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21ST ANNUAL VBA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

FROM THE OFFICE OF FIELD
VICE PRESIDENT

SEPTEMBER 3 and 4, 1967 AUGUSTA ARCHERS RANGE
SATURDAY, SEPT. 2

At the June VBA meeting all classification cards were inspected to check on proper classification. There were ten cards pulled because of doubtful classification. These ten members represented seven clubs, with one each from Beaver Creek, Prince Wm., Bowmen of York, Warwick Bowmen and two each from Bristol, NORVA and Two Rivers. There were also many others that had the signs of possibly holding back to keep out of the next class. There is really no difference between holding back and sandbagging, since they are both cheating your fellow archers. Each club's officials should know if any of their members are guilty of either of these tactics. I have decided not to take any official action on the above archers before the State Shoot in order to give the local clubs a chance to show their own responsibility in the matter.

All clubs are here-by warned to see that all their members are classified in the class they have the ability to shoot. This does not mean he is able to shoot the class every time as most of us can not do this. The classification cards will again be checked upon registering for the State Shoot and it is hoped that all the clubs have checked their members for proper class by this time. We will not hesitate to advance any archer upon registering or during the shoot if the situation warrants it.

BOW and ARROW

Is a legal weapon for all species, including migratory game birds and may be used in regular seasons as well as the special archery season for deer, bear and squirrel. When hunting deer and bear, archers must use broad head arrows with blades at least 7/8" wide and bows capable of propelling any arrow in their possession 125 yards. *Crossbows and poison arrows may not be used. Firearms may not be carried when hunting with bow and arrow.

2:00 p.m. till ---
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

A tournament with prizes
Registration

SUNDAY, SEPT. 3

6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m. -
9:30 a.m. -
2:00 p.m. -
3:00 p.m. -
3:30 p.m.

Breakfast Served
Registration (Closes promptly at 8:00)
Invocation and Welcome
Grouping and proceeding to targets
START OF TOURNAMENT
Lunch Served
Regrouping and proceeding to targets
START OF SECOND ROUND

MONDAY, SEPT. 4

6:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
2:00 p.m.
3:00 p.m.
3:30 p.m.

Breakfast Served
Grouping and proceeding to targets
START OF THIRD ROUND
Lunch Served
Drawing for door prizes
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Elsewhere in this issue you will find the Host Club schedule of events for this year's State Shoot. It has been decided, due to archers shooting after dark last year, to impose a time limit for shooting at this year's shoot. Every effort has been made to give all archers ample time to complete the round. The time limit is basically that all scores must be totaled and both sets of cards turned in within four hours of the start of the round. This would mean approximately three and one half hours for shooting and one half hour for returning to the area and turning in cards. No exception can be allowed for any individual as it would not be fair to all others.

Please fill in and return the early registration blank in this issue, as it will be necessary if the shoot is to start on time for most registrations to be completed prior to Sunday morning. To encourage the use of this, the listed entrance fee will be increased by \$1.00 for registration at the site. The \$1.00 will not be kept by the host club but will, instead, be put in the VBA conservation fund to be used around the state for that purpose.

YOUTH

Youth for the State Shoot will be broken down with A-B-C classes for both Boys and Girls instinctive division. Youth Free Style will be a separate division broken down between Boys and Girls.

PRE-REGISTRATION

For the first time there will be pre-registration for the State Championship Shoot. The pre-registration fees are given in the Pre-registration Form printed in this issue of Flight. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS PRE-REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 30.

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRE-REGISTRARS: You Must turn in your classification card and pick up your registration number during the hours of registration on Saturday evening, Sept. 2 or Sunday morning, Sept. 3. Time of registering is listed in program in this Flight.

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VBA PRESIDENT BEHIND THE GAVEL

As we begin a new year at VBA with new officers and some seasonal ones, I would like to take this opportunity to spell out some of the aims and objectives of this current administration.

(1) Paramount is membership. Although we have maintained a fairly average number, we have failed to promote our sport properly and increase in perspective to the growth of the state of Virginia. Let's all come up with ways and means of making our association one of the best and largest in the nation. Can each one of us interest just one new member/family? Think what that would do for VBA and consequently what a better job VBA could do for all its members.

(2) A better youth program. The VBA has been very fortunate in having Ted Greffe and Gene Limerick as NFAA delegates. They have carried the VBA's proposed National Reorganization forward in a fruitful and expeditious manner. We now have only part of the youth program that we want, but with help and guidance from all of us I feel confident that this will be achieved. We should not lose sight of the great potential we have in youth.

(3) Better hunting legislation. Although we enjoy many hours of pleasure in pursuit of the fair game, we must always be alert for changes that could effect us all, and be ever mindful that a forward, progressive thinking Hunting VP and Conservation VP can do much to maintain good relations with the Game Commission.

(4) Range inspection and facilities. If you have had the opportunity to shoot at tournaments in other states you probably came away saying "I don't believe it would ever pass in Virginia. We have always tried to provide clean, safe and accommodating ranges in line with NFAA and VBA requirements. This association can be proud of the work done by our VBA Field Governors and Deputies. Let's continue to keep our bales tight, our paths cleared, our rest rooms clean and enjoy all the comforts of country club facilities at a minimum cost to our members.

Let me extend an invitation to all members of VBA to attend the Quarterly Meetings in Lynchburg and participate in the operations of VBA.

Let's make the state tournament in Staunton this September the best one yet, then go to work on making the Virginia Open the best open tournament east or west of the Mississippi.

See you all in September,

Ralph G. Stevens
President V.B.A.

A Bowhunter's Paradise

On Saturday morning, Sept. 17, 1966 archers from all over the State of Virginia and areas of North Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia moved onto the Wythe Bowhunters Archery Range to enjoy a first in Virginia.

For the first time, the use of 3-D (life-like, life-color) animal targets placed in surroundings of natural habitat were used for the Virginia Bowhunters Jamboree.

This year, the 1967 Jamboree will again be hosted by the Wythe Bowhunters Archery Club of Wytheville, Va., on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16 and 17. The purpose of this event is to attract the non-club hunting archers as well as the organized field archer.

In Virginia it is estimated there are 8,000 bowhunters. Yet, only 1,500 of these belong to clubs. We welcome all bowhunters.

Twenty eight stationary, life-size, life-like, animal targets, placed on the pine covered ridges of the Wythe Bowhunters new range, will test the archers skill and give him extreme pleasure with a well placed shot. Animal targets on this range will include the ones found in our Virginia forests-deer, bear, turkey, coon, grouse, fox and groundhog. They will be placed in areas of natural cover for true hunting pleasure.

The moving targets will keep arrow slingers busy for hours trying to sharpen their shooting skills for a shot at fleeing white flag of our native whitetail deer, come hunting season. This practice is the closest to the actual hunt available. We believe, if you are able to tag our 3-D targets, you will be capable of bringing home a nice trophy this fall. The running deer (100') with varying speeds and distances, will prepare our reflexes for the one we missed last year. For the small game hunters, our moving small game targets will provide fun and excitement. Also, to show off your skill and ability, a rotating balloon target and squirrel in tree target will be open.

On Range -A- the straw butts will be covered with an official animal round, with marked distances for competition of high scores for all shooting styles - Bowhunters, Bare Bow and Free Style. Prizes and trophies will be given for those bringing in the top score. Also, numerous contests will be provided, using the 3-D targets. You do not have to be a club member to participate in any of these events.

Archers who wish to take in two full days of all kinds of shooting should come supplied with all types of equipment - target and hunting bows - target, field, blunts and broadhead arrows. Bring everything.

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PRE-REGISTRATION

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The Augusta Archers range is located off of U.S. Rt. 250 (2.6 miles east of Staunton city limit sign and 6.7 miles west of Waynesboro city limit sign), turn off at M & M Restaurant. Watch for target sign.

The Augusta Archers will have three 28-target ranges this year, one of which is a new one located in the field and woods in front of the club house. Saturday afternoon, starting at 2.00 p.m., there will be a tournament on this range with awards. There will be casual registration--as soon as four have registered, that group will start on Target No. 1.

There will be plenty of camping space available and for those wishing motel reservations, listed are a few motels within five miles of range:

Allstate Motor Court, Rt. 250 between Staunton & Waynesboro-
Phone Phone 942-5251

Deluxe Motor Court, 2112 W. Main St.,
Waynesboro-
Phone 942-8253

Wayne Motor Lodge, 640 W. Broad St.,
Waynesboro, Va.
Phone 942-1171

Holiday Inn, N. Central Ave., Staunton, Va. Phone 886-3401

Ingleside Fairway Motor Inn, Rt. 11
(between Staunton & Verona)
Phone 885-1201

(between Staunton & Verona)
Phone 885-1201

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM**21ST ANNUAL VBA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT****Sept. 3 and 4, 1967****PF Augusta Archers Range, Staunton, Va.**USE ONE application for each archer.PRE-REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 30, 1967PRE-REGISTRATION FEES

Adult \$ 6.00

Youth \$ 3.50

Maximum fee for immediate family - \$15.00

(registration fees are non-refundable and non-transferable)

ALL COMPETITORS MUST BE VBA MEMBERS.

PLEASE PRINT

No. on Classification Card.....

NAME.....PROBABLE CLASS.....

ADDRESS.....CITY.....STATE.....ZIP.....

Check one: BAREBOW.....FREESTYLE.....BOWHUNTER.....

Check one: MAN.....WOMAN.....YOUTH BOY.....YOUTH GIRL.....

Make all checks payable to Augusta Archers Inc. and mail to:

Mrs. Doris L. Woods, Treas.
Augusta Archers Inc.
P.O. Box 1066
Waynesboro, Virginia 22980

NORTHERN VIRGINIA ARCHERS**THE DEERSLAYER**

Registration: October 7th, 9-2; 8th, 9-1

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BOWHUNTER'S PARADISE

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Saturday night is booked solid: animal calling contest - fox, deer, turkey, etc., with prizes for the first three places. Movies and slides will be shown Saturday night. During the jamboree there will be over \$500 in prizes given.

A broadhead range is provided to complete your hunting practice and to check out your broadheads. This is something most bowhunters are not able to do. They only hope they will fly like their field points. Tree stands and ground shooting will let you determine how your equipment will function at full size deer targets with sawdust backing. This is the kind of practice every bowhunter needs.

The annual V.B.A. Big Buck Contest, judged by Boon and Crockett Rules, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday. All bucks killed in the State of Virginia with bow and arrow during the 1966 season will be eligible to compete for one of the three place trophies. The archer does not have to be club affiliated. Bring your rack, full mount or skull attached, and see how your trophy stacks up. You may have a winner.

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SIKA DEER

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BOWHUNTER'S PARADISE

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The Wythe Bowhunters new club house will be open to help house the activities. Booths will be set up by the Comm. of Game and Inland Fisheries, Nat. Forest Dept. and the Virginia Wildlife Federation. Food and refreshments will be available. For those wishing to camp, both ranges with water and toilet facilities, and Dark Horse Hollow - National Forest Area -- ¼ mile away, will provide ample space. Motels within 3-5 miles. All this activity will take place approx. 8.5 miles north of Wytheville, 12 miles south of Bland on Routes 21 and 52.

Big Walker Lookout, with observation tower, chair lift, snake pit and steam railroad, will offer entertainment as well as numerous Nat. Forest attractions.

All spectators will be welcome. We sincerely hope people will come out and get a better understanding of bowhunting.

The Jamboree Queen and her court will be on hand to greet everyone.

Remember, you do not have to be a member of any archery club to participate in any of these events.

-- COME ALL --

ARCHERY SEASON

Archery season for deer, bear and squirrel will begin October 16 and extend through Nov. 15. During this period archers may kill one deer a day, 2 per license year (either sex) in counties with two deer limit: or one per day, one per license year (either sex) in counties with one deer limit and game taken is to be included in the total permitted for the license year. Regular bag limits on bear and squirrel.

VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS JAMBOREE

MOTELS FOR RESERVATIONS

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CLUB (if a member).....

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BLAND, VIRGINIA 24315

OFFICE OF YOUR NFAA REPRESENTATIVE

At the recent NFAA National Championship Shoot in Mississippi, the bare bow division was a fiasco because of the loose interpretation of what constitutes a sighting aid. **THIS WILL NOT HAPPEN at the VBA State Shoot.** Bare Bow Shooting will be shooting a bare bow in its strictest sense. Those shooters that have any device on their bows that may be used for sighting, will be placed in the Free Style Division. Be safe, have your bow checked.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR '67

Sept. 23, 1967 Scheduling '68
Sept. 24 V.B.A. Meeting
Oct. 16 Open Day Bowhunter Season

IMPORTANT DATES FOR '68

Jan. 7, 1968	V.B.A. Meeting
March 31,	V.B.A. Meeting
April 6 & 7	Trout Season
April 14	Easter
May 12	Mother's Day
June 16	Father's Day
June 21	V.B.A. Meeting
July 6 & 7	Va. Open
Sept. 1 & 2	22nd State Championship
Sept. 14 & 15	Bowhunter Jamboree
Sept. 21	Scheduling '69
Sept. 22	V.B.A. Meeting

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