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**Greg Singelton, Belvoir Bowhunters,
with his 129 pound 11 point buck**

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magazine and we encourage
your contributions!

From the President

Welcome to a new year in archery! The VBA membership was up again last year with a total of 1572 members which includes 470 new members. This is great news for both the VBA and for those local clubs which saw their membership increase. Let us all try to continue this growth in the new year by encouraging new shooters to join your clubs.

Several important matters were settled at the January Quarterly Meeting which I would like to bring to your attention. First, the Directors voted to have IBO shooting rules used at our 3-D State Tournaments. This was done because many of the local clubs already follow these rules and there are many conflicts with existing VBA rules. If you are not familiar with IBO rules, you can easily find and download them from the IBO website. Hopefully, this will make things easier at these shoot as well as draw more shooters.

Secondly, the Directors unfortunately had to remove John Honyoust from the office of Field Vice President. John was not communicating with the officers of the VBA and not fulfilling his duties as a VBA office. Cay MacManus has graciously agreed to fill this important office. Both Cay and John Robertson, our new Hunting Vice President, were sworn into office at the meeting. Their contact information can be found in the front of this publication. I sincerely thank both of them for their service and hope all members will support them however you can.

The VBA Banquet is almost upon us. We had a great turn out last year and I hope that we can do even better this year. Please make an effort to come out and have a social evening with other members. Remember this is a family affair and we strongly encourage our young members to attend. They are the future of archery and our organization and we will continue the custom of have special door prizes for them. Speaking of door prizes, any contributions you or your club can make would be greatly appreciated. Please see the flier for this in this issue

Finally, I would again this year encourage you to attend a State Tournament. With VBA membership increasing, participation at state shoots should, likewise, be increasing. If you have never gone to a state shoot, it is a great way to make new friends and get a lot of free advice. New shooters are always welcomed and encouraged. You do not have to be the best in the state to attend and no one will make you feel unwelcomed because you are new. Archers are famous for helping one another out whenever and however they can. The more participants we have at these shoots the more rewarding it is for the host club, the VBA, and the shooters. Anyway, I hope to see you out on the range this year!

Rob Pecora 

From the Executive Vice President

The New Year is here and I hope all had a Merry Christmas and a prosperous hunting season. With the New Year comes change and the VBA is no different than anyone else, we have change, a couple of officer changes and a few shooting rule changes. We would like to welcome Cay McManus back as the Field Vice President, Cay has held this position before so she should have no problem getting back into the routine of her job. We have a new Hunting Vice President as well, Jon Robertson is from Disputanta Va which is in Prince George County, you can try and figure out how to say the name of that town on your own, he is a member of Kingsboro Bowmen and is a Hunter Ed Master Instructor and IBEP instructor and is the Hunter Education Coordinator for Prince George County and seems to have all the skills needed for the job, he sure impressed me at the last VBA quarterly meeting with his knowledge of not only hunting but also what is going on with the VGDIF.

Now onto the shooting rule changes, first of is the change in the VBA Indoor Sectionals, in the past the archer had to shoot both days for a qualifying score but now it has changed to a one score format. The tournament is still a two day shoot and you can shoot both days if you want but your best score of the two will be the one that counts and before the last two ends were inside out X's but now that has changed to the last six ends will be inside out X's. This change was done in hopes to get more shooters to participate. Now for the Spring 3-d classic which is also changing to two day one score format, this on a three year trial basis at the end of the trial period the change can be put to a vote of the directors to make it permanent or change back to its original format. And the BIGGIE of the rules changes is at the VBA State 3-D Championships, Spring and Fall, IBO rules will be used, this includes equipment rules and shooting rules. The reasoning behind this is that at the club level most of the clubs already use IBO rules and it would be simpler to shoot the rules that most shooters are already using. Next in the rules changes comes the age structure of shooting styles, seniors has been changed to 50-59, silver senior 60-69 and master seniors 70+, this change brings the VBA age structure in line with other organizations.

Terry Ballowe
Executive Vice President 

AGENDA ITEMS

AGENDA ITEMS VOTED ON AT JANUARY MEETING:

(4) Shooting Styles, Divisions, Section A, Pg. 12, Change to read, Senior Division, 50 and older, Silver Senior Division, 60 and older, and Master Senior, 70 years and older. This breakdown is for State level shoots and archers can only compete in one division. Any archer may compete in any younger division, if they choose. Effective, Jan., 2014. **Passed, 34-0.**

(5) Change the 3-D rules to follow IBO Shooting Rules at State level shoots, only. Effective, Jan., 2014. **Passed, 29-5.**

(6) By-laws, Amend Art. 10, Sect. 1, c, Pg. 3, VBA charter fees for Commercial Pro Shops will be \$50.00 per year and a 50% reduction on the cost of Flight ads. Effective, Jan., 2014. **Passed, 33-1.**

(7) Constitution, Art. 4, Sect. 3, Pg. 2, Add the word, adult, to the sentence to read; The slate of candidates must be forwarded to each adult member of affiliated clubs. Effective, Jan., 2014. **Passed, 34-0.**

AGENDA ITEMS FOR MARCH MEETING:

(1) The VBA shall accept the newly revised Constitution and By-laws as amended by Feb .15, 2014, as the official documents of the organization. Effective, April, 2014.

Justification: To accept reorganization and corrections to existing documents.

(2) Cont., Art. 10, Sect. 1, Pg. 3, Change current VBA Charter fee from \$20.00 to \$25.00. Effective, Jan.01,2015. Justification: Rates have not changed in 17 years

From the NBEF/IBEP Director

A few years ago our guest speaker at the VBA Awards Banquet was Mr. Mark Duda, Executive Director for Responsive Management, Inc. Mr. Duda and several others had recently completed work on a report titled “The Future of Hunting and the Shooting Sports”. I personally found his presentation very revealing, and I would like to share some of the “take aways” that I use in my IBEP instruction.

First, understand that hunters are a minority in our society. The report stated that *“Between 14 million and 18 million U.S. residents participate in hunting in any given year. This represents approximately 5% of the U.S. population.”* While the report did not present data on how many residents are staunch anti-hunters, let’s say the number is roughly the same. That means that the vast majority of folks are in the middle – not a hunter, but not an anti-hunter either. They are influenced by how we look, act and behave when we hunt. Said another way, every time that you go hunting, you have the opportunity to influence that neutral population one way or the other. If you go into stores, restaurants, or other public places while hunting, be aware of how you look. While leafy camouflage is great for the woods, it can make you look like a threat to others. Certainly having blood stains on your clothing from the deer you harvested in the morning can cause anxiety and concern. Personally, I wear leafy camouflage over dark colored street clothes, and take it off when I leave the woods to avoid this situation. Also give some thought to transporting your trophy. Not everyone wants to see your gutted deer hanging off the back of your pickup, and parents with children can be particularly offended. Take time to cover them up with a tarp so they are out of sight as you drive home.

Another key point I make from the report is regarding where hunters come from. The evidence in the report is very clear – the vast majority of hunters come from hunting families. As stated in the report, *“Hunting and shooting participants is highly correlated to living in a hunting or shooting culture – being surrounded by family or friends who participate and an atmosphere where hunting and shooting are part of the culture.”* If we want our sport to survive beyond our generation, we must recruit and mentor young hunters throughout our lifetime. Not only our own children, but nephews, nieces, and even the neighbor’s son or daughter that expressed an interest in going hunting. This is especially true in light of the fact that our numbers are declining. *“Hunting participation as measured in absolute numbers as well as a percentage of the U.S. population is declining in the U.S.”* So the most important trophy you take next year may not even be yours at all...but rather the one the young hunter you took with you harvested and set them on a path of being a lifetime hunter. Share the passion!

Good Hunting! Bob Foster, NBEF/IBEP Director



Thinking of archery hunting Alaska, Montana or Quebec? If so, you must successfully complete the International Bowhunter Education Program (IBEP) course! The course is designed to provide bowhunters with the fundamentals of good, safe bowhunting while maintaining the highest ethical standards in the sport. It instills a responsible attitude to adopt and follow acceptable behavior towards people, wildlife and the environment in which they hunt. It is also required in order to purchase an archery license in 14 states and most of the Canadian provinces!

For the second year, the Bowhunters of Rockingham is sponsoring an International Bowhunter Education Program (IBEP) class in conjunction with the VBA Awards Banquet. The IBEP instruction will be held at their clubhouse located at 3809 Longbow Road, Keezletown, VA 22832 on Saturday, 22 March 2014. The class will begin at 8:00 AM, and last until 4:00 PM. There is no cost for this class. This class is open to anyone interested in learning more about bowhunting and safety. It includes both experienced archers and novices. Young adults are welcomed and encouraged to attend, but must be at least 11 years old to enroll in a course. There is no maximum age for enrollment. Parents are encouraged to attend the course with their children.

To register, go to <http://www.register-ed.com/programs/virginia>, Virginia Bowhunter Education Course (IBEP) that is listed under the heading “Virginia DGIF Hunting Programs”. Select “View Upcoming Events”, then select the IBEP class listed for Rockingham Bowmen on 22 March. To register, select “Register Now”, and you will be taken to a form that you can complete to register for the class. If you have any problems, call 1-888-516-0844 during normal duty hours, and a help desk representative will assist you!

IBO (International Bowhunters Organization) Classes Simplified

Level/Class	Age	Gender	Competitive Status/Stake	Equipment
Level 1 – Non-Competitive				
Future Bowhunter (FBH)	< 8 yrs.	M & F	Non-Comp	Shoot what you bring
Level 2 – Youth				
Cub (CUB)	9-12 yrs.	M & F	Youth – White	Shoot what you bring
Youth Hunter (YH)	13-17 yrs.	M & F	Youth – Orange	Any bow, fixed pins, no magnification or no sights, one stabilizer or one attachment point 12" max., screw in arrow points, min. 2" fltch and 260 fps max., fin er or mechanical release.
Youth Hunter Fingers (YHF)	13-17 yrs.	M & F	Youth – Orange	Same as above except fin er release.
Youth Release, Ages 13-14 (YMR 13-14)	13-14 yrs.	M	Male Youth – Orange	Shoot what you bring
Youth Release, Ages 15-17 (YMR 15-17)	15-17 yrs.	M	Male Youth – Orange	Shoot what you bring
Female Youth (FY)	13-17 yrs.	F	Female Youth - Orange	Shoot what you bring
Youth Traditional (YTRD)	9-17 yrs.	M & F	Cub and Youth in Trad – White	Recurve or Longbow, fin ers release, one nock point, one anchor, index fin er must touch arrow the same for all shots, no sights, no draw check, no stabilizers, shoot off the hand or shelf. Alum. or Carbon arrows must have screw in points, min 4" fltch.
Level 3 – Entry Level Adult				
Hunter Class (HC)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M	Adult, non-championship winner – Orange	Any bow, fixed pins, no magnification or no sights, one stabilizer or one attachment point 12" max., screw in arrow points, min. 2" fltch and 260 fps max., fin er or mechanical release.
Female Hunter Class (FHC)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	F	Adult, non-championship winner – Orange.	Same as HC.
Hunter Fingers (HF)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M & F	Adult, non-championship winner – Orange.	Same as above except fin er release.

Senior Hunter (SHC)	50+ yrs.	M & F	Senior – Yellow.	Same as HC.
Master Hunter (MHC)	60+ yrs.	M & F	Master – Yellow.	Same as HC.
Level 4 – Advanced Amateur				
Bowhunter Open (MBO)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M	Adult – Blue	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.
Female Bowhunter Open (FBO)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	F	Adult – Green	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.
Bowhunter Release (MBR)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M	Adult – Green	Any bow, no restrictions on stabilizers or style of release. Sight must have fixed references and no magnification
Female Bowhunter Release (FBR)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	F	Adult – Red	Any bow, no restrictions on stabilizers or style of release. Sight must have fixed references and no magnification
Bowhunter Fingers (MBF)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M & F	Adult – Green	Any bow, no restrictions on sights or stabilizers. Finger release.
Advanced Hunter Class (AHC)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M & F	Adult – Red	Any bow, fixed pins, no magnification or no sights, one stabilizer or one attachment point 12" max., screw in arrow points, min. 2" flitch, finger or mechanical release.
Compound Unaided (MCU)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M & F	Adult - Orange	Compound bow, finger release, no sights. Arrow rest and plunger allowed. Face and/or string walking allowed.
Female Seniors (FSR)	50+ yrs.	F	Senior – Green	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.
Men's Senior Class (MSR)	50+ yrs.	M	Senior – Green	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.
Masters Class (MCBH)	60+ yrs.	M & F	Master – Green	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.
Senior Master Class (SMC)	70+ yrs.	M & F	Senior Master – Red	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.

Physically Challenged (PCBH)	No age limit specified	M & F	Disability recognized by American w/ disabilities act. – Orange	Any bow, no restrictions on sights, stabilizers or style of release.
Recurve Unaided	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M & F	Traditional Archer – Orange	Recurve or Longbow, no sights, max. 12" stabilizer, arrow rest and plunger and limb mounted draw check allowed. Arrows must be of the same material and uniform length and weight. Finger release, face and string walking allowed.
Longbow (LB)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M & F	Traditional Archer – White	1 or 2 piece longbow, no sights, no stabilizers attached or built in, no draw checks. Fingers release, one nock point, one anchor, index finger must touch arrow the same for all shots, shoot off the hand or shelf. Arrows must be wood and of identical in length, weight and color.
Traditional (TRD)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	M	Traditional Archer - Orange	Recurve or Longbow, finger release, one nock point, one anchor, index finger must touch arrow the same for all shots, no sights, no draw check, no stabilizers, shoot off the hand or shelf. Alum. or Carbon arrows must have screw in points, min 4" flight.
Senior Traditional (STRD)	60+ yrs.	M & F	Sr. Traditional – White	Same as Traditional
Female Traditional (FTRD)	Adult, 18+ yrs.	F	Traditional Archer – White	Same as Traditional

This chart gives a simplified description of the equipment and age specifications for IBO classes. The IBO Annual Yearbook and the IBO Website both give a more detailed description and explanation of the requirements for each class. Interested archers may wish to review those more detailed sources.

Conservation Scholarship

Just a reminder that the VBA has a \$500.00 Conservation Scholarship Available each year [providing funds are available]. Written request for the scholarship must be submitted to the VBA President by March 1st for approval by the directors. VBA members and their immediate family members are eligible. Scholarship can be used at any institute of higher learning for Forestry or Wildlife Conservation/Law Enforcement.

THE TROPHY



Aurther Summers - Massanutten Archery Club



Robert Yager - Bowhunters of Rockingham



Hunter Heavner
Bowhunters of Rockingham

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Erik Raynes Mule Deer - Bowhunters of Rockingham

Hunter Munsen 1st bow Kill
Massanutten Archery Club



Dave Proctor - Bowhunters of Rockingham

THE TROPHY



Austin Knicely 1st bow Kill
Bowhunters of Rockingham



Olin Bare - Augusta Archers



Dave Robinson
Massanutten Archery Club



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Gary Thompson - Bowhunters of Rockingham



Wade Colton
Massanutten Archery Club



Trent Diehl - Bowhunters of Rockingham



Wayne East - Massanutten Archery Club

Proposed Bills in the House and Senate Affecting VDGIF for 2014

HB127 Scott Muzzleloading pistols; persons allowed to hunt big game. HACNR Subcommittee: Natural Resources recommends reporting 29-Jan 8:30 a.m. HR-C

HB307 Lingamfelter Hunter safety education; after school programs for students in grades seven through 12. House read 1st time 29-Jan House floor

HB376 Bulova Spotlighting of deer; exemption from restrictions. House passed.

HB650 Ransone Boating safety course. HACNR passed by for the week 29-Jan 8:30 a.m. HR-C

HB715 Wright Special archery license. House passed.

HB735 Lingamfelter Submerged bottomlands; posting of claim. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee; Natural Resources subcommittee 29-Jan 4:00 p.m. 8W conf.

HB857 Fariss Hunting with a muzzleloading rifle; blue orange clothing. HACNR Subcommittee: Natural Resources recommends reporting with substitute 29-Jan 8:30 a.m. HR-C

HB941 Surovell Operating a vehicle or vessel containing a false compartment; penalty. Referred to House Courts of Justice Committee

HB989 Cline Senior discount for special license. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee; Natural Resources subcommittee 29-Jan 4:00 p.m. 8W conf.

HB991 Cline Hunting and fishing licenses for nonresident disabled veterans. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee; Natural Resources subcommittee 29-Jan 4:00 p.m. 8W conf.

HB1042 Fariss Use of certain muzzleloading pistols. Stricken at the request of the patron

HB1121 Scott, E. Composition of the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee; Natural Resources subcommittee 29-Jan 4:00 p.m. 8W conf.

HB1146 Fowler Apprentice Hunters HACNR Subcommittee: Natural Resources recommends reporting 29-Jan 8:30 a.m. HR-C

HB1175 Farrell Special hunting and fishing license for disabled veterans HACNR Subcommittee: Natural Resources tabled

HB1188 Albo Animal Fighting HACNR rereferred to House Courts of Justice

HB1237 Gilbert Hunting on Sundays. House passed.

HB1250 Ramadan Hunting on Sundays. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee

HJ26 Landes Law enforcement agencies; JLARC to study reorganizing functions under Virginia State Police. Referred to House Rules Committee subcommittee: Studies 30-Jan 4:30 p.m. 6th floor conf

HJ29 Marshall, D. Wild game; Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to study overpopulation in Commonwealth. Referred to House Rules Committee subcommittee: Studies 30-Jan 4:30 p.m. 6th floor conf

SB9 Garrett Coyotes; lawful to hunt or kill on Sundays. Referred to Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources Committee 30-Jan 1/2 hr aft adj SR-B

SB13 Garrett Hunting dogs etc.; permission from landowner to retrieve from property. Withdrawn at request of the patron

SB37 Howell Conservation Police Officers; appointment by Director of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee

SB42 Marsden Fox or coyote; penalty for any person to erect or maintain an enclosure for purpose of hunting, etc. Referred to Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources Committee

SB50 Martin Endangered and threatened species. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee

SB52 Stuart Boating safety course. Referred to Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources Committee 30-Jan 1/2 hr aft adj SR-B

SB123 Garrett Wind energy projects; regulations to mitigate adverse effects of turbine blades on wildlife. Defeated on Senate Floor

SB145 Stuart Special fox hunting license. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee

SB154 Puckett Hunting on Sundays. Referred to Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources Committee 30-Jan 1/2 hr aft adj SR-B

SB192 McDougle Department of Game and Inland Fisheries; appointment of certain sworn law-enforcement positions. Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources Committee incorporated into SB37

SB234 Petersen Operating a vehicle or vessel containing a false compartment; penalty. Senate Courts of Justice carried over to 2015

SB258 Deeds Law-enforcement consolidation plan. ACNR carried over to 2015

SB371 McWaters Terms of hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses and permits. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee

SB413 Hanger Wildlife rehabilitators. Senate read 1st time 29-Jan Senate Floor

SB504 Wagner Watercraft titling certificates; amendments to uniform act. Referred to House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee

SB602 Stuart Location of nonriparian blinds. Senate read 1st time 29-Jan Senate Floor

SB629 Marsden Navigation on certain waters. Senate read 1st time 29-Jan Senate Floor

SJ36 Deeds Study; JLARC to study consolidation of law enforcement agencies under Virginia State Police. Senate Rules carried over to 2015

SJ63 Hanger Study; Preserving the Virginia Bobwhite Quail; report. Referred to Senate Rules Committee

SJ79 Ruff Study; DGIF to study removal of prohibition of hunting over bait; report. Referred to Senate Rules Committee

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LEGISLATION UPDATE

Hello All,

Wanted to give an update on the rest of the legislation discussed at January meeting. To begin, I spoke with Mr. Curtis Colgate on Wednesday the 22nd after the vote on HB1237. He stated the Game Department Board was opposed to both HJ26 and SJ36, which concerns combining the DGIF with the Virginia State Police. I also, attended the Game Department board meeting on Tuesday the 28th. I addressed the board and stated the VBA's position on HB1237, SB154, HJ26 and SJ36.

SJ36 has been passed over for the year. HJ26 is still active but I have been told by a representative of the Game Department Board that HJ26 should be carried over to 2015 also.

There is HB715 that combine the Archery license and Crossbow license into one Archery license. The Game Board does not oppose this action and feels it will become law. It has passed in the House and has moved on the Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Resource committee. The Board believes it will lessen confusion of the licensing process for hunters during the archery season.

Another bill of interest is HB857, now HB857H1. It will require blaze orange to be worn during muzzleloader season when not physically in a treestand or stationary blind. There is an exception for Archery as long as it is an area where the discharge of a firearm is prohibited. Most of us do not fall under this exception. I expressed my concerns for this bill to the Game Board. I was told it would exempt bowhunters but the wording of the bill says otherwise.

I ask everyone to contact your Legislators and express your views on these bills. You can find your Legislator and how to contact them at <http://www.virginiageneralassembly.gov/>. Please forward this to your contacts. I'm still building my list.

Take care,

Jon Robertson, VBA Hunting VP

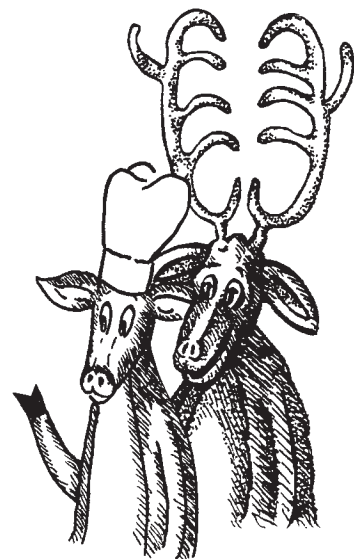
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Wally and Winnies' Venison Soup

- 2 pounds venison
- 2 large onions
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 18 oz. can tomato juice
- 1 28 oz. can whole tomatoes, mashed
- 1 17 oz. can corn
- 1 4 oz. can chopped green chiles
- 1 cup water
- 1 10 3/4 oz. can beef broth
- 2 tsp. chili powder
- 2 small zucchini, sliced
- 2 tbsp margarine

Brown meat, onions and garlic in ,margarine in a large pot. Add contents of cans of tomatoes, tomato juice, corn, chilies and broth. Add water and chile powder. Cover and bring to a boil. Simmer for one hour. Add zucchini and simmer for 10 minutes.



The Mature Virginia Whitetail Doe

Mature whitetail doe fawns and immature bucks often travel together in the early October Virginia bow season. The early bird gets the worm, and this was the case in October 2013. When the deer herd is leaving the fields early you have to be in your stand early. Many of these mature does are older than most people think and should be occasionally taken out of the herd to keep the herd healthy. Archery is a great family sport and can put food on the table. Native Hunters and Fred Bear, founder of Bear Archery would be glad that archery still thrives.

Good Hunting,

Olin Bare 🏹





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APPLICATION FOR VBA GAME AWARDS

VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Date: _____

I, _____, _____, _____
 (Print name as it appears on VBA card) (VBA Number) (Street Address)

_____, _____, hereby certify that I harvested a
 (City and State) (Zip Code)

_____, (Buck) (Doe) (Bear) (Turkey) this year and that I am a member of the Virginia Bowhunters Association, Inc., and in good standing at that time. I hereby submit an application for one or more of the following VBA awards:

- ☐ Bill Bennett Award (bear, deer, turkey from any state) If first B.B. award, check here ☐
- ☐ Largest VA Buck by Dressed Weight
- ☐ Largest VA Doe by Dressed Weight
- ☐ Best Rack Score (in the VA System)
- ☐ Largest VA Bear by Dressed Weight
- ☐ Largest VA Turkey by Live Weight
- ☐ Double Grand Slam for: VA. Bear, Deer, Turkey (circle 2) From Spring Turkey Season
- ☐ Triple Grand Slam for VA. Bear, Deer, and Turkey through Deer season, same year.

Pertinent information is provided below:

Signed: _____

VBA Club Affiliation: _____ State Game taken in _____

Date of Bow Harvest: _____ Big Game Tag Number: _____

Weight of Buck/Doe: _____ Weight of Bear/Turkey: _____

(Note: Provide copy of Check Station Transport form or other weight information)

Time of Day: _____ (a.m./ p.m.) Distance of Shot: _____

Type of bow: Compound _____ Recurve _____ Longbow _____ Other _____

Hunting method: Tree Stand _____ Ground Blind _____ Stalking _____ Other _____

Rack Score Using the Virginia System: _____

Name of Official Scorer (print): _____

(Note: Signed score sheet must accompany this application)

(If possible, include a picture with description of game harvested for publication in FLIGHT.)

Print Name and Signature of Witness: _____

(Person who saw game after it was harvested)

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF HARVEST (BUT NOT LATER THAN MARCH 1ST AFTER THE SEASON) TO: VBA EXECUTIVE STATE SECRETARY, MARIE BELL, 1223 JEANETTE AVENUE, VINTON, VA 24179.

Note: If possible, please include a picture of yourself with the game giving the name and description of game on back for identification. First, second and third place awards are available for each size category. The first Bill Bennett award is a Plaque and following awards are cast arrows.



APPLICATION FOR VBA INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Robin Hood Any VBA member that telescopes an arrow in the highest scoring area on the target. (3-D targets and Maple Leaf Animals, the arrow would only need to be in the kill area). The Robin Hood must be shot at a VBA sanctioned shoot on a VBA approved range. The scorecard must be signed by 2 witnesses, accompanied by \$5.00 and sent to the VBA Executive State Secretary.

500 Pin Any VBA member that scores 500 or better at a VBA sanctioned shoot on a VBA approved range. The round must be shot from the adult stakes on a field, hunter or field/hunter combination round. The scorecard must be signed by 2 witnesses, accompanied by \$5.00 and sent to the Executive State Secretary.

Perfect Animal Any VBA member that shoots a 20 or higher on each of the 14 unit animal targets for a total score or 280 or more. The round must be shot from the adult stakes on a VBA approved range at a sanctioned VBA shoot. The scorecard must be signed by 2 witnesses, accompanied by \$5.00 and sent to the VBA Executive State Secretary.

Name: _____ VBA Number: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____ E-mail: _____

VBA Tournament: _____ Date: _____

Award Applying for: (please circle below)

Robin Hood Pin | 500 Pin | Perfect Animal Pin

Mail the application along with your witnessed score card and \$5.00 to:
Marie Bell, Executive State Secretary
1223 Jeanette Avenue,
Vinton, VA. 24179

Note: Please make your \$5.00 check payable to "VBA".



VBA State Indoor Sectional Championship Hosted by The Belvoir Bowhunters



DIRECTIONS: Exit U.S. Route 1 (Richmond Highway) at traffic signal at Pohick Road. This intersection is the entrance to Fort Belvoir at Tulley Gate. Drive to the security control point and visitor center. Obtain a temporary vehicle pass at the visitor center adjacent to the control point by presenting driver's license and vehicle registration. Proceed south on Pohick Road to the first traffic light at Theote Road and turn right. Proceed approximately one-half mile to a stop sign at Warren Road and turn right. Proceed to Tompkins Basin, turning right at the intersection at the bottom of the hill. The Indoor Range is the long, white building (Bldg 778) on the right and set back from the road at the base of the hill. The Fort Belvoir Archery Center is located in the same building. Detailed map at:
<http://www.belvoirbowhunters.com/>

at the
**Fort Belvoir Archery Center
Tompkins Basin Indoor Range**
Ft Belvoir, VA
February 22 & 23, 2014

The Belvoir Bowhunters welcome you Friday evening (February 21) for Registration and Refreshments from 7 to 9 p.m.

**Awards will be based on highest
single round score of two rounds**

Rounds

	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
1st	9 a.m. - 12 noon	8 a.m. - 11 noon
2nd	12 p.m. - 3 p.m.	11 p.m. - 2 p.m.
3rd	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

A 30 Minute practice period will be held prior to each round beginning at 8:30 AM Saturday and 7:30 AM Sunday

Registration:

By Mail: Must be received by Feb 15, 2014

Friday: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 8 a.m.

Send Pre-Registration form(s) to:

Kevin D. Brown

6041 Bonnie Bern Ct.

Burke VA 22015

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO BELVOIR BOWHUNTERS

VBA Membership required to receive awards.

Fees: \$20 per person

\$40 max per family

Fill out this form completely. Please print clearly and only one person per form.

State Indoor Sectional Championship Registration

Name _____ Phone: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

VBA # _____ Home Club _____

Circle those that apply:

Division: Pee Wee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior

Style: FS FS/F BHFS BHFS/F BH BB TRAD

Class: Archers will be classed after the first days score.

Round Preference

Sat:

1st

2nd

3rd

Sun:

1st

2nd

3rd

Gender: M F

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February 22nd & 23rd, 2014
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9501 Jefferson Avenue
Newport News, VA
757-595-5537

\$20.00 per archer and \$40.00 maximum per family

This is a two-day event and you can shoot both rounds on one day

1 ST ROUND Saturday February 22 nd	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
2nd ROUND Saturday February 22 nd	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
3rd ROUND Saturday February 22 nd	3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
1 ST ROUND Sunday February 23 rd	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
2nd ROUND Sunday February 23 rd	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
3rd ROUND Sunday February 23 rd	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

VBA membership required for VBA Awards

VBA RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED
300 ROUND EACH DAY 60 Arrows

REGISTRATION TIMES:
SATURDAY AM 7:00 – 9:00 FOR MORNING ROUND
TIME WILL BE EXTENDED TO 12:00 NOON FOR PM ROUND
PRE-REGISTRATION APPRECIATED!!!!

For Additional Information & Directions to Wilcox
Ed Bickham 757-255-2294, bick333@msn.com
Website: www.kingsboro.bizland.com

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) POSTMARK BY 2/14/2014

NAME _____	Mail or email to Ed Bickham
ADDRESS _____	6353 Godwin Blvd
CITY-ZIP _____	Suffolk, VA 23432
VBA # _____ CLUB _____ Phone# _____	E-Mail _____

One form per archer, circle or X what applies: Birthdate for YA, Youth, CUB _____

55+ 18 & Over 15-17 12-14 8-11 7 & Under

DIVISION: SENIOR__ ADULT__ YOUNG ADULT__ YOUTH__ CUB__ PEE WEE__

SEX: MALE__ FEMALE__ Sat Round # _____ Sunday determined by Scores

STYLE: FS__, FSL__, BB__, BHFS__, BHFSL__, TRAD__

Guest Class for Non-VBA members _____ (No awards)

2014 VBA STATE INDOOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Sherwood Archers

February 22rd & 23rd

www.sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com



Registration Times:

Friday 6-8:00pm

Saturday 7-8:00 for a.m. rounds

Until noon for round 3

Rounds: Sat.: 1st 9-12:00

2nd 12-3:00

3rd 3-6:00

All rounds 1 hour earlier on Sun.

Shoot one or both days (1or 2 rounds) and take your best score.

Shooting fee is \$20 per person and \$40 for family of 3 or more.

Must be a VBA member for awards.

Places to Stay

La Quinta Inn (3 miles) 540-562-2717 Exit 141

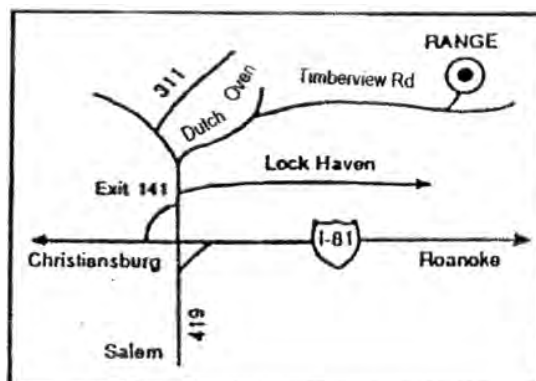
Quality Inn (3 miles) 1-800-456-4949 Exit 141

Holiday Inn Express (5 miles) 1-800-Holiday Exit 141

Super 8 (6 miles) 540-389-0297 Exit 137

Econo Lodge (6 miles) 540-389-0280 Exit 137

Comfort Suites (6 miles) 540-387-1600 Exit 137



Make checks to:

Sherwood Archers

c/o Auvray Shumate

1619 Mountain Heights Dr.

Salem, VA 24153

Phone: 540-389-3369

Club: 540-366-3701

Registration for VBA State Indoor Championship

Please print clearly

Name _____ VBA # _____

Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____

Your Home Club _____

Circle those that apply

Division: PeeWee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Master Sr. Guest

Gender: M F **Style:** FS/R FS/F BHFS/R BHFS/F BH BB TRAD

Round Preference: 1st 2nd 3rd **Do you want a different 2nd day round?**

Sherwood Archers

Invites you to join us for our

Annual Dogwood Tournament

April 26th & 27th 2014

{We are including 3-D this year!}



Casual Registration: Sat. 8-Noon Sun. 8-Noon

Field/Hunter Round Both Days: Shoot one or both days and take your best score.
\$15.00 Single and \$25.00 Family Additional round \$10.00 and \$15.00 family

3-D Round: Shoot one time for score either day. **\$15.00 Single and \$25.00 Family**
 Additional round \$15.00 (but cannot count for award)

You can shoot both events. Trophies for each event awarded on Sunday.

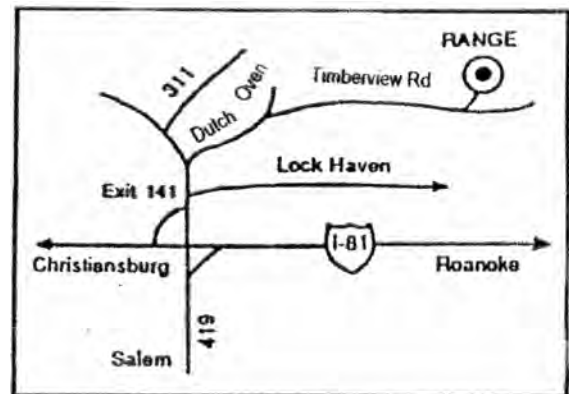
Breakfast and Lunch served daily. Possibly dinner and other events Sat. evening.

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 Super 8 (6 miles) 540-389-0297 Exit 137
 Econo Lodge (6 miles) 540-389-0280 Exit 137
 Comfort Suites (6 miles) 540-387-1600 Exit 137
 Primitive Camping at Sherwood (restrooms & showers).

Call Auvray @ 540-389-3369 for more information.
Club number: 540-366-3701



CORRECTION

**Blackwater Bow Hunters' June22 shoot was advertised
 as a 3-D shoot.**

It should have been a pin shoot using Hunter targets.

2014 VBA STATE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Sherwood Archers

May 24th & 25th

Registration Times:

Friday 6-8:00pm

Saturday 7-8:00am

Registration Fees:

\$20.00 per archer

\$40.00 per family

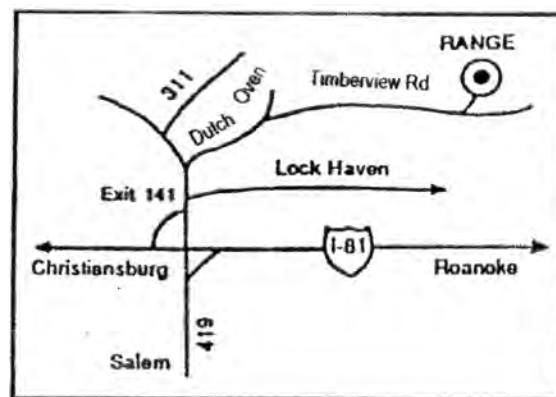


28 Field targets 1st Day and 1/2 Hunter-1/2 Animal 2nd Day
Shoot both days for awards.

Breakfast and Lunch served daily. Dinner Sat. evening.

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Primitive Camping at Sherwood w/bathrooms



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1619 Mountain Heights Dr.

Salem, VA 24153

Phone: 540-389-3369

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www.sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com

Registration for VBA State Championship

Please print clearly

Name _____ VBA # _____

Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____

Home Club _____ Average _____

Circle those that apply:

Division: PeeWee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Master Sr. Guest

Gender: M F **Style:** FS/R FS/F BHFS/R BHFS/F BH BB TRAD

Class: AA A B C

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hogs per day, lodging and guide.
Season is year-round, but we limit
our season to January 4th to March
15th due to the hunting being more
productive during this time.



2014 VBA Calendar of Events

VBA Meetings

March 22, VBA Banquet, 23 meeting

June 7 & 8

September 20 scheduling session, 21 meeting

Tournaments

Aug 17-18 VBA Fall 3D Classic [unmarked]

Northern Va.

Aug 31-Sept 1 VBA State Closed

Sherwood

Tournaments 2014

VBA Indoors February 22 & 23

VBA Spring 3-D Classic April 12 & 13

VBA State Open May 24 & 25

VBA Fall 3-D Classic August 16 & 17

VBA State Closed August 30 & 31



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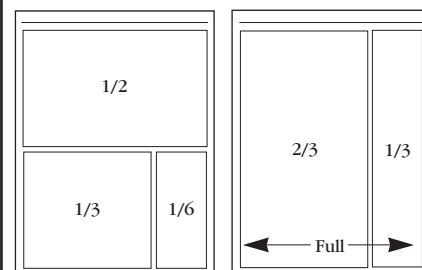
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ORDER OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER

NOMINATIONS DUE IN MARCH

The VBA Order of the Golden Feather was created to honor those persons who have given unselfishly of their time and talents toward the betterment of archery and archers. Recipients are persons who possess the virtues of sportsmanship, character, morals, integrity and friendship. As a reflection of the substance for membership, only 80 people have been elected to the Order in the past 71 years.

To be qualified, a candidate must be member in good standing of the VBA at the time of nomination, must have a minimum of ten successive years' membership in the VBA and must be sponsored by three VBA members of good standing or by a VBA Club.

This article is a reminder that candidates must be submitted to the Board of Directors at the March meeting for this year. Nominations must be in writing and be signed by sponsoring individuals or a Club office. Successful nominees have always performed duties or had an impact outside their immediate club.

Details can be found in Article 16 of the VBA By-Laws.