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INDOOR ARCHERY TOURNEY SHEDULED

BALTIMORE, MD.—Maryland's first Mid-Atlantic Indoor Archery Tournament will get under way January 17, 1965 beginning at 2:00 P.M. and lasting until 8:00 P.M. in the Baltimore Civic Center.

Sponsored by the F. and M. Schaefer Brewing Company and sanctioned by the Professional Archery Association, the \$750 cash prize event will be one of the attractions of the Sports Travel and Vacation Show running at the Civic Center January 12 through 17.

In addition to the one-day, cash-prize shoot there will be a five-day indoor tourney sponsored by the Maryland Archery Association.

The M.A.A. tourney will run Tuesday through Saturday and registration will be casual. Shooting will begin at 5:30 P.M. Tuesday through Friday and at 12 noon on Saturday.

Trophies will be awarded for the following classes: men and wimen instinctive, men and women free-style, junior open and adult amateur.

In the Schaefer Brewing Company's oneday cash event, the \$750 prize money will be awarded to the first seven men archers and to the first four women archers.

Top money in the men's division will be \$250, second place award will be \$125. In the women's class, first prize will be \$75 and second place will take \$40. No person under 21 years of age will be eligible to compete for the prize money, but archers of all ages may compete in the Maryland Archery Association's five-day indoor tourney.

For further details write to Mr. Donald Hughes, Tournament Committee, 6 Graywood Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21222.

CONTEST RESULTS

J. W. Rhodes, owner of the Arrow Head Sport Shop, Roanoke, has advised that Edward Eugene Blankenship, Rt. 5, Box 516, Roanoke, was the winner of the big deer contest sponsored by his shop. The winning deer was a doe weighing 114 pounds field dressed. Mr. Rhodes said that quite a few deer were killed by archers who entered the contest, among them was a 4-point buck and a 6-point buck which, to his surprise, field dressed at only 110 pounds each.

Door Prizes

State Shoot — 1964

- 1 Ideal Minnow and Ice Bucket—Donated by Ideal Fishing Float Co., Inc., Richmond, Va.
- 1 Robin Hood Pictures—Donated by Robin Hood Archery Co., Montclair, N. J.
- 12 prs. Brush Buttons—Donated by Trueflight Mfg. Co., Inc., Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin.
- 2 Predator calls—Donated by Lohman Mfg. Co., Neosho, Missouri.
- 1 Bow Bird—Donated by Saunders Archery Target Co., Columbus, Nebraska.
- 1 Table Lighter Donated by Mustain Jewelers, Waynesboro, Va.
- 1 Axe—Donated by Corner Hardware Co., Waynesboro, Va.
- 1 Camouflage Parka—Donated by Camouflage Mfg. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
- 1 Tote Bag—Donated by Standard Drug Co., Waynesboro, Va.
- 1 Camp Stove—Donated by J. J. Newberry Co., Waynesboro, Va.
- 1 Doz. Spira-Rests—Donated by Shankland Saxon Corp., Kenosha, Wisconsin.
- 2 1,000-ft. rolls Reynolds plastic Film donated by Reynolds Metals Co., Grottoes, Va.
- 1 small cut glass pitcher—Donated by Rhames Jewelers, Waynesboro, Va.
- 3 Cutter Snake Bite Kits and 3 vials of Insect Repellent—Donated by Cutter Laboratories, Berkeley, Calif.
- 2½ Doz. Copperhead Broadheads & Small Game Blunts—Donated by Midland Tool, Inc., Detroit, Michigan.
- 10 2-year subscriptions to "Bow & Arrow" Magazine—Donated by Bow & Arrow Magazine.
- 2 cartridges Buck Lure—Donated by Miracle Lure, Lansdowne, Pa.
- 1 Bow Cover—Donated by Brooks Sports Store, Waynesboro, Va.
- 3 Doz. Wooden Shafts—Donated by M. L. McKinney Co., Oakland, Oregon.
- 1 First Aid Kit—Donated by Fishburne's Drug Store, Waynesboro, Va.
- 1 84-inch Bow—Donated by Hite's Archery, P. O. Box 267, Rich Creek, Va.
- 1 Hip Quiver—Donated by Arrow Head Sports Shop, Rt. 2, Box 177-A, Roanoke, Va.

To All Club Secretaries

Here we are ready to start another New Year. This is a request that you try to get Charter renewals and initial roster of members to me as soon as possible so that I can make up the list of affiliated clubs and officers by February 1st at the latest.

Thanks a lot and Merry Christmas.

SUE PRICE

STATE SHOOT — 1965

Bids for the Nineteenth Annual VBA State Championship Shoot were submitted at the October VBA meeting by Augusta Archers, Staunton, and Sherwood Archers, Roanoke. A tentative bid was submitted by Richmond Archers, Richmond, Va.

Have your club representative prepared to vote for the site of your choice, at the January VBA meeting.

DUES INCREASE

By action of the Board of Directors at the quarterly V.B.A. meeting October 11, 1964, dues, effective January 1, 1965, will be raised to \$4.00 per year for each adult V.B.A. member, and to \$3.00 per year for each youth, excluding the Bowhunter membership. Also, effective January 1, 1965, the Corresponding Secretary of V.B.A. will be paid \$1.00 per V.B.A. member, per year.

This increase will take care of each individual's NFAA membership when the NFAA reorganization, which is anticipated sometime during 1965, takes place, as well as the above mentioned increase in the Corresponding Secretary's salary.

Office of Hunting Vice President

Hunting Vice President G. B. Booth, Jr., advises that he has received only 19 Big Game Award applications to date. He said it is possible the deer kill may be down somewhat this year due to the extremely dry weather we experienced during the early part of the season but he will have a full report for the February issue of FLIGHT.

FLIGHT

News and Views of the Virginia Bowhunters Association, Inc.

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"20"-PIN WINNERS October-November, 1964

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60 Yards

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65 Yards

Doc Blankenship, Lynchburg Lawrence Brown, Virginia Beach Phillip Tillison, Bristol

80 Yards

James Anderson, Harrisonburg Bill Goodman, Falls Church James Key, Bedford

There are three classes of people: the few who make things happen, the many who watch things happen, and the overwhelming majority who have no idea what happened.

OUR WORKING WARDENS

Virginia game wardens put in 342,353 hours patrolling the state's fields, forests and waters during the 1963-64 fiscal year. Of 270,596 fishermen, hunters and boaters checked during the year, 6,288 were convicted of law violations. This represented an increase of 519 cases over the previous year.

Fishing without a license was the most prevalent violation, accounting for 1,704 of the convictions. Safety equipment violations on boats ranked second in total convictions, resulting in 745 fines. Trespassing on private property was a close third with 703 convictions. The resulting fines brought \$127,497.37 to the State Literary Fund.

About half of the wardens' time was spent enforcing game laws, and about one-fourth enforcing fish laws. The remainder was spent on boat law enforcement, assisting game and fish personnel, and carrying out public relations duties.

From the total of 42,569 boat inspections made, 1,138 persons were arrested and 1,069 convicted of various violations, mostly failing to comply with safety equipment requirements. This represents one violation for each 37.4 boats checked.

from VIRGINIA WILDLIFE

For the Bowhunters

To date (Nov. 24) I have received only one application for the Bill Bennett Big Game Award from our new group of Bowhunting Members. I do hope more of you were successful. If you were, don't forget that I must have your application within 90 days of the kill. If you don't have an application blank, write to me and I will send you one.

ALSO—Just a reminder—Memberships are renewable January 1st and the Bowhunting Membership is still \$3.00. Tell your friends about V.B.A. With numbers on our rolls, we have more leverage when requesting things from the Game Commission.

Merry Christmas.

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What Will New Conservation Laws Mean to the People?

Numerous Federal laws enacted during 1964 are being hailed as the renaissance of esthetic conservation. This renaissance—so called—is based on the assumption that the great mass of Americans place a high priority value on their heritage of unspoiled and reclaimable resources. With no impingements on Congressional intent or the fond hopes of citizens, what objectives will these laws accomplish? Will they develop any marked intellectual challenge, will they teach people the difference between productive leisure and irresponsible idleness?

Most conservation laws are a presumption that ethics and esthetics can be injected into the minds of people by legislative mandates, and that these laws will create a spiritual nobility of sorts without contest. Such hopes are unrealistic. In the first place, government policies are neither all good or all bad; they are a compromise between selfishness and altruism. They are an index of human rationalizing; and where no interest wins completely. They are supposed to have the glow and aura of some moral responsibility.

If esthetics were truly part and parcel of human sensitivity there would be little need for laws. Laws can no more guarantee ethical inspirations than they can improve morals. Only the fear of laws in both instances impel most people to walk the straight and narrow.

Land-based industries utilizing resources are a constant suspect of greed, but esthetics are often used as a camouflage to promote gross commercialism. Such has been the case in promoting some of the newly advocated national parks and recreational areas. The initial sponsoring had almost the mystic gleam of an ethereal crusade to save esthetics. Many sincere people accepted this original objective as all wool and a yard wide; others saw a wide open opportunity for commercialism. When pure esthetics failed to strike a responsive chord, some politicians sweetened the pot with the allure of tourist dollars which would accrue to the respective states and localities.

This has been the progressive history of the Sleeping Bear Dunes Lakeshore Proposal of Michigan, which has not yet been established, and of the new Ice Age National Scientific Reserve in Wisconsin. It has taken the prophecy of a mass migration of tourists and their shiny dollars to put the propositions across.

Now there is strong advocacy to make a national park of the Apostle Islands at the head of Lake Superior. There is no question that these islands are unique and have a haunting beauty beyond price. A movie is being shown which states that an island park would be a drawing card for 50 million people of the Midwest. I shutter to think what a small percentage of 50 million people would do to the Apostle Islands if any substantial part of that number were turned loose. The numbers

would have to be limited or the islands would be trampled to bare rock.

The above mentioned types of recreational development would be a heyday for real estate promoters to overload the perimeter with hurdy-gurdies of the worst kind if zoning is not put into effect. Zoning would be the only salvation, but who is to tackle the job? It is to be a national, state or local responsibility? It could easily accelerate a pie-in-the-sky land boom which would beat zoning and esthetics into the ground.

I can well understand the profit motive and appreciate its value, and if commercialism is part of the package, let it be so stated in big print. Let there also be an honest and thorough analysis of what public acquisition will do to the tax base; who is going to be hurt and how much.

Honesty dictates that these well intentioned proponents—citizens, political leaders and public agencies—clearly state their underlying intents and purposes. Are they attempting to save esthetics, or garner votes or promote greater commercialism at the expense of the resources? Can it be both, and if so, how will commercialism be regulated to save esthetics, which is their great hue and cry. Dollars invariably win over poetic dreams.

Another question can be posed. Just how many people are truly concerned with esthetics, which means the protection and preservation and limited use of the primitive setting from spoilation? How many are basically concerned with commercial development? Both groups can be honest in purpose, but esthetics should not front for commercialism.

I know of any number of fine lakes and rivers which a few decades ago were semi-wilderness and a delight of isolation. Today they are being crowded with cottages and trespass signs as a result of commercial promotion, and with no concern for the deterioration of esthetics. In instances local governments are involved in such practices. Some approach rural slums after a short time. Again, zoning is the only answer.

Then there is another class of people who are financially able to buy seclusion and social stature but, who at the same time, profess great concern for the esthetics. They are able to purchase a substantial acreage for a summer home along with choice water frontage. But soon an ugly gash is cut through the timber for a power line. The old wood stove and kerosene lamp are long out of date. One strike against esthetics. Of course there must be a road, as the day of packing in has long gone. The two winding ruts with their arch of trees is soon widened and blacktopped. Strike two against esthetics.

As the excess frontage increases in value it is sold to select buyers for a profit. Soon lawns with iron deer and sprinkler systems appear along the water front where once were massive pines or oaks, dogwood, juneberries, poison ivy and wildlife. Deer nibble shrub-

bery and are complained about, woodchucks dig holes and are used for target practice, a select number of song birds are allowed sanctuary, the rest shot as predators or just nuisances.

Sewage of the crudest kind is surreptitiously run into the water; eventually a mild stench becomes noticeable and weed growth increases. Copper sulphate is used to kill the weeds and fishing is no longer what it was in the good old days. Natural beauty and esthetics go down the drain along with the sewage and other civilized improvements; waterskiing and powerboats become a substitute. Strike three against esthetics.

I can understand the motives and objectives of the forest manager and the farmer, but I can't understand the thousands of hypocritical quasi-wilderness and outdoor lovers who profess an affinity for nature in the raw, but who soon compromise their esthetic pretensions by gross abuses. I have no quarrel with honest convictions, but I gall at the vast number of professed nature lovers who do not mean a word they utter. Those who profess no esthetic inclinations are more honest than many who give esthetics lip service. There is far too much salad dressing covering people's basic desires and motivations.

The most important ingredient of all human attitudes in the preservation of esthetics is unselfishness so far as personal advantages are concerned. Laws with all their good intentions are not going to change human nature.

Human energy is a renewable resource which needs both a physical and an intellectual challenge to give it any meaning. Leisure which does neither is a waste of time.

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At the V.B.A. quarterly meeting held Sunday, October 11, V.B.A. President Eugene

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stinctive Champion Clifford Necessary a beauti-

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for his outstanding performance in winning the 1964 N.F.A.A. championship setting new records which we hope will stand for years to come." As those of you who have had the pleasure of meeting Cliff might imagine,

he modestly gave credit to the other outstanding archers in Virginia who put the pressure on him at tournaments throughout the year, and forced him to shoot so well.

Club Secretaries

When sending in your list of new members the first of the year, don't forget that VBA dues, effective January 1, 1965, will be \$4.00 per year. As advised in the August issue of FLIGHT, this increase will take care of the salary increase for the Corresponding Secretary, as well as NFAA dues when the reorganization is consummated. It will also help VBA to maintain a small cash reserve, which is necessary for a healthy organization.

An old-timer is someone who remembers when parents and baby sitters were the same people.

News From Prince William Archers

Friday night, August 28, was a red-letter day for members of the Prince William Archers, for on that night a switch was pulled by Walter Flory, county game warden, marking the area's first night archery course.

For three years, the archers have been working on lighting the course at the Izaak Walton Park at Brentsville. Fourteen of the 28 targets on the course are now lit.

The first night tournament to be held in Northern Virginia was held following the lighting ceremonies, with some 27 archers participating. Future plans call for each Thursday night to be a practice night, with additional tournaments planned for the future.

Bob Cissell, president, was instrumental in building the course, along with the help of some 30 club members. Other officers are Dave Harris, treasurer, Herb Hoover, secretary, and Vernon Land, range warden.

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