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FLIGHT Deadline
The deadline for the Winter issue of FLIGHT will be June 5, 2017. Please submit articles of interest to the editor prior to that date. Send us your letters, stories or photos. This is your magazine and we encourage your contributions!

From the President

Every two years the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) publishes proposed changes to the Hunting, Trapping and Terrestrial Wildlife Regulations. They invite the public to review the proposed changes and comment on them to get your perspective on the positive and negative impacts the changes will have. This is the year and two new proposals this year got my attention.

First, there is 4VAC15-90-70. This proposal would allow the use of a slingbow for deer hunting during all archery deer hunting seasons (early, late, urban archery, and NOVA April archery deer seasons). What is a "slingbow"? Good question. Basically it is a slingshot that has been modified to shoot an arrow. Some may use the nock of an arrow; others just use the leather sling to wrap around the nock. Many use a Whisper Biscuit or similar type rest. The shooter pulls it back, instinctively aims, and shoots. This proposed regulation would make them legal archery equipment to hunt deer, but not bear or elk. It is important to note where this proposal came from. The fact is that the VDGIF was directed to allow slingbows by House Bill 1938 of the 2017 Session of the General Assembly – another example of political influence on our Game and Fish laws. I believe there are no positive impacts to be gained from this proposal, but there are certainly negative ones. Bowhunting has always been attacked by anti-hunting organizations as being inhumane and cruel, and every wounded/unrecovered deer just adds credence to their argument. While modern archery equipment has demonstrated wounding rates of 5% or less are attainable, my view is that arrows shot from unregulated (e.g., no minimum poundage requirement) slingbows will lack the kinetic energy to fully penetrate the vital areas of a deer, and will result in a much higher wound rate. That will give the anti-hunting community material to influence those folks who don't hunt, but until then had not objected to hunting either. And bowhunting will suffer.

Next, there is 4VAC15-50-11. This proposal would add a three-day open season for hunting bear in many counties to run Monday through Wednesday in the week prior to the statewide archery hunting season. The intent of this reduction is to reduce the overall bear population, and the proposal indicates a 3-day open season would be expected to produce a 12% increase in the bear harvest. The proposal goes on to state that the hunting opportunity would conform to existing regulations regarding open season including dog and weapon use. I have absolutely no objection to hunting bear, and have taken bear with my bow. It is the fact that it is proposed 3 days before Archery season that bothers me. Most Bowhunters spend quite a bit of time scouting and trying to pattern deer in order to be at the right place at the right time to get close to a mature deer. Having normal patterns of deer movement changed because of the significant increased activity in the woods that the proposed bear hunt will bring is not something I think is beneficial to bowhunter chances of success on opening day.

The comment period is now open, and I have voiced my opinion by commenting on both proposals. You have until May 10, 2017 to make your views known as well! The easiest way is to go to the VDGIF web site: https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/regulations/2017-terrestrial-wildlife-regulation-proposals/?utm_source=mccommentperiod&utm_campaign=terrestrial_regs_comment_period&utm_medium=email. Whether you are for, or against these proposed changes, make your views known! Take time to comment, before the May 10 deadline!

Good Shooting! Bob



From the Executive Vice President

Finally winter has come and gone and that means spring turkey season, 3D and field tournament season is here, so you have no reason to be sitting around the house, go out to your local and regional clubs and have some fun. As I am writing this spring turkey season is just about to start and I wish all luck but also remember to be safe.

There is several articles in this issue about upcoming hunting regulation proposals and how to submit your comments. Without you taking just a few minutes to voice your thoughts and feelings how else will the powers to be know how to vote on the proposals. Just because they have the power doesn't mean they know what's the best way to vote, so you have to give them direction on which way to vote.

I would like to thank all of those who attended the VBA awards banquet this year and I think it was a record crowd for the event. The VBA handed out Field, 3D, and Hunting Awards during the night and this year because we were coming off of the 75th anniversary of the VBA all of the State Championship plaques were handed out also, this is the first time the VBA has given out plaques in many years and never have they engraved the plaques with the person's name and event they won.

Terry Ballowe 

From the Publicity Director

We seem to be on a roll this year with over 100 archers and/or folks attending VBA events. The VBA State Indoor had 156 archers and 45 state champs. We would like to thank the four clubs that hosted the VBA State Indoor and each club did a fantastic job in getting their results to Lowell Hertzler, Bowhunters of Rockingham.

The recent VBA 3-D Spring Classic also had a very nice turn-out with 102 archers and 21 state champs. Again, BOR kept everyone on track. Much thanks to Lowell Hertzler for consolidating the results and Cay with here expertize on running the state shoot. Congratulations to all the winners as well as those that participated.

If you missed this year's banquet, then you missed another outstanding banquet! But this one was different, as it was held at the New Market Fire and Rescue Department social hall. Everyone enjoyed the relaxing atmosphere, no one set their drinks on 'fire' or had to be 'rescue.' Our guest speaker, Chad Seiver from 613 Outdoors spoke on the true meaning of the outdoors, both in bowhunting, hunting and fishing. Thanks to all the 2016 VBA State Champions, our Double and Triple Crown winners, the Bill Bennett awardees, our sponsors, the clubs and those individuals who donated monetary contributions, gifts and/or prizes towards our various raffles/auctions. The highlight of the evening, when Dave Burpee OGF Chairperson, recognized Rick Atchison to the Order of the Golden Feather, a well deserving and a very faithful individual who dedicates his time and life to archery.

I must say, the VBA 22nd Annual Awards banquet would not have been a success without the dedication to our Hunting Vice-President, Shannon Nesselrodt and Field Vice-President, Cay McManus. Also, to our 'top dogs,' Bob Foster, Marie Bell and the committee members, who worked together and did a fantastic job on the banquet. The turnout was the most we had in many years with 124 in attendance; comprising of 14 clubs, several Bowhunter members, 16 Order of the Golden Feather members; John Stockman, a formal NBEF/IBEP instructor and John Street, VBA President in 1994 and NFAA Director.

Each year, the VBA recognizes the clubs with the most increase in membership, the President's Award. Bob Foster, recognized and awarded the smallest to the largest clubs in 2016 to: Singers Glen Bowbenders, an increase of 91%; Two Rivers Archery Club, an increase of 23%, and Belvoir Bowhunters with an increase of 40%.

Next was Cay McManus who recognized all the VBA State Championship winners in 2016, their 75th Anniversary Championship plaques (see Winter 2017 FLIGHT, page 3); and the Double Crown winners to: Jonell Frantz, FSR, Pr. William Archers; Tony Hall, HF, New River Bowhunters; Cay McManus, FTRAD, Sherwood Archers and Melinda Wilson, SFHC NORVA. The Triple Crown winners were: Denny Cline,

MSMBB, Dixie Bowmen; Resa Combs, AFFS/R, Cub Run; Cay again; Paul Vogel, SSFTRAD, NORVA and Logan Weller, YMFS/R, Manahaoc Bowmen. Congratulation to all of you!

Since this was Shannon's first time, he had the honor to present to all our Bill Bennett Big Game Award winners with a plaque for their first time harvest and cast arrow pins after their first harvest in the following categories: Largest Buck, Turkey, Bear, Doe, Carp and/or Gar and to the Double and Triple Slam winners.

We would also like to recognize and greatly appreciate Charlie Shupienus, who came forward and made 13 of the Bill Bennett wooden plaques, and at no cost to the VBA.

Finally, we would like to thank and recognize our sponsors for their donation towards our raffles and auctions: Heartland Outfitters of Harrisonburg, Va., for the Diamond Bow-Teck Prism, G & S Wild Country Outfitters of Woodstock, Va., an Alpine bow; Rockingham Co-Op of Harrisonburg, Va, a Parker compound bow; Shenandoah Sports of Toms Brook, Va, a Mission bow; two pencil drawing by Bruce Lynn Dellinger, a "Running Deer" and a "Throw Caution to the Wind;" the VBA Bowhunter print; and, from the VDGIF, a Virginia Wildlife 2008 Buck Knife & Wood case (554/600) and a "VDGIF Commemorative 100th Anniversary" coins & wooden case.

In conclusion, the VDGIF reported that there has been a decline in the number of students attending the basic Hunter Education courses and some classes have been cancelled. In April, they reduced the minimum age, and around nine hundred students under eighteen have taken the online course. Part of the problem maybe that youths are more interested in electronics and video games.

Nine new cases of Chronic Wasting Disease were detected in Frederick County during the 2016 deer hunting season. Seven were deer harvested by hunters and two were killed by vehicles. A total of 22 CWD positive deer have been detected in Virginia since CWD was first discovered in western Frederick County in the fall of 2009. The VDGIF plans to collect CWD samples from the same containment areas on the first two Saturday of the 2017 firearms deer season.

At the OCHS 13th Fishing Expo held recently, it was reported that the event was poorly attended, due to the cold weather and the flu epidemic in the area. Several large fishing related vendors from the Tidewater and Buggs Island cancelled for the event. It was also reported that the NRA Show in PA was down 20%, WVSS had only 7,500 when the usually have 10K to 12K in attendance, Dixie Deer Classic was off by 25%, VOSS was off by 15% and the Fredericksburg gun show was also down. Part of the reason from an industry wide trend.

Irene Stocksdales 

AGENDA ITEMS

Section 15.1.6 B. Add the following: If any club is awarded one of the four outdoor tournaments, that club would be ineligible to win another of the outdoor tournaments that year unless they are the only club bidding.

Effective immediately.

Justification: To spread outdoor tournaments to more clubs for VBA shooters.



WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?



Do you have a great idea for improving Archery or Bowhunting across Virginia? If so, we would love to hear from you! Write them down and send them into the VBA Secretary. Adding your name is optional, but we won't have any way to get in touch with you if you don't add it!

From the Hunting Vice President

Dear Mr. Duncan & DGIF

The Virginia Bow Hunters Association adamantly opposes the proposal of having a three day bear season the week before the archery season comes in. We feel that it will hurt the archers in the state that hunt with the handicap of the bow because of having the bears being run with dogs and hunted with guns will diminish the opportunities of the archers in the state. The youth Bear day that has been held during Archery season has already created problems in Rockingham County! We feel that the best solution to the bear overpopulation problem is to leave the bear season in from the first Saturday in October through the first Saturday in January and to be able to harvest them with what weapon is legal for that date I.E. archery tackle, muzzleloader (both weeks of muzzleloader) firearms (both weeks of the deer firearms season)!! We also believe that a spring archery bear season could be beneficial to the state in producing revenue and helping reduce the over population of the black bear in the western part of the state. Lastly repealing the bear tag fee would help as well! Giving everyone a tag would help our overpopulation problem. The bowhunters in Virginia are tired of taking the back seat and giving more and more of our season to everyone else. We feel like as bowhunters we are under attack from the Game dept. We provide a great deal of revenue for the DGIF as well as the state in licenses purchases and sales taxes. Please enlighten us as to how the DGIF feels about the bowhunters in the state and the above matters.

Sincerely,

Shannon Nesselrodt

Hunting Vice President Virginia Bowhunters Association



Nine New CWD Positives Confirmed in Frederick County

Nine new cases of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) were detected in Frederick County during the 2016 deer hunting season. Seven were deer harvested by hunters and two were killed by vehicles. All of the new cases were detected in the same general areas as previous cases. In total, 22 CWD-positive deer have been detected in Virginia since CWD was first discovered in western Frederick County in fall 2009.

In 2015, the Virginia CWD Containment Area was expanded to include all of Frederick, Clarke, Warren, and Shenandoah counties. Approximately 1,500 deer from these counties were tested for CWD during the 2016 hunting season. The Virginia CWD Containment area borders are expected to remain the same for the fall 2017 hunting season. The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) plans to collect CWD samples from the Containment Area on the first two Saturdays of the 2017 firearms deer season.

VDGIF appreciates the assistance of deer hunters in Frederick, Clarke, Warren, and Shenandoah counties for the excellent cooperation during CWD sample collection this past fall. VDGIF would also like to thank the cooperating road-kill contractor and deer processors for their assistance and looks forward to continuing these partnerships in 2017.

CWD has been detected in 24 states and three Canadian provinces. The disease is a slow, progressive neurologic (brain and nervous system) disease found in deer, elk, and moose in North America which ultimately results in death of the animal. It is spread through urine, feces, saliva, and other body fluids. Symptoms do not appear for several years and include staggering, abnormal posture, lowered head, drooling, confusion, and marked weight loss. There is no evidence that CWD can be naturally transmitted to humans, livestock, or pets, but the Centers for Disease Control advises against eating meat from CWD-positive animals as research continues. Regulations pertaining to CWD, maps of impacted states, and more information about the disease and what VDGIF is doing about it can be found on the VDGIF website at: www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/disease/cwd.

Proposed Regulation Amendments

Regulation 4 VAC 15-20.

Definitions and Miscellaneous: In General.

4 VAC 15-20-50. Definitions and Miscellaneous: In General. Definitions; “wild animal,” “native animal,” “naturalized animal,” “nonnative (exotic) animal” and “domestic animal.”

This disallows the ownership wild appearing red foxes from the pet industry to address potential rabies exposure risks. There is additional language that clarifies the definition of a domestic rabbit.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-30.

Definitions and Miscellaneous: Importation, Possession, Sale, Etc., of Animals.

4 VAC 15-30-50. Definitions and Miscellaneous: Importation, Possession, Sale, Etc., of Animals. Possession, transportation, and release of wildlife by authorized persons.

This inserts the modern accepted vernacular of “humane dispatch” in place of the term “euthanasia”.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-40.

Game: In General.

4 VAC 15-40-30. Game: In General. Recorded wild animal or wild bird calls or sounds prohibited in taking game; bobcats, coyotes, crows, foxes, and raccoons excepted.

This allows the take of raccoons with electronic calls.

4 VAC 15-40-225. Game: In General. Killing of animals captured in live traps; drowning of animals captured in cage traps prohibited. (New section.)

This prohibits the drowning of nuisance wildlife captured in live traps. At one time drowning was considered a feasible method to dispatch wildlife, especially skunks. This regulation clarifies the fact that drowning is not an appropriate method in these urban environments.

4 VAC 15-40-275. Game: In General. Sale of furbearer pelts, carcasses, and parts.

This liberalizes the sale of furbearer parts by allowing more items to be legally sold (e.g., glands, teeth, bone).

This also allows peer-to-peer sales of furbearer parts.

4 VAC 15-40-287. Game: In General. Model ordinances related to feeding of deer in cities and towns. (New section.)

This fulfills our expectation to provide model language as required by § 29.1-527.2 which authorizes cities and towns to prohibit the feeding of deer.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-50.

Game: Bear.

4 VAC 15-50-11. Game: Bear. Open season; generally.

Along with the companion regulation 4 VAC 15-50-71, these two regulations are designed to reduce the bear population under two strategies. The first strategy is more conservative and uses 4 VAC 15-50-11 to provide 3 additional days of bear hunting in these counties. This regulation is expected to reduce the bear population by 12% over the next 5 years in these counties.

4 VAC 15-50-71. Game: Bear. Muzzleloading gun hunting.

Along with the companion regulation 4 VAC 15-50-11, these two regulations are designed to reduce the bear population under two strategies. The second strategy is more liberal and uses 4 VAC 15-50-71 to provide a week of bear hunting during the muzzleloader season in these counties. This regulation is expected to reduce the bear population by 13% over the next 5 years in these counties. However, the full impact of the harvest strategy is in counties where the 4 VAC 15-50-11 and 4 VAC 15-50-71 are both implemented, then there will be an expected 25% decrease in the bear population over 5 years.

4 VAC 15-50-120. Game: Bear. Bear hound training season.

This aligns the Southside training season with the western training season. This also moves the start date to August 1 for all training seasons.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-80.

Game: Crow.

4 VAC 15-80-10. Game: Crow. Open season.

This moves an open hunting day from Sunday to Monday.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-90.**Game: Deer.**

4 VAC 15-90-70. Game: Deer. Archery hunting.

This fulfills our expectation for HB 1938 legalizing the slingbow for the take of deer.

4 VAC 15-90-80. Game: Deer. Muzzleloading gun hunting.

This accomplishes several issues, including;

- *liberalizes private land either-sex days in Pulaski and Scott County*
- *adds a one day either-sex hunt on Highland WMA*
- *makes Channels SF and Hungry Mother SP either-sex days consistent with surrounding counties*
- *reduces either-sex days National Forest and DGIF lands*
- *changes projectile size from .38 to .35*

4 VAC 15-90-89. Game: Deer. Earn a buck (EAB).

This adds Earn a Buck to:

- *private lands in Fauquier County*
- *private lands in Montgomery County*
- *all towns or cities (except Chesapeake, Suffolk, and Virginia Beach).*

4 VAC 15-90-90. Game: Deer. Bag limit, bonus deer permits and special antlerless provision for youth hunters.

This increases the deer bag to 2 per day in the areas west of the Blue Ridge. Also some language edits to correct an old misstatement.

4 VAC 15-90-91. Game: Deer. General firearms season either-sex deer hunting days.

This decreases the number of either-sex hunting days in numerous counties and WMAs. This also increases either-sex hunting days on Highland WMA.

4 VAC 15-90-280. Game: Deer. Sale of cervid parts and cervid mounts.

This liberalizes the types of deer parts/products that may be sold.

4 VAC 15-90-291. Game: Deer. Enclosed or fenced areas that prevent or impede the free egress of deer.

This removes unnecessary language regarding required gaps in high fences.

4 VAC 15-90-294. Game: Deer. Rehabilitation of cervids.

This allows licensed rehabilitators to transport deer to safe locations for euthanasia.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-190.**Game: Quail.**

4 VAC 15-190-10. Game: Quail. Open season; generally.

This closes the quail season on public lands west of the Blue Ridge.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-240.**Game: Turkey.**

4 VAC 15-240-50. Game: Turkey. Continuous closed season in certain counties, cities and areas.

This allows for new hunt opportunities at Langley AFB and Fort Eustis Air Field.

4 VAC 15-240-60. Game: Turkey. Archery hunting.

This standardizes the closing date for turkeys for all weapon types. Also adds slingbow as a legal means of take.

4 VAC 15-240-70. Game: Turkey. Bag limit.

This increase the daily bag limit to 2 turkeys per day.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-260.**Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds.**

4 VAC 15-260-15. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Reflective markers on stationary blinds. (New section.)

This requires reflective tape on stationary blinds as a safety measure.

4 VAC 15-260-35. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Distance from a licensed stationary blind and off-shore blind stake. (New section.)

This closes a loop hole that allowed hunters to exit their boats and stand on the bottom of any public waters to hunt. This reinforces the original intent to have no hunting within 500 yards of licensed stationary blind and

off-shore blind stake.

4 VAC 15-260-40. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Distance between floating blind and stationary blind. (Repeal.)

Repeal to insert new regulation.

4 VAC 15-260-45. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Float blind hunting areas established. (New section.)

This creates "Float Blind Hunting Areas" in the public waters adjacent to qualifying public lands. This allows public entities to opt into a float blind hunting program on their property rather than the non-riparian stationary blinds.

4 VAC 15-260-115. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Disturbing waterfowl on Kittewan Creek Refuge in Charles City County. (New section.)

This establishes a regulation in support the restrictions identified in the deed to the Kittewan Creek Refuge property owned by the agency. The intent of this property is to serve as a waterfowl refuge.

4 VAC 15-260-116. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Blinds adjacent to Werowocomoco National Park and York River State Park. (New section.)

This is the same regulation as 4 VAC 15-260-45 but is specific to these Parks. This may be unnecessary if 4 VAC 15-260-45 passes.

4 VAC 15-260-160. Game: Waterfowl and Waterfowl Blinds. Great Hunting Creek and Dyke Marsh; floating blind area.

This allows the DGIF to mark these floating blind areas using GPS coordinates.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-270.

Game: Firearms.

4 VAC 15-270-96. Game: Firearms. Pneumatic rifles for hunting deer, prohibited for hunting bear and elk. (New section.)

This establishes a minimum caliber of .35 for pneumatic rifles for hunting deer.

Regulation 4 VAC 15-290.

Game: Permits.

4 VAC 15-290-140. Game: Permits. Possession and display of a harvest information program authorization to hunt migratory game birds.

This requires all those who hunt migratory game birds, including those who are license exempt, to possess a Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit.

How to Submit a Public Comment to the DGIF Regarding Proposed Regulation Changes

Comments on the proposals are solicited during a public comment period that opens March 17 and closes May 10, 2017. Please note that all comments must be in writing and include the name, address and telephone number of the person offering them. Comments submitted other than at the May 24, 2017 Board meeting must be received no later than May 10, 2017.

After the public comment period closes, the DGIF staff reviews and assesses all comments. Staff specialist the reconsider each proposed regulation change and their justifications within the context of the public comments received. Staff then prepares the final regulations and the accompanying presentations for the Wildlife, Boating and Law Enforcement Committee meeting on May 23 and the Board meeting on May 24.

After hearing public comment on the proposed amendments at the May 24 Board meeting, the Board anticipates adopting final regulation amendments that will be effective for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 hunting and trapping seasons.

METHODS OF COMMENTING INCLUDE:

Internet/Online - The online comment system (www.dgif.virginia.gov) is the most efficient and effective way to submit your views and have them seen the fastest.

In Person - Comments will be heard at the May 23, 2017 Wildlife, Boating and Law Enforcement Committee meeting as well as the May 24, 2017 meeting of the Board. This meeting begins at 9:00 AM at 7870 Villa Park Drive, Suite 400, Henrico, Virginia 23228

By Mail - Comments can be mailed the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Attn: Policy Analyst and Regulatory Coordinator, P.O. Box 90778, Henrico, Virginia 23228.

By Email - Comments can be emailed to regcomments@dgif.virginia.gov.

VBA State Indoor 2017

VBA State Indoor Championship

Hosted by Belvoir Bowhunters, Bowhunters of Rockingham, Kingsboro Bowmen and Sherwood Archers

Rank	Name	Style	Day One			Day Two			Best			
			Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs	
Class B												
SC	Cay McManus	AFBB	269	12	4	266	14	3	269	12	4	
Class A												
SC	Regina Stroop	AFBHFS/R	296	33	14	298	37	12	298	37	12	
Class B												
1st	Ellena Parks	AFBHFS/R	277	11	1	283	22	3	283	22	3	
2nd	Sabrina Sonifrank	AFBHFS/R	272	9	0	0	0	0	272	9	0	
Class A												
SC	Lisa Zuber	AFFS/R	298	43	9	299	44	9	299	44	9	
2nd	Amber Shifflett	AFFS/R	296	25	6	295	28	9	298	25	6	
3rd	Nadine Mohler	AFFS/R	293	33	8	295	36	11	295	36	11	
	Holly Rigney	AFFS/R	295	21	4	291	26	8	295	21	4	
	Karin Eppard	AFFS/R	293	33	7	0	0	0	293	33	7	
Class B												
1st	Sarah Ingram	AFFS/R	281	13	4	287	27	287	287	27	7	
Class C												
1st	Debra Ramos	AFFS/R	0	0	0	268	12	2	268	12	2	
Class A												
SC	Jenifer Stoner	AFTRAD	282	13	2	268	15	4	282	13	2	
Class B												
1st	Charlene McManus	AFTRAD	182	4	0	200	1	0	200	1	0	
2nd	Jessica Craig	AFTRAD	298	5	2	193	1	0	198	5	2	
3rd	Wendy Moore	AFTRAD	192	2	0	183	3	0	192	2	0	
Class C												
SC	Michael Westfall	AMBB	270	17	2	258	10	2	270	17	2	
Class C												
SC	Bakari Dale	AMBHFS/F	261	10	1	270	20	3	270	20	3	
Class A												
SC	Jeremy Dean	AMBHFS/R	300	58	18	0	0	0	300	58	18	
2nd	Greg Sisk	AMBHFS/R	300	56	16	300	57	17	300	57	17	
3rd	Tom Lynch	AMBHFS/R	300	51	11	0	0	0	300	51	11	
	Darryll Diehl	AMBHFS/R	300	50	12	299	49	15	300	50	12	
	Brian Baldrige	AMBHFS/R	299	44	10	300	45	7	300	45	7	
	Thomas Miller	AMBHFS/R	299	32	8	298	41	9	299	32	8	
Class B												
1st	Josh Saufley	AMBHFS/R	296	34	8	293	24	7	296	34	8	
2nd	Ron Anderson	AMBHFS/R	291	29	6	295	21	5	295	21	5	
3rd	Walter Blackwell	AMBHFS/R	290	29	8	0	0	0	290	29	0	
Class C												
1st	Ira Joseph	AMBHFS/R	288	26	6	287	30	9	288	26	8	
2nd	Brian Benson	AMBHFS/R	284	19	4	0	0	0	284	19	4	
3rd	Trent Larsen	AMBHFS/R	272	19	5	0	0	0	272	19	5	

Rank	Name	Style	Day One			Day Two			Score	Best	
			Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs		Xs	I/O Xs
	Gary Reed	AMBHFS/R	262	12	4	0	0	0	262	12	4
	David Hall	AMBHFS/R	236	9	1	0	0	0	236	9	1
Class C											
SC	Denny Baird	AMFS/F	274	19	4	256	11	1	274	19	4
Class A											
SC	Jedd Greshock	AMFS/R	300	60	27	0	0	0	300	60	27
2nd	Zane Rigney	AMFS/R	300	43	10	300	57	13	300	57	13
3rd	Wesley Blank	AMFS/R	300	55	21	300	54	18	300	55	21
	Franklin Jones	AMFS/R	300	55	15	300	50	17	300	55	15
	Jeremy Price	AMFS/R	300	52	16	300	49	13	300	52	16
	Joseph Dawkins	AMFS/R	300	51	20	0	0	0	300	51	20
	Trent Diehl	AMFS/R	300	51	16	300	51	16	300	51	16
	Mathew Smith	AMFS/R	300	51	14	0	0	0	300	51	14
	Marcus Diehl	AMFS/R	299	43	12	300	51	13	300	51	13
	Dwayne Hensley	AMFS/R	300	51	7	0	0	0	300	51	7
	Daryl McKenzie	AMFS/R	299	56	15	300	49	14	300	49	14
	Alex Smith	AMFS/R	0	0	0	300	47	14	300	47	14
	Bruce Maxey	AMFS/R	0	0	0	300	47	8	300	47	8
	Micheal Shupe	AMFS/R	299	46	22	300	45	11	300	45	11
	David Croy	AMFS/R	298	44	12	300	38	9	300	38	9
	Roman Bond	AMFS/R	299	47	9	299	47	17	299	47	15
	JR Ingram	AMFS/R	299	38	4	298	37	7	299	38	4
	Shawn Smith	AMFS/R	298	46	13	298	40	6	298	46	13
Class B											
1st	Steven Blackwell	AMFS/R	297	38	11	297	42	13	297	42	13
2nd	Darrell Loven	AMFS/R	297	42	5	295	27	8	297	42	5
3rd	Rodney Roberts	AMFS/R	296	34	4	293	32	5	296	34	4
	Shawn Murphy	AMFS/R	287	26	6	294	25	2	294	25	2
	Matthew Murphy	AMFS/R	294	20	6	0	0	0	294	20	6
	Jeff Richards	AMFS/R	285	20	5	293	19	6	293	19	6
	Bryan Zuber	AMFS/R	291	34	9	292	22	7	292	22	7
Class C											
1st	Ken Wilkinson	AMFS/R	280	32	8	287	30	9	287	30	9
2nd	Christopher Hollowman	AMFS/R	277	24	4	286	23	2	286	23	2
3rd	Robert Garber	AMFS/R	285	22	5	273	18	4	285	22	5
	John Weller	AMFS/R	275	16	4	0	0	0	275	16	4
Class B											
SC	Micheal Westfall	AMTRAD	272	20	5	270	14	2	272	20	5
2nd	Brian Hatchi	AMTRAD	251	11	0	211	3	0	251	11	0
3rd	Obula Reddy Indela	AMTRAD	249	6	1	247	7	0	249	6	1
	Adam Phillips	AMTRAD	243	9	0	235	10	0	243	9	0
	Jeff Moore	AMTRAD	214	2	2	230	2	0	230	2	0
Class C											
1st	Jeff McManus	AMTRAD	179	3	0	214	2	0	214	2	0
SC	Chelsea Neville	CFFS/R	0	0	0	300	54	17	300	54	17
SC	Auvray Shumate	SSFFS/R	0	0	0	276	20	9	276	20	9
SC	Herb Hawes	SSMBHFS/R	299	49	12	0	0	0	299	49	12

Rank	Name	Style	Day One			Day Two			Best		
			Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs
2nd	Patrick Hamp	SSMBHFS/R	298	41	5	0	0	0	298	41	5
3rd	Ronnie Benson	SSMBHFS/R	297	33	12	0	0	0	297	33	12
	Ralph Santmyers	SSMBHFS/R	294	34	6	296	36	10	296	36	10
	Steve Richards	SSMBHFS/R	294	29	8	290	21	4	294	29	8
	Kevin Brown	SSMBHFS/R	289	27	10	285	21	8	289	27	10
	Phong Nguyen	SSMBHFS/R	274	16	3	277	12	2	277	12	2
SC	Danny Alger	SSMFS/R	299	46	7	300	46	11	300	46	11
2nd	Herb Hawes	SSMFS/R	297	52	10	299	49	14	299	49	14
3rd	Patrick Hemp	SSMFS/R	298	32	7	0	0	0	298	32	7
	Steve Moore	SSMFS/R	295	28	8	292	37	7	295	28	8
	Everett Braden	SSMFS/R	294	33	5	0	0	0	294	33	5
	Jarrett Frame	SSMFS/R	292	24	5	294	22	4	294	22	4
	Carlos Miller	SSMFS/R	0	0	0	291	36	7	291	36	7
	Wilt Baker	SSMFS/R	0	0	0	289	23	4	289	23	4
	Barry Wolfe	SSMFS/R	279	26	6	281	20	6	281	20	6
SC	Paul Vogel	SSMTRAD	277	16	6	0	0	0	277	16	6
2nd	Teddy Breeden	SSMTRAD	225	2	1	235	6	2	235	6	2
SC	Phoenix Dishman	CMBHFS/F	238	4	1	231	4	0	238	4	1
2nd	John King	CMBHFS/F	191	0	0	176	2	0	191	0	0
SC	Camden Blank	CMBHFS/R	286	29	6	293	27	11	293	27	11
2nd	Peyton Gregory	CMBHFS/R	280	10	2	292	17	6	292	17	6
3rd	Michael King	CMBHFS/R	276	15	1	283	14	5	283	14	5
	Garrett Reed	CMBHFS/R	245	9	4	0	0	0	245	9	4
	Zachary Stone	CMBHFS/R	191	3	1	0	0	0	191	3	1
SC	Wyatt Moss	CMFS/R	297	40	1	0	0	0	297	40	1
2nd	Gabriel Holloman	CMFS/R	277	13	4	283	18	7	283	18	7
3rd	Daniel Holloman	CMFS/R	239	10	4	245	7	1	245	7	1
SC	Mary Wenzel	MSFFS/R	261	12	4	262	16	3	262	16	3
SC	Denny Cline	MSMBB	273	16	2	281	14	4	281	14	4
2nd	Howard Faris	MSMBB	269	14	2	0	0	0	269	14	2
3rd	Jim Sorrell	MSMBB	253	11	1	264	8	0	264	8	0
SC	Bill Swick	MSMBHFS/R	258	13	3	0	0	0	258	13	3
SC	Jerry Wenzel	MSMFS/F	246	6	0	252	7	0	257	7	0
SC	Ted Lytton	MSMFS/R	300	45	12	299	53	20	300	45	12
2nd	Lowell Hertzler	MSMFS/R	279	31	8	300	40	11	300	40	11
3rd	Marvin Huffman	MSMFS/R	295	28	6	292	29	5	195	28	6
	Robert Lyons	MSMFS/R	280	15	1	0	0	0	280	15	1
SC	Mike Hand	MSMTRAD	218	5	0	207	5	0	218	5	0
2nd	Russ Hatchi	MSMTRAD	195	2	1	0	0	0	195	2	1
3rd	Richard Smith	MSMTRAD	153	0	0	190	3	0	190	3	0
	Jim Clippard	MSMTRAD	188	6	0	118	0	0	186	6	0
SC	Doreen Rizopoulos	SFBHFS/R	222	9	1	249	11	5	249	11	5
SC	Brenda Bond	SFFS/R	300	44	6	299	45	11	300	44	6
SC	Robin Vogel	SFTRAD	256	6	0	260	8	1	280	8	1

Rank	Name	Style	Day One			Day Two			Score	Best	
			Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs		Xs	I/O Xs
SC	Tony Stoner	SMBB	207	2	1	225	6	1	225	6	1
SC	Jim Little	SMBHFS/F	274	11	2	267	17	3	274	11	2
SC	Vance Cave	SMBHFS/R	299	46	10	300	48	15	300	28	15
2nd	Patrick Eppard	SMBHFS/R	298	48	13	0	0	0	198	48	13
3rd	Joseph Heavner	SMBHFS/R	298	33	10	294	35	12	298	33	10
	Dale Michael	SMBHFS/R	292	39	13	295	29	4	295	29	4
	Greg Thompson	SMBHFS/R	284	20	2	289	24	7	289	24	7
	Felix Lopez	SMBHFS/R	260	6	3	264	11	2	284	11	2
SC	Tom Lynch	SMFS/R	300	56	19	300	58	22	300	58	22
2nd	Jeff Warf	SMFS/R	300	53	13	0	0	0	300	53	13
3rd	David Estep	SMFS/R	300	49	11	299	55	14	300	49	11
	Robert Kenley	SMFS/R	299	48	14	298	42	14	299	48	14
	James Hutchison	SMFS/R	298	41	13	298	40	11	298	41	13
	Ted Bradford	SMFS/R	292	26	4	294	30	8	294	30	8
	Steve Weisbrod	SMFS/R	0	0	0	271	17	5	271	17	5
SC	Michael Light	SMTRAD	215	3	1	223	1	1	223	1	1
2nd	Walter Spaulding	SMTRAD	194	1	0	206	8	3	206	8	3
3rd	Keith Matheny	SMTRAD	194	2	1	169	3	1	194	2	1
	Ron Buzalsky	SMTRAD	173	4	0	193	3	1	193	3	1
	Jerry Michonski	SMTRAD	174	0	0	185	5	2	185	5	2
	Rickie Young	SMTRAD	174	4	0	0	0	0	174	4	0
Class B											
SC	Vivian Vickers	YAFBB	260	9	2	261	10	3	261	10	3
Class A											
SC	Ana Moss	YAFBHFS/R	282	21	3	0	0	09	282	21	3
Class B											
SC	Claire Maxey	YAFFS/R	0	0	0	274	15	4	274	15	4
Class A											
SC	Chris King	YAMBHFS/R	299	42	9	293	34	5	299	42	9
2nd	Gabriel Anderson	YAMBHFS/R	292	22	9	291	29	7	292	22	9
3rd	Hunter Lilly	YAMBHFS/R	284	24	6	275	14	2	284	24	6
Class A											
SC	Logan Weller	YAMFS/R	300	57	12	299	49	12	300	57	12
2nd	Austin Knicely	YAMFS/R	298	44	13	0	0	0	298	44	13
Class C											
SC	Logan Weller	YAMTRAD	138	2	1	117	0	0	138	2	1
Class C											
SC	Kaitlyn Pylant	YFBB	171	2	1	176	2	0	176	2	0
Class A											
SC	Ella Moss	YFBHFS/R	275	14	4	0	0	0	275	14	4
Class A											
SC	Katelyn Carstens	YFFS/R	290	33	2	289	36	4	290	33	2
Class B											
SC	Sawyer Dishman	YMBB	222	2	1	228	5	0	228	5	0
Class C											
1st	Jamie Matthews	YMBB`	87	0	0	110	1	0	110	1	0

Rank	Name	Style	Day One			Day Two			Best		
			Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs	Score	Xs	I/O Xs
Class A											
SC	Parker Harris	YMBHFS/R	296	29	9	298	38	7	298	38	7
2nd	Jacob King	YMBHFS/R	245	6	1	248	6	1	248	6	1
Class A											
SC	Camden Neville	YMFS/R	0	0	0	293	40	11	293	40	11
2nd	Dylan Bond	YMFS/R	277	21	4	268	9	1	277	21	4
3rd	Seth Moss	YMFS/R	268	18	4	0	0	0	268	18	4
Class B											
1st	Nathaniel Holloman	YMFS/R	205	5	3	232	8	1	232	8	1
Class C											
SC	Dheeraj Reddy Indela	YMTRAD	126	2	0	0	0	0	126	2	0
	Rene Sarin	GUEST	292	21	3	291	29	3	292	21	3
	Willis Stephenson	GUEST	287	25	6	0	0	0	287	25	6
	Mason Edwards	GUEST	0	0	0	281	24	4	281	24	4
	Sahara Edwards	GUEST	0	0	0	254	8	0	254	8	0
	Jake Steen	GUEST	218	4	1	176	2	2	218	4	1
	Alden Powers	GUEST	0	0	0	119	1	0	119	1	0
	Serenity Cousins	GUEST	106	0	0	80	0	0	106	0	0

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VBA INDOOR RECORDS 2017



STYLE	NAME	BEST ROUND COUNTS		X'S	INSIDE-OUT X'S
		YEAR	BEST ROUND		
AFBB	Cay McMannus	2017	269	12	4
AMBB	Dwayne Martin	2014	294	20	5
AMBH	Kris Hale	2014	267	18	4
AMBHFS/F	Jim Little	2014	280	26	6
AFBHFS/R	Regina Stroom	2017	298	37	12
AMBHFS/R	Darryll Diehi	2015	300	59	23
AMFS/F	Denny Baird	2014	284	23	6
AFFS/F	Sidney Davis	2015	255	6	1
AFFS/R	Valerie Murdoch	2014	300	54	20
AMFS/R	Jedd Greshock	2017	300	60	27
AFTRAD	Jenifer Stoner	2017	282	13	2
AMTRAD	Mike Westfall	2017	272	20	5
SFBHFS/R	Thoy Baker	2015	264	15	4
SMBHFS/R	Jim Little	2017	274	11	2
SFFS/R	Brenda Bond	2017	300	44	6
SMFS/R	Tom Lynch	2017	300	58	22
SMBB	Troy Stoner	2016	233	6	1
SFTRAD	Robin Vogel	2017	260	8	1
SMTRAD	Paul Vogel	2014	279	21	4
SSMBHFS/R	Patrick Hamp	2015	300	45	11
SSFFSR	Bertha Brugh	2014	289	17	6
SSMFS/R	Herb Hawse	2015	300	49	10
SSFTRAD	Sanda O'Shea	2015	206	2	0
SSMTRAD	Paul Vogel	2017	277	16	6
MSMBB	Denny Cline	2017	281	14	4
MSMBHFS/R	Bill Swick	2014	269	12	1
MSFFS/R	Mary Wenzel	2015	269	9	5
MSMFS/R	Ted Litton	2017	300	45	12
MSMFS/F	Jerry Wenzel	2015	272	17	7
MSMTRAD	Russell Hatchl	2015	237	9	1
PWMBHFS/R	John King	2016	172	6	3
PWFBHFS/R	Mia Kull	2014	219	6	3
CFBB	Kylie Marisa	2014	258	5	2
CMBB	Luke Hatchi	2014	236	8	0
CMBH	Ethan Mullins	2014	258	5	2
CFBHFS/R	Clara Layton	2016	289	28	7
CMBHFS/R	Colton Morris	2016	289	28	7
CMBHFS/F	Phoenix Dishman	2017	238	4	1
CFFS/R	Chessea Neville	2017	300	54	17
CMFS/F	Phoenix Dishman	2016	169	0	0
CMFS/R	Wyatt Moss	2017	297	40	1
CMTRAD	Dheeraj Reddy Indela	2015	245	8	1
YMBB	Sawyer Dishman	2017	228	5	0
YFBB	Vivian Vickers	2014	221	6	2
YFBHFS/R	Jennette Leonard	2016	291	31	5
YMBHFS/R	Chris Knig	2016	299	45	9
YMFS/R	Logan Weller	2016	300	42	11
YFFS/R	Jeanette Leonard	2016	296	36	10
YMTRAD	Koen Beugelsdijk	2014	300	0	0
YAFBHFS/R	Kelsey Baird	2015	297	42	13
YAMBHFS/R	Chris King	2017	299	42	9
YAMFS/R	Kevin Clayton	2015	300	58	19
YAFFS/R	Claire Maxey	2017	274	15	4
YAFBB	Vivian Vickers	2017	261	10	3
YAMTRAD	Logan Weller	2017	138	2	1

THE VBA ORDER OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER (OGF) NEEDS YOUR HELP.

The OGF has undertaken a project to update its historical records. To date, all that exists is a list of the OGF members – active and deceased – and a photo of most individuals, but not all.

The active members have been asked to provide some historical information about themselves but obviously the same request cannot be made to deceased members. This is where your help is most urgently needed.

Associated with this article is a list of the deceased OGF members, including the month/year they were inducted and their home VBA club. You are earnestly requested to forward any information you may know about an individual or individuals or that your club might have in its records. The goal is to produce a maximum of one page about each person with **information that highlights their archery career and also provides insight into their personal and professional life.**

The OGF does not want you to have the burden of producing the final product, so don't worry about the format, style of writing or any other aspect. Anything you can provide will be helpful, even if it is just a couple of sentences. All input about an individual from various sources will be combined into a one-page narrative.

A photo or photos would also be very much appreciated, especially if a few words are also provided about the event. The photo can be any size up to 8x10 and can be provided digitally if desired.

Please send all input via email to burpeed@verizon.net or via mail to:

Dave Burpee
7433 Spring Tree Drive
Springfield, VA 22153

If easier, call Dave at 703-913-0508 to provide information. He will take notes and do the writing.

Please act on this request quickly. If you are like most folks and don't do it NOW, it won't get done.....

THANK YOU in advance for your support. These OGF members gave their heart and soul to the VBA. It would be nice to repay their efforts in this small way by including them in the history with more than just a name on a list.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER ORDER OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER

(Current as of January 5, 2017)

DECEASED MEMBERS

NAME	DATE	CLUB	NAME	DATE	CLUB
James Oglethorp	Sep 60	Princess Anne	Hugh Darnell	Jan 71	NORVA
McKelden Smith	Sep 60	Augusta	Elmer Ray "Emo" Moore	Jan 72	Warwick
William M. Bennett, III	Sep 60	Triangle	Warren "Tic" Cowles	Jan 72	Prince William
Harry Bunting	Sep 60	Chesapeake	William K. Bolt	Jan 73	Prince William
Robert Gillespie	Sep 60	Dixie	Ralph Stevens	Jan 73	Princess Anne
H. T. Harland	Sep 60	Richmond	Nina Enders	Jan 74	Princess Anne
Robert Monteith (Posthumous)	Sep 60	Richmond	William Enders	Jan 74	Princess Anne
R. C. Thompson	Sep 60	Richmond	Eugene F. Henderson	Jan 75	Princess Anne
Joseph Parker	Jan 61	Chesapeake	Horace Shultz	Jan 76	Two Rivers
Ross Garletts	Jan 61	Rockingham	Mertie Shultz	Jan 76	Two Rivers
Grady Armentrout	Jan 62	Augusta	Harry Benton	Jan 77	Princess Anne
Edna Gillespie	Jan 62	Dixie	Stewart Bradford	Jan 77	Prince William
Eugene Limerick	Jan 62	Manahoac	W. H. Smiley, Jr.	Jan 81	Princess Anne
Martin L. Smith	Jan 63	Princess Anne	Virginia Dillow	Jan 82	Wythe
Ted Grefe	Jan 64	NORVA	Walter Dillow, Sr.	Jan 82	Wythe
Pat Hamilton	Jan 64	Richmond	Denny H. Fry	Jan 84	Princess Anne
G. B. Booth, Jr.	Jan 65	Augusta	Mary Fry	Jan 86	Princess Anne
C. J. Woods	Jan 65	Augusta	David Proctor	Jan 88	Rockingham
Norman Ashburn	Jan 66	Chesapeake	Ellroy Russell	Jan 89	Princess Anne
Blonnie B. Bailey	Jan 66	Triangle	Kenneth E. Sorrels	Jan 90	Bear Creek
Doris L. Woods	Jan 66	Augusta	Donald P. Frenier	Jan 91	Dixie
James Caldwell	Jan 67	Blue Ridge	Robert Day (Posthumous)	Jan 95	Prince William
Jerome Keyes	Jan 67	NORVA	Dewey J. Reynolds	Jan 96	Seminole
William T. Marshall	Jan 68	Warwick	Joseph Bowers	Jan 97	Two Rivers
Clifford Necessary	Jan 68	Wythe	Victor Matthews	Mar 07	Belvoir
Lucille Darnell	Jan 69	NORVA	Joe McManus	Mar 10	Sherwood
Harold Street	Jan 71	Wythe			



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 CAY MCMANUS
 MATTHEW HEAVNER 2 TIMES
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 DEAN CARROLL
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 STEVE MOORE
 JOHN CAMPBELL
 DAVID GREER
 RAY MILLER
 BOBBY NICHOLS
 MATTHEW MURPHY
 SHAWN MURPHY
 DAVID TILLOTSON 2 TIMES
 CLINT KELLER
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 SHAN FARRAR
 LOWELL T. HERTZLER
 DAVID HENSLEY
 SHANNON NESSELRODT
 CHARLES WRIGHT 5 TIMES
 DAVID ESTEP
 BLAKE PERRY
 DANNY KORBINI

BLAKE PERRY
 DAVID ESTEP
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 CAY MCMANUS
 TERRY BALLOWE
 R. VANCE STALLARD
 JOSEPH HEAVNER
 MATTHEW HEAVNER
 STEVE MOORE
 DEAN CARROLL
 JEFF BELL
 RAY MILLER
 CLINT KELLER
 HAROLD O. THOMAS JR.
 CHARLES WRIGHT 2 TIMES
 NADENE MOHLER

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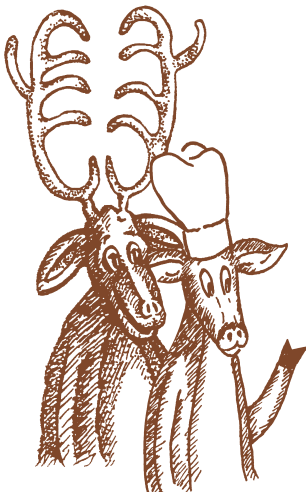
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2 1/2 - pound venison roast

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1 TBSP beef bouillon

3 TBSP parsley

4 potatoes, peeled and quartered

Salt and pepper

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1 8ounce can of tomato sauce

2 ounce salt pork or bacon

2 onions quartered

1/4 cup flour

Cut slits in top of roast and insert the slivers of garlic. Combine the beer tomato sauce and bouillon to make a marinade. Marinade the roast for 2 hours flipping once. Line baking pan with foil leaving a 1-2 collar of foil. Place roast in pan, cut salt pork into strips and roll strips in parsley and then crisscross on top of roast. Bake in 450 degree oven 15 minutes. Set oven to 350 degrees. Add vegetables to roast and dissolve flour in marinade and pour over roast and vegetables. Salt and pepper. Seal pan with foil. Insert thermometer through foil into the thickest part of the roast and bake 1 1/2 - 2 hours or until temp reaches 180 degrees.



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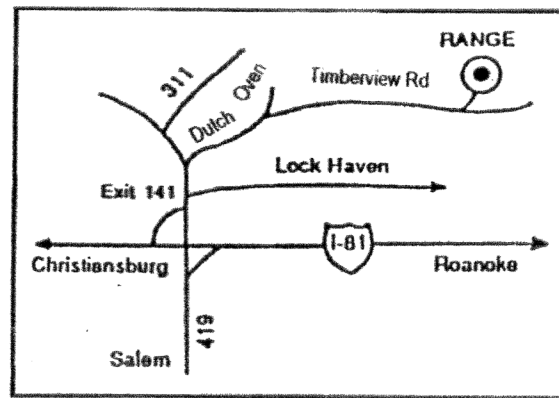
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Joshua McClellan	Indoor	YMTRAD
Joseph Justice	Fall 3-D	YH
April Phillips	Fall 3-D	FHC
Wayne Rasnake	Fall 3-D	SHC

Archers, Please look at these names. We have their awards from 2016 and don't know how to get them to the rightful owners.

If any of you know these State Champions, Please let them know so they can contact me.

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Start Times for both days will be 9am.

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PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

2017 VBA STATE OPEN

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Virginia Commonwealth Games at Liberty University

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Bowhunters Of Rockingham extend a welcome mat to U.S. Archery shooters at JMU Tournament

For many years James Madison University and Shenandoah Valley Target Archers have hosted the U.S. Archery and JOAD National Archery Championship at JMU's Godwin Hall in Harrisonburg. This is a well-organized event with up to 600 archers competing each year. A number of members of the Bowhunters Of Rockingham as well as other Virginia Bowhunters Association clubs participate in this event.

This year we became aware that something was amiss when several VBA members from around the state showed up during our Thursday night Indoor League looking for practice space for their JOAD shooters. Our building was crowded and all shooting lanes were full with league shooters but several guests were able to get some practice time by shooting as alternates for two of our league teams. On Friday our club secretary received a call from Rob Kaufhold, president of Lancaster Archery Supply, asking if we could make our indoor range available for practice/warm-up space for shooters at the JMU tournament. Some shooters from LAS were participating in the tournament and needed space to warm up before their shooting time.

In spite of all their careful planning and preparation, the archery event had lost their practice/warm-up space in the lower level of Godwin Hall to the JMU golf team. The indoor practice space is shared by the Golf team and the Archery club. Golf, being a varsity sport, having several persons who wanted to workout took priority over 600 tournament archers. There was no space on campus for archers to warm up prior to their practice arrows at their shooting time. (JMU, in spite of having a long tradition of nationally ranked archery teams, all-American shooters, and world class coaches, disbanded their archery team as a varsity sport a number of years ago.) It is then no small wonder that they would give priority to a few golfers over 600 archers competing in a national tournament.

Rob Kaufhold had been member of the archery team when he was a student at JMU. He had also been a member of the Bowhunters Of Rockingham so when he heard the event needed a place to warm-up, he knew who to call. BOR president Robert Garber immediately granted his request and made several calls to put the plan into motion. We opened the range, built a fire in the wood furnace, and left the gate open for the rest of the weekend. We sent a mass e-mail to all BOR members alerting them to make our guests welcome. The event organizers sent an e-mail to all 600 shooters giving them an invitation and directions to the BOR and suggesting they make a small contribution to cover expenses at BOR. LAS provided targets for all shooters. Guests showed up at the range from very early in the morning to the late hours of the night.

Thus, quick action by a varied group of clubs, individuals, and business worked together in a very small way to help make the event a success. "And a good time was had by all!"

Lowell Hertzler, League Manager, Bowhunters of Rockingham -- www.BowhuntersOfRockingham.com

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(Indoor League at Bowhunters Of Rockingham, Keezletown, VA)



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2017 VBA STATE CLOSED

Saturday, September 2, 2017 & Sunday, September 3, 2017

Food and Drinks will be Available for Purchase
Camping available on a first come, first serve basis.

Where? Izaak Walton Park 410 Conservation Lane Amherst, VA 24521	Registration & Times: Saturday – 6-8:30 a.m. REGISTRATION Fees - \$20.00 per Archer OR \$50.00 per Family Start Times will be 9 a.m. on Saturday 8:30 a.m. on Sunday ALL ARCHERS MUST SHOOT BOTH DAYS AND BE A VBA MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING TO QUALIFY FOR AWARDS!!!		
Directions: : From Amherst, take 29 South Business. Turn left on North Coolwell Rd. Turn left on Izaak Walton Rd. Turn right at Izaak Walton Park sign. Follow signs to archery club. From Lynchburg, take 29 North Expressway through Madison Heights. Turn right on South Coolwell Rd. Turn right on Izaak Walton Rd. Turn right at Izaak Walton sign. Follow signs to archery club.	Hotel Accommodations: <table> <tr> <td>Sleep Inn 3620 Candler's Mtn Rd. Lynchburg, VA (434) 846-6900</td> <td>Holiday Inn Express 5600 Seminole Ave. Lynchburg, VA (434) 237-7771</td> </tr> </table>	Sleep Inn 3620 Candler's Mtn Rd. Lynchburg, VA (434) 846-6900	Holiday Inn Express 5600 Seminole Ave. Lynchburg, VA (434) 237-7771
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 ADULT, YOUNG ADULT, YOUTH, CUB OR PEEWEE

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Please make all checks payable to Izaak Walton League of Lynchburg Archery Club

Send all forms and payments to: Lisa Wood, 201 Sunrise Drive, Forest, VA 24551

2017 VBA Calendar of Events

VBA Meetings

June 3 & 4

Sept 16 (scheduling meeting) & 17

Tournaments 2017

VBA State Open May 27 & 28

VBA Fall 3-D Classic Aug 19 & 20

VBA State Closed Sept 2 & 3



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Conservation Scholarship

Just a reminder that the VBA has a \$500.00 Conservation Scholarship Available each year [providing funds are available]. Written request for the scholarship must be submitted to the VBA President by March 1st for approval by the directors. VBA members and their immediate family members are eligible. Scholarship can be used at any institute of higher learning for Forestry or Wildlife Conservation/Law Enforcement.



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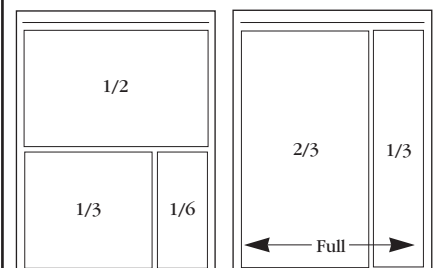
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ORDER OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER

NOMINATIONS DUE IN MARCH

The VBA Order of the Golden Feather was created to honor those persons who have given unselfishly of their time and talents toward the betterment of archery and archers. Recipients are persons who possess the virtues of sportsmanship, character, morals, integrity and friendship. As a reflection of the substance for membership, only 80 people have been elected to the Order in the past 71 years.

To be qualified, a candidate must be member in good standing of the VBA at the time of nomination, must have a minimum of ten successive years' membership in the VBA and must be sponsored by three VBA members of good standing or by a VBA Club.

This article is a reminder that candidates must be submitted to the Board of Directors at the March meeting for this year. Nominations must be in writing and be signed by sponsoring individuals or a Club officer. Successful nominees have always performed duties or had an impact outside their immediate club.

Details can be found in Article 16 of the VBA By-Laws.