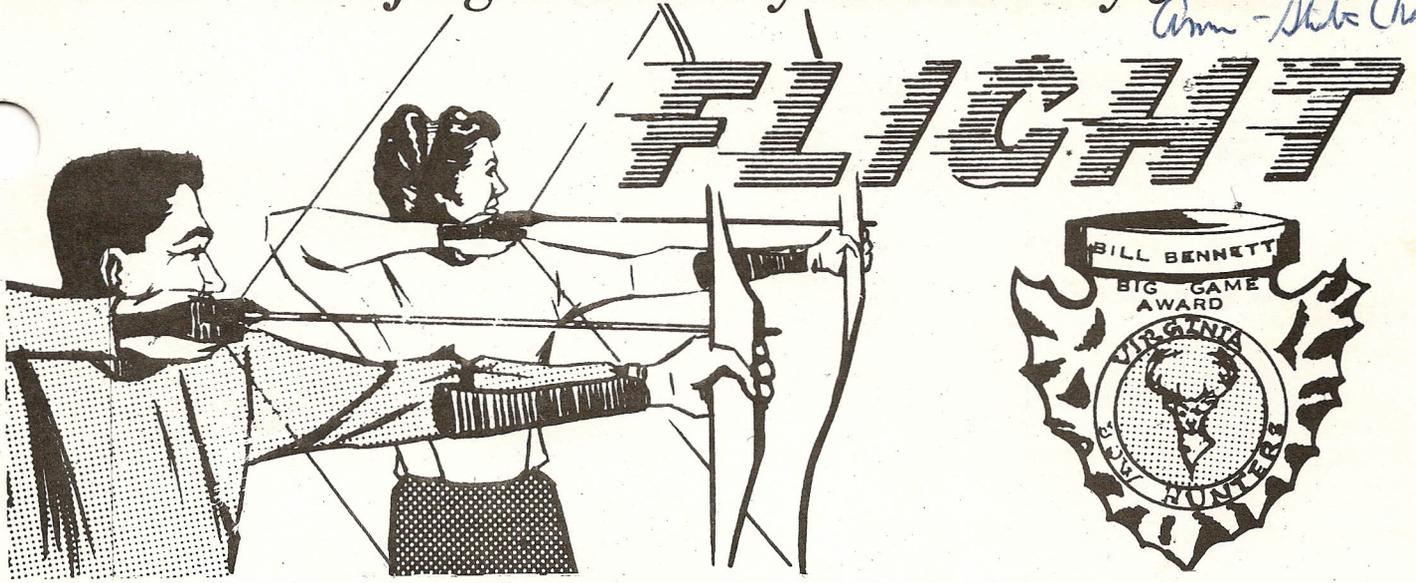


VOTE!! Don't forget to mail your ballot by June 15 *Ann - Steve Chang*



Colorado Rockies Rock Hunter

by John Stockman

The Northern Virginia hunter knew that he was in trouble the minute he spooked the black bear cub. It was nearly dark and the cub had streaked from the hunter's path, and, a few minutes later, this same was heard clawing bark on an aspen tree. The bowman quickly reasoned that (1) bear cubs have mothers, (2) mother bears do not stray too far from their offspring, and (3) get the heck out of here. Alas, it was too late. Out of the near darkness came a large, angry sow, snapping her teeth and growling as she made short charges, only stopping every few yards and raising on her hind legs to see what effect

her performance was having on the intruder. If she was concerned about whether or not she could convince the unwelcome hunter to leave the immediate area, her fears were groundless. He was on the way!

When he first spotted the protective sow, our hunter looked in vain for a tree to climb. Not being equipped with claws, he was without luck. He was in the midst of an aspen glen and the closest limb was thirty feet from the ground. Not even the adrenalin surging through him could lift him that far. As much as he wanted to run, he felt that such action would only invite disaster by encouraging the angry sow to be even bolder. With as much bravado

as he could muster, he nonchalantly turned his back on the sow and with a few backward glances, slowly walked over a ridge out of her sight. Once out of sight, our hunter's resolve to remain calm weakened somewhat. In fact, you might say that it deserted him entirely. The four miles to camp were covered in record time.

What a crazy week this had been, the bowman mused. His mind went back to the previous Sunday when his hunt began.

This year he had decided to try his luck against mule deer in Colorado, since he had already been fortunate to bag some Virginia Whitetails in previous years. *(continued on page 3)*

Range Etiquette

by Ted Grefe

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Probably one of the most overlooked subjects in archery is the matter of range etiquette. The manner in which people conduct themselves on an archery range can determine whether participating archers are shooting their best possible scores or enjoying themselves to the utmost.

Range etiquette commences the moment an archer gets out of his car at the tournament site. Surely, after an archer gets his shooting gear together, the first thing that should be done is register for the tournament. How infrequently this is done! How many times have we heard the burdened Field Captain call for archers to get registered? With the tournaments starting time upon him, the poor guy has only 25 registrations and some 75 archers warming up on the practice butts! And we wonder why tournaments start late. Hmmmmmm! Of course one should greet friends upon arrival at a tournament, but hold down your gab-fest until after you have visited the registration desk.

When the Field Captain calls a gathering of the archers for final instructions and assignment of starting targets, good manners dictate that you give him your un-

divided attention for the few brief moments of instruction. This also expedites the starting of the tournament. After you have been assigned a starting target and shooting group, and your group has gathered, introduce yourself. Be amiable, "be yourself." Your informality may be a big help in reducing the tension or "tournament jitters" which are suffered by so many archers on the first few targets.

There is a Target Captain assigned to each shooting group, and it is his job to take over the leadership of the group and keep things rolling. His decision is final on arrow values, and other problems that may arise will be settled in a sportsmanlike manner.

After shooting starts there are several important procedures to follow that will insure fair play and an enjoyable tournament with your fellow archers. One of the most important things to remember is that the majority of archers are out on the course to try and shoot their best possible score. The most distracting annoyance for most archers that can possibly be en-

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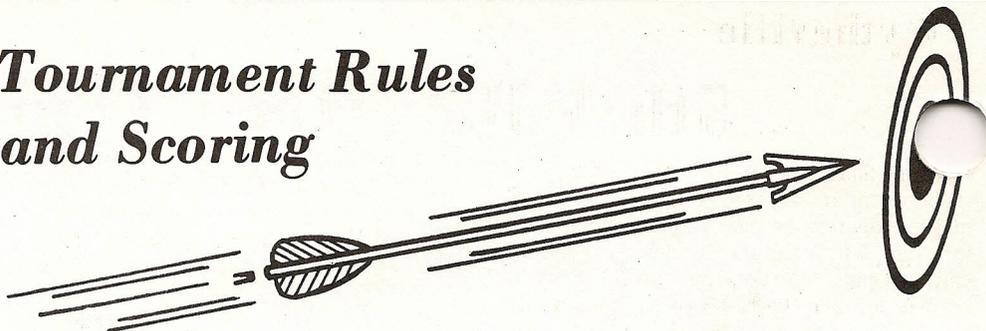
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Tournament Rules and Scoring



All competing archers MUST be familiar with the N.F.A.A. tournament rules listed on pages 19, 20, & 21 of the N.F.A.A. Hand Book and recent amendments which appear in the April 1972 issue of Archery.

They are as follows with amendments:
SCORING

1. Arrows must remain in the target face until all arrows are scored. They may then be withdrawn by the target captain or his deputy.
2. The status of doubtful arrows shall be determined before drawing any arrows from the target, and such an arrow may not be touched until after being recorded.
3. The Target Captain shall be the final judge of all disputed arrows.
4. Skids or glances into the target shall not be counted.
5. Arrows passing through the face, but still in the butt, may be pushed back and scored as a hit in the circle through which it went. This does not mean that they may be withdrawn and then stuck back through the target.
6. Witnessed bounce outs, believed to have hit the target in the scoring area will be reshot. Arrows believed to have passed through the target may be reshot with a marked arrow, which will not be scored if the doubtful arrow is found in the butt.
7. In any tournament where the method of shooting off a tie is not decided in advance, ties shall be decided by shooting the first three (3) targets. In any tournament where field faces are involved, field faces shall be used. If a tie still exists after three targets, continue from target to target until the tie is broken.
8. An archer who shot arrows at the target in excess of the prescribed number shall lose the arrow or arrows of higher value in all N.F.A.A. rounds.

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Archers shall shoot in groups of not less than 3 or more than 5; 4 shall be the preferred number. No group of less than three shall turn in an official score.
2. For shooting position at the shooting stake the foursome, by mutual agreement, shall decide which two shall shoot from which side of the shooting stake.
 - a) At the conclusion of each 14-target unit the archers shall change their order of shooting. Those who shot first shall shoot last and those who shot last shall shoot first.
 - b) Starting with the first target an archer shall shoot from the same side of the shooting position stake for fourteen targets. At the fifteenth target to be shot those archers who have been shooting from the right side shall shoot the remainder of the course from the left side; those on the left shall shoot from the right side.
 - c) No archer shall shoot from more than six inches behind the appropriate stake nor shall any archer advance to the target until all arrows have been shot by the group.
3. When more than one target face is placed on a single butt, the archer must designate the face to be shot from his shooting position.
4. One group shall not hold up the following groups while looking for lost arrows. Enough arrows shall be carried so that each archer may continue shooting, and return later to find missing arrows.
5. No archer may practice on any shot of a course to be used for tournament shooting later the same day. Special practice targets should be supplied. The first target of each round may be used as practice at the discretion of the tournament chairman. The maximum number of arrows allowable will be determined by the round being shot.
6. An archer leaving the range for any reason may be privileged to return to his group and complete the unfinished round or subsequent rounds. He will not be privileged to make up any targets missed in the interim.
7. No archer may shoot (or compete) in any one tournament more than one time unless advertised as a multiple registration tournament.
8. In case of inclement weather, the tournament will continue unless a pre-arranged signal is given by the tournament chairman. Any archer leaving the range shall be automatically disqualified.

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Flight flunky pulls another fluke

FLIGHT in error reported in the last issue that the Mid-Atlantics would be held June 18 and 19 at Watkins Glen, N.Y. It is still being held at Watkins Glen, but on the 10th and 11th of June. 'Tis sad to be sorry.' Editor

Colorado Rockies Rock Hunter

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Scouting a day early, and armed only with his camera, he saw many mulies--one that would make the Pope and Young record book for sure. He was convinced that, with some luck and a week's hunting, he could arrow that buck.

He had started the week of actual hunting with great anticipation, but the first two

days were disappointing, especially since he was interested in pursuing only the trophy buck. The third day a 4x4 nearly teased the huntsman into taking a shot, but he decided that he would wait for the "big one" and take only pictures of anything less. The fourth and fifth days were uneventful, but dawn of the sixth day found our now anxious sportsman in a remote aspen grove about halfway down a mountain ridge. He passed the day in lovely solitude. The sudden hailstorm that soaked and pelted him failed to dampen his spirits; he had a feeling that something exciting would happen this day. By dusk, with only one day of his hunt remaining, his confidence had begun to ebb. Still hopeful, he began to make his way quietly back to camp. On one of his frequent listening and looking pauses, he heard the unmistakable sound of feeding deer. He was so close that he could hear them chewing. For a full thirty minutes the tormented stalker waited for a clear shot. At times he was convinced the deer would detect him from the sound of his pounding heart or his raspy breathing. Occasionally, he caught glimpses of the feeding mulies through the thick brush, but no clear shot presented itself. Finally, in desperation, the Archer tossed a rock behind the deer in hopes of driving them his way. Immediately a huge deer crashed

out of the brush nearly running over the frustrated hunter. It was a doe. The remaining deer continued to feed. More rocks were tossed, but their only effect was to temporarily stop the feeding. Dusk had now turned into almost total darkness and the bowman reluctantly left the deer and started the long uphill trek to camp. That's when he saw the bear cub and sow.

When he and his hunting companions returned to that spot the next day, they noticed that the sow's footprints were superimposed on those of our hunter to within one half mile of camp. Had he suspected this the night before, he might have arrived in camp even sooner than he did.

The final day of hunting offered no shots to our resolute bowman.

In retrospect, he says that the only actions he regrets taking on the hunt were his failure to get pictures of the Pope and Young buck and his failure to remove the lens cover from his camera when snapping pictures of the 4x4 mulie that sorely tempted him.

So impressed was he by the excitement of the hunt, by the beauty and solitude of his Colorado surroundings, and by the consideration, concern and interest of his fellow bowhunters, that he is anxiously awaiting hunting season this fall when he plans to locate that Pope and Young buck.

Range Etiquette

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countered is conversation while archers are actually shooting. In order for an archer to shoot his best, he must concentrate on every arrow as he shoots it. This cannot be done if he is unconsciously listening in on a background conversation. Give your fellow archers the courtesy of watching rather than talking while they are in the act of shooting. Besides, maybe you can learn a thing or two from them. Also, there is plenty of time to talk other than during the actual shooting. Another distracting action taken by some archers who are "not hitting" that particular day is the ranting and raving after a miss, or other miscue while shooting. This not only results in further misses or miscues by the shooter, but may upset fellow archers to such an extent that they are unable to shoot their best. Keep your problems to yourself, and don't spoil the other fellow's fun just because you are having an "off day."

Some "poor sports," and thank goodness there are only a few in archery, will try to distract their competition by breaking things while their opponents are shooting, coughing or clearing their throats, crowding their shooting position, fast movements about the time the other archer is releasing, etc. These unsportsmanlike actions are truly unbelievable, but they have been done on occasion, during close competition.

Unfortunately, many of us are not immune to such treatment, and our scores suffer somewhat.

Also see

**Tournament Rules and Scoring
on Page 2**

Many of us fancy ourselves as stellar "coaches" in the finer arts of archery, and whether we have the experience, ability finesse, or not, we can't help but give advice to fellow shooters. Generally, we give this sage advice so readily that it isn't necessary to even ask us for our guarded shooting secrets. Heaven help us, because we can't help ourselves. Incidentally, it is one of the best ways to lose archery friends that is known. A separate article should be written on this subject.

Lastly, we frequently shoot with an archer

who just can't wait to get to the target butt to find out his own score, and start pulling arrows. This is a very sore subject with most archers, and truly a justifiable one. Arrows near the scoring area should definitely not be touched until all scoring is completed by the Target Captain. Even arrows out of the scoring area or sticking in the butt should be left in place until the owner can spot them and see where they are located, so that maybe he can correct his error on future targets.

In summary, range etiquette or range manners should follow the Golden Rule. If you can expedite the tournament or can in any way make the shooting of your fellow archers more pleasant, be gracious enough to rise to the occasion.

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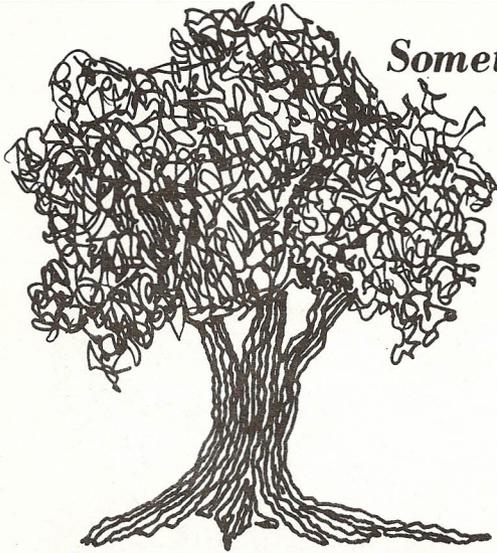
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5th V.B.A. Open Tournament

by Penny Shannon

Rain, to an archer, a nasty word, but that seemed to be the weather conditions for the 5th Virginia Bowhunters Association Open Tournament. It was held May 13 and 14, and there were archers from Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Ohio, and Kentucky. Also, many present and former Champions competed such as Paul Haydel, Mid-Atlantic Regional F/S winner; Jim Thurman, Tennessee F/S and Southeastern Champ; Virginia Dillow, B/B Champion; Ann Boyd, Virginia State Indoor F/S winner; Jim Mitchell, past Virginia F.S. Champ; Tom Frye, Virginia Bowhunter Champion; Hugh McConnell, Tennessee B/H and Southeastern winner; Billy Umberger, West Virginia B/B champion. All shot well despite the down pour, and all but five completed their two day tournament.

Below are listed the Champions and class winners and their scores:



The rain did not keep these folks from being winners in the Virginia Open.

Class	Name	State	Field	Hunter	Score	Score		
F/S Men	A Paul Haydel	Va.	545	550	B Larry Gaynor	W. Va. 413	411	
	B Jim Thurman	Tenn.	544	542	Jerry Woods	W. Va. 384	362	
	Charles Nease	Va.	542	543	Ken Evans	W. Va. 371	354	
	B Webb Babcock	Va.	529	520	C James Warden		318	314
	Everett Barnes	W. Va.	527	513	Sherrill Burchette	W. Va. 291	291	310
	Lary J. Smith	Va.	502	470	James Overfelt	Va. 272	272	289
	C Mike Farren	W. Va.	501	459	D Steve Williams		244	244
	John Vipperman	W. Va.	468	440	Jeff Trant		179	186
	Beverly Hunter	Va.	449	419	Richard Bracken	Va.	157	169
	D Carroll Mays	Va.	449	419	Ann Boyd	Va.	418	369
					Darlene Frye	Va.	328	356
	F/S Amateur	C Sam Owens	Va.	405	413	B Ann Darnell	N. C. 321	351
B/B Men	A William Wilfong	Va.	493	503	Rebecca Barnes	W. Va. 311	328	
	Billy Umberger	W. Va.	483	498	Judith Mays	Va. 326	249	
	Bob Hoye	W. Va.	479	482	B/B Women			
	B Russell Poe	Va.	422	440	A Virginia Dillow	Va.	326	369
	Harry Derange	W. Va.	452	406	Linda Miller	Va.	304	247
	Avis Koontz	Va.	430	423	B Mary Pickett	W. Va. 291	253	
	C Tony Pickett	W. Va.	452	469	Ann Poe	Va. 243	251	
	Robert Cissell	Va.	434	413	Shirley Wilfong	Va. 265	218	
	Charles Baker	W. Va.	395	396	D Kathy Cissell	Va. 143	115	
	D Rastus Darnell	N. C. 308	282		Young Adult F/S			
	Harvey Martin	W. Va. 293	241		Rick DuBrueler	Va. 472	492	
	Buford Cox	W. Va. 215	225		Mark Van Hutton	Va. 447	403	
Tom Frye	Va. 467	455		Youth F/S				
Hugh McConnell	Tenn. 413	438		Mi Mike DuBrueler	Va. 447	470		
				Youth B/B				
B/H Men	A			Von Carl McConnell	W. Va. 250	266		
				Charles Derange	W. Va. 149	174		

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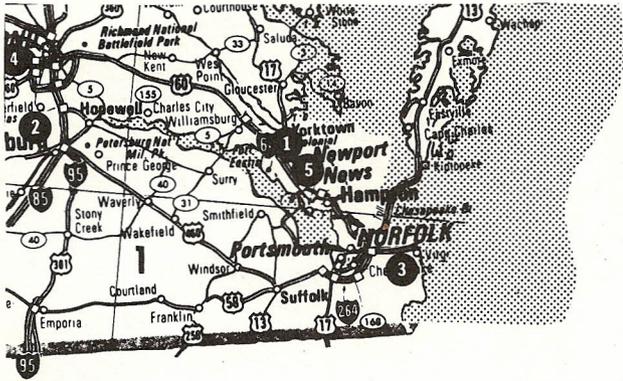
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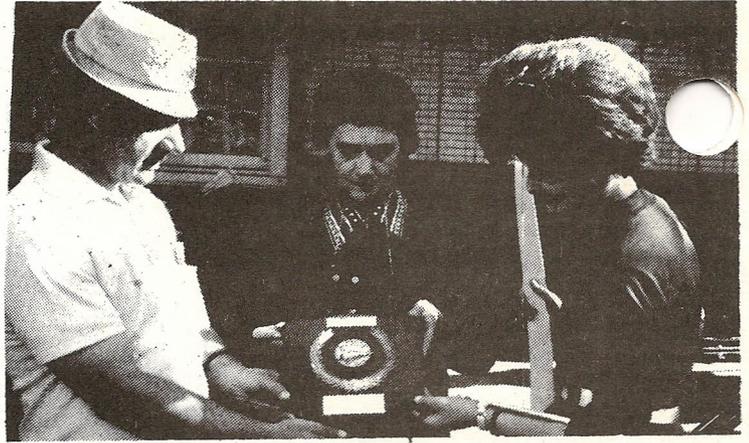
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News From Zone One



Sec'y Evelyn Kutzler shows "Order of Merit" to Ken and Mary Lou Blair.

by Nina Enders

The Princess Anne Bowmen are planning a crab feast on Saturday, July 15--the night before their Annual. All are invited to partake of delicious steamed crabs, cooked by our champion "Crab Cooker," Dorsey Falls. What better way could one spend a weekend? Go to the beach in the morning, then eat crabs in the afternoon --and shoot a fine tournament the next day for the finest plaques in the State.

Dixie Bowmen are working hard to get their range in A-1 condition for their Annual on June 4. Claude Allen (the wit

of Dixie) announced that their work parties are open to one and all.

On 23 April 1972, there were 85 archers on the bowmen of York Range to start the 1972 Archery Tournament season in the Region of Newport News, Norfolk, Richmond and Petersburg.

There were three firsts at this tournament, it was the first time that at a registered tournament that there was a perfect animal round, it marked the first presentation of the Bowmen of York's "Order of Merit" and the first time the Coca Cola Company donated a prize for presentation at a tournament.

Paul Haydel of the Richmond Archers conquered the animal round with a perfect round on the front half of the range. Jim Dulaney, a long and valued member of the Bowmen of York was the recipient of the first of the clubs "Order of Merit". The order was designed by the club to show its appreciation to members who have given long and faithful service to the club, who have done their best to improve and enhance the sport of bowhunting and archery in general.

Wish I had more news, but archers are like bears--they are just now coming out of hibernation after a long winter.

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