

N.F.A.A. Meeting Held Feb. 4,5,&6 at San Antonio, Texas

President Bill Bolt and N.F.A.A. Director Ralph Stevens attended the N.F.A.A. meeting in San Antonio, Texas Feb. 4,5, and 6.

Some of the items of particular interest are related below:

1. Compound bows are legal in all divisions.
2. Releases are legal in Freestyle Division only.
3. Competitive Bowhunter Division will remain the same as presently stated in the N.F.A.A. By-Laws. The minimum draw weight limit did not pass.
4. Action to reinstate the Amateur Bowhunter Division failed to pass.
5. The motion to form a Professional Division did not pass but was referred to com-

mittee for further study.

6. Youth Division will remain unchanged. The motion to form a youth group by age (8 to 11 yrs) was referred to committee for further study.
7. No changes were made in the handicap breakdown for National.
8. In order for a club to be eligible for the N.F.A.A. Insurance Program, the officers--President, Vice-Pres., Secretary, Treasurer or any combination thereof, plus five members of the club must have individual N.F.A.A. memberships. Clubs consisting of ten or less members must have a minimum of 50% N.F.A.A. individual memberships to qualify for insurance.



V.B.A. President "Wild" Bill Bolt (right) and Mid-Atlantic Councilman, William Boyle try on their Texas hats.

9. The archers are now eligible to request the N.F.A.A. Field or Hunter 20 pin and the International 15 pin on any size target face by shooting a perfect score on any size face during a registered tournament.
10. Members of the N.F.A.A. may earn an Animal Perfect Pin by shooting a 280 on a 14 target unit at a registered tournament. The cost of the pin shall be \$2.00 and shall be paid for by the archer.



V.B.A. treasurer and President of Bowmen of York, Chet Kutzler, proudly displays one of the trophies that will be given away at the 12th Annual Silver Medallion Tournament. Go on out and try for the newest award in the state, to be presented in three (3) places in all classes. For details, see announcement inside.

Bowhunting Membership Committee Get Serious

At March 25th V.B.A. Meeting

Gene Limerick, with his committee members Clint Western and Junior Booth, have come up with a program that will entice many of the State's sportsmen and non-member bowhunters into our organization.

The committee plans construction of a teepee type cardboard stand with a tear-off message and application in one unit. Each sheet would briefly explain in a positive manner our successful efforts in gaining a 30 day bow season, our work with the Va. Wildlife Federation, the Va. Game Commission, and our conservation projects. It would also explain that with their added numbers, we could influence legislation concerning better hunting conditions.

There are as many as 20,000 sports-

men who bow hunt and probably are not aware of V.B.A.'s existence. The charge to these prospective members will be \$1.00 or \$3.00 depending on how much information each one wants to receive and/or whether he wants a V.B.A. patch. These funds would be used specifically for influencing better hunting conditions.

The committee emphasized again and again to the V.B.A. directors that the support for this effort must come from the membership so these teepee stands will not only be distributed, but blitzed all over the state and made available to every sport store, barber shop and any other place where sportsmen congregate. The committee will distribute all of these materials at the June 25th meeting.

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Virginia State Indoor Championship Tournament To Be Held May 13, 14, 1972--Whythe Bowhunter

Where would you like to spend a week-
end? In the mountains of Southwest Vir-
ginia, of course. And while you're there,
why not participate in the Va. Open? It
will be held on the Wythe Bowhunter range
located 8 miles north of Wytheville on Rte.
21 and 52. There will be free camping on
the range. Below is the schedule of events:

Fri. May 12 7-9 p.m. registration
Sat. May 13 9-11 a.m. registration
12:15 p.m. opening ceremonies
12:45 Grouping, proceeding to targets
1:30 start of field round
6:00 end of field round
Sun. May 14 9:00 a.m. grouping, proceeding
to targets
9:30 a.m. start of hunter round
2:30 p.m. end of hunter round
3:15 p.m. trophies awarded
Trophies will be given for three places in
all classes--open and amateur

Registration fees-- \$8.00 per archer
\$20.00 max. for family

POINTS OF INTEREST

Deer Trail Park--located 2 mi. from range
with 3 point hookup
Claytor Lake--20 mi. N (I-81) swim, fish
boat
Hungry Mother St. Park--25 mi. S (I-81)
swim, fish
Hales Lake--15 mi. S (Rt. 21) fish
Barter Theater--25mi. S(I-81)
Dry Gulch Junction & Big Walker Lookout
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Holiday Inn 228-5483

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24382 for further information.

Deadline Date

The deadline for the May-June issue of
"Flight" is May 17. The issue should be
in the hands of the membership by June 10.

Growing Pursuit

A recent study by the Wildlife Management
Institute indicates that bow hunting is a
growing recreational pursuit in the United
States. All except one of the 40 states
participating in the investigation report
that bowhunting activity has increased sub-
stantially during recent years. Data com-
piled from the study shows bow hunters in 28
states pay an estimated \$2,471,475 for
559,786 permits annually and that the total
number of bowhunters for 36 of 40 states is
828,124.

Alphabet Scramble Anyone?

Field Vice-Pres. Doc Dillow requested
that the numerical class breakdowns be re-
published. They appear elsewhere in this
issue and should be clipped and saved.

There is a motion before the V.B.A.
directors to change the lettering of the
classes to coincide with our neighboring
states. "A" would be "AA", "B" become "A",
"C" become "B" and class "D" would be "C".
The letter "D" would be eliminated. Please
notify your V.B.A. director as to whether you
are "for or agin" this motion. The num-
erical values would not change. In the Youth
classes, once a Youth shoots two scores into
the Young Adult class, there is no going back.

Tournament Schedule Changes

Annual Tomahawk Shoot--Dixie Bowmen
be held June 18
Mid-Atlantic NFAA Tournament--Watkins
Glen, N.Y. to be held June 17 & 18, 1972

Jack Henly of P.A.B. Dies

Jack Henly, a charter member of Princess
Anne Bowmen, died in February of cancer.
He was very active in archery until his
illness. He helped reorganize the Ches-
apeake Bowmen when the club was in danger
of folding. His first love was hunting with
the bow, but he was an all'round sport. He
leaves his widow, Kathleen, now residing
in North Carolina.

Laboring For Labor Day

Another tournament season is off and
running, and before you know it, the state
championship will be held. The Warwick
Bowmen will be host again this year, and the
members are already busy planning for the
big event. They are working on the three
ranges so they will be in excellent condition.
Their "Culinary Committee" is making very
appetizing plans--not the least of which is
the Barbeque Chicken Dinner.

For a preview of "things to come", why
not join the Warwick Bowmen at their annual
Silver Bow Shoot on May 7th. Get a jump on
your competition with some practice on the
ranges of this year's State Championships.
Mark your calendar now. Details will be
sent to the club secretaries.

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Colorado Rockies Rock Hunter

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Scouting a day early, and armed only with his camera, he saw many mulies--one that would make the Pope and Young record book for sure. He was convinced that, with some luck and a week's hunting, he could arrow that buck.

He had started the week of actual hunting with great anticipation, but the first two

days were disappointing, especially since he was interested in pursuing only the trophy buck. The third day a 4x4 nearly teased the huntsman into taking a shot, but he decided that he would wait for the "big one" and take only pictures of anything less. The fourth and fifth days were uneventful, but dawn of the sixth day found our now anxious sportsman in a remote aspen grove about halfway down a mountain ridge. He passed the day in lovely solitude. The sudden hailstorm that soaked and pelted him failed to dampen his spirits; he had a feeling that something exciting would happen this day. By dusk, with only one day of his hunt remaining, his confidence had begun to ebb. Still hopeful, he began to make his way quietly back to camp. On one of his frequent listening and looking pauses, he heard the unmistakable sound of feeding deer. He was so close that he could hear them chewing. For a full thirty minutes the tormented stalker waited for a clear shot. At times he was convinced the deer would detect him from the sound of his pounding heart or his raspy breathing. Occasionally, he caught glimpses of the feeding mulies through the thick brush, but no clear shot presented itself. Finally, in desperation, the Archer tossed a rock behind the deer in hopes of driving them his way. Immediately a huge deer crashed

out of the brush nearly running over the frustrated hunter. It was a doe. The remaining deer continued to feed. More rocks were tossed, but their only effect was to temporarily stop the feeding. Dusk had now turned into almost total darkness and the bowman reluctantly left the deer and started the long uphill trek to camp. That's when he saw the bear cub and sow.

When he and his hunting companions returned to that spot the next day, they noticed that the sow's footprints were superimposed on those of our hunter to within one half mile of camp. Had he suspected this the night before, he might have arrived in camp even sooner than he did.

The final day of hunting offered no shots to our resolute bowman.

In retrospect, he says that the only actions he regrets taking on the hunt were his failure to get pictures of the Pope and Young buck and his failure to remove the lens cover from his camera when snapping pictures of the 4x4 mulie that sorely tempted him.

So impressed was he by the excitement of the hunt, by the beauty and solitude of his Colorado surroundings, and by the consideration, concern and interest of his fellow bowhunters, that he is anxiously awaiting hunting season this fall when he plans to locate that Pope and Young buck.

Range Etiquette

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countered is conversation while archers are actually shooting. In order for an archer to shoot his best, he must concentrate on every arrow as he shoots it. This cannot be done if he is unconsciously listening in on a background conversation. Give your fellow archers the courtesy of watching rather than talking while they are in the act of shooting. Besides, maybe you can learn a thing or two from them. Also, there is plenty of time to talk other than during the actual shooting. Another distracting action taken by some archers who are "not hitting" that particular day is the ranting and raving after a miss, or other miscue while shooting. This not only results in further misses or miscues by the shooter, but may upset fellow archers to such an extent that they are unable to shoot their best. Keep your problems to yourself, and don't spoil the other fellow's fun just because you are having an "off day."

Some "poor sports," and thank goodness there are only a few in archery, will try to distract their competition by breaking twigs while their opponents are shooting, coughing or clearing their throats, crowding their shooting position, fast movements about the time the other archer is releasing, etc. These unsportsmanlike actions are truly unbelievable, but they have been done on occasion, during close competition.

Unfortunately, many of us are not immune to such treatment, and our scores suffer somewhat.

Also see

**Tournament Rules and Scoring
on Page 2**

Many of us fancy ourselves as stellar "coaches" in the finer arts of archery, and whether we have the experience, ability finesse, or not, we can't help but give advice to fellow shooters. Generally, we give this sage advice so readily that it isn't necessary to even ask us for our guarded shooting secrets. Heaven help us, because we can't help ourselves. Incidentally, it is one of the best ways to lose archery friends that is known. A separate article should be written on this subject.

Lastly, we frequently shoot with an archer

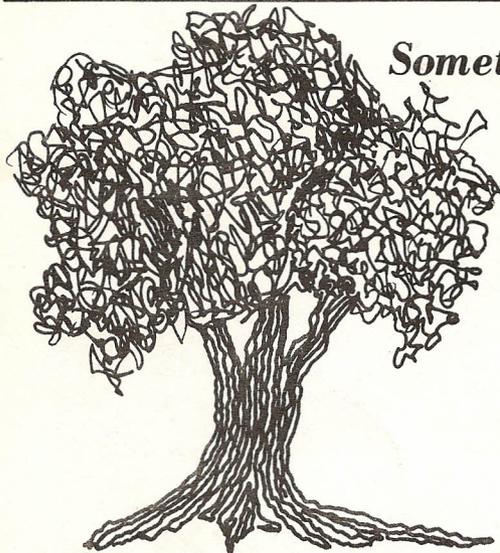
who just can't wait to get to the target butt to find out his own score, and start pulling arrows. This is a very sore subject with most archers, and truly a justifiable one. Arrows near the scoring area should definitely not be touched until all scoring is completed by the Target Captain. Even arrows out of the scoring area or sticking in the butt should be left in place until the owner can spot them and see where they are located, so that maybe he can correct his error on future targets.

In summary, range etiquette or range manners should follow the Golden Rule. If you can expedite the tournament or can in any way make the shooting of your fellow archers more pleasant, be gracious enough to rise to the occasion.

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Something to think about when constructing your range...



Submitted by Dr. Stallard of Warwick Bowmen

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Trees help keep our air supply fresh by using up carbon dioxide that we exhale and that factories and engines emit...

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Trees slow down forceful winds...

Trees cut noise pollution by acting as barriers to sound. Each 100-foot width of trees can absorb about 6 to 8 decibels of sound intensity. Along busy highways, which can generate as much as 72 decibels, this reduction would be welcome to residents...

Trees provide shelter for birds and wildlife and even for us when caught in a rain shower without an umbrella...

Trees shade us from direct sunlight better than any sombrero. They are welcome in parking lots on hot sunny days...

Trees camouflage harsh scenery and unsightly city dumps, auto graveyards, and mine sites...

Trees offer a natural challenge to youthful climbers...

Trees make excellent perches for Robinson Crusoe-style playhouses...

Tree branches support ruggedly-used swings...

Tree leaves break the onslaught of pelting raindrops on the soil surface and give the soil a chance to soak up as much water as possible...

Tree leaves, when fallen, cover the ground to keep the soil from drying out...

Tree leaves, by decaying, replace minerals in the soil and enrich it to support later plant growth...

Tree roots hold the soil and keep silt from washing into streams...

Tree roots help air get beneath the soil surface...

Trees salve the psyche with pleasing shapes and patterns, fragrant blossoms, and seasonal splashes of color...

Trees break the monotony of endless sidewalks and miles of highways...

Trees beautify our gardens and grace our backyards...

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More Scenes from the N.F.A.A. Meeting



V.B.A. Delegate Ralph Stevens makes a point to Councilman Boyle.



From left - Ralph Stevens, Past N.F.A.A. President Gil Boenig, his wife, and Bill Bolt. Gil Boenig was responsible for co-ordinating the meeting.



Bill Bolt (left) and N.F.A.A. President Pat Wingfield.

Outdoor Season Off To A Good Start At Manahoac Bowmen Range

Good weather brought out a record number (117) of shooters for the 14th Annual Manahoac Bowmen Totem Pole Shoot at Fredericksburg. It was the first shoot held on the Manahoac range since completion of a full 28 target range. Many compliments on the range were heard, several shooters commenting on the lack of up and down hill shots. Noticeably missing is the infamous cliffside bunny shot which was so popular (?) on the old Manahoac range.

Scores ran about average for early in the season, though Jim Shively of Dixie Bowmen turned in an excellent 542 field round and a fantastic 299 international round.

Talking about Jim Shively, the story goes, when Jim attended the West Va. Open last year and presented his classification card to the registering table, the fellow behind the table noted Jim's very low handicap. He exclaimed, "Holy cow! With that handicap, you must be the Virginia State Champion." A tear formed and began to roll down Jim's cheek and he said, "Would you believe third?" Jim, as you recall, had the fortune or misfortune--however you look at it--of shooting in the same state tournament with Jim Quarles and Paul Haydel. Quarles had a 1674 for three rounds, Haydel 1666, and Shively 1664.

12th Annual Silver Medallion Tournament April 23, 1972

The Bowmen of York announce their 12th Annual Silver Medallion Tournament to be held Sunday, April 23, 1972 at the Naval Weapons Station, Yorktown. Registration 7:30 to 8:45 a.m. Fee \$3.50 per person.

Come on out and try for the NEWEST AWARD in the state to be presented in three places in all classes.

Twenty-eight field targets and 28 animal targets will make up the main event with novelty shooting for a canned ham to complete the day.

To facilitate security clearances on the Weapons Station, please notify prior to April 19, LCdr. Lawrence S. Wiener,

Archery Officer U.S. Naval Weapons Station Yorktown, Va. 23491 of the names and number in your family that will be at the range. This will not preclude attendance by those who desire to participate at the last moment.

Persons desiring to camp on Saturday, April 22 should contact the above officer as soon as possible. There are a limited number of camp sites on the Station with full facilities and hook-ups for a nominal charge of \$2.00. Give time of arrival, type of camp vehicle and number in the party. There are no camping facilities at the range house and area this year.

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers to be voted on for the 1972-73 year. Ballots will be sent to each member by Nancy Lee Western.

President--Harold Street
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 NFAA Director--Bill Bolt
 Corr. Sec'y--Nancy Lee Western
 NAA Director--no candidate

20-Pin Winners

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FIELD

Norwood Douglas, Chesapeake
 Fred Smith, Vinton
 Kenneth Atkinson, Roanoke
 William Saunders, Roanoke
 Marcus Perry, Virginia Beach
 Terry Sutherland, Waynesboro

HUNTER

Joe Simpson, Norfolk
 Clyde LeBarron, Virginia Beach
 JUNIOR 20-PIN

Billy Enders, Chesapeake

Numerical Class Breakdown

CLIP AND SAVE !

Class	Score	Handicap
Men A	475-up	0-68
B/B	400-474	69-128
C	300-399	129-208
D	000-299	209-up
Men F/S	500-up	000-48
A	425-499	049-108
B	350-424	109-168
C	000-349	169-up
Men B	400-up	000-128
B/H	325-399	129-188
A	250-324	189-248
B	000-249	249-up
Women B/B	325-up	000-188
A	250-324	189-248
B	125-249	249-348
C	000-124	349-up
Women F/S	350-up	000-168
A	250-349	169-248
B	000-249	249-up
Women B/H	225-up	000-268
A	125-224	269-348
B	000-124	349-up
Young Adult Boys B/B	400-up	000-128
Youth A	350-399	129-168
B/B	200-349	169-288
C	000-199	289-up
Young Adult Boys F/S	450-up	000-88
Youth A	350-449	089-168
F/S	200-349	169-288
B	000-199	289-up
Young Adult Girls B/B	325-up	000-188
Youth A	250-324	189-248
B/B	125-249	249-348
C	000-124	349-up
Young Adult Girls F/S	350-up	000-168
Youth A	250-349	169-248
F/S	150-249	249-328
B	000-149	329-up
C		

Good Public Relations at Prince William



Prince William Archers held a novelty exhibition shoot for the benefit of the Cub Scouts, Pack #1383, at Tyler Elementary School in Gainsville, Va. on January 26, 1972. A second shoot was given on February 4, 1972 for the Boy Scouts, Troop



#1179 of Midland, Va. at the Southeastern Elementary School. The accompanying pictures show some of the action. The youth archers of our club, Paul and Leslie Day, with two scout members take part in a game of "Tic-tac-toe". Leslie is also a member of



Troop #1179. The adult members in the same event are Scout Master, Charles Beagle and Jim "Whiz" Wilson. Club member Leslie Howard is shown preparing a "double-barrelled" shot.

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