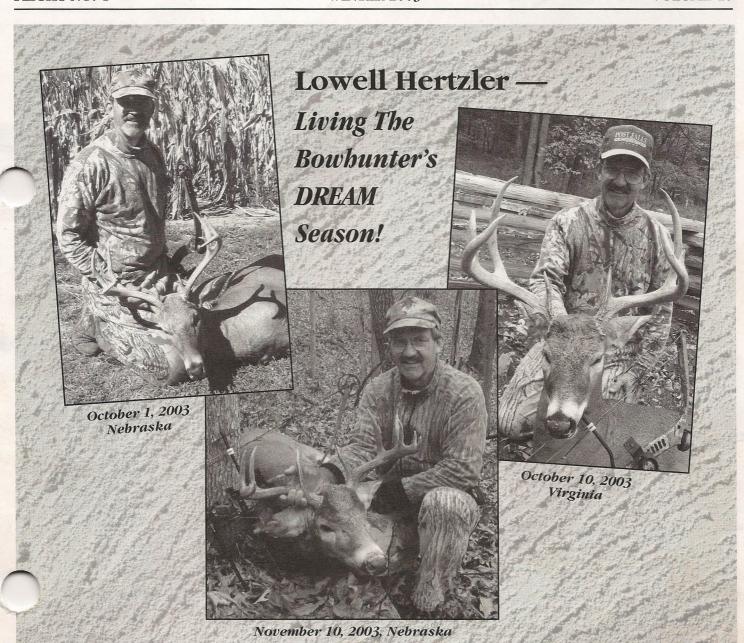


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Flight Deadline

The deadline for the Spring issue of FLIGHT will be March 22, 2094. Please submit articles of interest to the editor prior to that date. Send us your letters, stories or photos. This is your newsletter and we encourage your contributions!

From The Publicity Director

ell, folks, the bowhunting season is almost over. In the Northern Virginia area and at Fort Belvoir, the season will continue through March 31 for antler-less deer only. For those who have successfully harvested an animal, don't forget to submit your VBA Game Award application and picture(s) to Ann Boyd no later than Monday, March 1. We want to recognize all of you at our Ninth Annual Awards Banquet. Last year's banquet was a big success and we hope for an even bigger one this year. The Awards Banquet will be held on Saturday, March 20 at Pano's Restaurant in Harrisonburg. For further details, see page 4 of the Fall 2003 Flight, or the VBA website. For those who are planning to stay for the VBA quarterly meeting on Sunday, don't forget to make your hotel reservations.

On the subject of hunting, I know of four accidents that resulted in three deaths. Two were from tree stand accidents for not wearing a proper safety harness. For those of you who have never attended an IBEP or even a VDGIF Hunter Education class, I cannot emphasize how important this is to you! Just think what education and experience you gain when you attend these classes, and let others know what they are missing! Please contact our NBEP Director if either you or your club are planning to hold any IBEP classes so the class dates can be published in Flight and on the VBA website.

Mark your calendars for the 2004 State Tournaments. The State Indoor will be hosted by Belvoir Bowhunters, Kingsboro Bowmen and Sherwood Archers on February 28 and 29. These multiple locations will give you the opportunity to participate close to your area. The Spring 3-D Classic (marked) on April 3 and 4 will be hosted by Shenandoah County Archers; the State Open on May 29 and 30 by Sherwood Archers; the Fall 3-D Classic (unmarked) on August 14 and 15 by Kingsboro Bowmen, and the State Closed on September 4 and 5 by New River Bowhunters. The Fall 3-D Classic is being held in August so it will not conflict with other events/activities going on after the State Closed. Since some of the State Tournaments have had a disappointing turnout in the past, we are

hoping to see an increase in participation this year. Bring a friend, or better yet, a young person and show him/her what archery is all about!

NFAA has now made it mandatory for all current members to send their dues directly to NFAA. Do not send your NFAA dues to your club secretary or to the VBA Executive State Secretary! You will receive a renewal form from NFAA when your membership expires. Send the form and your check to NFAA. For new members who want to join, please contact NFAA at 31407 Outer 1-10, Redlands, CA 92373 or check the NFAA website at www.nfaaarchery.com. Archers who plan to attend the VBA State Tournaments, you must have your current VBA membership and/or NFAA Handicap card when you register for these tournaments! Also, archers who are current NFAA members will be eligible for an NFAA patch.

For those who like to browse the Internet, check out these two chat websites: www.archerytalk.com are solved www.bowsite.com. There are solved points on laying out a 3-D range, the likes and dislikes of certain animals, yardages and other thoughts and comments by the chat folks.

As we begin the New Year, I will be assembling approximately 750-1,000 VBA packets to be handed out at various sportsmen exhibits, shows and festivals. The Chantilly Sportsmen Show held at the Dulles Expo Center, January 30-February 1, and the Augusta Expoland Sport Show in Fishersville, February 27-29. I need your club brochures by the January VBA Meeting. Also, the Ducks Unlimited folks are looking forward to VBA helping out at the "Archery Village" the weekend of September 17-19. I will need lots of volunteers to work with us on these events, especially the Ducks Unlimited Festival. Your commitment will be greatly appreciated, as you ARE the VBA! So please let me know as soon as possible if and when you will be available to help out.

I wish everyone a happy and hea new year, and keep those arrox. straight!

> Yours in archery, **– Irene Stocksdale**

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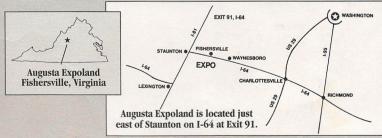
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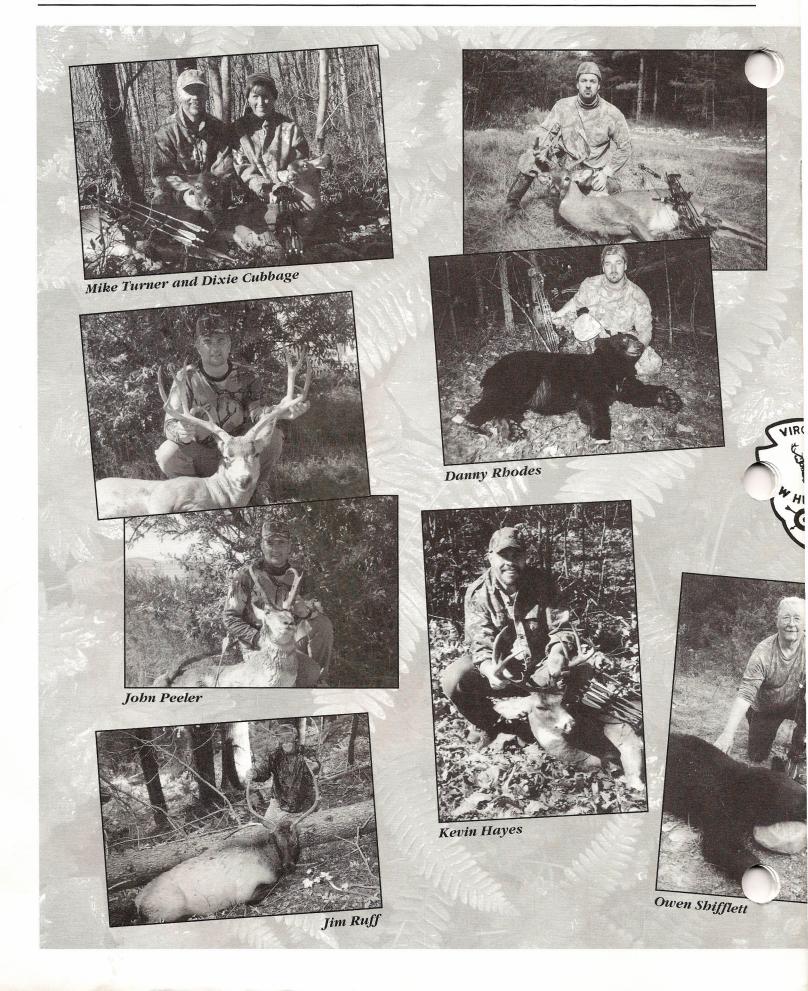
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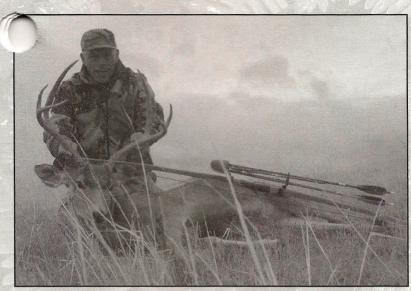
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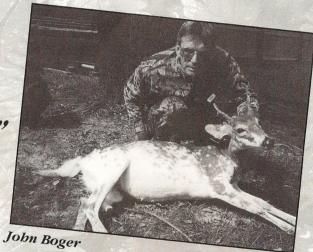
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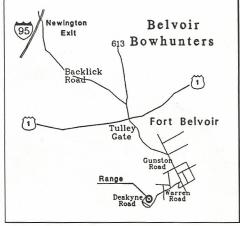




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 Saturday
 Sunday

 1st
 9 a.m. - 12 noon
 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

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State Indoor Sectional Championship Pre-Registration

Single \$20.00 Family \$40.00
Name:
Address:

Club:

VBA No:_____NFAA No:

Round Preference: Saturday:

Month

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1st 2nd 3rd

Year

Sunday: 1st 2nd

Young Adult

2nd 3rd

Circle the following for each individual:

FS FSL BH

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April 3-4, 2004 Shenandoah County Archers

State Open

May 29-30, 2004 Sherwood Archers

Fall 3-D Classic

August 21-22, 2004 Kingsboro Bowmen

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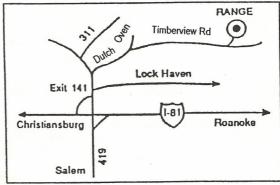
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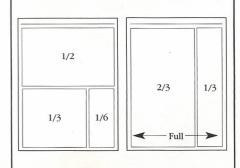
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