

Warwick Bowmen Host September Event

26th Annual State Field Championship

We would like to invite you to attend the State Championship to be shot at the home of the Warwick bowmen located in the beautiful Newport News Park. There are three spectator-type ranges and a practice area with eleven butts and all distances.

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permitted to use the regular Camp Site toilet and shower facilities. There will be a three dollar per night charge by the city regardless of the site used. Sorry, but we have been unable to do anything about this, but it will be worth every penny. Reservations for camp sites are not required, but we would like to know of your intent to camp. This will enable us to try to be sure we have the space available. Fishing lake and canoes are available at the site. An 18 hole golf course and horse rides may be found elsewhere in the park. The park is also near Williamsburg and Yorktown and within 30 minutes of Buckroe Beach for swimming or amusements. The famous Mariners' Museum and War Memorial Museum are near by.

There will be a dance with a first rate

band on Saturday night, admittance free. Beer, soft drinks and food will be available for order. Bring your own hard drink, if desired. A dance is planned for the Fort Eustis Rod and Gun Club at Fort Eustis. There will be Sunday night entertainment at the range.

Plenty of food will be available at the range and the Bar-B-Que chicken will again be served on Monday.

We promise you a well run shoot and if you do not enjoy yourself, it will be your own fault. Let's make this the largest shoot yet. We will do our part and the rest is up to you. Hope to see each of you at the shoot. Come one, come all. Ask someone who was at last year's State Shoot and you will have an idea of the time in store for you.

Warwick Bowmen

Pat Hamilton Dies

Virginia archers have truly lost a great friend, dedicated archer, and competitor in the passing of Pat Hamilton on 26 June, 1972 at St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, Va. after a short illness. Those of us who knew Pat will miss her wit and charm, serious approaches to the many problems of archery over many years, and her ten-

acity and will to win when competing in tournaments.

Pat served V.B.A. as Recording Secretary for several years in the late '50's and early '60's, held numerous offices with her home club, The Richmond Archers, was four times Virginia State Women's Barebow Champion, and placed high on the National level several times. Virginia archers elected Pat to their highest honor in 1964 when she was awarded the Order of the Golden Feather.

Yes, vivacious Pat Hamilton will be sorely missed. We Salute you, Pat, and thanks for your many contributions to our beloved archery.

Deadline Date

The deadline for the September - October issue of "Flight" is September 6. The issue should be in the hands of the membership by the last week of September.

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The following is part of a family letter written ten years ago while Sue Price was V.B.A. Corresponding Secretary, and we thought it would be interesting to print it at this time:

8 Sept. 1962

Dear Everybody,

We have heard from everyone now, so I guess it's high time for another letter from us. I have been real busy since I last wrote. In the middle of August "Flight" and the minutes of the June V.B.A. meeting came at the same time, so for a while I was working just about full time. I taught the ten year old girl down the street how to run the addressograph machine and she addressed about three drawers of plates. After that there were a lot of new memberships and everyone seemed to be winning "20" pins. I am now more or less caught up and hope to get some house cleaning and baking done.

Over Labor Day we went to the State Shoot held near Staunton. We camped with Lucille and Hugh Darnell and Frankie and Joe Piatt and had a whole lot of fun. Since Carey had to work Saturday, I rode down with the Darnells that morning and helped set up camp. We almost couldn't find a spot because so many other people were already there. We no sooner pitched one tent then the rains came. Between showers the men got the other sleeping tent pitched and the shelter over the cooking and eating area. We registered for the shoot and then had a good supper. In the evening a bunch of people migrated down for a poker game. Across the way a fellow was playing a guitar. Carey ar-

rived about 10:30. Sunday everyone was grouped according to his class (Carey with A class men and me with D class women) and we shot two rounds--one field round and one animal round. There were nearly 300 shooters, so we were scattered around on 4 different courses. Two of them were much worse than our course (NORVA) as far as hills were concerned. I didn't shoot my class in the field round, but did the best I ever have on the animals. We didn't get through until real late and had supper around 8:00 (country fried steak, boiled potatoes, tomatoes, canned corn, coffee and cake). That night there was another poker game and more guitar playing. Sunday we shot the Hunter or Black face round. I was with a bunch of very gabby women, but I figured since I was completely out of the running, I would not let it bother me. Talking gets a lot of people rattled. I finished next to last in my class and Carey finished about fifth from last in his class. There was an executive meeting after the awards were presented so we didn't get away from the range 'til about 6:30. The weather fairly cool and we had rain at night clouds during the day.

Tomorrow we are having a club shoot; next week is the club banquet and the next week is another V.B.A. quarterly meeting, so things never slow down very much.

Does this bring back any memories? Incidentally, 1962 was the year that Cliff Necessary beat everybody barebow with scores of 468 Field, 504 Hunter, and 482 Animal.

20 Pin Winners

May - June 1972

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Dorothy McGuire, Hampton
Everette K. Harris, Waynesboro
Paul C. Decker, Jr., Greenville
Jacob Dodson, Culpeper
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Bill Folmer, Hamilton
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David Keith, Fincastle
Nolan Clark, Fishersville
Steve Williams, Blacksburg
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Evie Hensley, Triangle

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Mary Covert, Virginia Beach
Roy Jones, Norfolk
Kenneth Blair, Norfolk
M. S. McGuire, Hampton
Robert Shamblin, Richlands
Steve Williams, Blacksburg
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American Archery Council

Bowhunters Salvation

by Tink Nathan

AAC Bowhunting Committee

What is organized archery doing for the bowhunter? Recently, bowhunters in Virginia faced a grave problem. Anti-hunting forces sought in a court suit to close Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge for bow and arrow hunting for deer. Since 1964 this refuge, paid for with funds generated by the sale of duck stamps, has been the home of a small herd of Sika and White Tail; and through the efforts of the Virginia Bowhunters Association and several individuals, the refuge was opened for bowhunters during the bow season. Fortunately, a Federal Judge in Washington declined to grant their request for an injunction and until the case comes into court, bowhunters will be allowed to hunt Sika and White Tail on Assateague Island Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge.

But the matter is far from dead. The same group that has taken these actions, who masquerade under the title of "Friends of Animals", will stop at nothing to see that all hunting is banned and it appears they are concentrating on bowhunters. Most archers are unaware of the function of the American Archery Council (AAC). It is the only national organization of all archers and all archery organizations. Recently the Professional Bowhunters Society was admitted to membership in the AAC and the PBS has pledged to defend the rights of bowhunters as individuals across this great land of ours. So for the first time under one roof all archery was represented including bowhunting by all major organi-

zations. At this meeting, held in Chicago, the first priority was to combat the anti-hunting problems that exist today. I would like to quote a message of Jim Dougherty, President the AAC, who incidentally is an accomplished bowhunter, which he is sending out to all his members. "Many problems face archery today. Foremost is the wave of anti-hunting sentiment that sweeps the country. Regardless of whether those people that oppose hunting are illogical in their thinking, know the true facts, or possess realistic attitudes, the fact remains, they do oppose hunting...passionately.

"Today, their well organized and financed attacks are directed at the bowhunter. Today, as always, the interest in hunting is the backbone of archery. Unfortunately, bowhunting represents the weakest link in the chain that makes up the fraternity of hunters and conservationists. "I consider the threat against bowhunting the most significant problem that faces the sport of archery today. I consider a defense against these anti-hunting forces to be the priority project of the American Archery Council.

"With this in mind, AAC has taken preliminary steps to defend against this problem. Several years ago the AAC Bowhunting Committee was founded, co-chaired by Mr. Fred Bear and myself. Mr. Bob Lee was also named to the committee. At the most recent AAC Board of Directors meeting, three people we appointed to this

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"The Big Lie"

"Fakery, falsehood and outright deception by major television programs are responsible for much of today's anti-hunting outrage, reports author Ben East in the June issue of Outdoor Life.

"In 'The Big Lie,' first article in a tightly documented three-part series, the well-known author reveals the many and devious ways in which TV footage and programming have been and are being deliberately manipulated to create anti-hunting attitudes, to depict hunters as villains and enemies of all wildlife. Mr. East does not make unfounded accusations, but rather presents

facts which point to the presence of a campaign to 'make hunting look sickening to the TV audience. . .so sickening that they will turn the American public against all hunting.'"

The July issue of Outdoor Life carries the second in a series of three articles. The third will appear in August on "What are the remedies? Can anything be done to bring that fire under control?" Next month's issue will suggest measures that must be taken by state game departments, conservation organizations, and individual hunters to make clear to the public the true role of sport hunting.



One example of a tree stand about 15 ft. off the ground.

Some Day

by Bill Ayres

Have you ever wondered why you can't seem to get that deer? Have you heard the other guys talking about their 15 and 20 yard shots that they missed? And all you seem to get are shots at 50 yards or more. Do you think you do everything right, but it turns out all wrong? Well, welcome to my club.

I have been hunting deer now for thirteen years, and as yet, no deer. I shoot ground squirrels at 20 yards--fox, ground hog, gray squirrels and all other kinds of small game-- , but I can't seem to hit a big deer.

Take this year, for instance. My hunting buddy, Mark Lawrence, and I decided to hunt at Quantico Marine Base. Having the car packed the night before, we got a very early start and arrived at the base at quarter to four.

our year

On our way into the base, we saw about 12 deer on the road. This got us all excited and ready for our day of hunting. We knew this was our year. Maybe I would get one of those close shots this year. And I felt that I wouldn't miss at 20 yards.

The base doesn't open until five-thirty so we had to stand in line outside. The morning was very cool--a little fog and

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dampness. There were about ten hunters ahead of us, so we had a little bull session about the deer that were missed last year.

By the time the base opened there were about one hundred hunters in line. Mark and I picked up our pass and picked our area to hunt. Quantico is a marine training base and is made up of about 20 training areas. You have to sign in in the morning and you have to stay in your assigned area. In case you don't check out at night, they come hunting for you and they know what area you are in.

Mark and I got to where we wanted to hunt at around 6:00 and we made that last minute check on our equipment--like sharpen that broadhead one more time. It doesn't get light until around 7:00 because of daylight time.

We got all our stuff ready and started for our tree stands. It was still dark and the leaves were very dry--like walking on fresh potato chips. You couldn't help making noise. At last I got to my blind and now came the hard part--waiting. I sat and stood and sat and by ten in the morning I had seen or heard nothing. My hands were so cold I thought if I did have to shoot, my fingers would break off.

shot high

I decided to go back to the car for a cup of hot coffee. By the time I got back to the car, I saw Mark coming up the road. "Well", I said, "I guess you had my luck. I didn't see anything." Mark said, "Oh, yes I did! I had a shot at a nice buck at about 45 yards broadside--and shot high."

Well, we sat down and had a cup of coffee.

We then decided to do a little tank trail walking. We almost always kick up something while doing this. We talk and walk normally and always see deer. We hadn't gone 200 yards down the trail when out jumped a doe. I raised my bow and shot. She jumped my bow string. If she had stood still, I would have hit her in the chest. My arrow skipped along the trail, then out of the woods jumped another doe about 65 yards away. I drew my bow again and shot--low. Mark hadn't even shot one yet. I guess he was still thinking about the buck he missed.

couldn't move

We walked on a little further and turned around and started back for the car. We saw no more deer. By this time it was about one o'clock in the afternoon, so we had lunch and caught 40 winks.

Around 2:30 we started for our tree-stands again. When I got to my stand, I decided I would go about 35 yards further in the woods. I found a nice place to sit. I kicked the leaves from under my feet, pulled my bow a couple of times and put one arrow in front of me just in case. I looked up and, guess what? With all the noise I had made, a doe was standing there looking at me just 20 yards away. But I couldn't move! She turned her head and started walking in front of me. Everytime her head passed a tree I made my move. As she walked, I drew. I kept my eyes glued on her. When I got to full draw, I let my arrow fly. You would never believe it! I hit a tree three inches thick right in her chest area.

My arrow made a sharp thud. She turned

and ran back the way she came. But then she did a dumb thing. She stopped, turned around and looked back at the tree I hit. I had my other arrow in my bow and ready. I could see her in the brush, but no way in the world could I get a shot. Then of all things, she started to walk in the same path as before, so I went through the whole thing again. I kept watching her and started my draw again. At full draw I shot. Now you just can't believe what happened. Yes, I did. I hit the same tree dead center. This time she took off in high gear. I could not believe my eyes. I paced off from my stand to my two arrows. Eighteen yards! I almost split my own arrow.

can't be happening

I said to myself, "this can't be happening to me. Why?" Well, I kneeled down and put my bow on the ground. I had put both arrows deep in that three inch tree. Now to try and get the out. I worked about ten minutes with no luck. I was using Mark IV "silencer" broadheads which have insert blades. You pull hard and you get your arrow, but leave the broadhead insert. I put my arrows back in my quiver and picked up my bow. I started to get up. Guess what? Yep, a little doe was in the bushes watching me the whole time and she turned and started walking away. I shot at her again, about 50 yards--low.

Now can you understand how an archer can get three shots at one deer and not get a hit? I think Someone up there doesn't like me. But, all in all, I love to get out to hunt. Just to get out in the woods. And there is always next year--or next, or next. I wish you better luck than mine.

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Tuning a Hunting Bow

by Bowhunter Tom

Tuning a hunting bow involves two things. The first and MOST important is good arrow flight. This comes from a bow that you can handle AFTER you have practiced with it for a while. Use one as heavy as you can handle with practice. The heavier you go in pull, the flatter the arrow will fly and give the deer less chance to jump the string.

Use the Easton or Microflite chart to find out what spine and weight arrows to use with your bow. Or go to a dealer that specializes in hunting arrows. I find no difference between glass or aluminum. I use aluminum because they are easier to make. I prefer soft plastic fletch because they are quiet in a bow quiver, outlast feathers 10 to 1, and are not affected by the elements. I use Bjorn nocks because they hold the arrow on the string while you are walking or while the bow is hanging in your tree stand.

Now to get good arrow flight. Install a good quality QUIET arrow rest. I find the mole hair, bear hair, or rug rest calf hair plate on the window of the bow the quietest I have ever used. One problem is that you can't shoot vanes from this type rest without the arrow hopping. A hopping arrow will just not work with a broadhead.

For vanes, use an elevated rest such as a Hoyt. Set it about 1/16 INCH HIGHER than your fletching and directly over the deepest part of your bow handle.

Now install a nocking point. Use a bow square and start about 1/4 inch above level. Use one nock set to start with. Use one of your hunting arrows with the same weight field point as your broadhead.

Stand SIX FEET from the bale and shoot a fully fletched arrow at shoulder level into the bale about three times. Notice how the arrow entered the bale. If the nock angles to the LEFT of center, move the plate or pressure point to the LEFT, to the RIGHT if the nock is to the RIGHT. On the plates that are not adjustable, either put something behind it or cut the bow out whichever is necessary. Once you get the arrow flying straight into the bale, get it flying level. If the nock angles high, raise the nocking point; lower it if it is hitting low. All of this is very important. It allows the arrow to enter the deer STRAIGHT which is the single most important factor in getting good penetration.

Heavy arrows help, but if they hit while they are wobbling, penetration will suffer greatly. Also, an arrow that is flying straight will go through brush that you wouldn't believe.

Now we get down to the second thing.-- Getting the bow to shoot quiet. No matter how well the arrow flies, if the bow is noisy, that deer is not likely to be standing there when the arrow gets there.

First, try to get the bow to shoot as quiet as you can without adding anything to the string. This is done by raising or lowering the brace height until it shoots most quietly. Always use a string that is at least 2 strands heavy. In 18 years of shooting, I have never had a string break that was a little heavy. At this point, some bows will be quiet enough. If yours is not, install a SOFT PAD called "Iron Velvet" on each end of the bow where the string makes contact with the belly of the bow. IF this is not enough, add string silencers until it is quiet. Now go back and check your arrow flight and adjust it, if necessary, so your arrows fly straight.

If you still have problems after all of this, contact me and I will see what I can do to help.

So What! Test Penetration

John Stockman, Lord Shrewsbury, and Carey Price conducted a hunting arrow penetration test. Three bows were used: a Jack Howard at 60 lbs., 66" long; a Hoyt Hunter at 48 lbs., 58" long; and a 55 lb. Jennings Compound. Also used were three different types of arrows all with 125 grain field points and fletched with hunting feathers. They were Bear Magnum #308 @ 496 grains, Bear Magnum #316 @ 559 grains, and XX75 2013 @ 461 grains. The distances shot were 15, 25, 35, 45, and 55 yards. Shooting was into a compressed styrofoam target 18" thick and 2 feet in diameter. Three arrows of each size were shot at each distance and averaged for depth of penetration.

Jack Howard 60 lbs.

size arrow	308	316	2013
15 yds	6"	8"	7 2/3"
25 yds	5 2/3"	7 1/3"	7 1/2"
35 yds	6"	6 2/3"	7 2/3"
45 yds	6"	5 2/3"	7 2/3"
55 yds	6"	5 1/3"	7 2/3"

Hoyt Hunter 48 lbs.

size arrow	308	316	2013
15 yds	8"	7"	7 1/2"
25 yds	7 1/2"	6 3/4"	7"
35 yds	7"	6 1/4"	6 1/2"
45 yds.	6 3/4"	6 3/4"	6 1/2"
55 yds	7"	6 3/4"	6 1/2"

Jennings Compound 55 lbs.

size arrow	308	316	2013
15 yds	8"	9"	8"
25 yds	8"	7 1/2"	8"
35 yds	8"	8"	9"
45 yds	8"	7 1/2"	8 1/2"
55 yds	8"	7"	8 3/4"

About the only thing that could be concluded is that, yes, arrows do stick into styrofoam and maybe the lighter arrows do have more penetration. But getting them to come out of these heavy bows straight was something else. As Bowhunter Tom has pointed out in his bow-tuning article, it is absolutely necessary to have your arrows matched to your personal bow. You'll get better penetration simply because your arrow will enter the target straighter. I suggest you conduct your own test. It's very interesting and fun also.

National Day

"Information on an aids kit for use in publicizing National Hunting and Fishing Day is available from Jack Hess, National Rifle Association, 1600 Rhode Island Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. The kit has window streamers, bumper stickers, decals, buttons, press releases and other material designed for use by sportsmen and dealers."

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committee; three people whose willingness to work is equalled only by their dedication to all forms of archery. They are Mr. Len Cardinale, a Pope and Young member, active bowhunter, an indoor lane operator from Bellville, New Jersey; Mr. Tink Nathan, a PPS member, a long time VBA member, and President of a Virginia Bowhunting club, a real estate executive by profession; and Mr. William Wadsworth, Executive with the Boy Scouts of America in New Jersey, he was the NFAA Bowhunting Vice President. These gentlemen will develop the programs and provide the muscles for the work force needed to align AAC with such organizations as National Rifle Association, National Shooting Sports Foundation, and others, building a defense against those powers that would take not only bowhunting, but all hunting from all people.

"The time has come for the bowhunter, the archer, the hunter, the shooter, to get off his "it's my God given right to hunt and nothing will take it from me" position and realize he has a fight on his hands, a fight that he is already losing. We hope that the AAC can help in this fight, and we intend to try."

What can the individual bowhunter do to protect his sport. Perhaps one of the best things he can do is support his different archery organizations. At the lowest level he should join and participate in a local archery club. On the state level, he should join the Virginia Bowhunters and support their programs. On the national level, he should join the National Field Archery Association, and by doing this he automatically joins the round table of the American Archery Council which has stature alongside such great conservation organization as the National Wildlife Federation, The NRA, the Issac Walton League and others. Individually, the bowhunter should conduct himself at all times in a manner that would identify him as a sportsman and conservationist. He should use proper equip-

ment for the game that he hunts. He should spend time practicing with the same equipment to ensure clean kills in the field. He should be careful with fire and obey game laws and regulations. He should engage in conservation, wildlife, and ecology projects in both his home and in the field. He should support those lawmakers who work for and support conservation and wildlife management and should cast his ballot against those who abuse our natural resources and endanger our right to hunt. He should be active in combatting gun control and hunting activities, by writing letters to the press. The bowhunter should

stop to help other bowhunters when needed or other hunters, not necessarily bowhunters. Bowhunters should refrain from littering or by any other thoughtless acts or actions.

Most bowhunters do these things anyway, but with many new people coming into this sport its imperative that each hunter do what he can and when the time comes to dig down in his pocket and support the hunting defense funds that are being set up across the country to combat the anti-hunting element that masquerades under titles of Humane Societies and Friends of Animals.

Barebow Power

by Emo Moore

Generally, one of the most common causes for poor shooting or low scores is not the inability of the archer, but in most cases it is the "bow set up" or "bow tuning." Things that can cause these low scores are: (1) string height, (2) nocking point height, (3) arrow rest type, (4) cushion plunger or arrow pressure point adjustment.

There have been many articles written on bow tuning in "Archery" and "Archery World" magazines, so therefore, I won't get too involved in the mechanics of bow tuning. All I want to stress at this time is the importance of doing the above things. Bare bow or instinctive shooters need all things possible working for them anyway, and things like a tuned bow just don't suddenly appear. A bow is tuned for an individual; what works for one won't necessarily work for someone else. Therefore, try to tune your own bow.

The following are some things to look for while tuning your bow: (1) Arrow rest wear, (2) Marks on arrows made by striking the rest or against the picture window, (3) Shooting arrows too weak

or too stiff in spine, (4) Bow noise, caused by string height too low. If arrows strike window adjust arrow pressure point to the left (right hand archer). If arrows show marks, raise or lower nocking point. The best results for arrow passage and arrow flight are accomplished by shooting and working at 3 to 5 yards at a target butt high enough so you can shoot straight in. By raising and lowering string height, nocking point height, adjusting pressure point or plate, you can eliminate a lot of problems before they arise. Adjust bow string height for maximum cast and least noise. "Try it, you'll like it." Most later model bows work better strung on the high side rather than the low side.

When tuning a bow for two styles of shooting, such as three fingers under and pinch, you should tune the bow to shoot the best with the style you use the most. You can't tune for both styles. String walking is one of the most critical to work out. I personally don't advise string walking. Check out your bow set up, you might be surprised at what you find.

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Hi:

I guess I deserve two slaps with a wet noodle for not having news from all the Zone One clubs, but after the hot line stayed suspiciously quiet, I was forced to conclude that my reporters had all gone to the Democratic Convention.

Archery received a small boost last month in as much as your reporter and Bob Paulson were guests on the Dick Lamb Talk Show on TV-3. I must say, there's some ham in all of us because we enjoyed it thoroughly.

The Princess Anne Bowmen held their 5th Silver Quiver Annual on July 16 and had a grand total of 98 registered shooters despite the heat. Would you believe, it didn't rain (a first for P.A.)? That is, it didn't rain until the awards were being given, then the heavens opened up. The tournament received outstanding coverage. Channel 10 had it on the 6 and 11 p.m. news. There were write-ups in the Norfolk and Virginia papers, along with photos. The night before the annual, a crab feast was held at the range. I won't even try to estimate the number of people there, but it looked like a mass of bobbing elbows and open mouths, and over four bushels of crabs were dispatched in short order.

Good news! We have the pleasure of welcoming a new club to the area. They are the Breezy Point Archers. At present they have a 14 target range, and are making plans for future invitational pin shoots. But, as we welcome the new club, almost in the same breath we have to bid a sad farewell to an old, established club, the Bowmen of York. They must leave the base at Yorktown due to increased military restrictions. For some time, they have had a difficult time in having access to their range, so, after a long, hard struggle, they had to concede. They are down, but by no means out. They are presently making plans to re-locate, and there will be more information in the near future.

The Dixie Bowmen will host the Broadhead Championship tournament in September and, according to Donnie Frenier, it will be the best one yet. They have been pretty busy teaching youngsters in the area the art of shooting. The Dixie Bowmen also held a tournament in June. Prize was a compound bow worth \$100, and the winner was Linda Pasteur of Colonial Heights.

Last, but not least by any means, all of us in the Tidewater Area wish to extend our sympathy to all of you who suffered any hardship and loss due to the recent floods.

See you next issue,
Nina

News Round-up

Tournament committee

Field Vice-President Doc Dillow named Leslie Howard, Clint Western, Gene Limerick, Ralph Stevens, and Murray Selby to a tournament committee for 1972-73. The committee was charged with the responsibility of coming up with new ideas on the present V.B.A. award system. Contact one of the above people and let them know your thoughts on the above subject.

Richmond gang

Paul Haydel, Jim Shively, and Jim Quarles finished 1, 2, and 3 in the June Mid-Atlantic Tournament Free-style division held at Watkins Glen, New York. Tom Frye won the Bowhunter division.

Olympic calendar

Dates of archery competition in the 1972 Summer Olympics are listed below along with the number of hours being devoted to the Olympics on those specific days by the ABC television network.

September 4	Monday	5 1/2 hours
September 5	Tuesday	3 1/2 hours
September 6	Wednesday	3 1/2 hours
September 7	Thursday	3 1/2 hours

Upcoming shoots

Augusta Archers announce that there will be two official rounds shot at their range near Staunton on August 27 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Registration WILL BE CLOSED at 8:45 a.m. Trophies will be awarded.

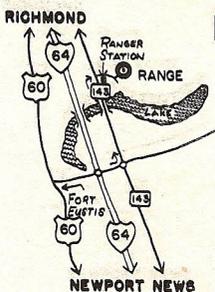
Loudoun Bowhunters announce their September 10th shoot. There will be all deer targets with arteries and lungs outlined. Registration will be casual.

Don't forget the Bowhunter Jamboree to be held again at Wytheville on Sept. 16 and 17.

Tournament dates

The following dates should be considered by your club when you present your tournament schedule at the September V.B.A. meeting:

- Jan. 6 & 7 -- V.B.A. meeting
- March 3 & 4 -- Indoor Championship
- March 24 & 25 -- V.B.A. meeting
- April 22 -- Easter Sunday
- May 19 & 20 -- Virginia Open
- June 23 & 24 -- V.B.A. meeting
- Sept. 1-3 -- State Field Championship
- Sept. 15 & 16 -- Bowhunter Jamboree and Broadhead Championship
- Sept. 22 & 23 -- V.B.A. meeting and tournament scheduling



REGISTRATION FORM

26th Annual State Tournament

- Registration Fees
 \$7.50 per archer
 \$17.50 max. for imm. family
 Pre-Registration
 \$7.00 per archer
 \$16.25 max. for imm. family

- Motels
 Yorktown Motor Lodge, 898-5451, Rt. 17
 Ramada Inn, 595-4491, Rt. 17
 Lafayette Motel, 877-9051, Jefferson Ave.
 Capri Motel, 877-0258, Jefferson Ave.
 Econo-Tel Motel, 595-9711, Warwick Blvd.

Championship Trophies for aggregate divisional winners. Medals for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place aggregate winners in all classes and divisions. Certificates awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in each round shot.

Pre-Registration not required but appreciated, fee automatically returned if unable to attend.

Name.....
 Address..... Zip.....
 VBA Card No..... Club.....
 Date of Arrival..... Will need..... Camp spaces.
 Please make Motel Reservations at.....
 No. of rooms..... No. of people in party.....
 Please enclose \$10.00 per room to hold your room.
 Divisions, Please circle Men, Women, Youth, Y/Adult, Boys, Girls
 B/B, F/S, B/H, Amatuer, Class.....
 Mail to W.T. Marshall, 238 Eastfield Ct., Hampton, Va. 23366.
 Registration at site. Sept. 1st. 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm
 Sept. 2nd. 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm
 Shoot starts as close as possible to 12:00 noon.

"Big Heart" Archery Shoot

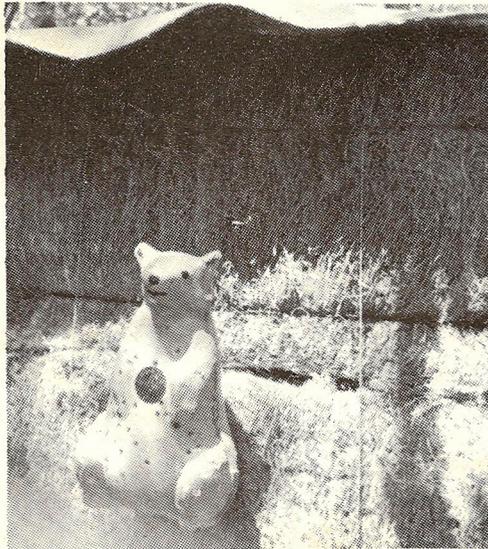
by Mertie Shultz

Eighty-six members of the National Field Archery Association from Virginia, West Virginia, and Maryland learned what it was like to shoot at 3-D animals on a field archery range for the first time in Virginia at the annual Two Rivers Archery club "Big Heart" trophy shoot here on Saturday and Sunday, June 3 & 4.

The targets, made of styrofoam and very life-like in size and color, were shot at from 5 to 65 yard distances. Even though the National Field Archery rules are not strictly enforced in a shoot of this type, some very good scores were made.

First in Men's Free-style class A was Lucian Butler with 546; second was Wendall Thweatt - 526; third was Lowell Hertzler - 507. First in Bare-bow class A was Robert Moore with 502; first in Bowhunter class A was Tommy Frye with 434 and second was Mark Sutherly with 360 from the local club.

Mertie Shultz won it for the Women in Free-style with 290 and Lynn VanMeter was first in Bare-bow with 388.



This is an example of the 3-D targets that were used at the Annual "Big Heart" Trophy Shoot at Front Royal.

A special trophy was also presented for the highest score made by a husband and wife. This was won by Robert and Vickie Moore of Manassas whose combined score was 880.

VVB Officers Installed



Hugh Dornell, recording secretary (left), looks on as newly elected President Harold Street opens meeting.

The following officers were installed at the June 25 V.B.A. meeting:

Harold Street -- President
 Carey G. Price - Exec. V.P. and Flight Ed.
 Dr. Walter R. Dillow -- Field Vice-Pres.
 Roger L. Mock -- Hunting Vice-Pres.
 C.J. "Woody" Woods--Conservation Vice-Pres.
 Hugh Darnell -- Recording Secretary
 Lucille Darnell -- Treasurer
 William Enders -- V.B.A. Field Governor
 William K. Bolt -- N.F.A.A. Director
 Nancy Lee Western -- Corresponding Sec'y

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