation of new policies and procedures (coaching, membership processing, scholarship program, etc...)
- 2) Range improvements
 - A. Safer shooting lanes
 - B. 18m line upgrade at the JOAD range
 - C. More bales on the 5m line
 - D. Repairs of all 3D animals for tournaments
 - E. Water fountains on the field range
 - F. First aid kits on the range
 - G. Memorial rock
 - H. Cell phone repeater stations
 - I. New cargo bins
 - K. Handicap ramp at JOAD

- 3) Rework of what we do at the Public Open Session archery
 - A. Simplify the technical coaching at 5m to make it more fun
 - B. Scoring rounds every Saturday at 18m
 - C. New 10m bales to help archers bridge the gap to 18m
 - D. Excellent BBQs (Mike thanks for pulling them together)
 - E. More archery equipment
 - F. Classes on equipment maintenance (fletching, etc...)
- 4) Club finances are solid
- 5) Quiver being set out via e-mail
- 6) In process items
 - A. Tournament range should break ground in Q4 of 2014
 - B. New web site

This progress is the result of the hard work by the all of the active volunteers who have decided to dedicate themselves to making a difference at CVA. I want to thank everyone who has supported me during my terms as president and helped us become such a great organization.

I want to send out a special thanks to the following: Keith Murphy, Bob Bombardier, Dan Dix, JOAD coaches, Dark Side Archers, Mike Keena and the BBQ crew, George Blevins, Board members, and anyone who came out and participated in work parties.

I look forward to assisting the club in my new roles and duties as we expand, grow, and develop over the coming years.

Clark, CVA President (2011-2014)

From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

This month I've added an article to the Quiver penned by Gary Spiers, President of the Pasadena Roving Archers that outlines PRA's fight to continue their program in Pasadena's Lower Arroyo.



Please spend a few minutes reviewing Gary's article and visit PRA's web site to get more information about this concerning issue. I'm also asking CVA's membership to send a brief e-mail to the Pasadena City Council expressing endorsement of PRA and the program they provide to the public. Please let me know if you have questions.

I would like to express my thanks to the certified Coaches / Instructors that have sent me their Safe Sport Certificates. For those who are still working on this USA Archery mandatory requirement, when you complete your certification please send me an electronic copy so CVA has it on file.

Congratulations to this month's Adult Achievement Pin program award earners. Great job and fine shooting! As of the time of writing this article, here are the achievements:

- Brianna Ericson 5th pin, shooting Compound (Release) Chuck Thurber 3rd pin, shooting Compound (Release)

- Jeffrey Del Bosque 2^{nd} pin, shooting Barebow Keyth Pengal 3^{rd} and 4^{th} pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Luz Garces -2^{nd} pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Terry Marvin -6^{th} pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Tyler Hines 8th pin, shooting Compound (Release)

The JOAD pin program continues to grow. For those youth archers who are interested in participating in the JOAD pin program please see me during our Saturday Public Sessions. Congratulations to the following archers for their fine shooting! As of the time of writing this article, here are the achievements:

- Amelie Leviant 4th pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Connor Blackwell 4th pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Joyanne Begg -2^{nd} and 3^{rd} pins, shooting Barebow
- Sacha Del Bosque- 2nd pin, shooting Barebow
- Thomas Hayes 5th pin, shooting Compound (Release)

For reference, here are the particulars of the pin programs for those interested in participating.

- JOAD Pin Program. This program is for youth archers to earn pins for shooting a specific score at 18M distance. The cost is \$10 per year to join and the pins and lanyards are \$3 each. <u>USA Archery membership is required by the third pin earned – see http://www.teamusa.org/ USA-Archery/Membership/Membership-Benefits for membership options. We shoot for score during CVA's weekly 300 round held Saturday mornings at 11am, so if you are interested please contact me for more information.
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- Adult Pin Program. This program works like the youth program, only it is specifically offered to adults. <u>Adults need to be a current USA</u> <u>Archery member to join the program</u>. The cost is the same as the JOAD program for enrollment / pins / lanyards.

We are going to start a new offering during the weekly 300 rounds. On the 300 round sign-in sheet please annotate if you would like our Level 3 / 4 Coaches to watch your shooting form during the round. After the round completes the coaches will provide you feedback about your shooting and instruction on what to work on to help improve. This is a new offering and we are very excited and interested in your participation and feedback. On the competition front, this year's Dual in the Desert was shot in Long Beach's El Dorado Park. The turnout was quite small this year, with the shoot organizers lobbing shooters in the male and female Senior Divisions to shoot for the California Duel Team. This team, consisting of six recurve shooters in the male and female Senior divisions (plus one alternate each), and six compound shooters in the male and female Senior divisions (plus one alternate each) will represent California shooting against Arizona and Baja California, taking place in El Centro in October.

As luck would have it (or maybe just skill!), CVA's very own Chuck Thurber made the team shooting compound Senior male division, and has the honor of representing California during next month's competition. Great shooting Chuck!

All CVA shooters at this event either made the Team or placed in their respective divisions, with Jack Sampson taking 1st in Cub Men Compound, Rose Hoberg taking 1st in Masters 50 Woman Recurve, and me taking 2nd (by 3 points...arggg!) in Masters 50 Men Recurve division.

The next tournament on the California schedule is the Pacific Coast Championships in Sacramento. If you decide to shoot this be sure to take your rain gear!

The first two weekends in January 2015 is the California State Indoor Championships. This tournament is great for those first time tournament shooters as many CVA coaches will be in attendance with some of us competing, which gives you the opportunity to talk smack on how much better your scores are than ours! This tournament is traditionally the one that CVA attends en-masse, so if you are on the fence about trying out competition I would highly suggest jumping in with both feet. Since this tournament is so widely adopted in California, now is the time to register and get accommodations in Tulare, as the hotels fill up quickly.

The Coaches will be holding a first time tournament seminar, so you know what to expect and how to prepare. Here is the WEB site to visit for more information and to register. (<u>http://calarchery.net</u>).

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Please do not hesitate to talk to me about any questions you have, as this tournament is very fun and rewarding.

See you on the range! Your VP, Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

Balancing the Bow with the Arrow By Curtis Hermann 9/14

Within the membership of CVA a group of 34 are on a list that meet at the range for practice at 7:30 AM (Wheels – 6:30) on Mondays and Fridays and some of them also meet on Wednesday. On any given day 6 to 15 or so will show up for practice. I usually put out an email reminder for the Monday/Friday practice, Wednesday guys are on their own. This is not a click, all members are welcome, just email me and put yourself on the list, the trick of course is to have that time slot open, most of us that show have not had a job in years, the rest of you we feel sorry for your dilemma, just remember to keep paying your Social Security!

After practice, we all join for a breakfast/lunch/brunch at the Carriage Café on Tapo Street, it is here where many discussions on all things archery takes place.

At one gathering we were discussing what was an appropriate matching of one of Norm's (Norm Rice CVA Board member) bows with a proper arrow. Norm had recently had two Hoyt bow risers break during our practice rounds and the point of the conversation was to analyze why they broke and find a solution to the problem.

A lot of opinions were being offered and the choice of arrow weight and speed was a good part of this topic. His choice of bow was of a more forward riser and longer axel to axel length with a smoother more moderate cam, not your typical speed bow of today. He loved his bow choice, but had gone to a very light arrow in order to flatten trajectory for the longer ranges on the field round. His arrow set up was a shaft at 6 grains per inch of shaft length, small vanes and 80 grain point for approximately 11% FOC (28" & 290 grains total arrow weight). His draw weight was 50# and the minimum arrow weight standard is 5 grains per pound of draw weight to give and advertised speed, Norm exceeded this minimum by having an arrow that weighed in at nearly 6 grains per pound of draw weight (300 grains & 50#), his goal had been to gain as much possible speed from his set up as he could).

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My question to him was, if you choose a bow that is designed to have less torque (forward riser), longer axel to axel length for more stability, smoother draw and moderate cams to provide less hand shock, smoother draw force curve and wider valley - all in order to achieve more accuracy, then why not utilize that same philosophy in your choice of arrow?

There are two extremes in arrow shafts, extremely lite shaft weight (target 5-7.5 grains per inch of shaft) that tend to react more to every little error in form or contact with obstacles downrange and extremely heavy (heavy hunters 12-18 grains per inch) that react least to form problems and with contact to an obstacle downrange, but they do drop fast and really open pin gap at longer ranges.

There are two extremes in Forward of Center Balance, I believe those are 8-12% FOC (Target) that again tends to react more to every form error by opening up your group and reacting more dramatically when contacting any obstruction down range, and 20-26% FOC (Hunting) which again reacts least to form errors or contact with objects downrange, but at a certain distance reacts to loss of enough power to push that amount of weight and falls victim to gravity at an increasing rate beyond 50 yards..

We should probably mention here that there's two Industry Equipment Standard's for bow speed measuring driving today's bow choices, those are: The ATA (Archery Trade Association) Standard for arrow weight/compound bow draw weight and a 30"(+1/4", -0") arrow that weighs 5 grains per pound of peak draw weight of 50#, 60# or 70# +- 0.1 lbs. - (This relates to a (50# bow & arrow weight 250 grains) (60#bow & arrow weight 300 grains) or (70# bow & arrow weight 350 grains), a five shot average must be used to determine bow speed using a mechanical bow shooting machine. Arrows are not required to be fletched.

My ATA Guidelines book was published in 2009, so changes may have been made since.

I also went online to find the IBO (International Bowhunting Organization) speed testing standards, could not find it or reference to it on their web page. There is a lot of online claims to IBO allowing the use of 80# + -2lbs for manufactures rating their bows, I could not confirm this, the best information I found appears to be the same as the ATA standard with the exception of using only a 70# bow with a 30" draw, no fletch and 5 grains per pound of draw weight.. So I'm guessing some changes have been made to equalize the two standards.

The standards utilize arrow weights at the very extreme light weight end - which tend to stress every part of a bow. Less so on a very modern bow with parallel limb technology that stretches the string at 180 degrees in limb travel (up & down) as opposed to a 45 degree angle in the older bows. *So, as you can see, these standards allow for impressive speeds and marketing verbiage but do little to assist the archer in wise choices.*

My ATA Guidelines also have a chart for FOC (forward of center) balance for your arrow, they are:

FITA/JOAD....11-16% 3-D Archery6-12% Field Archery10-15% Hunting......10-15%

Current movements in hunting have certainly changed in the last five years and many of the top hunting arrows are now designed with the idea of using 18-23% FOC weight and 12-16 grains per pound of draw weight for deeper penetration and more down range accuracy. So I am not sure that these guidelines are as helpful as they could be.

Norm wants to set up his equipment to be accurate and forgiving for Field Archery competition and not create damage to his bow riser, so he needs to find a balance in between the two extremes of light and heavy arrow weight (5-12 grains per pound of draw weight) and minimum to maximum in FOC (10-15% FOC). I'm intentionally leaving out the extreme FOC and grains per pound of draw weight that some in the traditional archery hunting group practice today, as it is not relevant to Norm's situation.

We know at 6 grains per pound of draw-weight he had riser damage and I think we can conclude that if he went to 9-10 grains per pound of draw-weight we would run into performance or pin-gap issues not conducive to competition. Since 7.5 grains per pound of draw-weight is the upper end of the light extreme and 9 grains per pound of draw-weight is the beginning of hunting weight it would seem to me to strive for 7.5-8.0 or 8.0 - 8.5 grains per pound of draw-weight should just about be a perfect balance to match with his bow.

Most of the competitive target archers I have known over the years strived for a 13% FOC balance point, believing that down range they got the best balance between flatness of trajectory and group diameter at the target face. Most of them (in those days of BC "Before Compound") shot 35#-45# recurves, today when target compounds are often 50# plus, I think a 14%-15% FOC is probably in order for the best balance of arrow as the trajectory is already quite flat and the extra 1%-2% FOC will be more forgiving and perhaps tighten your group at 80 yards.

I may get a great deal of argument over this column, as so many of today's bows are so short in length and because of parallel limb technology, have less riser stress and therefore they may prefer to push for lighter grains per pound of draw-weight and a smaller percentage of FOC, I won't argue with them on this point, experiment away and do as you will.

I will however comment on something I have noticed. It seems to me that many speed bow shooters eventually end up trying to master a "Back Tension Release" to finally get that last bit of accuracy from their equipment, to get them over the hump and finally make them competitive with the big dogs! As you and I know, many do not have the discipline to devote the time it takes to master the Back Tension Release and eventually go back to their old release and live with the accuracy level that they had.

When you maximize bow performance you always pay the price of being on the edge of being unstable. Speed is fun, I get that, but having the perfect form to shoot consistently on the high end of score is difficult with such equipment and to overcome this obstacle they created the "Back Tension Release." The "Back Tension Release" requires perfect form for proper execution, it will force you into near perfect form if you hang in there long enough, but it might just be easier to give a little thought to balancing your bow and your arrow to a more stable end.

Till next month,

Curtis



Help Preserve Pasadena's Historic Archery Range

The Battle Continues

Gary Spiers, President Pasadena Roving Archers

Aug 25, 2014 — We have recently learned that the Archery Range is going to come before the city council again in September. Our opponents have recently put their own petition online with a gross distortion of fact. They imply that the general public will be denied access to the Lower Arroyo if our agreement is signed. Those of you who have attended our free, public classes know that is not true. They describe us as usurping public land but what they are really talking about is the archery range isn't what they want there - the archery range is a public range and has been for almost 80 years. They continue to raise the issue of safety even though there is not one documented incident in the history of the range.

They claim that if the agreement is signed it would "permanently prohibit walking, jogging, dog walking, birding and other forms of enjoyment of nature on the West side of the Lower Arroyo." This is absolutely false there will be no change to the footpaths or their use that were documented in the Lower Arroyo Master Plan created by the city.

In addition to signatures we need people to show up at the council meeting. Our opponents, who include the Mayor's wife, state that the matter will be brought before the council on September 15th but we have not yet been informed of a date by the city although we have been told probably September.

UPDATE: Sep 6, 2014 — Thank you for your tremendous response over the past couple of weeks: signing our petition, writing to the City Council, volunteering your time, and contributing your ideas. We heard today that the City Council will not hear this matter until October 20th. Our campaign is based on the principle that truth will trump misstatements and it is important that we keep our efforts active. We are getting positive feedback and our supporters on the council are encouraged by the influx of supporting material. It is because you care and take the time to inform others and encourage them to participate by signing the petition, writing to the City Council, volunteering your time, , and contributing your ideas. It is important that we all continue to encourage others to participate and continue to participate ourselves. You can find the latest arguments and rebuttals as this develops at http:// www.pasadenaarchery.com which will be updated with the new date soon!

Thank you very much, Gary Spiers Change.org original petition link: https://www.change.org/p/the-mayorand-council-of-the-city-of-pasadenapreserve-the-historic-lower-arroyoarchery-range

Comments by Kurt Hoberg, Vice President, Conejo Valley Archers Pasadena Roving Archers and Conejo Valley Archers have a history of collaboration and goodwill. When our range burned in 2003, PRA donated funds to help our range gain its footing. In like manner CVA donated funds to PRA when their storage bin was burglarized in recent years.

I had a conversation with Gary and he mentioned that to really help, write a brief email to the Pasadena City Council (City_Council@cityofpasadena.net) asking that the city preserve this historic and unique archery range. Letters have more weight in this situation so your voice will really matter.

I suggest spending a few minutes reviewing the information posted at the PRA WEB site (http://www.pasadenaarchery.com) to gain more insight into this situation.

Please help Pasadena Roving Archers in their fight to keep providing their valuable program to archers in our area!

Kurt

Do you know how Conejo Valley Archers got Its name?

FROM AN ARTICLE BY CHERYL CLAYTON



We were talking on the range the other day and there were quite a few people who didn't know why we were named The Conejo Valley Archers. Some didn't know the club started in the Conejo Valley area and they didn't know what Conejo meant. Well here you go for a little extra education! Conejo is a Spanish word meaning 'rabbit'. Even back as far as 1542 when the area Conejo Valley was discovered by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo rabbits were abundant in the region.

The Desert Cottontail is a class of cottontail rabbits that is found mainly throughout the western United States and especially in California ... and throughout the Conejo Valley. Most people think that the Desert Cottontail lives mainly at desert to sea levels. On the contrary; they are known to live as high up as 6,600 feet such as in juniper forest area. The Desert Cottontail is generally active in the early mornings and late afternoons, seeming to disappear during the mid-day. Its main course of diet is grass, but to survive will eat other plants including cactus. You'll rarely see one drink water as they get the water supply mostly from the plant life that they eat. They lay prey to many predators the most common being the coyote, bobcat and mountain lions. In the early Native American days, they were not only a source of meat but were sought for their fur and hides as well.

In addition to the Desert Cottontail and a smaller in size was the Brush Rabbit. Unlike the Desert Cottontail that could travel a home range as far as 15 acres for the male and 1 acre for the female, the Brush Rabbit stays close to a much smaller given area in dense, brushy cover; mainly chaparral vegetation. When it does leave the brushy cover, it stays close to it having much less use to be in grassy areas. However, in contradiction, studies have shown that this style of existence changes during weather changes: the brush is more the attraction during the drier seasons, whereas grass does appeal to them during the wetter seasons. They have the same danger of predators as does the Desert Cottontail; although they attempt a good flight to safety, they generally loose to the stronger, faster and mightier. To this day, in the cities and communities of the Conejo Valley with Thousand Oaks* being the 'heart' of the valley and Agoura Hills, part of Calabasas, Lake Sherwood, Newbury Park*, Oak Park, and Westlake Village being the surrounding communities, rabbits can be seen running about their way taking care of business amongst the residential area, the businesses, parks ... actually everywhere, more or less in a manner of reminding everyone that this is **THEIR** valley and the residents are but mere guests. After all, their ancestors were here first! (*some of the first places the club was established)

And as for our present location in Simi Valley.....The name "Simi" comes from the name of the Chumash Indian village that was located at the western end of Simi Valley. But what does the name mean? The late Janet Cameron, in her book of recollections about old Simi (Simi Grows Up, 1963), indicated that it means "valley of the winds". In some writings it has been also translated to the word "*tsimi*", the meaning of which is given as "... a type of small white cloud. That explanation sure is appealing - especially if you have been here during one of our intense Santa Ana windstorms especially while trying to shoot on the range!

OK SO now you know!

So here we are in the final month of our club year! It has been a great year with so many positive changes and improvements on the range. All of the improvements are achieved solely through the hard work and time brought to the table by our members. We are truly blessed to be part of such a dedicated group of people.

With the end of one club year we move onto making next year just as great, with even more exciting projects coming down the pipeline. In order to keep the range status quo alone we need to start with our memberships. I hope that all of you will be renewing your memberships. The renewal email will go out in the next couple of weeks and we need you to renew!

MEMBERSHIPS

We will continue to make the process as easy as possible with *mail in* renewals, *JOAD drop off*, renewing at any of the *General Membership Meetings* or *after registration* at club tournaments. Mail In renewals will not be returned to Dan this year but to me, as Dan will be away during this time on a well-deserved vacation!!! My address will be in your renewal email.

I ask that everyone try to renew as soon as you receive your email. These membership dollars get us started off on the right foot for the new year and lets us budget right from the beginning for the year. Please remember that we need new waivers on ALL members. Extra copies can be downloaded from our website or picked up at the range. New membership cards will be handed out during the key exchange times (see below for that info).

If you are deciding not to renew this year (say it isn't so!) I would really like to hear from you as to why. It is very important as a club that we track why people do or do not renew. If you felt that we didn't meet an expectation or was it that you just didn't use the range enough to merit the membership, that tells us a lot about how we are doing and we can learn from this information.

KEY EXCHANGES

Range locks will be changed on Friday November 21 sometime during the day.

Key exchanges <u>at the range</u> will be on the following dates ONLY:

Saturday November 22 JOAD Range

Sunday	November 23	General Meeting
Saturday	November 29	JOAD range
Saturday	December 6	JOAD range
Sunday	December 14	Toys for Tots tournament – after registration

Following any General Meeting or at any tournament after registration If you must <u>mail in</u> your key for exchange - please tape your key to an index card and mail it to Dan Dix. If you have lost your key please mail in a \$5 key deposit

If you can, I do ask that you get your membership paid before the key exchange time. It makes the exchange process go much faster for everyone.

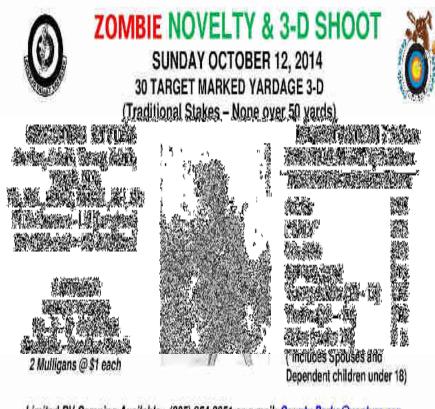
Member Anniversaries
21 years - Justin Huish
16 years - John Downey
12 years - Nathan Bordofsky
9 years - Nathan Bordofsky
9 years - Kurt Hoberg and family
8 years - Grace Gretzen and Ryan Vartio
2 years - Robert Gardner and family, Allesandra Henze and family,
Stephanie Hullar and Glenn Neargarder
1 year - Marcos Delmar, Matthew Philpott, Julie Yip
Gustavo McBeath and Lawrence Mazzola family and
Jennifer Clayclamp and family

Thank you all for your continued support!

See you on the range! Bonnie

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CONEJO VALLEY ARCHERS ANNUAL FUN IN THE SUN SHOOT



Limited RV Camping Available - (805) 654-3951 or e-mail: County.Parks@ventura.org Absolutely No Dogs alowed on Bange or in County Park. Limited Full RV Hook-ups & Tent Camping in adjacent county park. If you park inside the 'County Park' at any time you must pay a daily parking feo of \$4.00. Free day parking inside our fenced range. DIFECTIONS TAKE THE 118 FREEWAYINTO SMI VALLEY. EXIT AT TAPO CAMON, NORTH ON TAPO CAMON ROAD 3 MILESTO TAPO CAMON PARK TUPN LIFT INTO THE PAPK. THE RANCE ISING DETHE RAPK TO THE LEFT ASYOU ENTER ROH INFORMATION CALL 213 422 3998 Twenty-five archers made the round this month at the second to the last club tournament of the year. Steve Price picked up bragging-rights with a 533 (483 scratch). He was followed 6 point back by Alan Murphy with a 547 (476 scratch). Randy Estrella and Norman "Ironman" Rice were tied one point back at 546. Alan's brother, Keith picked up fifth for the month but did pick up top scratch score of the month with his 501.

Top Traditional score went to Curtis Hermann (521) as well as the top scratch score (326).

It is hard to believe, but there is only the September Club Shoot left in this Club year. We will be handing out Range Record and other club trophies at the October Fun Shoot and Awards Banquet. Please make plans to attend. It will no doubt be the best one ever (or at least in a long time).

NAME	HSCORE	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
Steve Price	553.00	483.00	GA	FS
Alan Murphy	547.00	476.00	А	BHFS
Randy Estrella	546.00	492.00	А	FS
Norman Rice	546.00	484.00	GA	BHFS
Keith Murphy	544.00	501.00	А	BHFS
Carlos Parada	544.00	483.00	А	FS
Norman Rice	541.00	487.00	GA	FS
Luke Sekerka	541.00	484.00	А	BHFS
Rick Gabbie	537.00	474.00	А	FS
Chuck Thurber	532.00	378.00	GA	FS
Curtis Hermann	521.00	326.00	GA	TRAD
Jack Sampson	521.00	433.00	Y	FS
Barbara Richter	516.00	324.00	А	FSL
Garry Magness	510.00	268.00	А	LB
Didier Beauvoiz	505.00	236.00	А	TRAD
John Brix	504.00	223.00	GA	TRAD
Brent Richter	502.00	104.00	А	TRAD
Rob Lind	495.00	220.00	GA	TRAD
Joe Cavaleri	492.00	208.00	А	TRAD
Tom Swindell	489.00	226.00	GA	TRAD
Rob Lind	485.00	167.00	GA	LB
Wesley Richter	469.00	78.00	Y	LB
Jacque Rice	395.00	395.00	GA	FS
Terry Marvin	389.00	389.00	А	BHFS
Jonathan Geiger	358.00	358.00	А	FSL

Club Trophy (Best Five Handicapped Scores in a Particular Shooting Style)

It just could be that one of the "Murphy Boys" will go home with the club trophy belt buckle this year, as only one point separates them right now. Then again, Rick Gabbie, or someone else could sneak in and take the buckle home. Who will win the prestigious Club Award ... only the "Shadow Knows".

NAME	HSCORE AVG	STYLE
Alan Murphy	553.20	BHFS
Keith Murphy	552.20	BHFS
Rick Gabbie	551.40	FS
Norman Rice	550.6	FS
Luke Sekerka	548.80	BHFS
Randy Estrella	548.60	FS

Golden Ager Trophy (Best Three Handicapped Scores)

Iron Man Rice is at the top again this month for the trophy with Steve Price bit more than two points back. Will Norm pick up the trophy again this year ... only time will tell?

NAME	HSCORE AVG	STYLE
Norman Rice	553.70	BHFS
Steve Price	551.30	FS
Chuck Thurber	550.30	FS

Perpetual Trophy (Best 10 Scratch Scores)

Keith Murphy looks to have a lock on this trophy again this year.

NAME	SCRATCH TOTAL	STYLE	AVG
Keith Murphy	5052	BHFS	505.2
Norman Rice	4963	MIXED	496.3
Rick Gabbie	4655	FS	465.5
Steve Price	3817	FS	477.1
Jack Sampson	3807	FS	423.0

NOTE: A number of archers are lacking that 5th score to qualify for one of the Range Record Trophies. Sadly, every year a number of these awards go unclaimed because no one shot the required number of scores in a particular shooting style ... nuff said.

Your Friendly Neighborhood Tournament Chair ... jbd

Calendar of Events

Sept 28th CVA Club Shoot

Oct 11th Mojave Archers Boo's Eye 28 2 arrow Novelty

Oct 12th Orance Bowmen Tomahawk Mkd 42 2 arrows

Oct 12th Conejo Valley Archers (Fun in the Sun/Zombie Romp

30 targets 3D/Novelty

Oct 18th Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club 2014 Point Series 25 Mkd 2 ar-

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Oct 19th Pasadena Roving Archers Traditional Shoot 28 arrows 3D/Trad bows only

Oct 19th Riverside Archers Shoot for Life Tournament 42 targets 1

arrow

Oct 25th Archery Outpost 5th Annual Boot Hill Indoor

OCT 26thy CVA Club Shoot



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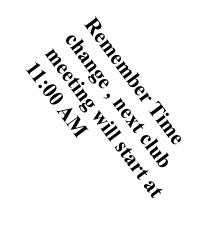
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Your CVA Officers

VOTE! It's time once again for our annual Election of Club Officers. All ballots have been mailed and must be received back by the September 28th General Association Meeting.

Please refer to the special envelope instructions included with the ballots. It is critical that all ballots are placed in the included envelope and have both your NAME, AD-DRESS, AND SIGNATURE, in order to be counted. Again, completed ballots must be received by September 28, 2014. You may also hand-deliver ballots (in the envelope with required information) to JOAD on Saturday the 20th, Saturday the 27th, or the CVA General meeting on Sunday, September 28, 2014.

Conejo Valley Archers P.O. Box 3982 Thousand Oaks, CA



Reminder: Range Beautification Days are the 1st Saturday of even months

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Monthly Newsletter

October 2014

From the Desk of the President

Kurt Hoberg

As many of you might be aware, I've been elected (or railroaded!) to the office of President for CVA. I have been a Board of Directors member for several



years and during that time have been amazed at all the hard work and effort that goes on behind the scenes to run a club of CVA's caliber. My tenure on the board has been highly educational and a fulfilling experience which I'm sure will continue in my current role.

I want to thank Clark Pentico for his service to the club as its past President. During his tenure there have been countless improvements to our club including renewing our lease with the county for another 10 years, the creation of new policies to address challenges presented to our growing club including a coaching policy, youth scholarship policy, and specifics around delivery of our Saturday Public Sessions just to name a few. The back canyon Tournament Range has morphed from a dream to an actual reality, with the necessary funding and permits in play to possibly break ground within the next few months. To say that Clark has been busy is an understatement. He is a hard act to follow and I'll do my best to continue the momentum. I want to personally thank Clark for his monumental effort, sacrifice, and vision for Conejo Valley Archers. You can expect him to continue to be very involved with CVA.

Last month I added an article to the Quiver penned by Gary Spiers, President of the Pasadena Roving Archers that outlines PRA's fight to continue their program in Pasadena's Lower Arroyo. The city meeting to discuss this has been pushed out yet again, so there is time to get your letter to the city in support of PRA. Please visit PRA's web site (http://pasadenaarchery.com/) to get more information about this concerning issue. I'm asking CVA's membership to send a brief e-mail to the Pasadena City Council (<u>City_Council@cityofpasadena.net</u>) expressing endorsement of PRA and the program they provide to the public.

In the past I have been handling the paperwork for those coaches that have requested Board authorization to use of CVA's range to give private lessons. I will be handing that responsibility to Coach Richard Carpenter, who will be reaching out to the certified coaches that have filed their paperwork with the CVA Board to renew their information for the coming year. This will include the new requirement for Safe Sport Certificates, so be prepared to work with Richard to get your requests updated and completed for Board review.

Congratulations to this month's Adult Achievement Pin program award earners. The leader board is sparse this month as our participants are getting to the point where the scores aren't a "gimme" and strong shooting and good form are a must to make the necessary points. Great job and fine shooting! As of the time of writing this article, here are the achievements:

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Clark Pentico -2^{nd} pin, shooting Compound (Release)
Chuck Thurber -5^{th} pin, shooting Compound (Release)
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The JOAD pin program continues to grow. For those youth archers who are interested in participating in the JOAD pin program please see me during our Saturday Public Sessions. Congratulations to the following archers for their fine shooting! As of the time of writing this article, here are the achievements:

Aiden Reynolds – 5^{th} pin, shooting Barebow

Carissa Goldberg – 3^{rd} pin, shooting Barebow

Claire Epstein – 1st pin, shooting Barebow

Erin Thompson -3^{rd} pin, shooting Recurve

Jack Sampson – 3rd pin, shooting Compound (Release)

Sacha Del Bosque- 4th pin, shooting Barebow

During the first two weekends in January 2015 is the California State Indoor Championships. This tournament is great for those first time tournament shooters as many CVA coaches will be in attendance with some of us competing. This tournament is traditionally the one that CVA attends en-masse, so if you are on the fence about trying out competition I would highly suggest this tournament as a starter. Since this tournament is so widely adopted in California, now is the time to register and get accommodations in Tulare, as the hotels fill up quickly. Visit this WEB site for more information and to register. (http://calarchery.net).

The CVA team typically tries to shoot the first weekend of the tournament (Jan 3-4) as on Friday the 2^{nd} the JOAD tournament is run, then on Saturday and Sunday the State Indoor is shot. Plus, we get together for pizza and ice cream Saturday night, which is always a lot of fun.

I have had many first time shooters approach asking questions about this tournament. The Coaches will be holding a first time tournament seminar, so you know what to expect and how to prepare. We hold these on Saturday either during or after the Public Session and go over many of the logistical specifics that the more experienced tournament shooters have learned by experience over the years. We will let you know when we are going to hold this important discussion once we get closer to the tournament date.

Please do not hesitate to talk to me about any questions you have, as this tournament is very fun and rewarding.

This month's club shoot on Sunday the 26th is our yearly fun shoot, which is shorter shoot on the field range and held just before our yearly CVA Club banquet. All members and their immediate families are invited and encouraged to attend the banquet as we will have food (typically we cater some BBQ) and our yearly club awards will be presented. This event is our yearly cumulative event at CVA and one that I urge all members not to miss.

See you on the range! Your President, Kurt Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

VP and Membership Corner

ATTENTION: To the member who paid your renewal in CASH during registration at the Zombie Shoot. Your name was not on the renewal paperwork and there was not a waiver attached to it so we do not know who it belongs to!!! Please CONTACT ME!!!

As this new club year begins I would like to thank those of you who participated in the club elections. Our new board is excited to get started and our first meeting brought forth some new ideas and a positive attitude for the direction of our club. I ask that all of you please feel free to contact me with any questions, issues, ideas or suggestions you may have for the club. As your new VP, I stand ready for whatever our new president throws my way. I will continue as Membership Chairman and etc. As I don't have any specifics yet to report as VP, I will concentrate on membership for this article.

Renewals are coming in!! I have attached the renewal form here for your convenience. Please fill in your name on the form. Renewals can be dropped off to me at the JOAD range during Saturday Open Public Sessions or at the next General Meeting. I do ask that you have everything in an envelope and sealed with your name on it.

Range keys will be good until November 21st! Please see the exchange schedule below:

KEY EXCHANGES

Range locks will be changed on Friday November 21 sometime during the day.

Key exchanges at the range will be on the following dates ONLY: Saturday November 22 JOAD Range 9am-1pm Sunday November 23 General Meeting – <u>after</u> the meeting Saturday November 29 JOAD range – 9am-1pm Saturday December 6 JOAD range – 9am-1pm Sunday December 14 Toys for Tots tournament – after registration <u>Following</u> any General Meeting or at any tournament <u>after</u> registration If you must **mail in** your key for exchange - please tape your key to an index card and mail it to Dan Dix. If you have lost your key please add a \$5 key deposit , I do ask that you get your membership paid before the key exchange time. It makes the exchange process go much faster for everyone.

Finally remember our Annual Club Banquet is on Sunday October 26th after the annual Fun Shoot. This is a great shoot to come out and try the field range if you have never shot it or to just have fun with the gang if you have! We will have a VERY short meeting and then start in on the Club Awards and then lunch will be served up by your board members and catered by Dave's Famous BBQ!!! Ribs, chicken, pork, buns and all the fixins!! And cake! All members are welcome!!!

Finally remember that the **NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL MOVE TO 12 NOON** with the change in daylight savings time.

October Member Anniversaries

7 Years	John	Brix	SGA
6 years	Kevin	Cloepfil	F
	Anthony	Leonardi	S
5 years	Ronald	Blum	S
3 years	Rodny	Karampour	S
	Peter	Sperling	SGA
	William	Adrian	S
2 years	Terry	Gieskewski	S
	Robert	Lind	SGA
	Gustavo	Macias	S
1 year	Johnny	Kirkwood	S
	Michelle	Pietroforte	S
	William	Allinson	SGA
	Michael	Yanagida	S

Thanks for supporting our club!

Bonnie

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Things Every Archer Should Know By Curtis Hermann October 2014

Conejo Valley Archery members are a pretty sophisticated group of archers, even those who are new to archery have been absorbing a great deal of knowledge from the Saturday coaches and from fellow members they have become acquainted with. There is just nothing with as much benefit to the beginning archer as becoming a member of a successful and well organized club.

There is also a lot of information that is confusing in the beginning - whether we are learning the process of shooting a bow (form), learning how to set up your equipment properly (tuning) or trying to learn how to hunt the many species available to the archer. Those three subjects fill volumes in most archer's personal libraries and is far too much material for this small column but I thought I could bring out one item in each category that you may find helpful. (Tuning) "Aligning the Nodes"

I picked this one because I'm willing to bet that most of you have no clue what this term means. So just what are the "nodes"? The nodes are two spots on an arrow shaft that stay in alignment with the target as the arrow oscillates along its path to the target. For a finger shooter (compound or recurve/longbow) at the moment of release the center of the arrow shaft flexes horizontally toward the bow riser and then at the end of the power stroke as the nock leaves the string the center of the arrow flexes horizontally away from the riser, this oscillation diminishes as the arrow goes down range but during the whole flight these two spots on the shaft (one just forward of the feather/vane and one closer to the point due to the mass weight of the point) always stay in alignment with the arrows course.

To align the "nodes" for the finger shooter the point of the arrow as it rests against the cushion plunger or arrow rest must be just "outside" the centerline of the string by 1/16" to 1/8." The two elements that effect this distance is arrow spine (weak or stiff) and the smoothness of the release. A weak spine or poor release will need the 1/8" measurement, a perfect spine deflection or slightly stiff arrow and a clean release will be closer to 1/6."

A compound shooter with a release creates a different scenario, a release causes the arrow to flex in a vertical direction (first down then up) and so the exact center of the arrow point at full draw should be aligned with the bowstring and the sight pins.

Form (release and follow through),

This one many of us struggle with not only in the beginning but on and off over a life time of archery. Release aids were invented to eliminate the problem of a poor release, they help but do not cure the problem, a back tension release was created to improve follow through and eliminate release issues, it seems to work pretty well but many archers have a lot of trouble with the time and amount of discipline required to become good with a back tension release.

It is a belief of mine that you cannot control the release, how well you release is dependent upon how successful you are at follow through. If you have perfect follow through you also have a perfect release, if you have poor follow through the release is also poor. It makes no difference if you use fingers or a release aid, either requires good follow through for consistent accuracy. Follow through is just an extension of the release but it is a component that you can focus on. The secret of course is back tension, follow through can only happen when you have transferred the bow weight to the back which allows the back of the bow hand and the release hand to relax and the fingers to open smoothly or the trigger finger to feel in control of the release.

There is also a mental aspect to the shot sequence and that is switching from the right brain to the left brain where aiming, release and follow through is done correctly and the arrow flies true. This is one where you have a little more control because you can still switch brain sides without having switched to the back muscles, but you cannot be consistently accurate with this method, and you may find that this is where "target panic" gets its foothold on you. So use the "KISS" system, practice the shot sequence, get into your back, switch brains, relax and love the arrow that hits the target.

Hunting (scent control tactics),

First I must explain what I believe can and cannot be accomplished. Advertising at one extreme and too many pessimistic hunters at the other tend to mislead the silent majority that either scent control products is the cure-all to successful hunting or that all odor control products are a waste of money and time. Every bowhunter (beginning or experienced) knows that the answer lies somewhere in between these two extremes. I know bowhunters who are nearly religious about their scent control methods and carry them into nearly cult like behavior, I know others who only consider the wind and try to stay clean and scent free and without a doubt those who carry the odor control methods to the extreme are several times more successful than those who don't.

Here is the simple truth of the matter according to many of the country's top bowhunters. Scent control products are an asset, not the perfect answer but they have certainly been a serious part of their hunting technique. Mother-nature does as she will and you cannot always depend on the wind to be in your favor, there are times when you must chance an approach when the wind is iffy at best and swirling at its worst, it is here that you hope your scent control routine will pay off. Can you fool your prey every time? No, probably not even most of the time but the one time careful scent control pays off will make you a believer for life.

Most scent control companies put out booklets or pamphlets on techniques using there scent control products, pay careful attention to the directions and be fastidious about cleanliness and there will be more venison at your table.

See you next month, Curtis



2014 CVA Tournament Scholarship Award

CVA is so very proud of Emily Marshall. This fine young lady is out at CVA's Saturday Public session without fail, helping new archers on the 5M line while also shooting as many arrows as she can to practice.

Emily carries a 4.0 GPA at the High School at Moorpark College, is an amazing photographer, dances, and has placed 15th in the nation twice in her age division in archery.

Emily has aspirations of shooting in more tournaments and is now at the age where she needs to shoot at 70M, so having the correct equipment becomes very important. Her trusty Samik Sage, while a fantastic beginner's bow, is in dire need of upgrading.

Due to her hard work, discipline in all areas of her life, and her enthusiasm for archery and competition, the Conejo Valley Archers Board of Directors unanimously chose to present Emily with a \$1,000 scholarship to be used for equipment and offsetting of tournament / travel fees.

As CVA's new President it was my absolute pleasure to award the check to Emily. And to make her jump for it as I'm so freakishly tall.

Congratulations Emily! - with Emily Marshall.





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FOUND!!!

armguard, camo, spring loaded, left on bale, contact Curtis at

onerobinhood@roadrunner.com

LOST

Left at target butts, 4 Radial Weave 100 Arrows Green and white fletching, 24 1/2 inches long. Please return to Norm or Jacque Rice 805-210-0764

CVA getting the job done

We were banding some new hay bales a couple of weeks ago and one bulging bail had to be "man-ually" compressed in a very unorthodox way. So Keith Murphy on the ground and three strapping CVA fellows did the magic straw dance to accomplish the task.



Lee Glaser Robin Hood shoot



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OCT 26th CVA Club Shoot

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Nov 8th Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club Turkey Shoot 28 Mkd 2 arrows

Nov 9th Riverside Archers William Tell Shoot 30 UnMkk 2 arrow

Nov 16th Mojave Archers Fall Back 42 UnMkd 1 arrow

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42 UnMkd 1 arrow

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Dec 14th Oranco Bowen Charity 3D 42 UnMkd 3D

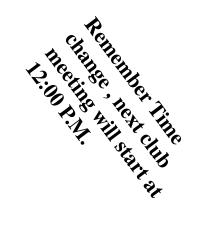


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Monthly Newsletter

November 2014

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Clark Pentico and Bob Bombardier have been working with the county to deal with the hurdles (sometime from my perspective these hurdles are arbitrary, but that's bureaucracy!), and have made significant progress.

Our last hurdle was the county requesting an archaeological survey be completed before everything was sent to Sacramento for a 30 day public comments period. The survey did not find anything and the comment period has ended. After a public meeting with the planning director, the county has recommended we move forward with the project.

Clark has reached out to the Easton Foundation to inform them of this update and that the work to pull permits will occur very soon, so they are informed about our progress and the funding of the grant from Easton will be ready when we are.

Mid-November we can start pulling permits. Completion timeframe of that activity is still unclear, however it may transpire that we break ground before the end of the year. I'm still a bit shell-shocked that this milestone has morphed from a dream to a reality!

The Board of Directors is adding additional focus related to this project to include how the club will actually run the Tournament Range. To support that work I have created a Tournament Range Committee, with initial membership being Clark Pentico as Chairman, and Bob Bombardier and John Downey as Committee members. Of course, as CVA's President I'm a member of all Committees, yay. Clark has the ability to add additional members to the Committee, which will focus on the continued build work that needs to take place as well as the necessary processes, strategy, and use of the new Tournament Range by CVA. If you have ideas Clark and I more than happy to hear them – this is the time to speak up!

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Jack Sampson – 5<sup>th</sup> pin, shooting Compound (Release)
Sacha Del Bosque- 5<sup>th</sup> pin, shooting Barebow
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As mentioned last month, the first two weekends in January 2015 is the California State Indoor Championships Tournament. This tournament is great for those first time tournament shooters as many CVA coaches will be in attendance with some of us competing.

This tournament is traditionally the one that CVA attends enmasse, so if you are on the fence about trying out competition I would highly suggest this tournament as a starter. Since this tournament is so widely adopted in California, now is the time to register and get accommodations in Tulare, as the hotels fill up quickly. Visit this WEB site for more information and to register . (<u>http://calarchery.net</u>). Time is getting short – January will be here before you know it!

For those first time sanctioned tournament shooters, the Coaches will be holding a first time tournament seminar so you know what to expect and how to prepare. We'll have this overview on Saturday (most likely sometime in December) either during or after the Saturday Public Session. We'll go over many of the logistical specifics that our experienced tournament shooters have learned by via the school of hard knocks over the years. Again, if you have questions please don't feel you have to wait, reach out to me and I'll be happy to help! See you on the range! Your President,

Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

Vice President and Membership Corner November 2014

With the growth of our club this past year our name is starting to really get out there. We have received requests for our presence at some local events that will be great for communicating who we are, and to support our main goal



promote our sport.

First we have been requested to man a booth at Sequoia Middle School in Thousand Oaks during their 5K and Activity Expo. This is a very large middle school of about 1000 kids. The philosophy behind the Expo is to provide the students with a chance to engage in vigorous physical activity as well as be exposed to other types of recreational/ wellness minded opportunities. We will have three members there to show off some equipment, talk to the kids and parents and hand out club information. They expect about 1500 people at the event.

Our next exciting adventure is at the Muvico Theaters in Thousand Oaks for the Hunger Games Premier Event. We have been asked to come out and represent our club as an added interest to their premier activities. We will have about 20 members talking to the public about archery, showing off various bow types, equipment and safety gear and talking about what we have to offer at the range. Muvico expects over 6000 people to be at the theaters throughout Saturday.

Both of these events are great ways for us to reach out to the local communities without any cost to the club. We will have a full report of these events at the next General Meeting.

Membership is busy! Renewals are coming in and I would like to thank all of the members who have already gotten their dues in on time and also to those who have made additional donations to the club (see list below). I know many of you wait until the key exchanges to renew and so that time is also here!

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The locks will be changed out on Friday November 21st during the day. I will begin key exchanges at the JOAD range area during the Saturday Public Open Sessions for the next 4 weeks and also AFTER registration at the Toys for Tots Shoot on December 7. Keys can also be exchanged AFTER any General Membership Meeting. If after the five initial dates on the range to exchange keys you cannot make any of these dates, then exchanges must be done by mail, by taping your key to an index card and mailing it back. Please do not ask for key exchanges during JOAD after these dates.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, Remember to submit a <u>new signed</u> <u>waiver</u> for all persons included on your membership. I am working hard to get actual member counts this year. Remember that children over 18 are no longer included in your family membership unless they are full time students. Call me with any questions.

Please continue to send you membership renewals to me <u>by mail</u> if you don't make the key exchange dates. I will not be able to accept membership renewals <u>at the range</u>, after the above stated key exchange dates. I am there as a coach during that time and need to be able to focus on coaching.

Lastly, I am still looking for the identity of the man who gave JBD his membership renewal at the Zombie Shoot while paying his registration. You paid in cash and there was not a name on your renewal form and a waiver was not attached to the form so we have no idea who this is from. Please contact me!!

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Here are our anniversaries for this month!

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10 Years	Gary White		Timothy Kunes
5 years	Steve and Lois Price		David Holmes
	Jim Nieoff	Jon H	owell and family
2 years	Darius Leon	Alan a	and Chris Murphy
	William Tandrow and family	Bill Ru	ich and family

Thank you to all of our CVA Members who have given tax deductible donations to the club along with their renewals. Robert Armstrong John Barrow and family John Brix Jeffrey Goodwin and family Robert Kendall Mike Koller James Lowry Steve Price Greg Ream and family John Steele Tom Swindell Victor Westerburg – in honor of our CVA member veterans Gary White

See you all on the range! Bonnie Email: <u>bmarshall79@verizon.net</u> Phone: 805-379-8721 Mailing address for renewals: 951 Warwick Ave. Apt C1, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Values Received in your Life as an Archer.

By Curtis Hermann - November 2014 CVA "Quiver."

There are many rewards that one receives just for having been involved in archery, perhaps many more than I will list here, each archer as he/she looks back at their archery past will be grateful for the many blessings bestowed on them from their life as an archer.

Archery is primarily an outdoor sport that takes place often in some very pleasant surroundings that are filled with highlights of nature, social interaction and challenges that take us away from the humdrum of our normal working world. Just you, your bow, the arrow, the target and mix in some chit-chat with close friends, that's a pretty neat recipe for a good time, a relaxing time, a soul satisfying – mental regenerating physical movement that makes you feel alive and at one with the natural world. Add bowhunting to this recipe and you include a world of adventure and exploration in the deep and out of the way corners of nature that take you so far away from your everyday world that you can pretend that you are from a distant era in a very wild and unexplored part of the world.

I would like to tell you of a few blessings that archery has brought to me, things that I truly value and I think you will find that many of them are a part of your world as well. This subject came to me the other night as I was watching the Fox TV Special "The Man who killed Osama Ben Laden." This man and I had a few things in common, he grew up in the small town of Butte, Montana – a mining and ranching town far from any metropolitan city, I grew up in a similar ranching/ mining town a few hundred miles south east of Butte across the border in Wyoming. At seventeen he delivered pizza, I stocked shelves at the Safeway store, we both decided to join the service to better our circumstances. Our lives parted dramatically after this, as a Navy Seal this young man had many adventures that I would never see but we still seemed to have some things in common, at least I like to think so.

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We both grew up hunting and fishing surrounded by nature, family and a sense of being independent and responsible. We both grew up with a noticeable inner happiness and a sense of being grateful for the world that we are allowed to be a part of. It certainly showed through his mannerisms and I hope it shows through in mine. Anyway, I became aware that many of the values that I attempt to hold have all been enhanced by archery and by archers that I have known.

Longevity, I certainly believe that participating in archery can lead not only to longevity, but an active life that stays active many years longer than a non-archer. I have shot a bow for 65 years and I still look forward to the next chance I get to shoot! I often think of the line in the country western tune that says "Everybody wants to go to Heaven, but nobody wants to go Today," well I say, if going to heaven without leaving earth is your goal – Go Shoot a Bow – it's as close as you're going to get. I do believe that "Life is Better Outdoors" and that my days afield and shooting a bow has helped keep me strong and healthy.

Less Stress, archery can be both a stress reliever and a stress maker but overall it does a marvelous job relieving the stresses of everyday life. Particularly the process of instinctive shooting, where the routine act of pulling the bow, focusing with the forebrain and then switching to the subconscious mind keeps one so focused that there is little room to let in any irritations' the day may have brought you. We all know that less stress means better mental and physical health, although archery is addictive the side effects are very positive.

Comradeship, all sports (team or individual) have the ability to create enduring friendships that are satisfying and valued. Archery again, I think ranks at the top of this quality, archery is one of the few sports that can be shared at the same time by grandchildren through grandparents. CVA has had many members who have shot well into their eighties and since that is not all that far away for me, I assure you I intend to be one of them. I just returned from the Gene Foster Traditional Shoot in Fresno, most every CVA archer in my group was over 70 years of age as were many of the participants in the shoot.

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Gene Foster along with his good friend and bow maker Tim Miegs both shot well into their eighties. So if you add longevity to enduring friendships how can you not love archery! Bowhunting adds another dimension to the enduring friendship category, as does all hunting perhaps that is due to the fact that hunting is perhaps man's oldest occupation and challenge for survival.

Sense of belonging, archers are a unique group and if you are one, you know that you have that sense of belonging to something special. Throughout life I have found archers to be the most dependable, likeable, honest heartwarming group of people I have ever known. I am proud to have been a member of this unique group and I value each and every one of you.

See you at the range,

Curtis



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Conejo Valley Archers Ninth Annual



Christmas Toys for Tots Shoot

Sunday, December 7th, 2014 This is a Rain or Shine Event

30 Novelty and 3D Targets 2 arrow, marked yardage, 10-8-5 scoring

REGISTRATION 7:30 – 9:00 AM

COST One unwrapped toy valued at ~\$15.00 (two per Family)



ADULTS FAMILY YOUNG ADULTS 15-17 YOUTH 12-14 CUB 11 and younger Compound Recurve Longbow

Breakfast items, lunch, snacks and drinks available all day

Directions: 118 Fwy to Simi Valley, exit Tapo Canyon, Go North 3 miles, turn left into Tapo Canyon Park. The range is inside the park.

For Club/Shoot/Schedule Information call the club phone 805-530-1339 Or visit our website www.cvarchers.com

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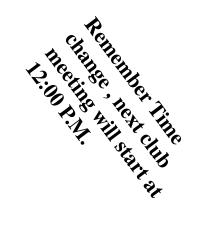
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From the Desk of the President

Kurt Hoberg

The exciting developments continue about the CVA Tournament Range. Currently work is being done to facilitate CVA's ability to pull permits and start



grading and moving dirt. And with the recent rains the dirt is ready to move, as it is nice and soft. We are hoping to make as much progress as we can before the end of 2014, so stay tuned!

CVA has been investing in the permanent 3D range in the back canyon, and I've seen more and more members using it. Members I've talked to are very happy and excited to have a permanent 3D offering at the club, and as we continue to make improvements to that aspect of our range I foresee more interest.

With the increased focus on the 3D range I'm looking for a volunteer to step up and assume the role of 3D Range Field Captain. This person will be in charge of the 3D range, organize work parties to keep the range shoot-able, and will be asked to provide reports about the 3D range to the Board of Directors. This will be a very influential and important position in the club. If you are interested let me know.

Below are specific points I would like to call out regarding the use of CVAs 3D range.

NO BROADHEADS! The 3D targets we have placed are **not broadhead rated**. The use of broadheads chops up targets that cost the club several hundred dollars each, and broadheads stuck in targets have caused injury to your fellow club members. You can shoot broadheads near the swinging tire station with your own backstop / target bag. I'd be more than happy to show the location to anyone that isn't sure of where that is on the range. No 'camping' on a single target. Please shoot the minimum amount of arrows at a single station and move on. If you insist on 'camping' at a single target, please bring your own backstop / target bag to shoot at. <u>Please follow this rule for the field range</u> <u>as well</u>.

In my October President's article I discussed Pasadena Roving Archers fight to continue their program in Pasadena's Lower Arroyo. The city meeting to discuss this has been pushed out yet again with no date set, so there is even more time to get your letter to the city in support of PRA. Please visit PRA's web site (http://pasadenaarchery.com/) to get more information about this concerning issue. If you haven't already, I'm asking CVA's membership to send a brief e-mail to the Pasadena City Council (City_Council@cityofpasadena.net) expressing endorsement of PRA and the program they provide to the public. If you have already sent a letter it will be maintained in a file by the city clerk to be used when the meeting actually occurs.

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- Erin Thompson 5th pin, shooting FITA Recurve
- Jack Sampson 6th pin, shooting Compound (Release)
- Joy Begg 5th pin, shooting Barebow
- Walker Hodges 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Compound (Release)

We have quite a few JOAD kids that are in lockstep. I had a run on 5th Pins and ran out!

This year's Toys for Tots charity shoot was the most successful in recent memory. Please take a look in this month's Quiver for the article and pictures. CVA filled four shopping carts, heaped high with toys for charity. Thanks to everyone that gave, came out to shoot, and who helped with setup / teardown. A special thanks to Bob Bombardier who had the bin ready for us when we came in with the targets, and to Keith Murphy, Stephanie Hullar, and 'Chuck the Truck' for the help pulling targets at the end of the shoot!

As mentioned last month, the first two weekends in January 2015 is the California State Indoor Championships Tournament. This is a great starter tournament as many CVA Coaches and shooters will be in attendance. As of the date of my penning this article the only available openings are on the afternoon shooting line on the second weekend (Jan. 10-11); all other lines and dates are full. If you are interested in shooting, please visit this WEB site ASAP for more information and to register. (http://calarchery.net). FYI – CVA's Public Session will be closed on the tournament's first weekend (Sat, Jan. 3rd) as the majority of CVA's Coaches will be at the tournament coaching or competing.

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See you at the range!

Your President Kurt Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

From the Desk of the VP



Happy December to All!

I hope that this final article of the year finds you all happy and healthy heading into the new year, with a strong commitment and renewed energy to family, friends and the club!! Seriously though, this is a great time of year to look back on all of our club achievements and be thankful for our club members who consistently come out to help on the range during Range Beatification Days, baling parties, general work parties, JOAD work parties, pasting parties, tournaments and other function that keeps our range in the manner that all of us should be very proud of. We consistently receive compliments from tournament shooters about the conditions of the range and the obvious work that goes into it. The biggest thanks going to our intrepid Range Captain, Keith Murphy whose endless energy, knowledge and commitment is a perfect example to be followed.

To the many people behind the scenes who step up to do those jobs that not everyone wants to get into, like Bob Bombardier tackling this immense Tournament Project with the help of Clark Pentico, past Prez. The amount of time that Bob has committed alone to this project has been tremendous and there would be no way to repay him for all he has done.

To the people who come out every week to support the Public Open Sessions and the JOAD Program I give great thanks also. My kids started as little ones in this program and I am so thankful for the guidance, the atmosphere and the fun that is generated every week by these individuals. There are too many to list, but let's just call them all AWE-SOME!

To the Board Members; I am very proud to serve with these folks, and to know that we have a common focus to help our club be the best it can be. The amount of email time alone is commitment that most are not aware of! Dan Dix celebrates his 25th year with the club and most of that time has been spent serving as our club treasurer. His ever present patience in all matters financial and life in general is much appreciated.

I hope that all of you will take a moment to personally thank any of these people (or other that I didn't mention) for what they do for our club. Happy Holidays!

Bonnie

Membership Corner

As is traditional, this is the month that we ask that all renewals get completed at this time. The range keys have been changed and so that old key just isn't going to work anymore! We hope that you are getting out to the range to shoot and see the new setup for the field range, the beautiful new bales at the JOAD range and the new animal targets that have been installed at the 3D range! There is always something for everyone at our club.

Remember that all <u>renewals should now be mailed to Dan Dix</u> at 4008 Monterey Court, Newbury Park 91320. Tape your old key to an index card and remember to submit new signed waivers for each person on your membership, along with your renewal check made out to CVA. Please do not bring renewals to me anymore during the Saturday Open Public Sessions as I will not have membership paperwork and keys with me. We are currently at 57% renewal rate and I am working towards 100% by the end of January! Help me make that goal!

We appreciate the over \$3500 in donations that have been received so far this new club year in corporate gifts, equipment donations and donations with renewals. Remember these are all great tax deductions and also many of these monetary donations are eligible for corporate matching gifts from many local companies. Check with your HR Department! Also thanks for all who donated to our Toys for Toys events.

Thank you to all of our CVA Members who have given tax deductible donations to the club for this new club year. **Robert** Armstrong John Barrow and family John Brix Jeffrey Goodwin and family Robert Kendall Mike Koller James Lowry Steve Price Greg Ream and family John Steele Tom Swindell Victor Westerburg - in honor of our CVA member veterans Garv White Kurt Hoberg and family Jeff Goldberg and family **Darius** Leon

I would like to report that our two **promotional events** at Muvico and Sequoia Middle School, both went very well and we have already started to see a response from these events. Thanks to all who represented our club. Check out the pics on our Facebook page.

December Anniversaries

Founding members of our club, Gale and Hilda Fowler officially have their membership anniversary of 42 years this month! I say official because membership records only go back to 1972! We would like to say Thank You to them for their actual 47 years as members! I'm still hoping they will make it out for our 50th Anniversary celebration!! What they started so many years ago is truly a blessing for us all. Gale and Hilda, I know you read every Quiver that is published and know that our holiday wishes are with you!!

The most honorable Dan Dix (Treasurer extraordinaire) is also celebrating his 25th year with the club. Thank you Dan for your ever present patience in all matters financial and life just wouldn't be the same without a good dose of Dan jokes and hilarious t-shirts quotes at meetings and tournaments' 4 years - Lee Glaser and family

2 years - John Gould and family and John Strubbe and family Gilles Godin and family

1 year - Robert Kendall John Lamb and family Joseph San Roman Alvarro Barrera Chito Reyes Congratulations to all!

See you at the range! Bonnie



Miles Gould makes the first Compound Junior Dream Team

You might remember a past Quiver article on Miles Gould, who set a CA state record at this year's California State Outdoor Tournament. Miles continues to pursue excellence in compound archery and due to his hard work and dedication has been selected as one of the first members of the debut USA Archery Compound Junior Dream Team,

Team USA has enjoyed tremendous success in the compound divisions internationally, often topping the world rankings and leading medal counts at World Cups. In the hopes of continuing to reach the current levels of Team USA's international success, USA Archery has announced the Compound Junior Dream Team.

The CJDT program helps young archers gain access to top-level coaching through periodic camps and online support from coaches. The existing Recurve Junior Dream Team program is used to bridge the gap between JOAD archers and the Resident Athlete Program in an effort to fast track those archers who show early potential, and the new Compound Junior Dream Team program is scoped in a like fashion.

The Compound JDT will focus on technical and mental skill development, with the ultimate goal of developing future international success at the World Championship and World Cup levels.

The criteria to attend the Selection Camp was quite rigorous, with a minimum qualifying score across a variety of 2014 competitions and other administrative specifics. Once those were met, Miles was invited to participate in the Selection Camp, which he attended at the Chula Vista Olympic Training Center on November 17-23.

As you can imagine, the Selection Camp had quite a bit of shooting along with coach observation, physical fitness tests, active scored shooting, and evaluations.

Miles was notified of his selection for the 2015 team by the Compound JDT head Coach Linda Beck. He has a great deal to do over the next year to remain on the Team, as it takes a tremendous amount of commitment o remain competitive on the National and International level. I won't go into the detail of what is necessary to remain in the program as the list is quite long...suffice it to say that Miles will be a busy young man over the next year!

I want to congratulate Miles on his continued progress in archery and wish him all the best in the coming year. CVA is proud!

Kurt Hoberg President, Conejo Valley Archers.

My Christmas Wish

By Curtis Hermann for the CVA Quiver Dev,2014

Last month's column was an effort to explain the long term benefits one receives just from participating in their love of archery, this month I will provide a living example of such a life.

The man I am speaking of is Jim Dougherty, a man who has so much love for the sport of bowhunting that he insists on spending time in the wild with his bow while fighting cancer that has ravaged his body. Earlier this year Jim could barely pull a twenty five pound bow, now he is up to forty and he knows that at 15 yards a well-placed shot will bring down an Oklahoma white tailed deer. I trust Jim on this as he has made more well-placed shots on wild game over the last sixty years than most of us could even imagine. Dropping another white tail is not high on Jim's list but being in the woods, sharing the time with his grandsons and holding on to life for a few more fall seasons. The only thing that could surpass that is one of his grandkids being successful. Jim can no longer climb into a treestand, instead these last few years he has hunted from a ground blind and there is so little meat on his bones that he needs a small propane heater in the blind with him.

Jim Dougherty is a local bowhunter, as a young teenager he had a job in the "Kittridge Bow Hut" a local Pasadena archery shop owned by Doug Kitteredge, Doug and Jim became fast hunting partners becoming known as top line predator hunters and starting the Southern California Varmint Hunters Association.

I met Jim and Doug in the last few years the shop was in Pasadena and when Doug took the shop to Mammoth, I still attempted to visit when I could. At the move to Mammoth, Jim went to work for the Ben Pearson Archery company in Oklahoma and his position at the Bow Hut was filled by Bill Krenz (an archer we will highlight one day in this column). It was some years before Jim and I reconnected, it happened at the Shot Show in Las Vegas, I had the National Bowhunter Education Foundation booth just a few spots away from the Ben Pearson booth that Jim manned, we chatted easily and made plans to do some night predator calling that evening in the desert just outside Vegas. Moments later we were both informed of meetings we needed to attend that evening, he with the Pope & Young Club and me with the NBEF BOD, so much for hunting. Two years later the same scenario played out again, same show, same booths, same plan, same interruption to those plans.

Over the years I have followed Jim through his monthly column "Trails End" in Peterson's Bowhunting magazine. If there was ever an example that a life outdoors is a vital, self -satisfying quality of life experience, Jim is it. Past president of the Pope & Young Club and American Archery Council, PAA Pro-Archer of the year 1977, World Champion Predator Caller, book author, magazine columnist and 1997 inductee to the Archery Hall of Fame, the commendations go on, yet I know that few of those mean as much to Jim as just being outdoors and watching an arrow fly through the woods.

Jim was so healthy, so strong, so active that it is hard to imagine that illness finally go to him, but even in these times his value and love of the outdoors is still (next to family) the most important part of his life.

Stick with archery, get outdoors at every opportunity and someday you may be able to look back over your life and smile at the years of an active, healthy life that dedicated archers share. That's my Christmas Wish for You.

Till next month, Curtis



Hi All CVA members,

"Adopt a Target" is for members to volunteer to help maintain one of the 28 shooting lanes on the Roving range. It mostly consists of keeping the weeds and brush at bay and general clean up on a selected lane. On most lanes this would require the person(s) to spend only about 30 - 45minutes working on the lane maybe 2 or 3 times a year. This would allow me to focus on other project on the range. Because if I have to clear all of the lanes (30 minutes x 28 lanes) it eats up my available time to do other things like working on bales, spraying weeds, putting up covers on the target, fire abatement, repairs, etc.....

If you're not sure of what maintaining a lane would consist of feel free to give me a call with any questions you may have.

If you are interested on a particular lane send me an email. It will be first come first serve so if you want a particular lane let me know ASAP.

If you have adopted a lane already please take the time to maintain it. If you're no longer able to maintain it please let me know so we can show it as available.

Thanks,

Keith Murphy (CVA Roving Range Captain)

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Adopt a Target Sign-Up Sheet

Target #	Distance	Adoptor(s)
1	35 yrd fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Gary Magness
2	30 yrd. field 32 yrd hunter	Rob Lind
3	20 yrd. field 19walk-up hunter	Robert Luttrell
4	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd hunter	
5	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd. walk-up hunter	Norman Rice
6	25 yrd field 28 yrd. fan hunter	James, Nathan, & Joshua Colins
7	55 yrd field 53 yrd walk-up hunter	James, Nathan, & Joshua Colins
8	45 yrd walk-up field 44 yrd hunter	Terry Gieskewski
9	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	
10	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	
11	40 yrd field 40 yrd. Hunter	Steve Price
12	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	
13	45 yrd field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	
14	50 yrd. field 48 yrd walk-up hunter	
15	45 yrd.walk-up field 44 yrd. hunter	
16	50 yrd. field 48 yrd. hunter	Julio Durado
17	20 yrd field 19 yrd. walk-up hunter	Clark Pentico
18	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd walk-up hunter	
19	55 yrd. field 53 yrd. walk-up hunter	
20	25 yrd. field 28 yrd. fan hunter	
21	35 yrd. fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Jim Niehoff
22	30 yrd. field 32 yrd. fan hunter	Jim Niehoff
23	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd. hunter	Sharron Jacobs Casey Nolte
24	45 yrd. field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	
25	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	Kit Raquel
26	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	Jonathan & Diana Geiger
27	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	Chuck Thurber
28	40 yrd. field 40 yrd. hunter	Chuck Thurber
	20-40 yrd practice butts	
	20 yrd. practice butts by running pig	Kris Ogle

CVA's 10th annual Toys for Tots Tournament

Was held on December 7. We finally managed to have great weather and an even better turn out. The shoot averages 50 participants but this year was the highest ever with 89 archers shooting the novelty and 3D round. Several people also came by just to drop off toys even though they couldn't participate in the tournament. We collected 106 toys and filled 4 shopping carts that were dropped off at the Toys for Tots collection station. If you had to leave before the awards were given out I will have them at JOAD and at the next CVA meeting. Thank you so much to everyone that helped or that participated. You helped to light up a child's Christmas!

Thank You Rose Hoberg







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Award winners for CVA 2014

Top Five Trophy

Alan Murphy	554.8	BHFS	
Keith Murphy	553.4		BHFS
Rick Gabbie	551.4		FS
Norm Rice	550.6		FS
Randy Estrella	550.2		FS
Jack Sampson	549.0	FS	

Range Record Trophies (Trophy Buck Knives)

Barbara Richter Dawn Luttrell Keith Murphy Clark Pentico Garry Magness Jonathan Geiger Norman Rice Norman Rice Curtis Hermann Jack Sampson Chris Murphy

Championship Belt Buckles

Standard - Alan Murphy Traditional - Curtis Hermann

Rotating Award Plaques

President's Award – Paul Long Golden Ager Trophy – Norman Rice Perpetual Trophy – Keith Murphy The new club year started off well with over twenty archers making the round and turning in score cards. We had a lot of styles on the course the month including Atlatl (Brent Richter) and FITA Recurve (Jonathan Geiger & Kurt Hoberg) in addition to our normal plethora of Recurve, Longbow and Compound bow shooters.

At the top of the leader board was Keith Murphy with a nice 501 scratch score. Clark 'Lefty' Pentico was twelve points behind shooting BHFS for a change.

Top 'Traditional" score went to Curtis Hermann with a 306.

You'll notice that no one has a handicap this month, as we are all starting over again fresh. The first handicaps will start showing up again on the January Club Shoot results.

See you all out on the range. John Downey, Tournament Chairman

NAME	SCRATCH	HSCORE	DIVISION	STYLE
Keith Murphy	501	501	А	BHFS
Clark Pentico	489	489	А	BHFS
Derek Lyneis	464	464	А	FS
Norman Rice	462	462	GA	BHFS
Rick Gabbie	454	454	А	FS
Jack Sampson	452	452	Y	FS
Chuck Thurber	419	419	GA	FS
Alan Murphy	415	415	А	BHFS
Jonathan Geiger	404	404	А	FITA
Terry Marvin	400	400	А	BHFS
Kurt Hoberg	349	349	А	FITA
Barbara Richter	320	320	А	FSL
Curtis Hermann	306	306	GA	TRAD
Rob Lind	236	236	GA	TRAD
Joe Cavaleri	215	215	А	TRAD
John Brix	203	203	GA	TRAD
Tom Swindell	199	199	GA	TRAD
Fred French	154	154	GA	TRAD
Tom Sheppard	128	128	А	TRAD
Connor Richter	89	89	YA	LB
Wesley Richter	47	47	Y	LB
Brent Richter	27	27	А	ATLA

TSHIRT ORDERS I would like to submit a t-shirt order for long sleeved CVA shirts and CVA Zip Hoodies.

If you would like to place an order please EMAIL me what you would like and what size to <u>bmarshall79@verizon.net</u> I have to have a large enough order to get a good price. Long sleeved t-shirts are \$15 and Hoodies are \$30. I have plenty of short sleeved CVA and JOAD shirts available and you can purchase then on Saturdays during the Public Open Sessions from 9 am -1pm. \$10 each

Don't forget we also carry patches, decals, and pins for \$5. Great stocking stuffers!!!

Bonnie

LOST and FOUND!!!

We have accumulated a large amount of lost and found items at the range. They will be out during the banquet so last chance to get them or they will be recycled!

Samick Polaris 66" 20 lb bow with a white string and a black serving TruFire Thumb release marked "Thomas" Shooting sack with misc items and water bottle Various field archery hats And a few other items

We will also put out the lost arrow buckets. You may be surprised what you see in there. Make sure to check it out!! Realize that even if you lost an arrow at the JOAD range or in the field range it may have ended up in either bucket! See you at the BANQUET!!!

STUFF FOR SALE

One dozen/brand new/never shot Easton, 906 A/C-X10 450 Series A Arrows. S.S.Easton points, Beiter nocks, Spin wing fletching. Cut to 31 1/2 \$400.00. OBO

Stokerized SS1Revolver hunter/field stabilizer with brass weights Black. \$120 OBO.

Stokerized 24" carbon stabilizer with brass weights Black. \$125 OBO.

Spot Hogg Father Base, \$150. Firm. Thanks, Steve Price 805-433-2995

CLOTHING ORDERS

I would like to attempt to order clothing items for anyone who has been told that I am out of stock for certain items. Please send me an email of interest of what you would like to order and if I get a large enough amounts of confirmed orders I can do it.

I still have CVA Short sleeve t-shirts with the CVA logo on the back for \$10 great for layering!!

Other items that can be requested: Zip Hoodies - \$30 Long sleeved CVA t shirts - \$15 JOAD White t-shirts - \$10 CVA Sweatshirts - \$20 CVA short sleeve shirts with the older black and white logo -\$10 Suggestions for other items??

Lastly don't forget we have CVA and JOAD decals for \$5 AND CBH Defense Fund quiver tags for only \$1

Bonnie

Calendar of Events

DEC 28th CVA Club Shoot

Jan 4th San Diego Archers Un-Marked 3D 28 targets 1 arrow Jan 11th Oranco Bowmen Stump and Varmint Mkd 2 arrow paper Jan 18th Mojave Archers Clara 3-D Challenge unMkd 30 2 arrows Jan 18th San Diego Archers Animal Round 28 Mkd 3 arrows Jan 24th Cherry Valley Bowhunters indoor 300 Mkd Jan 25th CVA Club Shoot Feb 1st San Diego Archers Flying Pig 3D UnMkd 29 targets 1 arrow Feb 8th Oranco Bowmen Rendezvous UnMkd 42 targets Feb 15th Hunter Round Mkd 28 targets 4 arrows Feb 21st Mojave Archers Lucky 7 Combo Novelty and 3D 28 Mkd 1 arrow Feb 22nd CVA Club Shoot

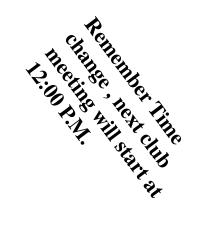


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Reminder: Range Beautification Days are the 1st Saturday of even months