

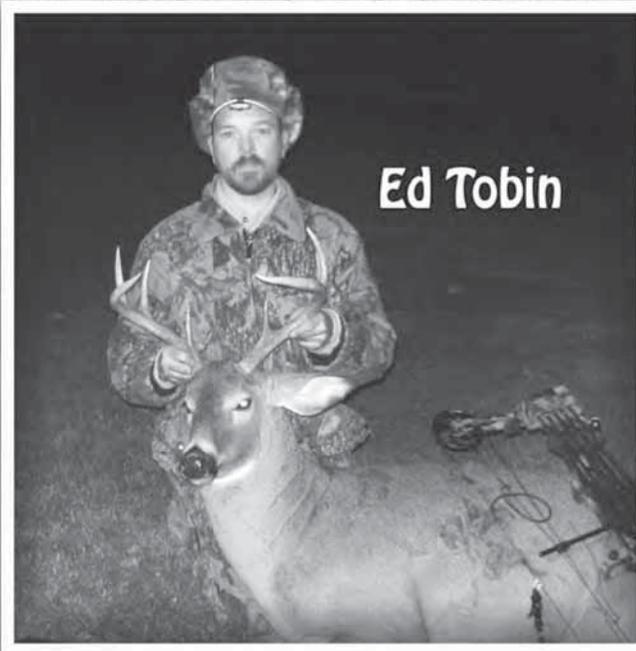


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 submit articles of interest to
 the editor prior to that date.
 Send us your letters, stories
 or photos. This is your
 newsletter and we encourage
 your contributions!*

From the Hunting Vice-President

The VBA in 2009

A short title for an article, but there is lots of meat on those skinny bones.

First and most importantly, the VBA elections in 2009 will put new leadership into the organization. As you are aware, several positions will be open because the long-time incumbents are taking a break. Change in leadership is a good thing – especially when the real power of the VBA continues to lie in the hands of the Clubs and their representatives to the quarterly VBA meetings. Please consider putting your name into nomination for one of the vacant positions. You can talk with any VBA officer (contact details in the FLIGHT magazine) about the opportunities to contribute your time, energy and new ideas to a great organization.

Second, the VBA 2009 banquet is just around the corner. Details are in an ad elsewhere in this issue of the FLIGHT. We always have a good crowd but often it is the same set of characters – oooops, I meant to say distinguished VBA members! Now that gas prices are down from last year, please plan to join the festivities, enjoy the camaraderie, learn more about the VBA, and win some outstanding prizes. You can get tickets by contacting your Club VBA representative or by calling Dave Burpee at 703-913-0508.

Third, the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries will kick-off early next year its next set of meetings that will culminate this summer with the approval of changes to the 2009-2010 hunting regulations. The process and the meeting locations are outlined in detail on the VDGIF Web site. Updates will also be posted to that location. The VBA is watching issues related to bowhunting west of the Blue Ridge as well as issues related to dog hunting. Your voice will be important so no matter how you come down on the issues, you need to stay informed and you need to make your desires known.

Finally, safety is the most important aspect of hunting regardless of the year. Nothing ruins a good hunt faster than an injury in the field. By the time you read this, most of the deer hunting seasons will have closed and hopefully nothing serious will have taken place. However, some late archery seasons are open until the end of March so please continue to be careful out there.

If you have comments/questions/suggestions about bow hunting in Virginia, please let me know. I am proud to represent you to the VDGIF.

Warm regards to all VBA members and their extended families
 as well as best wishes
 for a wonderful holiday season,

Dave Burpee

From the Publicity Director

As our seasons have come and gone, we have seen a lot of changes. In the past six months we have seen dramatic changes in gas prices, loss of loved ones and/or jobs, an economic recession, a new President, and much more. One of the biggest changes is in reports from bowhunters who have had one of the most successful seasons in a long time! Many of you should be proud of yourselves for taking your first deer or for taking a new bowhunter with you, particular a youth who has never hunted before, and help them experience what bowhunting is all about! Don't forget to submit your application and pictures for 'VBA Game Awards' to Marie Bell no later than March 1st. The application and details are in the Fall and Winter issues of FLIGHT and on the VBA website. Also, mark your calendars to attend our Annual Awards Banquet that will be held on Saturday, March 21st at Pano's Restaurant in Harrisonburg. The social hour will begin at 6 p.m. There will be door prizes, silent auctions, a guest speaker, our Double and Triple Crown winners, our Big Game & Double Slam winners. Tickets are available through your VBA club representative or call David Burpee at (703) 913-0508. Congratulations to all of You!

VBA 2009 Calendar of Events: The State Indoor Sectional Tournament will be held on February 28th and March 1st at Augusta Archers in Staunton, Belvoir Bowhunters in Ft. Belvoir, Kingsboro Bowmen in Suffolk and Sherwood Archers in Roanoke. Registration at all locations will be Friday evening and Saturday morning prior to the first round on Saturday (check FLIGHT for registration times.) The 1st, 2nd & 3rd rounds will start at the same time at all locations on Saturday and Sunday.

After the State Indoor, the Spring 3-D Classic will be hosted by Augusta Archers on April 18th – 19th, the State Open hosted by Sherwood Archers on May 23rd – 24th, followed by the Fall 3-D Classic at Manahoac on August 15th – 16th and the State Closed hosted by Augusta Archers on September 5th – 16th. Check FLIGHT and website for further details on the clubs that will be hosting these tournaments. Show your support and bring someone new to these tournaments!

The VBA continues to ask for your support in recruiting new members. As a statewide organization formed to promote archery and bowhunting in Virginia, we are here to protect your hunting rights, stand up against the anti-hunters, attend VDGIF meetings regarding issues that are important to bowhunters, work with the VDGIF by volunteering for work force projects and attend VDGIF classes. We are involved in the conservation and preservation of our natural resources and wildlife. We attend many events to let folks know who we are, provide information about our clubs and their tournament shoots/events/classes and much more.

VBA Events: The Virginia Senior Games are moving from Virginia Beach to Richmond in 2009 and will be held there for about three years. Many VBA members have participated in the past and enjoy shooting with other seniors. The Senior Games are run by the Virginia Recreation and Parks Society with significant volunteer staffing. They are looking for new staff volunteers in the Richmond area, including an archery event coordinator. If you are interested in being a Senior Games archery event coordinator or helping out in some way, please contact Jerry Wenzel at 540-854-0245. Any help will be appreciated.

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It's About the Hunt; Not Your Results

by

Dave Burpee, VBA Hunting Vice President

The last time I wrote an article about a guided hunt was for this magazine. If you recall, I described it as a great hunt -- mostly because of the guide service but also because I harvested my first turkey.

That three-day turkey hunt was this spring with Rick Grubbs of Waccamaw Hunting Services, Hemingway, South Carolina. Bob Seltzer (immediate past VBA president) and I each harvested a bird and the experience was so good that I really looked forward to the next opportunity to get out into the South Carolina woods – this time for a larger animal. I had won an opportunity to revisit Waccamaw Hunting Services by being the high bidder on a deer hunt that Rick donated to the VBA for our March 2008 banquet. In many ways it was the best hunt of my life, even though I came home empty handed. Let me explain.

I could have gone any time in the 2008-2009 season and initially had my eyes on the rut period in November. Instead, I chose to hunt in mid-September because of a unique opportunity to see a young man harvest his first deer. I learned that Bob and his grandson Michael (age 10) along with Ralph Lawson (one of the original founders of the Belvoir Bowhunters) and his grandson Sean (age 14) would be in Rick's camp that week. Michael had never harvested a deer so I wrangled my way into the group. Dave Proctor (VBA Executive Vice President & Flight Editor), who was a good friend of Rick's dad, was also interested in the hunt and rounded out the camp.

Dave and I drove to South Carolina on a Monday. The others got there on Sunday and spent Monday in the woods. We arrived to find that the only blood shed that day was by the hunters themselves as they became donors of life-giving fluids to the next generation of South Carolina mosquitoes. Boy, are those suckers (no pun intended) big! The mosquitoes, not the hunters (except for one hunter who will go nameless). We were in the cabin after the sun went down and those monsters pounded the outside walls trying to get at us. It sounded like cannon balls trying to break through. Visions of vampires with wings hovered outside every window. Doors were opened only in grave emergencies. Stakes were driven into the ground to keep them from flying away with the building. Small children ran screaming into the night. But, I exaggerate and digress.

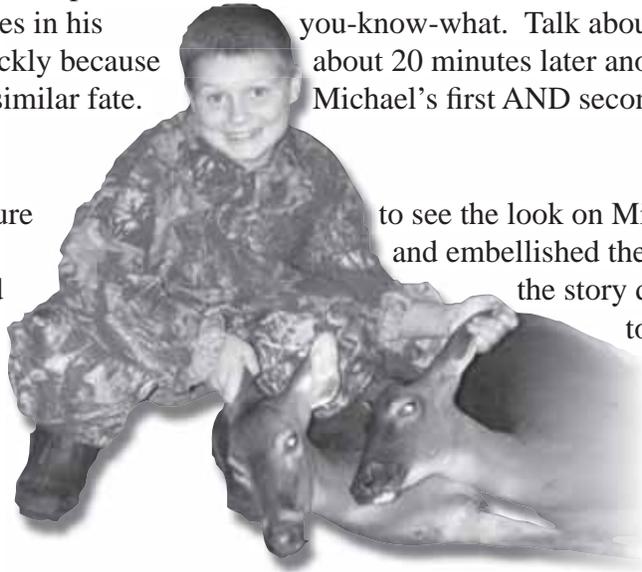
The time to get up came too early (as it always does) Tuesday, and we donned a couple of layers of clothes before dashing to the trucks. I would have been comfortable in a very light hunting outfit, but there was no way I was going to lose twenty pounds of fluids to a cloud of B52-sized bugs with refueling probes for noses. Those things were so long they could stick you in the shoulder and tickle your toes. Scary. But, I digress again.

Fortunately, Dave and I had brought with us gifts we had received from friends (Bob gave me mine). Each of us had a ThermaCELL and it saved our lives. Once you turned that device on it only took about two minutes and there was not a mosquito to be found within three feet. Amazing. I made a trip to town to be sure I had enough refills and spent every day in the deep woods without being bothered by the bugs or spooking the deer. Fortunately, Bob, et. al. also had ThermaCELLs and after not using them the first day they used them the rest of the week. Saved their lives also. The moral of the story is to hunt South Carolina after the first cold snap when the bugs have disappeared, but, if you have to hunt earlier, use technology.

Truth in lending: Dave was the only one on this hunt using a bow. The rest of us went to the “dark side” and used firearms of various calibers. Bob/Michael and Ralph/Sean hunted in two-man stands or ground blinds so they could enjoy the special camaraderie that spans family generations. It was also necessary that someone provide adult supervision. I’ll leave it to you to decide who was the supervisor and who was the supervisee. Dave and I hunted in separate locations and the four groups got together each afternoon and evening to tell lies – I mean stories.

The best story, of course, centered on Rick putting all of us in position to see deer every day, but most importantly putting Bob and Michael in a position on their second night to harvest Michael’s first animal. As the two of them related the yarn, it was a classic adventure. The animal moved quietly through the woods about 100 yards in front of the novice hunter who stayed very still so as not to betray his position. Michael then shifted slowly to get his weapon into the right position, took careful aim, and gently but steadily squeezed the trigger. Just as they teach on the firing range, the explosion surprised him and a breathless burst of air escaped as he witnessed the fruits of his labor on the forest floor. I’m sure if I had been within two miles of the scene I would have heard him hoop and holler. Even better, I would have been able to see Bob dance around and yell like he had bees in his you-know-what. Talk about excitement! But, they must have quieted down very quickly because about 20 minutes later another animal tried to sneak past them at 50 yards and met a similar fate. Michael’s first AND second deer on the same day in the same hour. Terrific!

It was a genuine pleasure in the woods, repeated expanded and polished since taken pictures risking life and limb probably impresses geezers take it with a risking life and limb.



to see the look on Michael’s face as he told us his story and embellished the story on the way back to camp, and the story during dinner. I have heard that he has to school and has swelled the story into to save the known universe. The story his young lady friends, but us old grain of salt. At least the part about

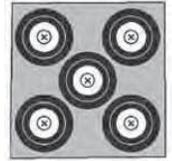
Well, the bottom line was that several animals met their reward that week on the wrong side of the business end of guns and bow. Ralph and Sean had a terrific family outing; Dave and I enjoyed our interface with nature; and of course Bob and Michael had their special experience of Michael’s first two harvests. I didn’t bring any deer meat home because I was looking for a buck with a large rack and let several smaller bucks and numerous does walk. (I did hit a deer with my truck, but that’s an ugly story for another time). The reward for all of us was the privilege of being present when the hunting torch was passed from one generation to the next.

I have now been on two hunts with Rick and can highly recommend his turkey, deer and pig outings. He supports the VBA and he runs a classy outfit that includes a comfortable lodge and plenty of acreage with a wide variety of terrain. He was selected as the 2003 North American Hunting Club Dodge Outfitter of the Year. To learn more about Waccamaw Hunting Services, visit www.huntinglodge.net.

In the meantime, remember that the VBA 2009 banquet is just around the corner. We hope to once again have a hunt donated by an experienced guide service. You should plan to attend, win the hunt, and take a young person along for the thrill of a lifetime – which, of course, will be about the hunt; not your results.



2009 VBA Indoor Sectional Championship



Hosted by

Augusta Archers

February 28th – March 1st 2009

Directions:

(north or south) Take I-81 to exit 222, then take Rt. 250 East towards Waynesboro, go to 2nd 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 Wed. February 27th
 Friday: 6pm – 8 pm
 Saturday: 7am- 8am
 Send Pre-Registration forms to
 Dennis Wilfong
 49 Freeport Lane
 Staunton, VA 24401
 Make Checks Payable To: Augusta Archers

START TIMES

	<u>Saturday Feb. 28th</u>	<u>Sunday Mar. 1st</u>
1 st	9am – 12pm	8am – 11am
2 nd	12pm – 3pm	11am – 2pm
3 rd	3pm – 6pm	2pm – 5pm

Contact Information

(540)849-8351 Email: martin4me2@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.

Must shoot both days (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.

VBA Indoor Sectional Championship Registration

NAME: _____ PHONE: (____) _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 VBA#: _____ HOME CLUB _____

Circle those that apply:

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

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

Class: Archers will be classed after the first days score.

Round Preference: **Sat:** 1st 2nd 3rd **Sun:** Will be determined after Sat's round.

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. Obtain a temporary vehicle pass at the visitor center adjacent to the control point by presenting driver's license and vehicle registration. 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/>

at the

**Fort Belvoir Archery Center
Tompkins Basin Indoor Range
Ft Belvoir, VA**

February 28 & March 1, 2009

The Belvoir Bowhunters welcome you Friday evening (February 27) for Refreshments from 7 to 9 p.m.

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

Registration:

Due to Ft. Belvoir security requirements pre-registration is required!

By Mail: Must be received by Feb 22, 2008. Send Pre-Registration form(s) to: Robin Vogel, 7110 Wilburdale Dr., Annandale, VA 22003

By Email to: RVogel@verizon.net Checks due Saturday morning for Email registration.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO BELVOIR BOWHUNTERS Questions? Contact Robin Vogel, (703) 941-0019

Rounds

	Saturday	Sunday
1st	9 a.m. - 12 noon	8 a.m. - 11 noon
2nd	12 p.m. - 3 p.m.	11 p.m. - 2 p.m.
3rd	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

VBA Membership required to receive awards. Must shoot both days.

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

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

State Indoor Sectional Championship Registration

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

VBA #: _____ Home Club: _____

Circle those that apply:

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

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

Class: Archers will be classed after the first days score.

Round Preference: **Sat:** 1st 2nd 3rd **Sun:** will be determined after Sat's round.

PLEASE NOTE: All shooters participating at Fort Belvoir MUST Pre-Register

KINGSBORO BOWMEN
and the
VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION
HOST THE EASTERN LEG of the
2009 VBA Indoor State Championship
February 28th & March 1st, 2009
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 and you must shoot both days

1 ST ROUND Saturday February 28 th	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
2nd ROUND Saturday February 28 th	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
3rd ROUND Saturday February 28 th	3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

1 ST ROUND Sunday March 1 st	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
2nd ROUND Sunday March 1 st	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
3rd ROUND Sunday March 1 st	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:

FRIDAY PM 6:00 –9:00

SATURDAY AM 7:00 – 9:00 FOR MORNING ROUND

TIME WILL BE EXTENDED TO 12:00 NOON FOR PM ROUND

PRE-REGISTRATION APPRECIATED!!!!!!

For Additional Information & Directions to Wilcox
Ed Bickham 757-255-2294, bick333@msn.com
Kingsboro Website: www.kingsboro.bizland.com

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) POSTMARK BY 2/14/09

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, circle or X what applies:

55+

Birthdate for YA, Youth, CUB _____

DIVISION: SENIOR ___ ADULT ___ YOUNG ADULT ___ YOUTH ___ CUB ___

SEX: MALE ___ FEMALE ___ Sat Round # _____ Sunday determined by Scores

STYLE: FS ___, FSL ___, BB ___, BHFS ___, BHFSL ___, TRAD ___

Guest Class for Non-VBA members _____ (No awards)

2009 VBA SECTIONAL INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted By
Sherwood Archers

February 28 & Mar. 1



Registration Time	Sat. Rounds	Sun. Rounds
Friday: 6:00-8:00pm	1 st 9:00-12:00	1 st 8:00-11:00
Sat: 7:00-8:00am	2 nd 12:00-3:00	2 nd 11:00-2:00
Sun: 'til noon for 3 rd round	3 rd 3:00-6:00	3 rd 2:00-5:00

Pre-registration is recommended

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

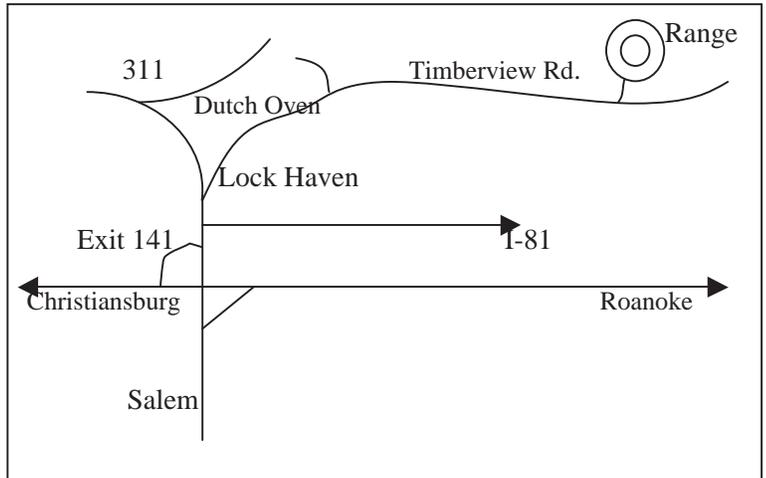
VBA membership is required to receive awards. Must shoot both days.

PLACES TO STAY

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 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



Make checks payable to Sherwood Archers,

Mail to: James Clippard
 5116 Buckskin Lane
 Salem, VA 24153

Phone: 540-520-6988
 Club: 540-366-3701

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

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

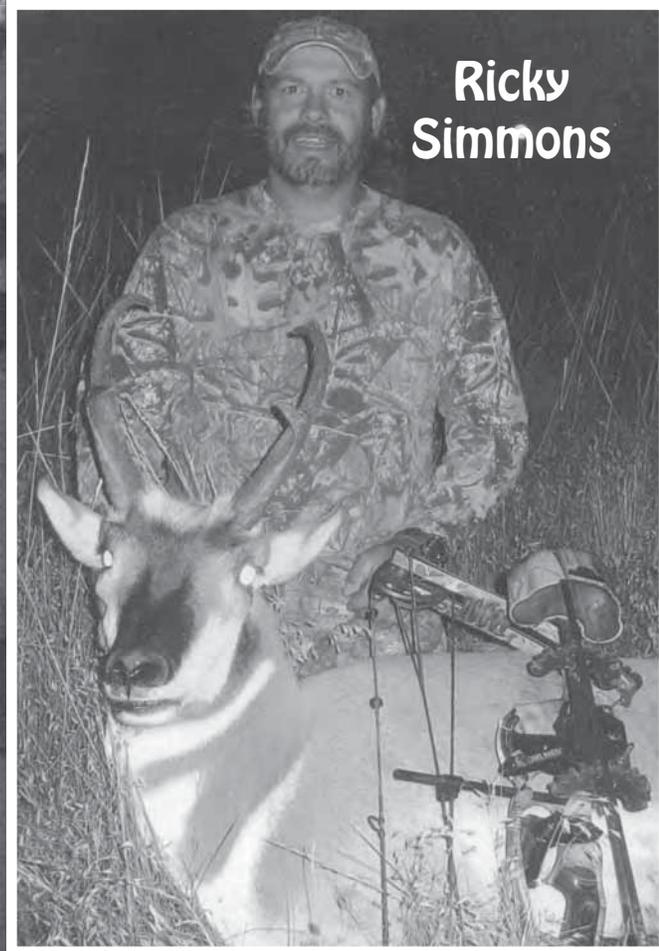
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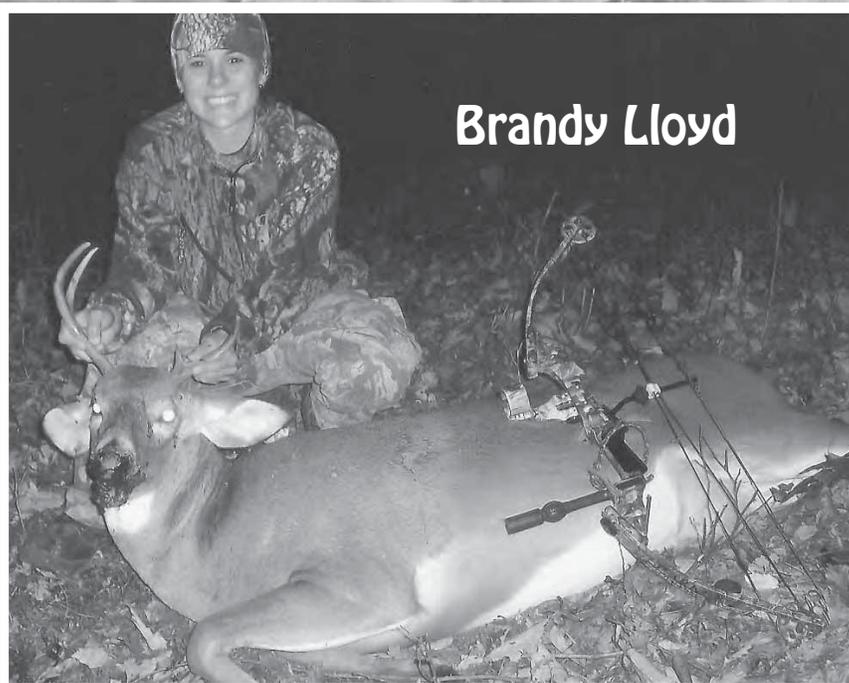
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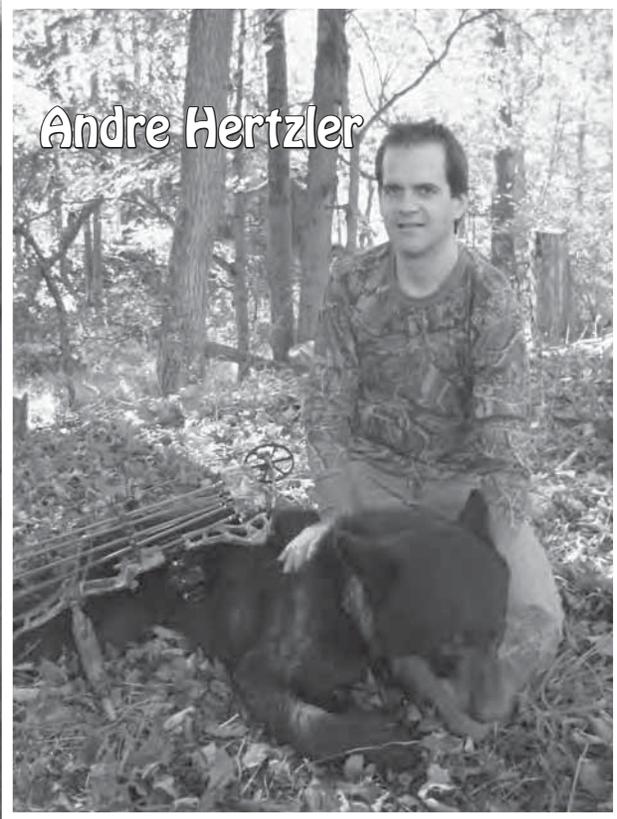


Ricky Simmons



Brandy Lloyd

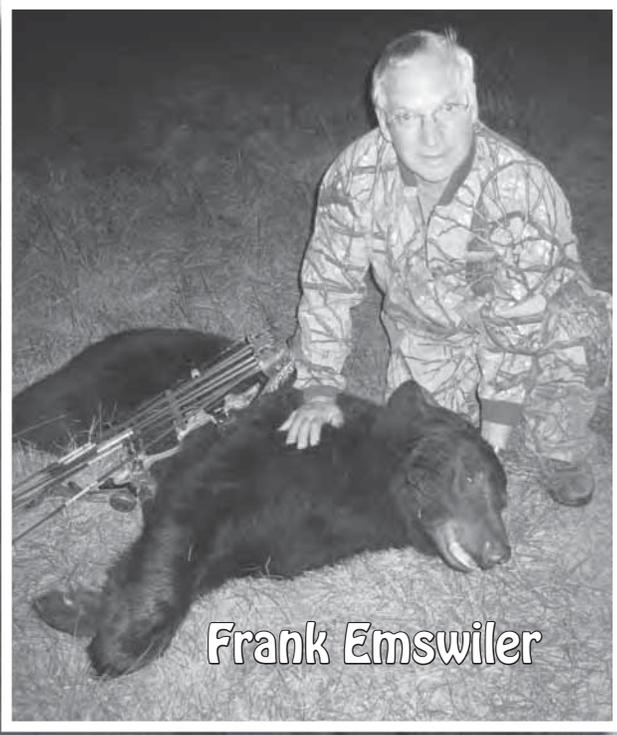
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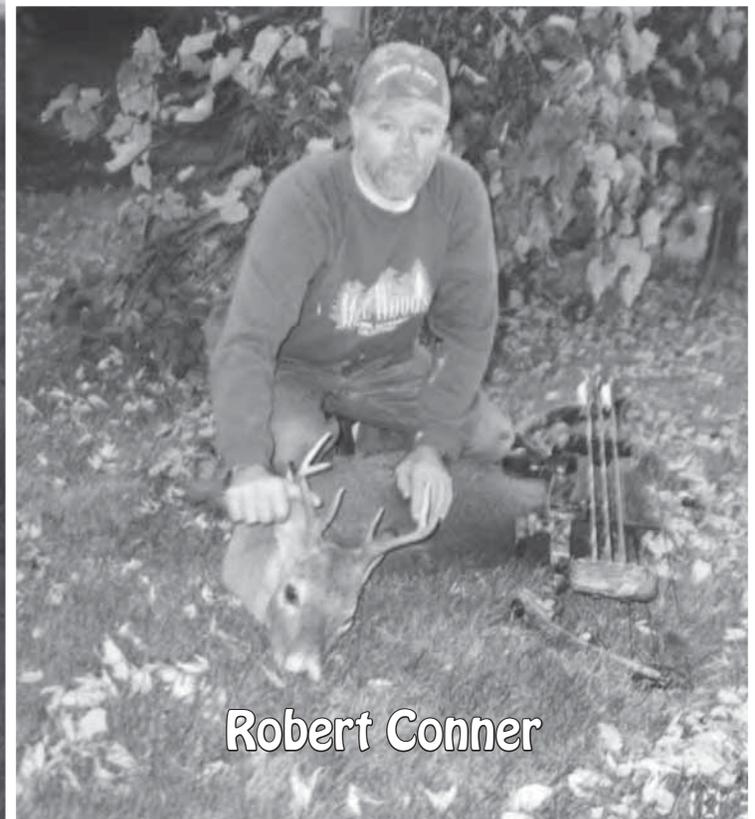
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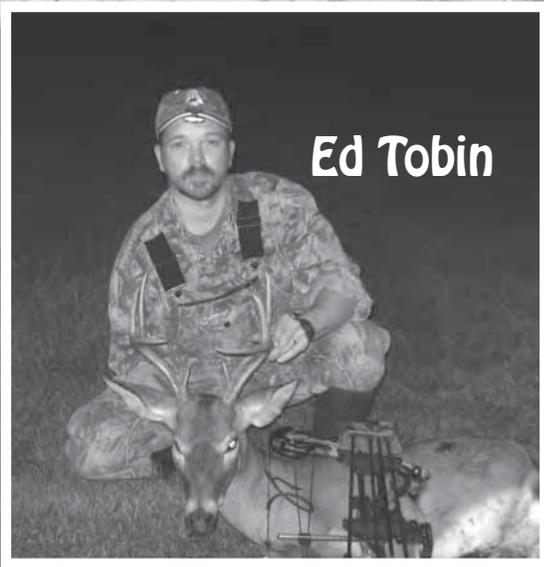
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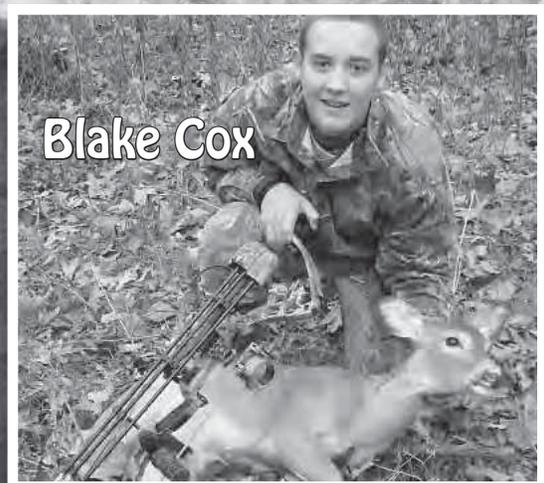
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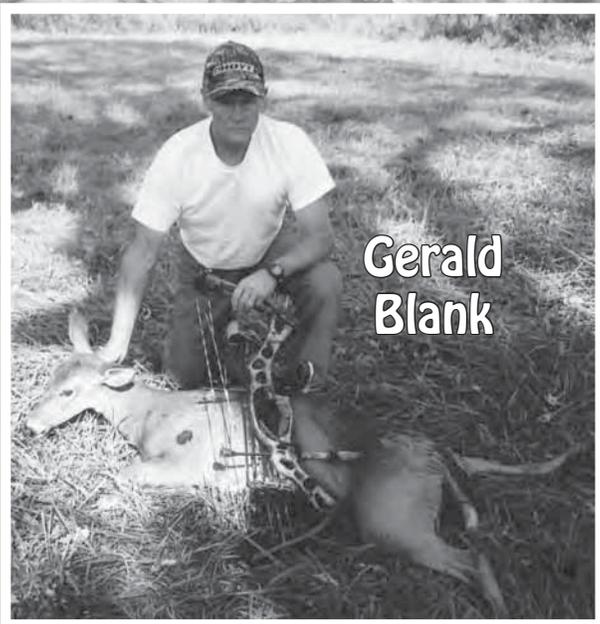
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**Billy
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Brandon Houff



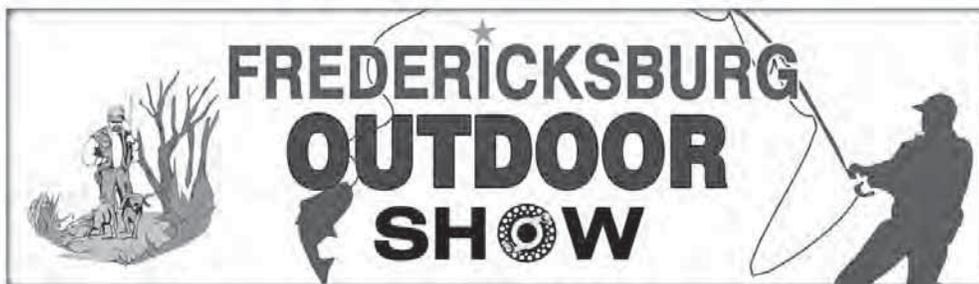
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Lowell Hertzler



FEBRUARY 20-21-22, 2009

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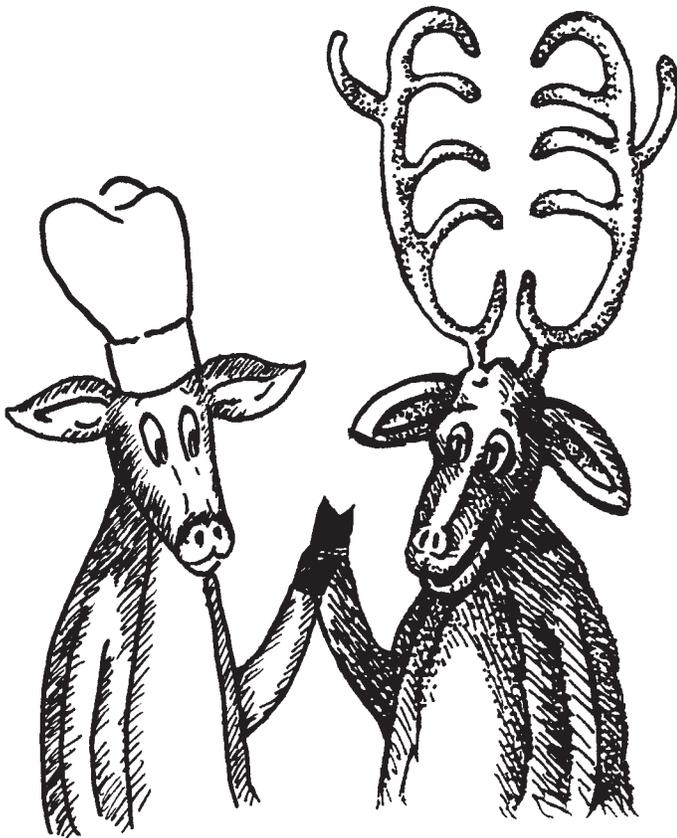
or contact: Nate Mahanes – Program Director (434)-248-5444 nmahanes@vt.edu

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Hunters for the Hungry: Don't forget to donate your deer to an organization that helps many in need especially at this time of the year. They need help from both hunters and non-hunters. If you are not able to donate your deer, monetary gifts in any amount are appreciated to offset the cost of preparing the meat for distribution. This important support comes from folks like you! You may send your gift to Hunters for the Hungry, P.O. Box 304, Big Island, VA 24526.

Best wishes to everyone for a Happy, Healthy and Safe New Year!

Yours in Archery ~~ Irene Stocksdale



WINNIE AND WALLY'S BEER ROAST

Venison roast
1 C catsup
1 tsp salt
1-2 cans beer

1/2 TBS wine vinegar
1/4 C Worcestershire sauce
1/2 TBS brown sugar

1 large onion, chopped
1 tsp garlic powder
Pepper to taste

Brown roast in small amount of oil. Mix other ingredients and pour half into crock pot. Add roast and remaining sauce. Cook 8 hrs. on low.

This is especially good served with mashed potatoes and collard greens on a cold evening after a successful day's hunt.

**Virginia
Bowhunters Association**

Announces its

**FOURTEENTH ANNUAL AWARDS
BANQUET**

Saturday, March 21, 2009

Pano's Restaurant

3190 South Main Street (Exit 243 off I-81)

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

Awards – 8:00 p.m.

AWARDS GIVEN FOR:

Biggest Buck – 1st, 2nd, 3rd (Antlers – Virginia Scoring System)

Biggest Buck (Weight)

Biggest Doe (Weight)

Biggest Bear (Weight)

Biggest Turkey (Weight)

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BIG GAME TROPHIES DISPLAYED**

To Enter Your Big Game Animal:

Contact: Kevin Reedy

(276) 728-4456

For Banquet Information:

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(276) 728-4456

David Burpee

(703) 913-0508



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Call (540) 433-2521

*For special room rate, tell them
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Virginia Bowhunters Association

2009 Spring 3D Classic April 18th -19th

And

AUGUSTA ARCHERS



25 3D targets each day at marked distances VBA rules apply

Directions:

(north or south) Take I-81 to exit 222, then take Rt. 250 East towards Waynesboro, go to 2nd 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 Wed. April 15th
Friday: 7pm – 9 pm
Saturday: 7am- 8am
Send Pre-Registration forms to:
Dennis Wilfong
49 Freeport Lane
Staunton, VA 24401
Make Checks Payable To: Augusta Archers

START TIMES

Saturday April 18th
Shotgun start 9am and 1:30pm

Sunday April 19th
Shotgun start 9am and 1:30pm

Contact Information

(540)849-8351 or martin4me2@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.

Must shoot both days (open to all shooters)

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

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

VBA Spring Classic 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 FS/F BHFS BHFS/F BH BB TRAD

Round Preference: Sat: morning afternoon Sun: Will be determined after Sat's round.



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 1ST 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.

2009 VBA Calendar of Events

VBA Meetings

January 10-11
 March 21 (Banquet) and 22 Meeting
 June 13-14
 September 19-20

State Tournaments

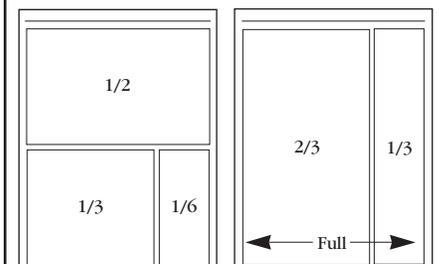
State Indoor Sectional: Feb 28 & March 1
 Belvoir Bowhunters
 Augusta Archers
 Sherwood Archers
 Kingsboro Bowmen
 Spring 3D Classic: April 18-19
 Augusta Archers
 State Open: May 23-24
 Sherwood Archers
 Fall 3D Classic: August 15-16
 Manahoac
 State Closed: September 5-6
 Augusta Archers



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 Vinton, VA 24179*

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months. Now
let’s start
shooting
those indoor
targets”*