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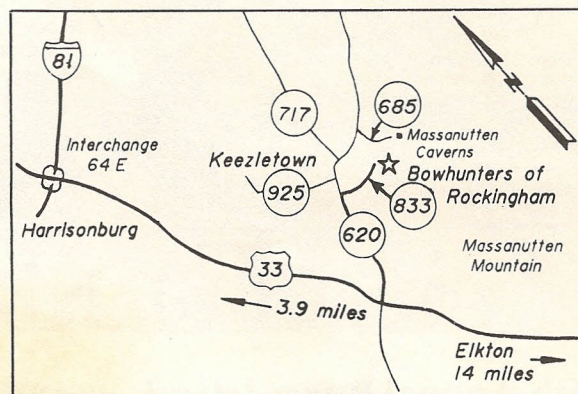
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Bowhunters of Rockingham Host VBA State Open Championship May 20-21, 1989

CAMPING

Gerundo Camp Ground 1-703-289-5351
Water and Electric



VBA State Open Pre-Registration

Single \$15.00 ☐ Family \$30.00 ☐ Unlimited-Release ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name: _____ Adult Young Adult Youth Cub

Address: _____ Birthdate if Young Adult, Youth or Cub

Club: _____ Mo Day Year

VBA No. _____ Round Preference ☐ 1st ☐ 2nd ☐ 3rd

Soc. Sec. No. _____ Send Pre-Registration form to:

Division Circle One
FS FSL BH BB BHFS BHFSL

Limited-Finger Shooter ☐ Yes ☐ No

Jerry Middleton
Rt. 1, Box 362
New Market, VA 22844

Registration Fees

\$15.00 Single

\$30.00 Family

Registration Times

Friday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

PLACES TO STAY:

Shoneys Inn 1-703-433-6089

Comfort Inn 1-703-433-6066

Knights Inn 1-703-433-6939

Econo Lodge 1-703-433-2576

Sheraton Inn 1-703-433-2521

Need anymore information, contact:

Dennis Grogg

433-2272

VBA Meeting Highlights

The following motions were passed at the March meeting:

1. To recognize all shooting styles for youth division at the State level.

2. Registration fees for Bowhunter Jamborees shall be no more than \$10 per archer with a \$20 maximum per family of which 50¢ per archer shall be returned to VBA.

3. The \$4 shooting fee will apply to open shoots only. 25¢ for each registered shooter will be sent to VBA for all scheduled shoots except one annual shoot each year. Closed club shoots are exempt.

4. Septa Bowmen are given permission to produce brass belt buckles in

replica of the VBA emblem to help finance their new range and \$1 per buckle will be given to VBA.

5. VBA opposes all Terrain Vehicle Trails in National Forests and will ask to have an environmental impact study on the trail proposed for the Jefferson National Forest in the Patterson Creek area.

The nominating Committee presented the following list:

President - Clinton Western
Exec. Vice Pres. - Ann Boyd
Record. Secy - Gail LeFever
Conserva. V.P. - Tom Schanbacher
NFAA Dir. - John Street
Treas. - C. D. Miller
Field V.P. - Gary Jenks
Field Gov. - Kenny Sorrels
Hunting V.P. - John Stockman

There were no nominations from the

floor, therefore no ballots will be mailed out.

The following individuals were recommended for membership in the Order of The Golden Feather: Earl McCauley, Kenny Sorrels, William Ayers, John Street, Ann Boyd and Donald Frenier. Only 3 names can be submitted to the Order for their consideration.

The next quarterly meeting will be held in Charlottesville on June 18.

Agenda Item For June, 1989 Meeting:

Kingsboro Bowmen moved to adopt a newsletter similar to Colorado Bowhunters Association for the purpose of promoting the VBA to the Bowhunters of Virginia. (Ann - The Colorado newsletter is similar to The Federation Record published by Virginia Wildlife Federation)

1989 State Indoor Tournament Results

CUB FREESTYLE - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Karen Baranski 372 6/XS
2nd Place—Frances Settler 149 3/XS

CUB FREESTYLE - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Travis Nutter 562 35/XS
2nd Place—Anthony Shifflett 537 26/XS
3rd Place—Brandon Short 528 17/XS

YOUTH FREESTYLE - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Kellie Fisher 149 0/XS

YOUTH FREESTYLE - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Kirk Landes 574 47/XS

- B Class
1st Place—Bobbie J. Norris 506 23/XS
2nd Place—Herman Townsend 506 21/XS
3rd Place—Stan Boyd 486 15/XS

YOUTH FREESTYLE LIMITED - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Earl Bainbridge 518 22/XS

YOUNG ADULT FREE STYLE - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Randy Sparks 585 64/XS
A Class
2nd Place—Stephen Quarles 584 61/XS
3rd Place—Jay Morris 579 60/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Troy Chancellor 568 40/XS

YOUNG ADULT FREESTYLE - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—James Moore Jr. 574 38/XS

A Class

- 2nd Place—Stacy Knighten 566 44/XS

ADULT BAREBOW - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Kay McManus 555 31/XS

ADULT BAREBOW - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Rick Stark 578 49/XS

A Class

- 2nd Place—Denny Cline 557 37/XS

- 3rd Place—Tom Schanbacher 549 29/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Jim Barker 526 30/XS

- 2nd Place—Donny Devall 518 17/XS

- 3rd Place—Gary Jenks 489 13/XS

C Class

- 1st Place—Bert Cline 483 13/XS

- 2nd Place—Charles Walker 320 7/XS

ADULT BOWHUNTER FREESTYLE - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Wanda Hopwood 488 56

A Class

- 2nd Place—Roberta Owens 575 44/XS

- 3rd Place—Geraldine Sparks 572 44/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Nancy White 478 12/XS

ADULT BOWHUNTER FREESTYLE - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Ronald Layman 600 109/XS

A Class

- 2nd Place—Martin Stonesifer 600 108/XS

- 3rd Place—Darryl Diehl 600 80/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Kent Stigall 584 62/XS

- 2nd Place—Tony Shifflett 582 63/XS

- 3rd Place—Don Davis 579 52/XS

C Class

- 1st Place—Harley Mabe 533 33/XS

ADULT BOWHUNTER FREESTYLE LIMITED - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Anita Webb 518 18/XS

B Class

- 2nd Place—Jane Mabe 504 12/XS

ADULT BOWHUNTER FREESTYLE LIMITED - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Mike Smith 584 68/XS

A Class

- 2nd Place—Danny Alger 582 56/XS

- 3rd Place—Doug Carico 580 52/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Charles Garrison 576 47/XS

- 2nd Place—A.D. Bainbridge 568 39/XS

- 3rd Place—Gary Watts 558 39/XS

C Class

- 1st Place—David Boyd 544 28/XS

- 2nd Place—Gregory Housden 535 32/XS

- 3rd Place—B.T. Borum 530 28/XS

ADULT FREESTYLE - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Paula Weissend 598 87

A Class

- 2nd Place—Scarlet Rucker 596 80/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Theresa Lein 563 40/XS

- 2nd Place—Martha McLaughlin 556 30/XS

- 3rd Place—Debbie Landes 537 23/XS

ADULT FREESTYLE - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Johnny Grace 600 104/XS

A Class

- 2nd Place—Dan Book 600 99/XS

- 3rd Place—Mark Lawrence 600 98/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Mike Chancellor 578 50/XS

- 2nd Place—Edward Macdonald 567 38/XS

- 3rd Place—Lindsay Harwood 562 41/XS

C Class

- 1st Place—Michael Matthews 543 26/XS

- 2nd Place—Larry Fisher 523 21/XS

- 3rd Place—Russ Baer 482 15/XS

ADULT FREESTYLE LIMITED - FEMALE

- ✓ State Champion—Debi Barker 580 49/XS

C Class

- 1st Place—Marianne Kemble 512 18/XS

- 2nd Place—Vickie Smith 510 22/XS

- 3rd Place—Sherry Cofer 474 15/XS

ADULT FREESTYLE LIMITED - MALE

- ✓ State Champion—Ronny Lewis 593 75/XS

B Class

- 1st Place—Phil Cantrell 548 29/XS

- 2nd Place—Earl Cash Jr 542 33/XS

C Class

- 1st Place—John Bauswell 516 25/XS

- 2nd Place—Phil Kemble 513 14/XS

CLUB NEWS

6th Annual Buggs Island Bowfishing Tournament

May 6, 1989

Carp and Gar—Combined Poundage

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Club Base Tournament:** All entries will depart from Buggs Island Fish and Wildlife Club at 10:00 A.M. Weigh-in will be at the club at 5:00 P.M.
2. One (1) pound of weight will be deducted for each minute late after check-in (5:00 P.M.). Entry must check in upon arrival at club.
3. Three (3) man team maximum. (Your choice by land, boat, or both).
4. **TWO BIG FISH POTS - Archer's Choice:** \$10.00 per team includes both categories for Carp and Gar. (This fee will have to be paid the morning of the tournament.)
5. **REGISTRATION:** Pre-registration - \$20.00 per team. Deadline: May 1, 1989. Registration after deadline will be \$30.00 per team.
6. **PAY-OFF:** 40% - 1st Place
20% - 2nd Place
15% - 3rd Place
75% - Entry fee pay back to Bowfishing teams.

Final Registration - Saturday 9:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M.

Confirmation letters will be mailed out after receiving team registration check or money order.

Any questions, please call:

In Virginia -

Bill Colgate III (804) 374-2375

In Virginia -

Timmy Glasscock (804) 374-8533

In Virginia -

Mickey Baugh (804) 374-4296

FREE REFRESHMENTS from 5:00 P.M. til 6:00 P.M. furnished by Buggs Island Fish and Wildlife Club.

Princess Anne Bowmen

Princess Anne Bowmen will be hosting our Annual Silver Quiver Shoot on June 3 & 4, 1989. The registration is Multipul Casual 9:00-12:00 each day. Come visit Virginia Beach, bring the family and enjoy our shoot and surrounding attractions.

Singers Glen Bowbenders Scheduled Shoots

May 7th - Black & White Face—Sign up 9-10 A.M. (1-sign up per day)—Pin Shoot

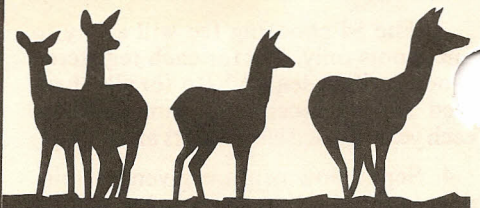
June 17-18th - Annual Eagle Shoot—Sign up 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. (Multiple sign up)—Trophys

July 15-16th - Annual Turkey Shoot—Sign up 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. (Multiple sign up)—Trophys

Sept 9-10th - Deer Shoot—Sign up 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. (Multiple sign up)—Trophys

Flight Deadline

The deadline for the May-June issue of FLIGHT will be June 1, 1989. Submit your articles of interest to the editor prior to that date. I encourage readers to send in letters to the editor. Remember, this is your newsletter.



Dixie Bowmen Members Successful on Florida Hunt

by Luther Trower

We had traveled for thirteen plus hours from Disputanta, Virginia to Brahma Island, Florida. We are six members of the Dixie Bowmen Archery Club: Keith Johnson, Steve Keavy, Dan Walters, Marty Walls, J.B. Brown, and myself, Luther Trower. Brahma Island is in Lake Kissimmee, which is just east of Lake Wales and a good hour south of Orlando. Brahma Island is owned by the Lightsey Cattle Co. The Island has a good strong natural population of wild boar.

We were all shooting compound bows in the 60 pound range, except for myself. I had planned to get one hog with my compound and one with my recurve bow that had a 55 pound pull. This would later prove to be a real challenge that I would prefer not to repeat. We shot Thunderhead 125's Wasp's, and Laser Pro Mags. Archery gear in this kind of hunt takes a real beating. Your equipment needs to be in good shape and backup gear is a good idea.

We had three guides: Cary Lightsey, Snake and Moby.

The plan was to stalk the hogs in the morning and evenings when the hogs came out of the swamps to feed on acorns under the oaks. During the day, we would use a Black Mouth Curr dog to jump the hogs in the swamps and switch grass. The dog would eventually bay-up the hog and one shooter would move in for a shot, with the assistance of one of the guides. It was nice having a guide there that knew a lot more about hogs than I did. I knew nothing at all about wild boar. The guide would tell you when you were close enough to shoot, tell you where the hog was, tell you when to run, and when to watch out for diamond back rattle snakes. He would always tell me "hell of a shot, give'm another arrow." Well, by lunch the first day, we had five hogs. We got two more between lunch and dark. The second day we finished up by stalking two more hogs.

Altogether, we got nine hogs. Five hogs with the assistance of a dog or two and four hogs by stalking.



Standing: Marty Walls

Kneeling, left to right: Keith Johnson, Steve Keavy, Dan Walters, Luther Trower and J.B. Brown

These hogs weighed between 90 and 220 pounds. Their cutter teeth were extremely sharp. Much sharper than I had expected. Wild boar have a protective layer of cartilage like a shield that floats between the skin and ribs. It ranges between one and two inches thick. This shield will definitely slow your arrow down. In my case, I hit a hog at 20 yards right behind the shoulder in the heart-lungs area with my 55 pound recurve, only to watch in distress, my arrow bounce right off and flop to the ground. My next shot at this hog was about three inches closer to the shoulder, right on the edge of the shield, and went right into the lungs. That was only the third of shots!

We killed six of the nine hogs with one shot right in the heart-lungs. The other three took multiple shots. A shot to the lungs-only, would not stop the hog. The shots we took ranged in distance from ten to thirty yards.

I would advise this kind of hunt to anyone who likes high intensity excitement, a challenge, a little danger, a test of shooting and hunting skills, and a lot of fun.

The following are some quotes from our guides:

"The next time you come back, leave that little stick bow at home. Just bring the one with the wheels on it." —Snake

"Hell of a shot. Give that man another arrow." —Moby

"Always run in pairs, cause rattlers only bite the third man in line." —Moby

We highly recommend this hunt with the Lightsey Cattle Company. Cary Lightsey does kinda get this painful look on his face when you tell him you're a bowhunter.

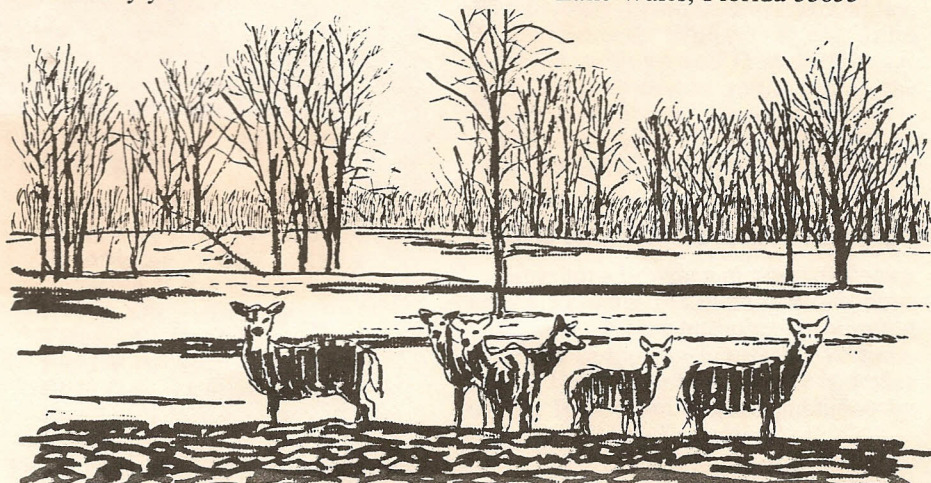
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Danger Lurks in OMB and Congress With a Raid on Wallop-Breaux Funds!

The Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund (formerly known as Dingle-Johnson and Pittman-Robertson Acts) supports federal aid programs to states for fish and wildlife restoration with matching grants for research, enhancement and improved fishing and hunting opportunities. The proposed OMB cap must be acted upon by Congress soon! Thus, let your congressman and senator know you want more bowhunting, bowfishing and archery opportunities funded by the excise taxes you pay on your equipment and say **NO** to diverting monies to the General Fund!

Good wildlife management must be based upon scientific investigations into the condition and numbers (age groups) of wildlife populations and ways to enhance their habitat provide a harvestable yield for the sportsman by various methods of taking fish and game.

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