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Sherwood Archers

Planning for Banner Year in 1979

Just finishing up from a very successful Bowhunter Jamboree, plans are already underway to improve the Club's conveniences.

Improved and better defined camping sites, a better area to display those trophy heads, and improved kitchen facilities are targeted to be completed in early 1979.

The emphasis on the '78 Jamboree was a relaxed atmosphere and fun for all. For 1979, the emphasis will still be on having fun but more awards will be available for the various classes.

The night coon shoot provided a new and different experience for a few but was very enthusiastically welcomed.

Apparently practicing at the various moving targets paid off. Those who shot at the candle flame, falling pie plates, rolling hoops, golf balls, revolving balloons, and running deer, really sharpened their skills, for as of this date, ten Sherwood members have already bagged their game. Those reporting deer kills thus far are: Kenny Atkinson - buck; Osby Harvey - buck; Don McBriar - doe; John Mills buck; Nelson Moore - buck; Bill Smith buck; Lawrence Spath - buck; Oliver Stein - buck; Darrell Ward - doe and George Watts - doe.

The braodhead championship proved to be very interesting. Since the distances were unmarked, some targets were really challenging. One particular target was judged by the shooters to be anywhere between 44 and 62 yards. Perhaps we hunters that missed our deer should practice judging distances a little bit more.

Sherwood's annual trophy shoot will be held April 14 and 15, 1979. This shoot is growing more popular and attracting more shooters each year. Plan now to attend.

Don't forget - just one month later on May 12 and 13, the State Open will be hosted on our range. It is suggested that if a camping site is desired, an advance notice would be helpful.

Frye Kills World Record Caribou and Moose



Tom Frye, member of Loudoun Bowhunters and owner of Bowhunter Tom's Archery Shop recently returned from a successful big game hunting trip to Northwest British Columbia Canada.

Frye, equipped with a 65 No. Jennings Arrowstar and Razorback 5 broadheads and braving inclement weather, bagged a new world record 600 lb. Mountain Caribou at 60 yards. He also killed a world record Cardoina Moose on the same trip; the moose will weigh about 1400 lbs.

The caribou will rank high in Boone and Crocket.

20-Pin Winners

FIELD Shelia Slaughter, Susan Caperton, Elwood Pullen,

HUNTER Dorothy Dunn, Watson P. Danode, Jr., Robert R. Link, Edward C. Anderson, Sam Phillips, Highland Springs Fredericksburg Culpeper

> Norfolk Pearisburg Norfolk Virginia Beach Reidsville, NC

Wife Darlene, not to be outdone by her husband, also had a successful hunting trip to Colorado in September. Darlene bagged a 3 by 2 mule deer at 20 yards. She shoots a 50 lb Jennings Model T compound and uses Super S 3 blade broadheads.

Their wedding anniversary is Nov. 4 and Tom and Darlene decided to spend the day hunting. Both shot a deer less than 10 minutes apart. Tom shot a 7 pt. buck, while Darlene scored with a spike buck. However, neither is saying who shot wat first!!

The VBA says congradulations to both of these fine hunters.

State Indoor- Dates Changed

Due to a conflict in dates at the Christiansburg Armory the State Indoor Championship will be held on Feb. 25 - 25 instead of March 3 - 4, 1979.

The new 4 face indoor target will be shot and scored 5,4,3,&2. Ten ends will be shot to make a complete round or a possible 200 points.

The schedule and shooting times will be published in the next issue of FLIGHT

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VBA BIG GAME AWARDS

VBA members are entitled to a distinctive plaque for their first Virginia big game kill (White tail deer or Black bear) and a miniature cast metal arrow for all other Virginia big game bow kills.

Members are urged to apply for these awards promptly. VBA bylaws require that the applications be submitted within 90 days of the kill or the applicant is required to pay the cost of the award.

Applications are available from Club Secretaries. Completed applications should be mailed to the VBA Corresponding Secretary who verifies membership and forwards the application to the Hunting Vice President.

To save postage, awards will be delivered to Club Delegates at the January VBA meeting.

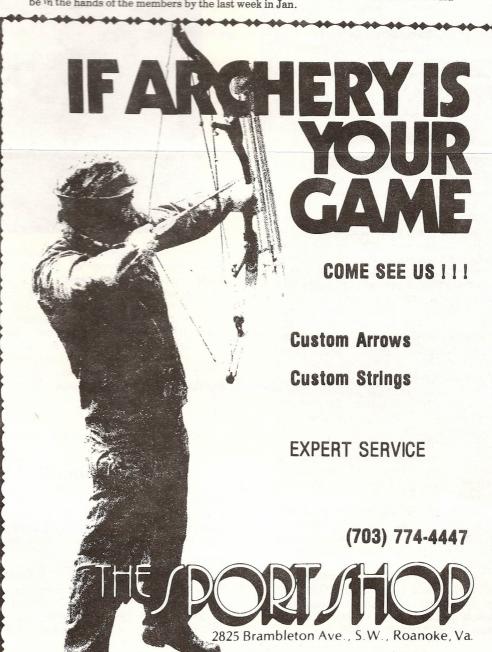
Lines from Loudoun

by Kathy Cissel

Several members of Loudoun Bowhunters have had a successful hunting season thus far this year having killed deer in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania.

Roger Mock Button buck Lee Wooster Tom Frye 7 pt. Darlene Frye Spike buck Paul Crowley 6 pt and doe Nelson Elmore 2 bucks Tom Hancock 2-5 pt. bucks (Sitka and Whitetail) Lewis Carr Spike buck Luther Vinoski doe Bill Hagen 4 pt. Steve Nash 10 pt. Tink Nathan 8 pt. Continued on Page 3

The deadline date for the Jan.-Feb. issue of "Flight" is Jan. 10. This issue should be in the hands of the members by the last week in Jan.



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Roger Pierce 2 does and 1 spike
Jack Denbow 1 button buck, 2 does
and 2-4 pt. bucks
Hank Coombs 2 does
Bill Cissel doe
Tom James doe

Congradulations to the above club members.

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Archers trying their luck at the running deer at the Bowhunter Jamboree-West at Sherwood Archers in Roanoke.



An archer shooting at a deer target at unmarked distances at the Bowhunter Jamboree-West at Sherwood Archers in Roanoke.



Roanoke County Game Warden John Heslip talking to archers at the Bowhunter Jamboree-West at Sherwood Archers in Roanoke.

Successful NORVA Bowhunters

The below listed members of the Northern Virginia Archers have taken deer with bow and arrow during the 1978 season:

Jim Gregory Riley Puckett Roger Helmandoler Don Reidman Murray Selby (2) Frank Jones Frank Jones, Jr. Madeline Selby Mark Lawrence Clarance Shrewsbury Bill Mitchell John Stockman (3) Herb Otis -Cliff Waldren Byron Wates (2) Troy Payne Chuck Wells (3) Carlos Puckett

Madeline Selby was positively jubilent about her deer. It was her first and she did it all alone, including the trailing and dressing.

Some adult members are probably envious of young Frank Jones, Jr. who took a beautiful 8 point puck, his first deer.

I understand that Clarence Shrewsbury had some help in getting his deer. It seems that a churchgoing friend of his prayed that Clarence would get a deer and if it wasn't asking too much that it be a buck. Clarence got a deer and it was a buck.

FUTURE ARCHERY SEASONS

Hunting Vice President, John Stockman, contacted the Virginia Commission of game and Inland Fisheries to determine why the 1978 bow season was several days shorter in duration than the 1977 season.

The commission provided the following response:

Regulation 6-3 (Bow and arrow huntint) is as follows: (a) Season Generally - It shall be lawful to hunt deer with/bow and arrow from the second Saturday in October through the Saturday prior to the second Monday in November, both dates inclusive.

The "Season Generally", is described in this manner in order to avoid having to set a new Regulation each year because of calendar changes.

So long as Regulation 6 - 3 remains in effect, the archery season dates will be:

1978	Oct. 14 to Nov. 11
1979	Oct. 13 to Nov. 10
1980	Oct. 11 to Nov. 8
1981	Oct. 10 to Nov. 7
1982	Oct. 9 to Nov 6
1983	Oct. 8 to Nov. 12

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