

State Tournament Highlights

STATE TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS by Louis Hudson

In the eyes of this archer the Augusta Archers and the V.B.A. Officers have staged another fine State Tournament.

The Augusta Archers had two of the best ranges I have ever shot on, and the V.B.A. officers handled & ran the shoot as smoothly as I have seen it handled (and I have shot in quite a few). So, hats off to the Augusta Archers and the VBA for a job well done!

The crowd of shooters approaching 200 was the best that we have had in several years, I understand, and shows that archery is starting to grow again. The weather was beautiful but HOT, and so were most of the scores. Everybody seemed to have a very good time, if you can call having a good time being beat by two 560's and a 556 which Jim Quarles threw at everyone. Also some of the other hot scores were shot by Elmo Moore in Barebow A with an aggregate of 1528 - Penny Shannon shot a 1474 in Free Style Women's A - Tom Frye in Bowhunter A shot his usual good scores for an aggregate of 1451 - Vicky Moore

was ladies Barebow A champ with 1369. Bowhunter unlimited was won by Michael Campbell with 1478 - Amateur Barebow A Class winner was Steve McGuire with 1448 - In Amateur Freestyle A Robert Chamblin had a 1596 aggregate for 1st. Top shooter in Youth Bear Bow Div. was Thomas Dodson with a 724 - and David Blankenship with a 1211 aggregate took Free Style A in Youth Division.

One of our youngest (at heart that is) Lady Free Style shooter, Mertie Shultz, won Ladies Free Style B Class with a 1016. She whipped up on Poor Ole "Dutch" as usual, but we must congratulate him, he did finish the tournament.

We had on the range a roving photographer, by the name of Murray Selby, one of our good archers who took off this tournament to take pictures for Flight. Thanks Murray.

(Other scores and how archers finished will appear on other pages in this Flight)

AUGUSTA SHOOT GREAT

by Pres. Harold Street

Quarles did it again! Did you know he has shot 7 perfect rounds? Looks like one of the archery magazines would do an article on Jim.

Vicky-Moore kept her title. If my records are right, she is a three time champ. Tom Frye has won the Bowhunter Division three times. Penny Shannon was in the winning circle, too. Emo took the Barebow with a 1528 (514-494-520). By comparison Vernon Hoosier was our first Free-Style champ in 1961 with scores of 404-378-374.

I asked for suggestions and really got them. (I ran out of tape in the Oval Office) Here they are:

1. Women want to be placed closer to No. 1 target.
2. Drop animal round and shoot two rounds -- one each day.
3. Hold a three day shoot.
4. Put another ring on the target face and use a new scoring system. National

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VBA Notes

* A public information statement published by N.F.A.A. telling the need and necessity of the hunter to help maintain the balance of game populations may be ordered from Nancy Lee Western, Cor. Sec. at 1¢ each and should be distributed to the public.

* After considerable effort by the Bowhunter Freestyle Division Comm., a much watered-down version was approved for a year's trial basis. This division will be called the "Semi-Restricted Bowhunter Division" (SRB). The only restriction is that one will have to use 125 grain points and fixed sights. Everything else goes. So now we have two free-style divisions. (The foregoing statement is the Editor's Opinion)

* Should out-of-staters be allowed to compete at closed state championship shoots? Perhaps, if they belong to VBA and a VBA chartered Club, but to no other state archery organization. Another topic to be discussed at the next VBA meeting.

* Augusta Archers has exercised it's option to host the 1974 Va. Closed State Championship Tournament to be held Sept. 1&2, 1974.

* Bluefield Archery Club will host again the 1974 Indoor State Championship to be held March 2&3, 1974.

* Wytheville will host the Va. CS in May 1974 and also the Bowhunter Jamboree Western Area. Princess Anne will hold the Eastern portion of the Bowhunter Jamboree.



VBA meeting action: Hugh Darnell, Past VBA Recording Secretary, listens to Jim Overfelt make a point on the Semi-restricted Bowhunter Division (SRB).

Suggested Classification Changes

Below are the proposed classification numerical values that will be voted on at the Jan. 6, 1974 VBA meeting. Please be informed and discuss these at club meeting and send a delegate to

Free-Style Men	Bare-Bow Men
AA 540 - up	AA 450 - up
A 500 - 539	A 400 - 449
B 425 - 499	B 300 - 399
C 0 - 424	C 0 - 299
FS/Women	BB/Women
AA 425 - up	AA 375 - up
A 350 - 424	A 300 - 374
B 250 - 349	B 200 - 299
C 0 - 249	C 0 - 199
Bowhunter Men	Bowhunter Women
AA 400 - up	AA 225 - up
A 325 - 399	A 125 - 224
B 250 - 324	B 0 - 124
C 0 - 249	

Dear Nancy,

Many times we archers attend an excellent tournament, enjoy ourselves for a week-end and then return to the task of making a living without saying a word of thanks to the people whose efforts have made such a tournament possible. I have just returned from the V.B.A. State Closed tournament and want to be sure to get my thanks in to everyone who helped make it possible.

Would you please, when you have the opportunity, express my personal thanks to the Augusta Archers and their wife for helping to make this years State VBA tourney such a success. Also, please thank them for the forethought and effort that went into making our weekend stay at their archery range so pleasant.

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DEADLINE DATES

The deadline date for the Nov. - Dec.
issue of "Flight" is Nov. 14, 1973.
The issue should be in the hands of the
membership by the first week in Dec.

Bowhunters' Lament

by Dave Wellington

*It was a cold, cold morning
Everything was white
Dark, cold morning
Without any light.
I had to get up and be on my way
Had to hunt the deer, had to chase them
all day
Well, I'm a man, a deer hunting man.
I'm a man, a bow shootin' man
And I really git my thrill when I get out
in them there hills.*

CHORUS -- *Oh, I love to go deer hunting
I love to chase the deer.
But when it comes to getten' one,
They have no need to fear.
Well, I walked down the trail and
I stubbed my toe,
Fell in the creek and busted my bow.
Oh, what luck! Look down the trail!
Here it comes just a slaggin' its tail.
It's a buck, Won't you look at that rack.
It's a buck and I'm flat on my back
Oh, what am I gonna do? I busted my
bow and now I'm all through.*

CHORUS
*Well, I ran back to camp and I got
a new bow.
Got out in the woods and it started
to snow.
My feet got cold and my hands got numb.
and then the deer, they started to come.
Oh, look at the deer comin' over the*

*rise.
Look at the deer with their big,
or brown eyes.
Dashin' and prancin' through the snow
And I'm too cold to even hold my bow!*

CHORUS
*When I got back to camp, I was tired
and beat,
Too pooped out to even stand on my
feet.
I climbed in my sack — got under
the down.
And then the tent started falling
down.*

(Ed. note — Dave, a former V B.A. member, now lives in Spokane, Wash. It is my understanding that this incident actually happened. I wish everybody could hear Dave sing it, because you just want to go chase those deer.)

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Thank you for the article "Broadhead Test Results". Much more like this is needed and the VBA should sponsor more such research in the future.

One item I would like to call your attention to is the question: why some broadheads were rated in two categories (MA-3, A-3L, Copperhead slicer, Copperhead Ripper) while one of the most popular broadheads, the Black Diamond had only one model of three tested? The Black Diamond Eskimo 4 edge is quite unlike the Black Diamond Delta 4 edge. If heads are to be rated, then we must try to evaluate the most popular heads.

A recent survey showed that members of the Indiana Bowhunters Assn. showed the Bear Razorhead was the most popular with SUCCESSFUL (57%) bowhunters followed by Black Diamonds (20%) followed by the Missile Spike (10%), Little Shaver (4%), 00-3 (4%), Wasp (1%) and the MA-3 (1½%).

Incidentally the Deadhead can be made to shoot silent by taping the hole in the front or filing the inside of the hole down. The Deadhead is no longer a production head.

Also I have never heard of the 3 blade Hilbre. As an avid broadhead collector,

I would like to buy or trade old broadheads and would like to find a complete Copperhead Set, made years ago in Richmond Virginia by Adkins. Lets have more on broadheads. Remember, the most important thing is to keep your broadheads shaving sharp.

Incidentally, I can sharpen a 4 edge Delta (Black Diamond) with a file to shaving sharpness in 10 min. using nothing but a 8" mill bastard file and a Red Devil #3915 or a #15 file.

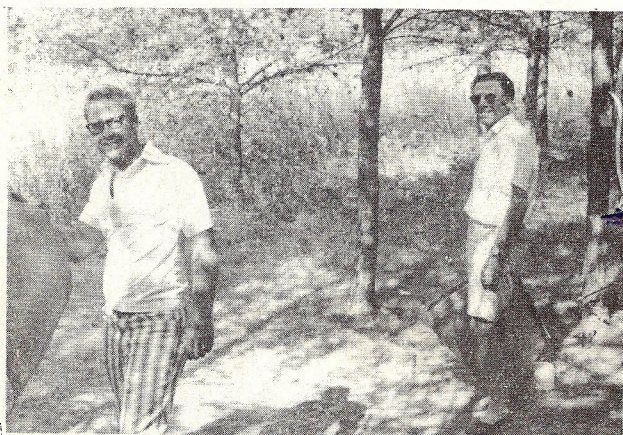
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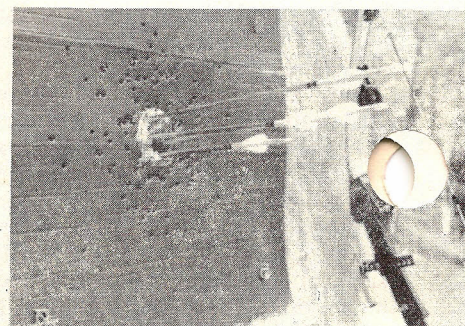
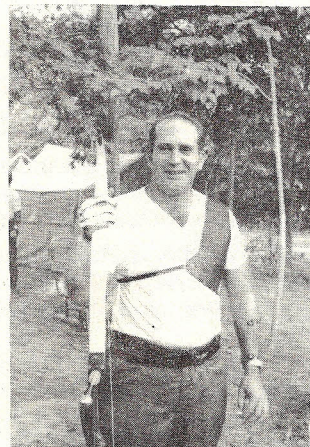
Two "oldtimer" spectators Ed Rose & Jerry Cantrell



Two of the workers maintaining targets



First Group Second Day



The Champ at 40 Yds.

Champs and Winners

CLASS	NAME	FIELD	ANIMAL	HUNTER	AC	ATE
F/S MEN A	James E. Quarles	556 (1)	560 (2)	560 (1)		1676
	James E. Mitchell	553 (2)	560 (1)	544		1657
	Gene Heydel	542	552 (3)	552		1646
	Lucian N. Butler	550 (3)	544	548		1642
	Sonny Foster	546	534	556 (3)		1636
	C.D. Miller	535	532	558 (2)		1625
	B					
	Allen E. Dean	509 (1)	510 (3)	527 (1)		1555
	Renier R. Straefer	478	530 (1)	498 (3)		1506
	Beverly L. Hunter	490	498	498		1486
F/S WOMEN A	James R. Layman	500 (2)	488	492		1480
	Ray E. Grogg	469	528 (2)	465		1462
	Billy Burkholder	459	498	501 (2)		1458
	Jim Goddard	492 (3)	498	451		1441
	C					
	Kyle Proctor	423	442	409		1274
	Elroy L. Russell	355	404	375		1134
	Walter Dillow, Sr.	308	388	364		1060
	D					
	Chester L. Kutzler	314 (1)	394 (1)	298 (1)		1006
F/S WOMEN B	H. A. Shultz	303 (2)	316 (3)	263 (2)		882
	Raymond L. Taylor	267 (3)	378 (2)	229 (3)		874
	Penny D. Shannon	512 (1)	480 (1)	482 (1)		1474
	Ann Boyd	413 (3)	466 (2)	448 (2)		1327
	Ellen Shamblin	423 (2)	400	400 (3)		1223
	Darlene Frye	373	432 (3)	391		1196
	B					
	Mertie Shultz	305 (2)	390 (1)	321 (3)		1016
	Kathy Cissel	329 (1)	346 (2)	338 (2)		1013
	Phyllis Blankenship	281 (3)	242 (3)	382 (1)		1005
F/S WOMEN C	Adine B. Spitler	368	386	367		1121
	B/B MEN A					
	Elmer R. Moore	514 (1)	494 (3)	520 (1)		1528
	Robert L. Moore	501 (2)	498 (2)	476 (2)		1472
	Hiram L. Burch	484 (3)	510 (1)	464		1445
	Russell P. Poe	469	490	470 (3)		1411
	B					
	Stewart Bradford	487 (1)	488	497 (1)		1341
	Bobby J. Norris	463 (2)	498 (3)	484 (2)		
	James Sorrell	447 (3)	504 (1)	460		
F/S WOMEN D	James L. Fox	443	430	468 (3)		
	William D. Jarrell	424	502 (2)	Inc.		
	C					
	David Proctor	419 (1)	458 (2)	393		1270
	Gary Ashby	388 (2)	458 (1)	368		1214
	James Ankrom	368	448 (3)	397		1213
	David Byrd	387 (3)	396	413 (1)		1196
	Richard Zilly	338	394	401 (2)		1136
	Authur Hiserman	324	380	401 (3)		1105
	D					
F/S WOMEN E	Thomas E. Dodson, Sr.	339 (1)	404 (1)	327 (1)		1070
	Richard D. Cornwell	258 (2)	390 (2)	286 (2)		934
	Elmer J. Kyle	230	338 (3)	278 (3)		846
	John T. Dodson	235 (3)	272	261		768
	B/B WOMEN A					
	Vicky P. Moore	431 (1)	502 (1)	436 (1)		1369
	Dorothy McGuire	357 (3)	434 (2)	365 (2)		1156
	Ann Poe	368 (2)	428 (3)	347		1143
	Virginia Dillow	349	400	353 (3)		1102
	B					
	Eula M. Hogge	242	302	230		774

at State Shoot

C	Myrtle Saunders	229 (1)	282 (1)	247 (1)	758
	Betty Blanton	204 (3)	264 (2)	239 (2)	707
	Marianne Clarkson	210 (2)	232 (3)	236 (3)	678

D	Edith Elder	91 (2)	174 (1)	159 (1)	424
	Mary Fry	114 (1)	86 (2)	135 (2)	335

B/H MEN A	Thomas Frye	487 (1)	472 (1)	492 (1)	1451
	Robert Clarkson	433 (2)	400 (3)	420 (3)	1253
	James A. Overfelt	387	450 (2)	404	1241
	Harry R. Thompson	416 (3)	378	432 (2)	1226

B	Terry Martin	379 (1)	396 (2)	425 (1)	1200
	James W. Leigh	344 (3)	414 (1)	384 (2)	1142
	James B. Corbett	365 (2)	340	370 (3)	1075
	W. G. Frye	313	378 (3)	330	1021

C	Donnie Gribble	303 (1)	388 (2)	294 (2)	985
	Raney Owen	225	414 (1)	272	911
	William H. Smiley, Jr.	278 (2)	326 (3)	265	869
	Douglas E. Lamb	262 (3)	306	278 (3)	846
	Joseph T. Elder	245	300	295 (1)	840

D	Larry A. Hefner	219 (1)	282 (1)	219 (1)	720
	James Weidhoner	197 (2)	234 (2)	177 (2)	608
	Gary Hodge	147 (3)	210 (3)	124 (3)	481

B/H UNLIMITED	Michael Campbell	471	508	499	1478
	Glenn A. Parker	418	496	449	1363
	Jessie Bohannon	360	414	369	1143

ATEUR F/S MEN A	Robert Chamblin	540 (1)	530 (1)	526 (3)	1596
	Oliver W. Akins	518 (2)	496 (3)	532 (1)	1546
	Charles T. Jaglinski	442 (3)	470	443	1355
	Rodney S. Lawhorn	Inc.	506 (2)	530	—

B	Michael DuBrueler	429	478	474	1381
	Mark A. Yowell	421	468	434	1323

ATEUR B/B MEN A	Steve McGuire	434	442	472	1348
	Raymond Stone	474	502	Inc.	—

C	Neal Ward	365	306	319	990
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D	George H. Scherer	123	150	125	398
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WOMEN A	Lucille S. Damell	286	294	277	857
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OUTH B/B BOYS B	Thomas Dodson, Jr.	262	258	206 (2)	724
	James Fox, Jr.	201	238	237 (1)	676

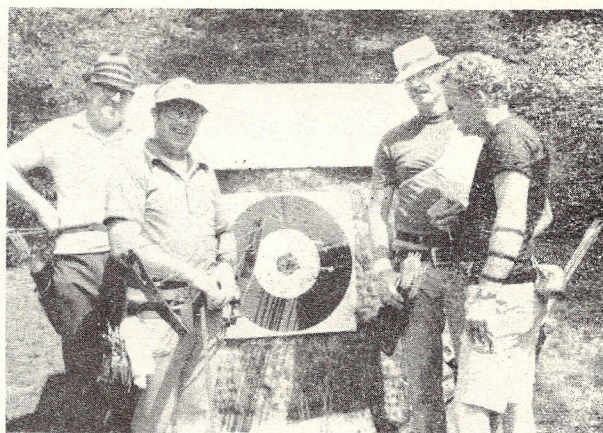
C	Gregory Leigh	214	212	220	646
	Paul Day	161	240	145	546
	George H. Scherer, Jr.	140	164	116	420

OUTH F/S BOYS A	David Blankenship	371	464	376	1211
	Chuck Christian	402	400	371	1173

C	Mark Mitchell	302	444	309	1055
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BOYS CUB B/B A	John D. Griffin, III	368	436	364	1168
	Kenny Lovern	326	376	322	1024

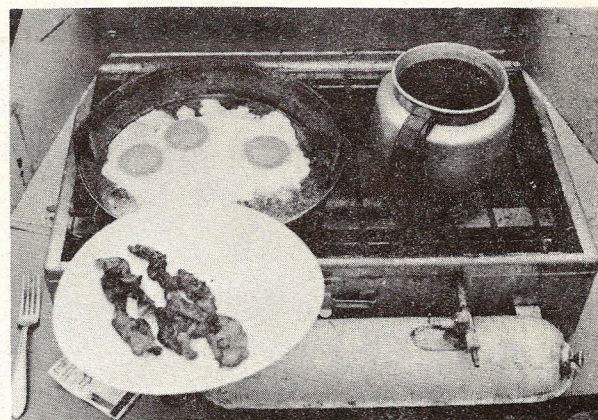
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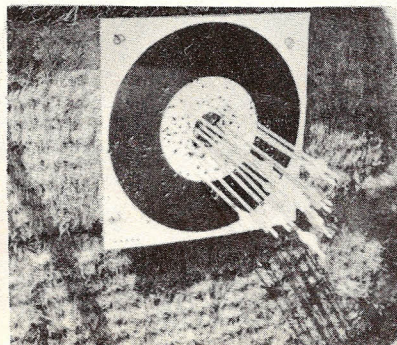
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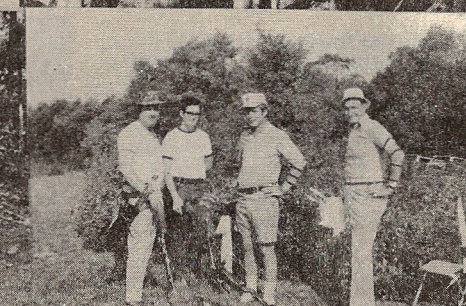
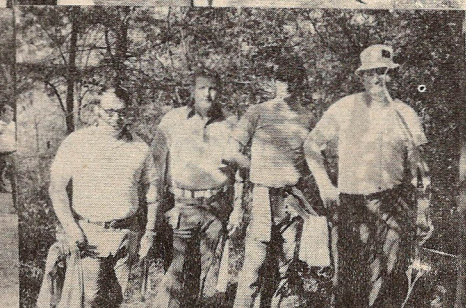
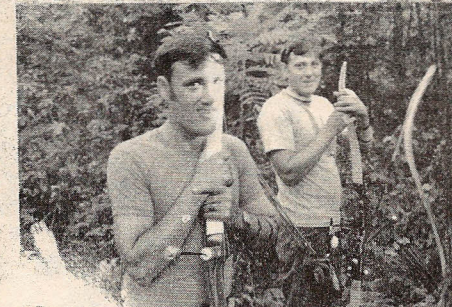
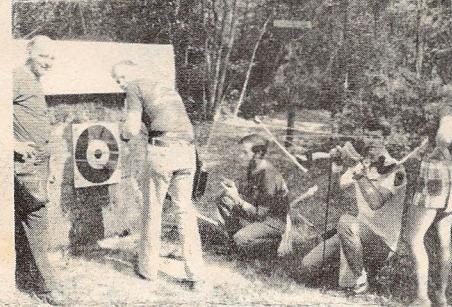
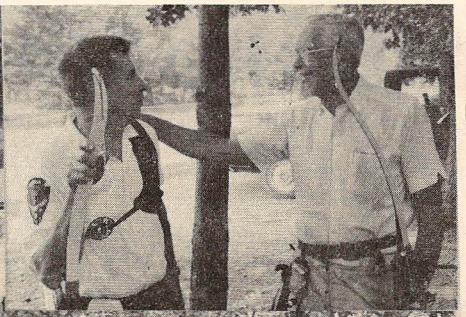
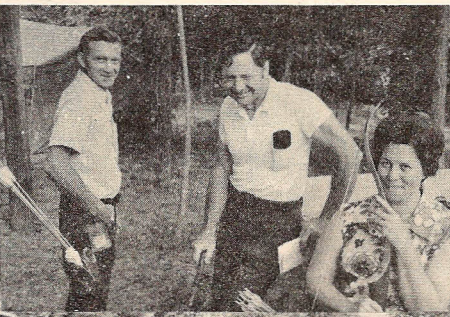


Penny DeShannon 1st FSA Women's



The Photographer's Breakfast Made By Himself!

Mike Campbell
Bowhunter Unlimited ChampJim Quarles makes last minute change
to Bow Handle.



Tidewater Tidbits

Folks:

Well, the State Shoot is but a memory, but we do wish to offer congratulations to everyone who carried any hardware home. It seems there was another contest going too. This one was at the campsite and the name of the game was horseshoes. Princess Anne was challenging all comers and doing fine until the Manassas Maulers showed up. That was all she wrote — But Princess Anne will be ready to tangle with those boys again next year.. Now it's a proven fact that these fellows are outstanding horse-shoe pitchers. but old Richard nearly lost his britches at the poker table.

Fearless Jim Corbett (Range Captain of the Warwick Bowmen) and his good buddy, Gene Lamb, prepared well in advance for the State Shoot. They decided to travel in Gene's car because it was smooth-running and airconditioned. To stave off any problems such as boredom, leg cramps, etc., they prepared a concoction of " Potent Purple Passion." This was to sip on while they sped along to the mountains of West Virginia. The morning came — no problems — Just on the air-conditioning. point the car down the highway and sip on a cool one. The hours passed and the miles disappeared behind our heroes. So did the Purple Passion. Finally they reached their destination, but they were really amazed at the size of Staunton, especially at the grandness of the buildings. Well — as the saying goes "All good things must come to an end" and theirs did with a tremendous crash when they read the sign "WELCOME TO THE NATION'S CAPITOL ...WASHINGTON D.C."

The Bowmen of York voted to recognize their outstanding members with appropriate awards. For his outstanding work in the layout of the range, Ed Wightman was voted the club's Award for Service. (see photo) Chet Kutzler, the President, was voted into the club's Order of Merit. This was given for maintaining the club, his efforts in getting the range ready for the Silver Madallion Tournament, making the awards, and, in general, his all around efforts for the good of archery and the Bowmen of York.

National Hunting and Fishing Week was observed at the Portsmouth Sea wall and once again the Princess Anne Bowmen and their exhibition team took part. Their performance was well received. At the same time, the Dixie Bowmen were participating in the same type affair in Petersburg.

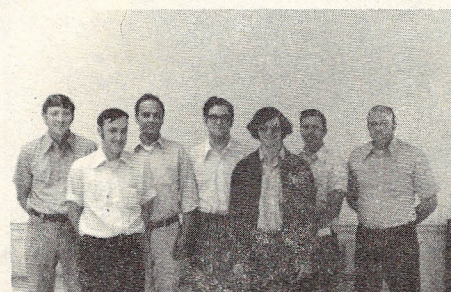
I may be putting myself on a limb, but

VBA

PHOTOS by Carey Price



Here is a lot of VBA experience. Jr. Booth, Augusta Archers delegate and past Hunting VP; Woody Woods, Conservation VP; and Bill Bolt, past VBA President and now NFAA delegate.



These guys finally made it to a VBA meeting. From left: John and Jake Dodson from Culpeper; Marvin Briden, PBA; Sonny Foster, Izaac Walton Lynchburg; Phil Clark, Dixie Bowmen; Noah Simmons, Triangle Bowhunters; and Kyle Procter, Culpeper.



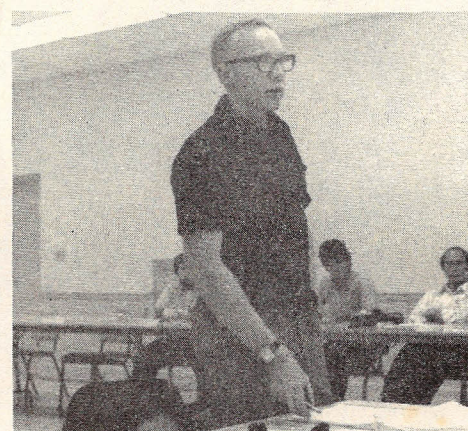
Doc Dillow, past Field V. P., grins impishly after making a motion. He was a delegate this time.

from head count, the Princess Anne Bowmen came out on top for having the most participants at the State Shoot.

See you next issue,
Nina



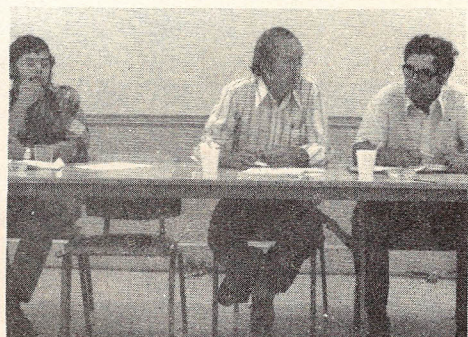
Presentation to Ed Wightman for "Award for Service" by Chet Kutzler.



John Stockman, delegate from NORVA, and Bowhunter Free-style Div. committee chairman, gives his report on the committee's work.



Walt Johnson listens to comment from a delegate after declaring that the Warwick Bowmen will bid for the Mid-Atlantic NFAA tournament in June of '74".



Jim Overfelt, class A bowhunter, makes a point about the SRB.

Nancy, it would also be appreciated if you would extend my personal thanks to the officers of VBA for their efforts in making this tournament possible and for seeing to it that it flowed along smoothly. While they worked, we all shot and played. Again, thanks to all for a most pleasant and memorable weekend.

Sincerely,

Carl Conkey of NORVA

Nancy Lee Western, Cor. Sec.

20 PIN WINNERS**FIELD**

Mark Lawrence, Woodbridge
 John White, Leesburg
 Jack Denbow, Vienna
 Charles Spitler, Winchester
 Eddie Spitler, Winchester
 Robert White, Charles Town, W. Va.
 Dan LaRochelle, Vansant
 Hank Coombs, Great Falls
 Arthur White, Hillsboro
 Fred Crockett, Christiansburg
 Edward Wightman, Newport News
 Aubrey Caldwell, Elk Creek
 Myrtle Saunders, Pearisburg
 Sandra Maxey, Elliston
 Adine Spitler, Winchester
 Jessie Bohannon, Virginia Beach

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 Eddie Spitler, Winchester
 Thomas H. Ott, Harpers Ferry, W. Va.
 Jessie D. Bohannon, Virginia Beach
 Benson Collett, Newport News
 Harold Stried, Williamsburg
 Ronald Hatchett, Newport News
 Myrtle Saunders, Pearisburg
 Jack Hevener, Harrisonburg
 Thomas Dodson, Jr., Culpeper
 Robert White, Charles Town, W. Va.
 Adine Spitler, Winchester
 James Weidhuner, Norfolk
 Denny H. Fry, Va. Beach
 William Saunders, Pearisburg
 Sonny Foster, Lynchburg

JUNIOR - ROBINHOOD PIN
 John Griffin, III, Va. Beach

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would have to do this, but some could experiment with this at clubs.

5. Line-cutters should score the low side.

6. I heard lots about FS-AA. People thought the break should be from 550 to 540 and even 525. Have we come to the point where you have to shoot a 500 to be in FS? (AA-540, A-530, B-520, C-500.)

7. Have Bingo for the non-shooters. I really enjoyed the Tsungani Indians and meant to ask if it's true they can hunt and fish without a license.

Several archers had equipment failures. Remember, fellows, archers are expected to carry spare equipment.

Augusta Archers can be proud of the clean, well-kept range and campground, spacious club house, too. The food was good and well prepared and they even had ice at the front door. They had more workers than some of us have club members. Many thanks, folks.

NOTICE

Jeff Nathan finished first in the Cub Division at this years Mid-Atlantic. This was left out of the article last issue of FLIGHT.

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