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A NICE 11 POINT BUCK TAKEN IN FAIRFAX COUNTY ON  
OCTOBER 22, 2011.**



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*The deadline for the Winter issue of FLIGHT will be March 19, 2012. 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

Another year has come and gone. As we start a new year a brief look back on last year is needed. Economic recovery has been slow and political debating aggressive. Somehow, this seems to have related to poor turnouts at archery events this past year. Except for the State Indoors, numbers were way down and, even at the local club level, participation has seemed to drop off. I sincerely hope that your hunting seasons did not suffer and you all had good success or at least many fond memories. Anyway, however you faired last year, it is in the past and it is now time to look to the future.

This year I am urging our membership to get out and support your local clubs as well as the VBA. This can be done in several ways, but perhaps the best way is just to attend as many shoots as possible. I know every club, no matter the size, has only a small number of dedicated members who do the lion's share of the work to keep their club up and running. When only a few fellow archers bother to attend their shoots, they begin to wonder if it is all worthwhile. Over the past several years, the VBA has seen a decline in the number of chartered clubs which I can only contribute to a lack of participation. There are shoots most every weekend during the season, and while we cannot attend them all, let us all try to attend as many as possible this year. Increased attendance only makes for more companionship and fun for all.

The second way to support is to help maintain your local club. You do not have to attend every work party, but whatever support you can give will be appreciated. Ask your range captain if there is anything you can do in the evenings if you cannot make weekend work parties. Just a few hours of help can make a big difference.

State Tournaments. This past year was very disappointing for those clubs that host our tournaments. Numbers were way down. A great deal of work and preparation goes into staging one of these shoots (more than you imagine), and to have such poor turnouts is horrible. So what can we do to improve this situation? I and the executive board are open to your suggestions. We discussed this at the January meeting and are at a bit of a loss. I would love to hear your opinions and any suggestions you as archers have. I sincerely believe that for the sake of our organization, we need to reverse this trend. Also, please discuss this at your club level and have your delegates come to the March meeting with some comments. In the meantime, I urge you all to attend a state tournament this year and encourage others to come with you. Remember this is a family affair and it is supposed to be fun! The more is definitely the merry for all.

Good shooting and I HOPE WE ALL HAVE A GREAT YEAR !

Rob Pecora

## From the Executive Vice President

Another year has come and gone. I hope all is well with each and everyone one of you and that you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. With the beginning of a new year each of us will make New Years' Resolutions that most of us will not keep for more than a few weeks at best, but I am going to cheat on that a little bit and make my resolution to just make 2012 better than last year. I don't want to make myself any promises I can not keep again this year.

What I would like to see this year is more participation at the shoots, not just at the VBA State shoots but also at the local club shoots. Several clubs are now having indoor shoots and I don't think there is a problem with participation during the indoor season, but when it turns to the outdoor season, whether it is a 3-d shoot or a field shoot, the numbers have been sliding downhill for the past several years. This is hurting the clubs' ability to improve and also their ability to survive. Your club needs you and hopefully you need your club, so please make a resolution this year to go to a couple of shoots this year and have fun shooting with your friends. You don't have to be a great shot to enjoy yourself. You just have to be willing to go and have a good time.

On to another thought, I want to make all of you aware that there is interest in Sunday hunting again at the Va. Senate and House, and they will be deciding whether or not to allow hunting on Sundays. Now for your part: go to your Rep. and Senator's website and voice your opinion on this issue or any other issue you might have. If you don't know who your Senator or Rep. is, you can go to [www.legis.virginia.gov](http://www.legis.virginia.gov) to find your Senators and Rep's contact info. You will be surprised how easy it is to put your two cents in and make your voice heard. Last year I sent a simple e-mail to my Rep and Senator, and within a day I not only had a response e-mailed back to me, I had a follow-up phone call from my Rep's office explaining in greater detail what was going on. So please voice your concerns and your opinions to the people that can make a difference. Being silent about your feelings or just complaining to your friends or spouses will not make a difference, but taking a few minutes to send a simple e-mail or making a quick phone call can.

Terry Ballowe

## From the Field Vice President

The hunt for live game is over. Now it's time to hunt for tournaments. Keep an eye on your schedule card. State Tournaments are like your Senior Prom, if you miss it, it's gone. The state shot count was down last year and the price of fuel was up. This year the fuel prices are expected to rise above last year. This means carpool. It would be nice to see more shooters even if it means fewer cars. Bring people with you even if they don't shoot. Hopefully they will catch the fever. If you have any reason for not attending or looking forward to the state shoots let me know so we can get an idea of changes we need to make.

I would like to give you a few words on the dirty word "*Crossbow*". My home range has allowed *Crossbows* from the time we moved to our new range (over 5 years); we even gave one away the first year. They shoot in every shoot we hold on our range. We have noticed the *Crossbows* don't hurt the targets as much as the compounds. Try it at your own range, you'll be surprised. Blackwater Bowhunters, Inc. will be holding a *Crossbow* 3D tournament with all bow types recognized on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> with registration from 8am till 2pm. Come and try our targets if you think it will tear up yours. If you don't have a *Crossbow*, watch the others and judge for yourself. For those that don't believe, sorry for the language.

Good luck on the indoor,  
Aubrey T. Self

### **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.

## From the NBEF/IBEP Director

Are you a well seasoned bowhunter who has reached that point where you want to give something back to the sport? Many of us do, and find ourselves reaching out to the newer bowhunters in our clubs to teach them and share the knowledge and skills we've acquired over many seasons of racking trees. If so, why not consider becoming one of our growing group of IBEP Instructors? What does it take? Read on....

First off, you need to be a dedicated bowhunter at least 21 years of age. By "dedicated" I mean that if you have the choice to pick up a bow, muzzleloader, handgun, shotgun, or rifle, there's no doubt that your first choice will always be a bow. Ideally you should have five or more years of bowhunting experience and have harvested several game animals. Experience tells when teaching this course. Unlike the Hunter Safety Course, most of the IBEP students are adults. In each class, you will have 20% of the students with 10 or more years of bowhunting experience - some in the 20-30 year range. I've even had archery pros that own their own pro shop in my classes. Therefore it is very important that an instructor know both bowhunting and the tech side of archery - e.g., "Knowing your Bow and Arrow".

Second, you must have taken and passed the IBEP course - preferably within the last 5 years so you are familiar with the content and structure of the course. It only makes sense that you have the same credentials that your students are trying to attain.

Third, you must enroll and pass the Virginia Basic Hunter Safety Instructor Course. To qualify as a VDGIF volunteer instructor, a person must be at least eighteen years of age and of good character. Character references are required and will be checked. You must also consent to a background check. You must have completed a Hunter Education basic student course yourself to be eligible to attend the Basic Instructor Workshop (it can be from another state as long as it was a state sanctioned course). If approved, the course is approximately eighteen hours in length, begins on a Friday night, and ends on Sunday afternoon. There is no fee for this instruction and VDGIF provides necessary meals and lodging. To maintain certification, the VDGIF requires that instructors participate in the Hunter Education Program by teaching or assisting with a course (Hunter Safety or IBEP) at least once every twelve months.

So, that's what it takes to become an IBEP instructor. If you are interested, or have questions, please feel free to contact me at my email: [rrfoster@verizon.net](mailto:rrfoster@verizon.net). I'll be happy to talk with you.

Good Hunting!

Bob

### ***Wally and Winnie say to try this Sweet and Sour Venison***

Venison steaks or Roast

1 1/2 tsp. salt

2 tsp. mustard

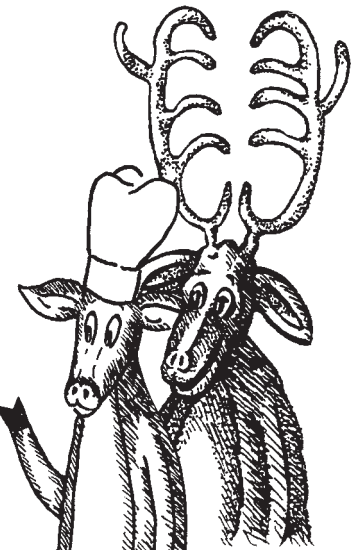
6 tbsp olive oil

1 1/2 cup brown sugar

2 tbsp vinegar

Brown meat in oil, place in dutch oven or covered roaster. Combine remaining ingredients to make sauce. Layer steak with sauce, if roasting meat use sauce to cover roast and to baste frequently while cooking. Bake in a 400 degree oven, 20 minutes per pound.

*Contributed by L. E. Warner from **Hunters for the Hungry** Cookbook*



## From the Publicity Director

The welcoming of 2012 presents an opportunity to share with you some past and upcoming events. Over the years Rob has been reminding us what we can do to increase participation in State Tournaments and club shoots. Our clubs invest significant time and money to host tournaments and club shoots. We need to bring back participation the way it use to be. Hopefully, we can start with the upcoming State Indoors!

Our Seventeenth Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> is just around the corner. We are looking forward to another great turnout (or even better). I would love to see 70 or more attendees in honor of the VBA 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Ed Bickham, Hunting VP, Clint Keller, Committee Chairperson, and others are working hard, just for YOU! Our guest speaker is Matt Knox, VDGIF Deer Project Coordinator. Matt has a wealth of knowledge about deer management, and he is worth listening to. We will be recognizing our Big Game & Double Slam winners, our Bill Bennett folks and others. Our 2011 Double Crown winners are: Jennifer Stoner, AFTRAD; Ethan Mullins, CMTRAD; Cory Mullins, YFBHFS/R; and Don Hickerson, Jr., YMBHFS/R. Our Triple Crown winners are: Jennifer Stoner, AFTRAD; Jeremy Dean, AMBHFS/R; Brad Baker, Jr., AMFS/R; and Cory Mullins, YFBHFS/R. If you haven't sent in your Application for VBA Game Awards, please do so. Folks, I ask that you encourage as many as you can to join us for a wonderful evening!

The VBA is not only a target, bowhunting and archery educational organization, but it's on its way to allow crossbows (this will be optional for the VBA clubs). Our Field VP and the Tournament Committee have been asked to establish rules, safeguards, classes, guidelines, etc. for crossbows and present them at the March meeting. We are please to welcome Jim Little (Pr. William Archers) as the new chairperson.

Work on the new VBA website is moving forward. At the January Executive Board meeting, an overview presented to the Delegates on Sunday was well received. Over the month(s), I will be working with our web designer throughout this transition. We will let you know when the new website goes live! In the meantime, you can go to the following link to see a mock-up of the current VBA site – <http://vbarchers.virtualitnet.com>.

As you probably have heard, VDGIF is supporting Sunday hunting. This will greatly increase the sale of licenses, up the revenue and get more youths into the sport with their family. Please keep sending your letters and calling your Senator and Delegate and check the VDGIF website for results from the recent General Assembly.

Yours in Archery ~~ Irene Stocksdale

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## AGENDA ITEMS

### ITEMS VOTED ON AT JANUARY MEETING:

(1) Shooting Rules, Traditional style, Section 7, Item 6, pg 11; Allow the clickers on traditional bows as long as it does not attach to or is visible through the sight window. **Effective January 2012. PASSED**

### AGENDA ITEM FOR MARCH MEETING:

(1) By-laws, Article 15, Section 1, Paragraph H: Add; (2) Any archers may participate in the non-competitive "fun" division by following all shooting rules and no awards given. **Effective April 1, 2012.**

Justification: To encourage more participation in State Tournaments.

## WALTON PARK SHOOT CANCELLATION

The field and Hunter pin shoot on August 19, 2012

has been cancelled due to a scheduling conflict

Webb Babcock





# THIRD TIME'S THE CHARM

By Ben Mahmond

## *So the story goes.*

Last year (2010) John Castaneda sees a buck from his stand, a single brief encounter. He said it appeared that the deer had a a "drooping" brow tine or something odd about it.

The season ends with no more encounters.

Skip ahead a couple months. John goes into what was believed to be the bedding area. He finds the right side shed, several days later I return with him and I find the left side, the side that had the odd brow. It did not droop, but rather had some knotty junk on it. He nicknamed the deer "Droopy" after his initial encounter.

Skip yet again to July 2011. Working in the same vicinity, I would watch several bucks and does come into a field to feed in the evenings. John and I would watch these bucks and does many times throughout the late summer and we were relatively sure that one was "Droopy"

September comes and we are still seeing him and a few others as time comes to put up our 2011 stands for the season. John installs his where he had the encounter last year, and I place another 188 yards away. I placed a game cam in front of my stand and left it for several days in "video" mode. I capture "Droopy" and some other deer with in 24 yards of my set-up, confirming he is in the area. After downing the does required to earn a buck tag on the property we are hunting, I see the buck several times.

Each time I see him I notice several things: he seems to always travel with the wind at his back and is extremely cautious. This is such a strong pattern that I decide I can only hunt this stand and have a chance at him if the wind is out of the North. I can get away with a wind from the North East as well.

I started sitting this tree in late Mid-Oct. before work at times, but only on the North wind.

One day I sit in the stand and have him and another buck walk up within 34 yards while I watch another buck I wanted a better look at. Bottom line: opportunity blown.

After discussing this encounter with Mike Zrimm, he convinced me that people sometimes sit an entire season for one opportunity at such a deer, and that I should not waste a single opportunity at him. I went home and reflected on my decision to let him walk that morning.

Sitting another stand roughly 150 yards away one evening, I had three mature does come in behind me. I was ready and facing them when they started acting very nervous. One was blowing as she left the area spooked. Thinking she had spooked all other deer in the area, I focused on the remaining does.

They kept looking my way but past me. I turned my head slightly in the direction of their stare and heard a deer walking. As I caught an image from the corner of my eye, I realized it was Droopy. Trying to get turned around without the alert does blowing my cover, he just passed through my third and last shooting lane. Second opportunity blown.



He skirted down below me at 20 yards in the heavier cover and went on his way. The only plus is he still was very unaware of my presence.

Thursday Nov. 3. John wants to hunt his stand, I try to discourage this because the wind was from the south. He was determined and decided to hunt the area, as did I. How could I not ? I was off this entire week to try to take him this deer.

As I expected, we saw nothing from either stand location and hunted elsewhere that evening.

The evening ended and John decided to hunt another area the following morning. I, however, noticed the weather was to be mild and the wind out of the North. I was to have the immediate area all to myself.

I got to my parking spot about 10 minutes prior to legal shooting light, slipped into my stand and was set up about 5 minutes later.

After about 25 minutes the sun began to peek over the horizon, directly in my face. I saw a doe running along an old fence line I was set up on and where my camera had picked up Droopy well over a month prior. She passed and another doe ran by as if being chased.

Only a short moment later came another running by. I got excited as we were coming up on the "seeking/chasing" phase of the breeding season.

To my disappointment, a spike came next. I was thinking it was still early. Just a minute or maybe two

later, I hear a twig crack, and I look over my left shoulder to see Droopy walking right to me. Using all cover available, he approached the pine I was in, stayed under my tree for a few brief moments. He decided he would step out to the end of the fence (where my camera had been) to "peek" around as if he wanted to make sure it was clear to expose himself prior to going into the bedding area.

I thought it is now or never, third time's a charm.

I drew my bow and bent over to place my pin on him, he was 8 yards away. I fired, watching my lighted nock bury into his back and towards his opposite shoulder, He bound out into the opening and headed to the bedding area. I reached down to grab my binos, and he stopped at the edge of the bedding momentarily. He started to run sideways as if to catch his balance, fell over, and was dead 50 yards away.

I pumped my fist, hung up my bow and looked for any movement in the tall weeds, nothing. He was mine !

I started to shake realizing what I had just accomplished, knowing how many days I put in that set, knowing what I learned from this deer, knowing how many days and evenings I spent away from home watching him from afar every evening I could.

Shaking, I sat down to send out the "I did it" text to all my hunting friends and family.

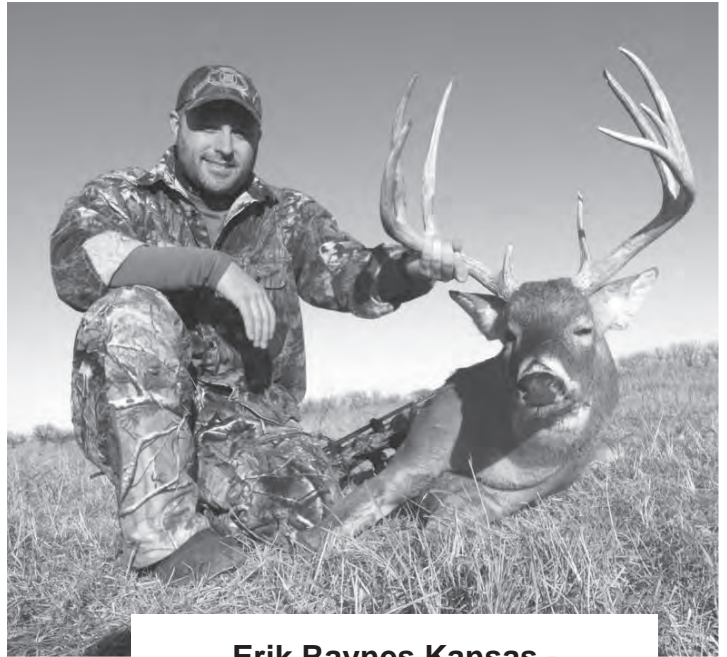
I don't know that I will rely, in the future, on the third time's a charm method, but it worked this time. Droopy dressed out at 173 lbs. No official score as of yet.

Later, Ben



# THE TROPHY

**Mike Zrimm - Belvoir**



**Erik Raynes Kansas -  
Bowhunters of Rockingham**



**Randy Armentrout - Bowhunters of Rockingham**





# VBA Y ROOM



**Lenny Pannell - Bowhunters of Rockingham**



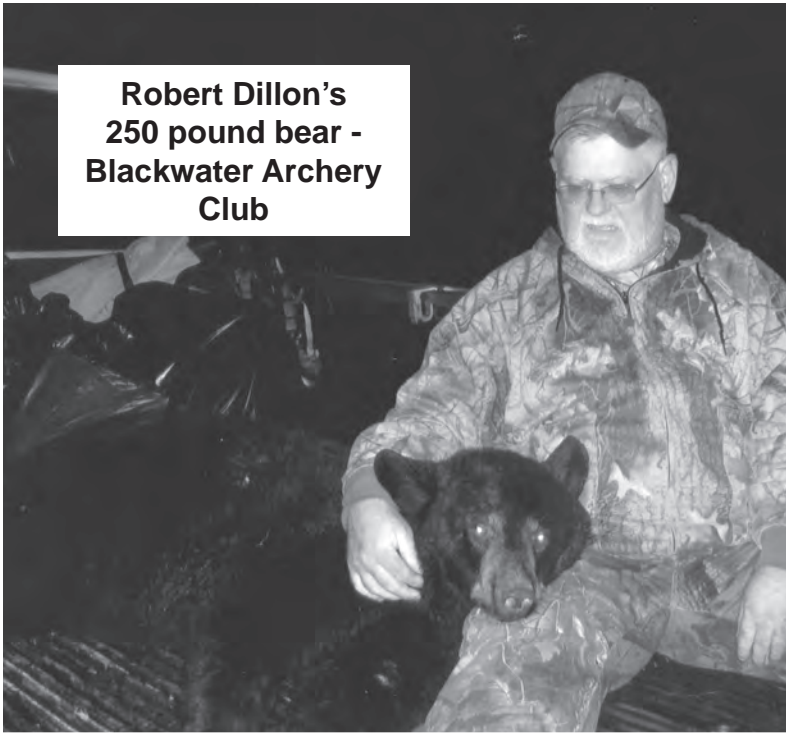
**J. T. Hurt - Blackwater Archery Club**





# THE TROPHY

**Robert Dillon's  
250 pound bear -  
Blackwater Archery Club**



**Marcus Diehl - Bowhunters of Rockingham**



**Paul Vogel - Belvoir**

**Bobby Nichols - Blackwater Archery Club**



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# VBA Y ROOM



**Tony Meadows - Bowhunters of Rockingham**



**Trent Diehl - Bowhunters of Rockingham**



**Tim Cash - Bowhunters of Rockingham**



**Wesley Baker - Bowhunters of Rockingham**

# Virginia Bowhunters Association

Announces its

## SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

***Saturday March 17, 2012***

**Keezletown Ruritan Club**

1118 Indian Trail Rd

Keezletown, Va 22832

Social Hour 6:00 – 7:00p.m. Dinner 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Awards Ceremony 8:00 p.m.

\$25.00 per Adult- \$12.00 for ages 7 thru 12 and No charge for ages 6 and under

Meal features EXCELLENT buffet – BYOB

### HUNTING AWARDS

Biggest Buck -1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>

[Antlers – Virginia scoring system]

Biggest Buck [weight]

Biggest Doe [weight]

Biggest Bear [weight]

Biggest Turkey [weight]

Double Slam

Triple Slam

### TOURNAMENT ARCHERY AWARDS

Double Crown

Triple Crown

### GUEST SPEAKER

***Matt Knox – VGDIF Deer Project Coordinator***

### ***DOOR PRIZES- RAFFLE – BIG GAME TROPIES DISPLAYED***

Attendees are encouraged to bring trophies for display and enjoyment

To Display Your Big Game Animal and for Banquet Information

Contact Clint Keller – [tworiversarchery@yahoo.com](mailto:tworiversarchery@yahoo.com)

Mail application for VBA Game Award to Marie Bell NLT March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Holiday Inn Hotel, Located at Exit 247A [ Route 33E ]

For Overnight Reservations Call [540] 433-2521

For Special Room Rate, tell them you are a VBA member





## APPLICATION FOR VBA GAME AWARDS

### VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Print name as it appears on VBA card) (VBA Number) (Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby certify that I harvested a  
 (City and State) (Zip Code)

\_\_\_\_\_, (Buck) (Doe) (Bear) (Turkey) this year and that I am a member of the Virginia Bowhunters Association, Inc., and in good standing at that time. I hereby submit an application for one or more of the following VBA awards:

- ☐ Bill Bennett Award (bear, deer, turkey from any state) If first B.B. Award, check here ☐
- ☐ Largest VA Buck by Dressed Weight
- ☐ Largest VA Doe by Dressed Weight
- ☐ Best Rack Score (in the VA System)
- ☐ Largest VA Bear by Dressed Weight
- ☐ Largest VA Turkey by Live Weight
- ☐ Double Grand Slam for: VA. Bear, Deer, Turkey (circle 2) From Spring Turkey Season
- ☐ Triple Grand Slam for VA. Bear, Deer, and Turkey through Deer season, same year.

Pertinent information is provided below:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

VBA Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ State Game taken in \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Bow Harvest: \_\_\_\_\_ Big Game Tag Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight of Buck/Doe: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight of Bear/Turkey: \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: Provide copy of Check Station Transport form or other weight information)

Time of Day: \_\_\_\_\_ (a.m./ p.m.) Distance of Shot: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of bow: Compound \_\_\_\_\_ Recurve \_\_\_\_\_ Longbow \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Hunting method: Tree Stand \_\_\_\_\_ Ground Blind \_\_\_\_\_ Stalking \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Rack Score Using the Virginia System: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Official Scorer (print): \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: Signed score sheet must accompany this application)

(If possible, include a picture with description of game harvested for publication in FLIGHT.)

Print Name and Signature of Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

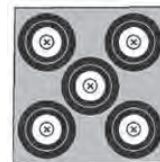
(Person who saw game after it was harvested)

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF HARVEST (BUT NOT LATER THAN MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> AFTER THE SEASON) TO: VBA EXECUTIVE STATE SECRETARY, MARIE BELL, 1223 JEANETTE AVENUE, VINTON, VA 24179.**

**Note: If possible, please include a picture of yourself with the game giving the name and description of game on back for identification. First, second and third place awards are available for each size category. The first Bill Bennett award is a Plaque and following awards are cast arrows.**



# 2012 VBA Indoor Sectional Championship



Hosted by  
**Augusta Archers**

**February 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

## Directions:

(north or south) Take I-81 to exit 222, then take Rt. 250 East towards Waynesboro, go to 2<sup>nd</sup> stoplight and take a right on Desper Hollow Road, go about 1 mile then take a right on Archery Lane and follow the road straight up to the clubhouse. (east or west) Take I-64 to I-81 North then follow directions above.

## Registration

By Mail: Must be received by mon. February 14th

Friday: 6pm – 8 pm

Saturday: 7am- 8am

Send Pre-Registration forms to

Augusta Archers

P. O. Box 336

Fishersville, VA 22939

Make Checks Payable To: Augusta Archers

## START TIMES

Saturday Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> 9am – 12pm

2<sup>nd</sup> 12pm – 3pm

3<sup>rd</sup> 3pm – 6pm

Sunday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>

8am – 11am

11am – 2pm

2pm – 5pm

## Contact Information

William Arborgast (540)255-2705 Email: augustaarchers@yahoo.com

## Lodging

Comfort Inn (540)886-5000

Econo Lodge (540)885-5158

Sleep Inn (540)887-6500

Camping available limited space  
first come first serve \_\_\_\_\_

Food and Refreshments will be  
available Sat. and Sun.

**VBA Membership required to receive awards**

**Archer may shoot two rounds on the same day, time and space permitting**

**Fees: \$20 per person \$40 max per family**

Fill out this form completely. Please print clearly and only one person per form.

## VBA Indoor Sectional Championship Registration

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

VBA#: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

Circle those that apply:

Division: PeeWee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Guests Gender: M F

Style: FS/R FS/F BHFS/R BHFS/F BH BB TRAD

Class: Archers will be classed after the first day's score.

Round Preference: Sat: 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun: Will be determined after Sat's round.





# 2012 VBA State Indoor Sectional Championship

## Hosted by The Belvoir Bowhunters



**DIRECTIONS:** Exit U.S. Route 1 (Richmond Highway) at traffic signal at Pohick Road. This intersection is the entrance to Fort Belvoir at Tulley Gate. Drive to the security control point and visitor center. Present your driver's license and government issued identification card (driver's license) for each passenger to the security guards. Proceed south on Pohick Road to the first traffic light at Theote Road and turn right. Proceed approximately one-half mile to a stop sign at Warren Road and turn right. Proceed to Tompkins Basin, turning right at the intersection at the bottom of the hill. The Indoor Range is the long, white building (Bldg 778) on the right and set back from the road at the base of the hill. The Fort Belvoir Archery Center is located in the same building. Detailed map at: <http://www.belvoirbowhunters.com/>

**Registration: Pre-registration encouraged due to installation security.**  
**By Mail: Must be received by Feb 19, 2011**  
**Friday: 6 pm - 8 pm at the Archery Center**  
**Saturday: 7 am - 8 am; pm round until 12 pm**  
**Send Pre-Registration form(s) to:**  
**Kevin Brown, 6041 Bonnie Bern Court,**  
**Burke, VA 22015**  
**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO BELVOIR BOWHUNTERS**

at the  
**Fort Belvoir Archery Center**  
**Tompkins Basin Indoor Range**  
**Ft. Belvoir, VA**  
**February 25 & 26, 2012**

*The Belvoir Bowhunters welcome you Friday evening (Feb.25) for Registration and Refreshments 6 to 8 p.m.*

### Lodging

Best Western, Mount Vernon	703-360-1300
Econo-Lodge	703-780-0300
Hunter Motel	703-339-5400

**Opening ceremony and reading of the rules: 8am, Feb 25**

### Rounds

	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
1st	9 am - 12 noon	8 am - 11 am
2nd	12 noon - 3 pm	11 am - 2 pm
3rd	3 pm - 6 pm	2 pm - 5 pm

A 30 minute practice period will be held prior to each round beginning at 8:30am Saturday and 7:30am Sunday.

**VBA Membership required to receive awards.**

Fees: \$20 per person      \$40 max per family

Fill out this form completely. Please print clearly and only one person per form.

**Archers may shoot both rounds on same day, time and space permitting.**

**2012 VBA State Indoor Sectional Championship Registration**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

VBA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle those that apply:

**Division:** PeeWee   Cub   Youth   Young Adult   Adult   Senior   Guest   **Gender:**   M   F

**Style:** FS/R   FS/F   BHFS/R   BHFS/F   BH   BB   TRAD

**Class:** Archers will be classed based on first day's score.

**Round Preference:**   **Sat:** 1st   2<sup>nd</sup>   3<sup>rd</sup>      **Sun:** 1st   2<sup>nd</sup>   3<sup>rd</sup> .

**KINGSBORO BOWMEN**  
and the  
**VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION**  
HOST THE EASTERN LEG of the  
**2012 VBA Indoor State Championship**  
February 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
AT  
**WILCOX INDOOR ARCHERY RANGE**  
9501 Jefferson Avenue  
Newport News, VA  
757-595-5537

**\$20.00 per archer and \$40.00 maximum per family**

**This is a two-day event but archers may shoot both rounds on same day,  
time and space permitting**

1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND Saturday February 25 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
2nd ROUND Saturday February 25 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
3rd ROUND Saturday February 25 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND Sunday February 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
2nd ROUND Sunday February 26 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
3rd ROUND Sunday February 26 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**VBA membership required for VBA Awards**

**VBA RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED  
300 ROUND EACH DAY 60 Arrows**

**REGISTRATION TIMES:  
SATURDAY AM 7:00 – 8:00 FOR MORNING ROUND  
TIME WILL BE EXTENDED TO NOON FOR PM ROUND  
PRE-REGISTRATION APPRECIATED!!!!**

**For Additional Information & Directions to Wilcox  
Ed Bickham 757-255-2294, [bick333@msn.com](mailto:bick333@msn.com)  
Website: [www.kingsboro.bizland.com](http://www.kingsboro.bizland.com)**

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**PRE-REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) POSTMARK BY 2/11/2012**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mail or email to Ed Bickham**

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_ **6353 Godwin Blvd**

**CITY-ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_ **Suffolk, VA 23432**

**VBA #** \_\_\_\_\_ **CLUB** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**One form per archer, Put X as applies: Birthdate for YA, Youth, Cub, PeeWee:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(55+) (18 & Over) (15-17) (12-14) (8-11) (7 & Under)

**DIVISION:** SENIOR \_\_\_\_\_ ADULT \_\_\_\_\_ YOUNG ADULT \_\_\_\_\_ YOUTH \_\_\_\_\_ CUB \_\_\_\_\_ PEE WEE \_\_\_\_\_

**SEX:** MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_ **Sat Round #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sunday determined by Scores**

**STYLE:** FS/R \_\_\_\_\_, FS/F \_\_\_\_\_, BH \_\_\_\_\_, BHFS/R \_\_\_\_\_, BHFS/F \_\_\_\_\_, BB \_\_\_\_\_, TRAD \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Class for Non-VBA members** \_\_\_\_\_ **(No awards)**

# 2012 VBA STATE INDOOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

**Sherwood Archers**  
**February 25th & 26th, 2012**



Registration Time	Registration Fees
Friday 6:00 – 8:00pm	\$20.00 per Archer
Saturday 7:00 – 8:00am	\$40.00 per Family

**This is a two-day event but archers may shoot both rounds on same day, time and space permitting**

**1ST ROUND Saturday February 25th 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon**

**2nd ROUND Saturday February 25th 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**3rd ROUND Saturday February 25th 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**1ST ROUND Sunday February 26th 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

**2nd ROUND Sunday February 26th 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**Pre-registration is recommended to save time Sat. Morning**

***VBA Membership required to receive awards***

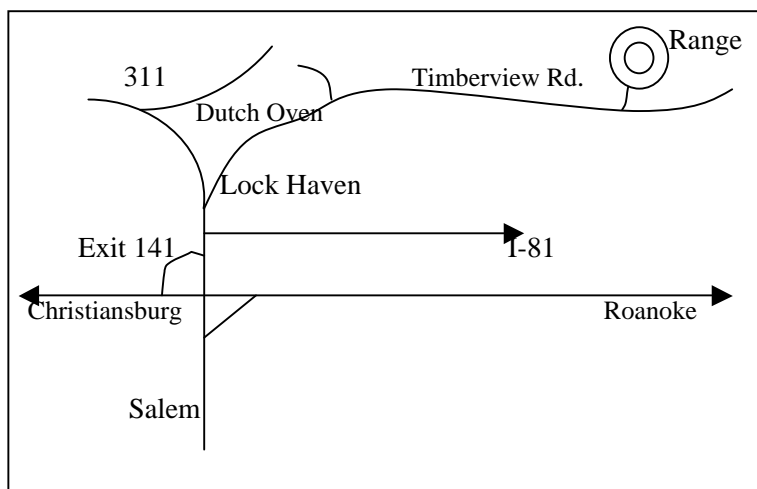
**Lunch served both days.**

www.sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com  
make checks payable to Sherwood Archers  
P. O. Box 1272  
Salem, Va. 24153

Contact Numbers:  
Tournament Chairman  
Dean Weikel (540) 520-8455  
Club: (540) 366-3701

## PLACES TO STAY

La Quinta Inn (3 Miles) 540-562-2717 Exit 141  
Quality Inn (3 Miles) 1-800-458-4949 Exit 141  
Holiday Inn Exp (5 Miles) 1-800-Holiday Exit 141  
Holiday Inn (6 Miles) 1-800-Holiday Exit 137  
Howard Johnsons (6 Miles) (540) 389-7061 Exit 137  
Super 8 Motel (6 Miles) (540) 389-0297 Exit 137  
Comfort Suites (6 Miles) (540) 387-1600 Exit 137  
Econo Lodge (6 Miles) (540) 389-0280 Exit 137  
Primitive Camping at Sherwood (restrooms & showers)  
Call for more information



Fill out this form completely. Please print clearly and only one person per form

## **State Open Championship Registration**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

VBA#: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle those that apply

Division: Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Guest Gender: M F

Style: FS FS/F BHFS BHFS/F BH BB TRAD Class: AA A B C Must have 2 previous scores, otherwise, shoot AA. 2-4 scores = best score. 5 or 6 scores – avg. of best 2. 7 or more = avg. of 3 highest of last 7



# 2012 VBA SPRING CLASSIC CHAMPIONSHIP

## *Singers Glen Bowbenders*

April 14 & 15 2012



Registration Time Friday, April 13, 6-8 pm  
Saturday 7-8 am

Registration Fee \$20.00 per archer  
\$40.00 per Family

**Opening Ceremonies Saturday 8 am**  
**Shot Gun Start 9 am**

*Breakfast and Lunch served both days*

### **No camping on club grounds**

#### *Area Camping Facilities*

#### **Bennies Beach Campground**

8399 Brocks Gap Road (Route 259)  
Broadway VA 22815  
(540) 896-9828

#### **George Washington National Forest**

(540) 432-0187

#### **KOA Broadway Virginia**

12480 Mountain Valley Road  
Broadway, VA 22815  
(540) 896-8929

#### **Hotels**

New Market or Harrisonburg

Club address; Bowbender Lane, Singers Glen, VA 22851

Contact; Shannon Nesselrodt (540) 271-2228

Address for pre registration; 403 East Ave., Broadway, VA 22815

# 2012 VBA Calendar of Events

## VBA Meetings

March 17 (Banquet) and 18 (Meeting)

June 9 – 10 (Meeting)

September 15 (Scheduling Session for 2013) and 16 (Meeting)

## State Tournaments

VBA State Indoor Sectional: February 25 – 26

Augusta, Belvoir, Kingsboro, Sherwood

VBA Spring 3D Classic (marked): April 14 – 15

Singers Glen

VBA State Open: May 26 – 27

Sherwood

VBA Fall 3D Classic (unmarked): August 11 – 12

Augusta

VBA State Closed: September 1 – 2

Two Rivers



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If you have had a change of address and are not receiving your **Flight** newsletter, please fill in the following information and send to

**Marie Bell, Executive State Secretary**  
1223 Jeanette Ave  
Vinton, VA 24179

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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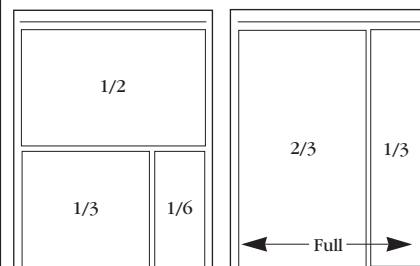
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camera-ready art.)*



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**Marie Bell, Executive State Secretary**

**1223 Jeanette Avenue**

**Vinton, VA 24179**

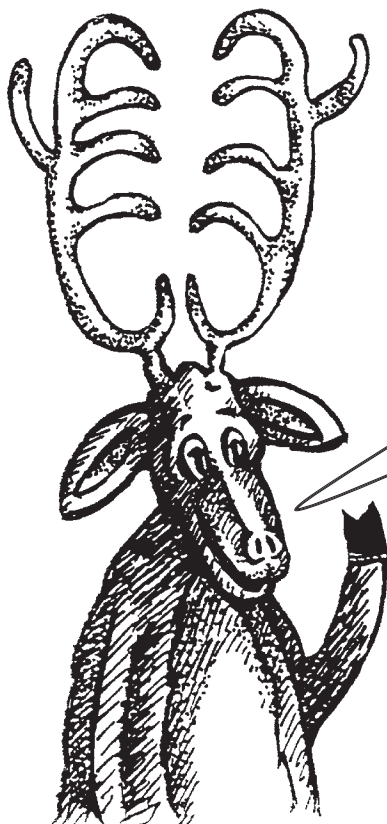
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**Hunters it's not  
time to hibernate  
yet, it's time to break  
out the single and five  
spot targets and enjoy  
some indoor fun. See  
you at the banquet  
March 17.**

## **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.