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## Kingsboro Bowmen Host State Indoor Championship at Tidewater Community College, Frederick Campus, Suffolk, Va.

### March 12 & 13, 1988

	Rounds	
	1st	2nd
Saturday	9 am-12 noon	1 p.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday	8 am-11 a.m.	11 a.m.-2 p.m.

- Registration**
1. By Mail: Must be postmarked by March 6, 1988
  2. Friday Night (March 11th) 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
  3. Saturday (March 12th) (1 hour only) 7 a.m.-8 a.m.

**\$\$ PEARSON PAYS SHOOT \$\$  
EXHIBITORS WILL BE PRESENT!**

#### Registration Fees

\$15.00 Each  
\$25.00 Family

For further information contact:

Kingsboro Bowmen  
c/o Ed Bickham  
6353 Godwin Blvd.  
Suffolk, Virginia 23432  
Phone: (804) 255-2294

#### Kingsboro Welcomes You Friday Night

Refreshments - Beer, 7-9 p.m.

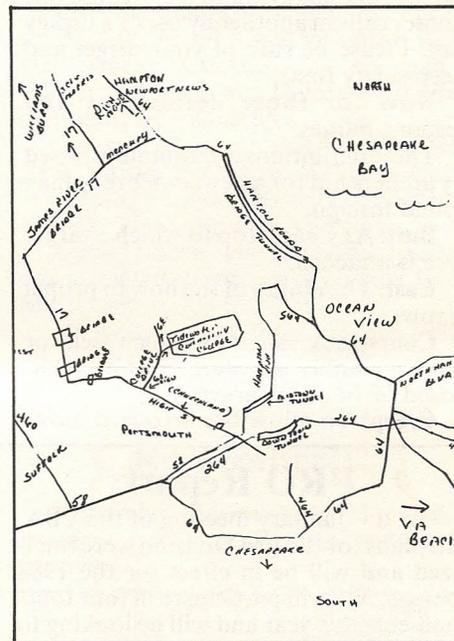
#### at Tidewater Community College

Area Motels	Phone #	Approx. Distance to Shoot
Suffolk Holiday Inn	1-800-934-2311	20 Miles
Portsmouth/Portside Holiday Inn	1-804-393-2573	10 Miles

At Portsmouth Holiday Inn ask for VBA special rates  
(you must make reservations before 2/28/88  
for special rates: \$47.00/night-4 people)

*Churchland Econo Travel	1-804-484-6143	3 Miles
Portsmouth Quality Inn	1-804-399-3066	7 Miles
Portsmouth Imperial 400	1-804-397-5806	9 Miles

\*closest to college



### Things to See and Do!

Williamsburg Pottery—  
shopper's dream come true,  
Williamsburg, VA approximately 50 miles  
Colonial Williamsburg  
Yorktown  
Jamestown  
Virginia Marine Science Museum  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum  
Portsmouth, VA  
The Chrysler Museum  
Norfolk, VA  
The Waterside—food, fun, shopping market  
place available by pedestrian ferry from  
Portsmouth waterfront.

More information on places to go, stay,  
dine and just plain have fun at will be available  
at registration table.

Things to do for the entire family.  
See you on the 11th!!!

#### State Indoor Pre-Registration

Single \$15.00  Family \$25.00

Unlimited-Release  Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Young Adult Youth Cub

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate if Young Adult, Youth or Cub

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Mo Day Year

VBA No. \_\_\_\_\_

Round Preference  1st  2nd

Soc. Sec. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Send Pre-Registration form to:

Division Circle One  
FS FSL BH BB BHFS BHFSL

Ed Bickham  
6353 Godwin Blvd  
Suffolk, VA 23432

Limited-Finger Shooter  Yes  No

## For You The Archer

by Tom Schanbacher

Happy New Year to all of you. I hope each of you have a productive year, and shoot those scores you have been working for. This is the time of year we get new tournament archers entering our sport so I would like to go over a few basic definitions used in field archery as well as your responsibilities as a field archer.

Before I get into that, however, I would like to take a moment to ask you bowhunters who hunt spring turkey to be safety conscious when entering or leaving the woods, and especially when using turkey calls. The majority of hunting accidents occur during spring turkey season, and many times it's because one hunter calls in another by use of a turkey call. Please be sure of your target and keep safety first.

Now for those definitions and responsibilities:

These definitions are commonly used by archers but for a newcomer they may sound foreign.

**Butt:** Any backstop to which a target face is attached.

**Cast:** The ability of the bow to propel arrows.

**Courses:** A range on which field or hunter rounds are shot, usually composed of 14 or 28 targets.

**Creep:** To allow the arrow to move

slowly forward before release.

**End:** A set number of arrows that are shot before going to the target to score and retrieve them.

**Fletching:** Feathers, plastic vanes or other devices attached to the nock end of the arrow shaft which stabilize the flight of the arrow.

**Group:** To shoot arrows in a pattern. Or the pattern of the arrows on the target.

**Limb:** Upper or lower part of the bow that bends when the bowstring is drawn back. The part of the bow where the energy is stored.

**Round:** The shooting of a definite number of arrows at a specified target, from set distances.

**Shaft:** The arrow excluding the point, nock, and fletching.

**Spine:** The bending and springback capability of an arrow.

**Torque:** An undesirable twisting of the bow by the bowhand, or the bowstring by the stringhand.

**Tune:** To adjust the arrow rest, pressure point, string height and nocking height to achieve good arrow flight.

**Toxophilite:** A lover of the bow; "An Archer!"

As a tournament archer, you have a responsibility to yourself and fellow archers to know tournament rules, shooting rules, equipment rules and proper rules of etiquette. Each year new and experienced archers go afield either

not knowing or not keeping abreast of changes in shooting and equipment rules. I will briefly expound on the four instances mentioned above:

(1) Tournament rules: Most tournaments be it an annual or major tournament usually has a sheet of specific rules for that tournament. To avoid a protest or disqualification one should ask the tournament director or one of the range or target captains for any specific rules unique to the tournament being shot.

(2) Shooting and Equipment rules: All shooting and equipment rules are contained in the NFAA manual. Many of these rules change yearly and it is your responsibility to know them. These rules should be enforced at all times, club shoot to nationals. Every year someone is disqualified from a national shoot because his or her club was not enforcing equipment or shooting regulations and they were unaware of the regulations. Don't let this happen to you. Be prepared.

(3) There are many written and unwritten rules of etiquette. Consult fellow archers you respect in your club for proper conduct. As a rule of thumb keep safety first, be responsible, and treat your fellow archers as you would like to be treated.

Keep it safe and keep shooting.

Definition taken from "The ABC's of Archery" by Ms. Sunny Faden.

## PRO Report

At the January meeting of the VBA, all plans for the Pro Division were finalized and will be in effect for the 1988 season. We will participate in four tournaments this year and will be looking to expand next year. Our four tournaments will be the State Indoor, State Open, State Closed and one selected annual tournament to be announced soon.

If you are interested in being a professional in these shoots then write to me or call me at: Stephen McGuire, Rt. 3, Box 137, Lot 59, Smithfield, VA 23430. Telephone: (804) 357-7693.

All memberships need to be in as soon as possible to receive recognition at the state indoor. In the meantime, good shooting!!

### VBA Professional Division Regulations

- I. Purpose: To promote archery at its highest level of competition. This will be accomplished by the awarding of prize money or merchandise.
- II. Officers & Duties
  - A. Chairman:
    1. to preside over all meetings
    2. convene meeting of Officers for decisions when a membership meeting is not possible for a vote.

3. promote the professional division to manufacturers and businesses.
- B. Secretary:
  1. keep current membership roll
  2. keep minutes at all meetings
  3. correspond with professional members as needed
  4. take registration at all professional tournaments
- C. Treasurer:
  1. collect dues from membership
  2. receive monetary donations from manufacturers
  3. pay out money at all professional tournaments and administrative costs.
- D. Zone Representative:
  1. will keep informed on all members in his zone
  2. make reports to the Chairman
  3. will assist sponsoring club in his zone with setting up the professional tournament
- III. Tournaments:
  - A. All VBA State Championships (except broadhead championships) will be professional tournaments
  - B. Selected club annual tournaments, on basis of a bid, will be awarded a sanction.

- C. A contract outlining the responsibilities of the Pro Division and the host club will be signed by both parties.
- D. In the case of a two day annual tournaments, the score shot each day will be totaled and results determined the winner.

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## KINGSBORO BOWMEN

Suffolk, Virginia

Host

### Tidewater Regional Indoor Championship

10:00 a.m. Sunday February 21, 1988

Registration: 8:00-10:00 a.m.

Cost: \$6.00 per person

Place: Tidewater Community College  
Frederick Campus

*Come on out, have some fun and  
warm up for The State Indoor.*

Info: Ed 255-2294 Kitty 242-6212

# CLUB NEWS

## Bowhunters of Rockingham

News from Zone #3  
by Irvin Bodkin

The Bowhunters of Rockingham elected their new officers for the coming year as follows: President—Tom Bohl, Vice President—Ron Layman, Secretary—Randy Gehr, Cor. Secretary—Jerry Middleton, Treasurer—Marie Rhodes. The trustees are: Bill Hashiguchi, Jerry Blank, and Lenny Pannell. Jerry Middleton is the VBA representative.

The club held its Annual Ross Garletts Awards Banquet January 8 at the Holiday Inn with over 100 attending. A buffet supper was served to all and after the supper the Ross Garlett Awards were given to 33 members bagging white-tail deer this past hunting season. Ronnie Blank took the big buck award for his big 8 pointer. Three members also bagged black bear as follows, Dave Proctor, Greg Layman, and Ronnie Blank. Dave took the big bear award. One member bagged a turkey and took the turkey award. His name is Bobby Hottinger. The Big Carp Award went to Porky Payne.

The club's annual scalp trophy went to Garry Lee. Nine club members applied for the Bill Bennett Award. Owen Shifflett was recognized for his long loyal dedicated service to the club. The oldest member in the club, Jack Upham was recognized for his continued attendance at sanctioned shoots. The club is busy starting its indoor tournaments now.

So . . . more news later.

## Schedule Card Change

Smyth County Archery Club's pin shoot scheduled for April 10 at 10:00 a.m. has been cancelled and rescheduled for May 8, at 10:00 a.m.

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## Triangle & Wytheville 1988 Indoor Schedule

February 6	Wythe
February 13	Triangle
February 20	Wythe
February 27	Triangle
March 5	Wythe

Starts 12 noon

Triangle Archers hold their shoots at the Christiansburg National Guard Armory. Wythe hold their shoots at their clubhouse in Wytheville.

## Prince William Archers Annual Indoor Trophy Shoot

Saturday February 27, 1988  
Two Rounds — 1st — 3:00 p.m.  
—2nd — 7:00 p.m.

- ★ You may shoot both rounds if you like and your high score will be used.
- ★ Trophies will be awarded for all styles.
- ★ Food, snacks, beverages will be available during and between rounds.
- ★ Shoots every Tuesday and Saturday nights prior to Trophy Shoot (7:30 p.m.)
- ★ Contacts—Kevin Webb 368-9724  
Jim Frazer 368-4996.

## Massanutten Archery Club

The Massanutten Archery Club indoor shooting season is now in full swing with league shooting every Tuesday evening and open shooting every Sunday. Doors open at 12:00, shooting begins at 1 p.m. Our indoor range is located on the 2nd floor of the Front Royal Volunteer Fire Department, Commerce Avenue, Front Royal, Virginia.

The Massanutten Archery Club Awards Banquet will be held on February 27 at the Front Royal Volunteer Fire Department. Cocktails — 6-7 p.m.; Dinner — 7-8 p.m.; Dance — 9 till (Music by Shenandoah).

Our special guests this year will be VBA President Clinton Western. Corresponding Secretary Nancy Lee Western and Ex. Vice President Ann Boyd.

A good time will be had by all. Everyone is invited. If interested contact Earl McCawley at 703-635-7030.

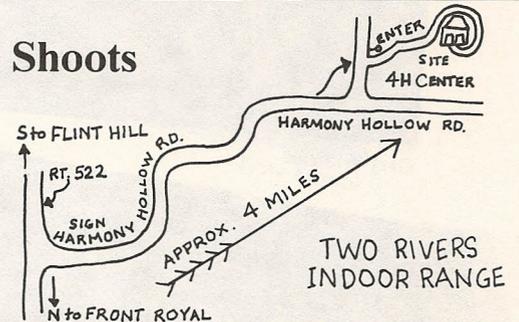
The tournament listed on the 1988 schedule card for July 31st is not an animal shoot. It will be 14 hunter—14 field. Good luck and good shooting!

## Remember!!

Remember to include the Flight editor on your mailing list if your club has a newsletter!

## Two Rivers Indoor Shoots

Two Rivers Archery Club is holding their indoor shoots on Thursday nights, 7 p.m. at the 4-H center (see map). You are invited to attend.



## Augusta Archers Host VAA State Indoor Shoot Compound Division

Date: February 26, 27, and 28, 1988

Times: 1st Flight: 8-11 pm	2/26/88
7-10 pm	2/27/88
2nd Flight: 8-11 am	2/27/88
7-10 am	2/28/88
3rd Flight: 11 am-2 pm	2/27/88
10 am-1 pm	2/28/88
4th Flight: 2-5 pm	2/27/88
1-4 pm	2/28/88

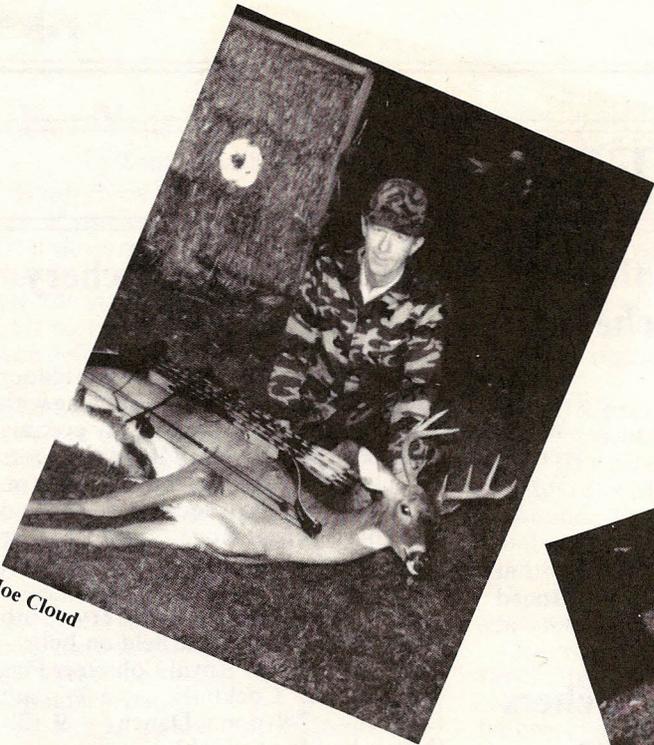
Registration fee: \$15.00 per person; \$10.00 for each additional person for in-household family member.

Pre-registration: Not necessary, but will work on a first-come, first-served basis as far as flight preference.

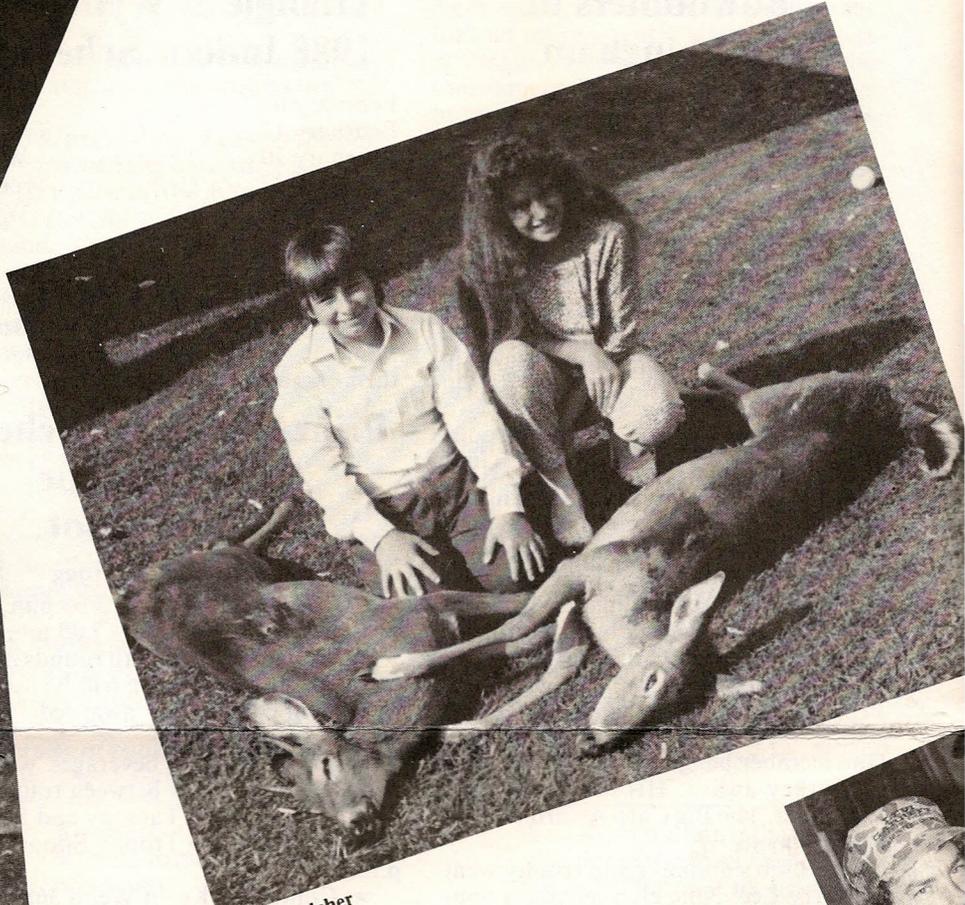
Food will be available.

If you have questions, please call: Tim Gum (703) 337-6952, Ron Neville (703) 885-5648 or Brix Booth (703) 885-8445.

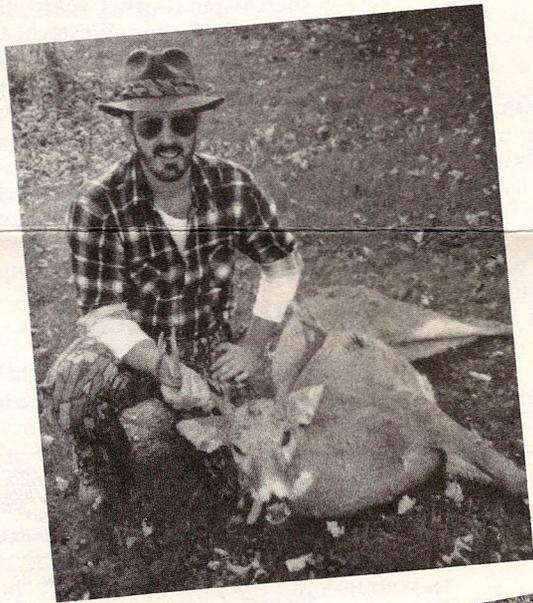
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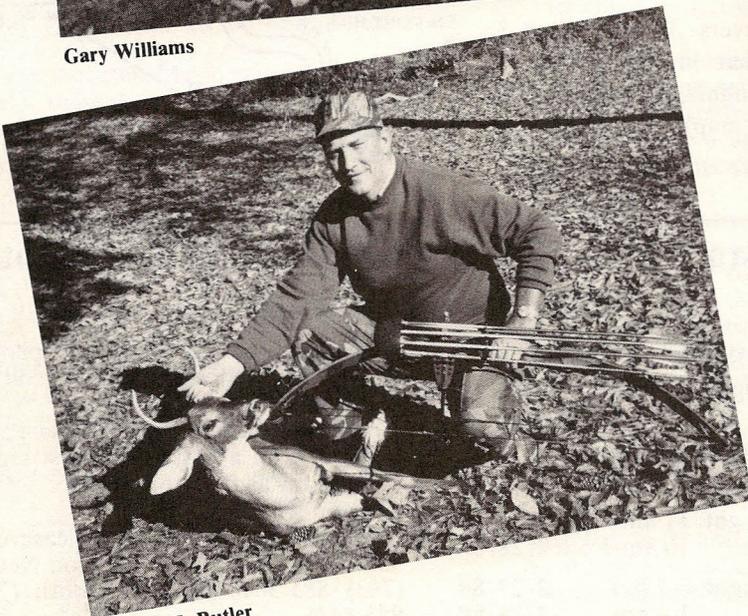
Joe Cloud



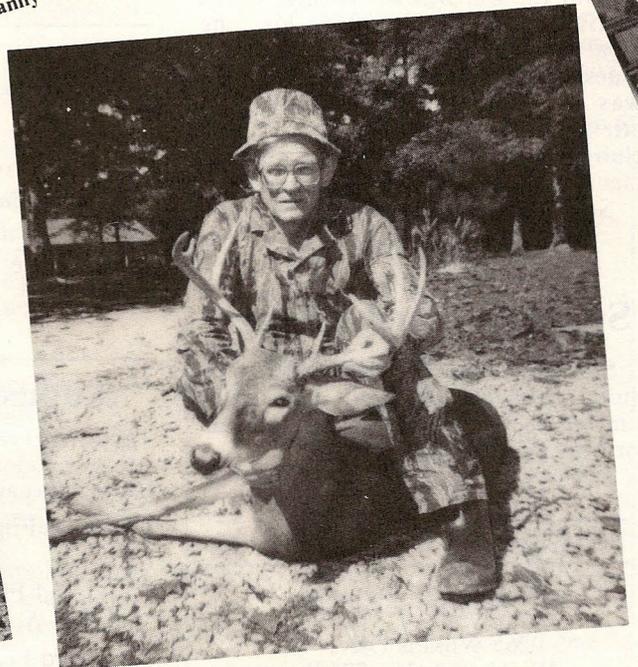
Danny Belcher



Gary Williams



Wallace E. Butler



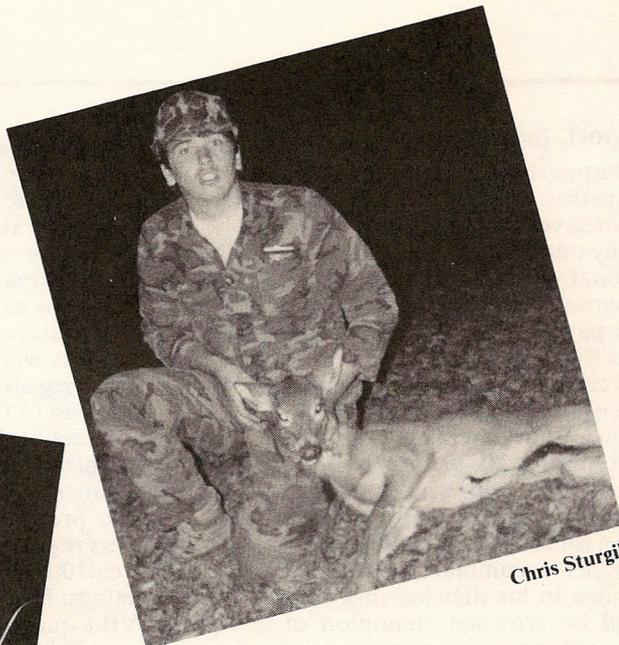
Robert Dibble



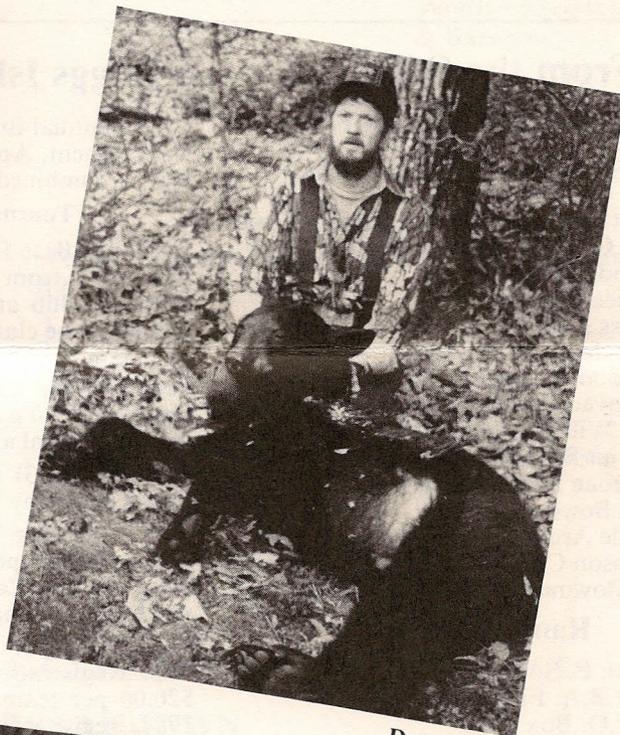
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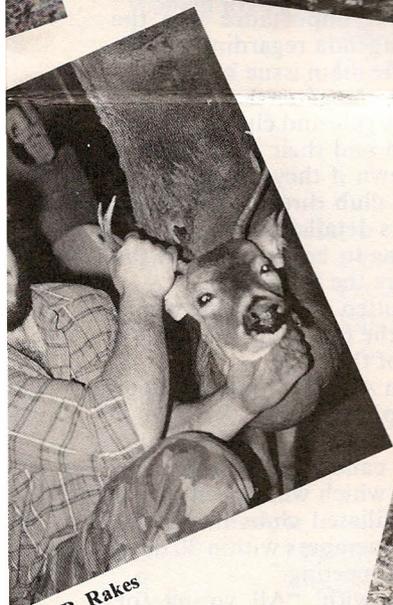
Clifford E. Hoppe



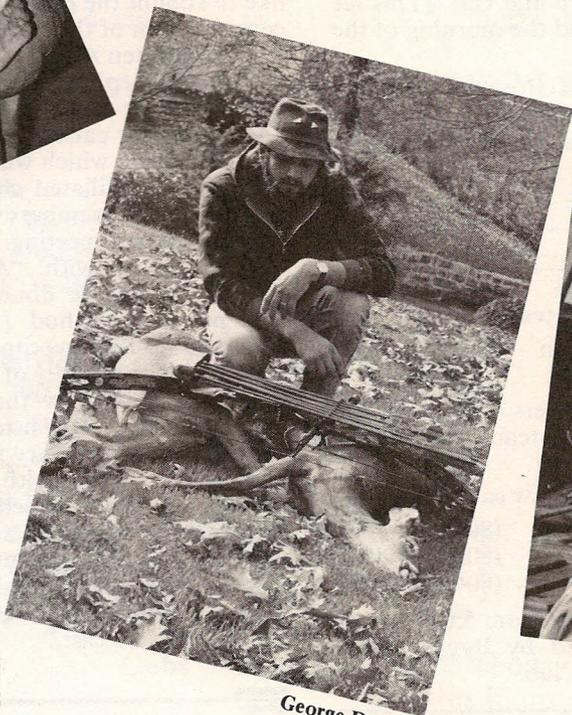
Chris Sturgill



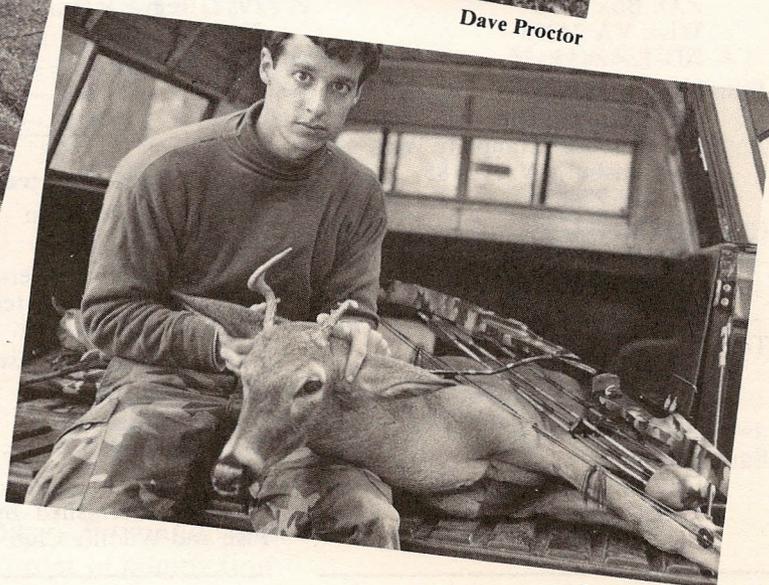
Dave Proctor



Gary P. Rakes



George Dorton



Luther Trower

**PRO Report, continued from page 2**

- E. The pro shooters will be grouped together at all tournaments and will have the same starting time.
- F. Any out-of-state NFAA professional visiting a pro sanctioned tournament may enter that shoot by paying the registration fees.
- IV. Points System:
  - A. Archers will earn points on their finishing position in all sanctioned tournaments of the Pro Division. 20 points will be awarded to the winner of each division with a one point deduction for each position thereafter.
  - B. Archer accumulating the most points in his division in a year will be crowned champion of that division.

- VI. Dues & Registration Fees
  - A. Annual dues will be \$25.00 and be broken down to \$10.00 toward administrative costs, \$15.00 toward the point fund.
  - B. Registration at all State Championships will be \$15.00.
  - C. Registration at all annual tournaments will be \$10.00
  - D. These registration fees will be in **addition** to the regular registration fees of that tournament.
- VII. Recognized Shooting Styles: All shooting styles will be recognized in the professional division if 5 archers register in that style before March 10th of that calendar year.
- VIII. Meetings: Meetings will be held at all VBA quarterly meetings and at all pro division tournaments.

**VBA Meeting Highlights**

**Next Quarterly Meeting  
March 26-27, 1988**

The Va. Bowhunters was well represented at the January meeting—23 clubs had directors attending along with 13 guests.

Congratulations are in order to our Hunting Vice President, Dave Proctor who was inducted into the "Order of the Golden Feather", the highest honor which can be bestowed on a VBA member.

Agenda items which were passed included the okay for VBA to purchase its much needed computer system at a **maximum** cost of \$3,000.00. It is, however, expected that the system should cost less and individual and club donations are still being accepted and are appreciated.

The agenda item to change the outdoor classification for Freestyle Limited (Male & Female) was passed. Please see the revised class system breakdown in this issue.

Also of great importance was the passing of the agenda regarding adding Open Class. The main issue here is that *no awards may be given in this class.* This is a NFAA rule and clubs doing so are in violation and their club charters can be withdrawn if they are doing so. Question your club director regarding this item and its details.

Agenda items to be noted on at the next meeting are the following:

The Massanutten Archery Club would like to submit the following motion for consideration of the VBA.

Massanutten Archery Club moves to delete that portion of Article 4 (Government) Section 3 which reads: "All voting for candidates will be done by mail ballots which will be sent to all members of affiliated clubs or groups and associated members within 30 days after the March meeting."

And replace with: "All voting for candidates will be done by weighted vote per club method. (1 vote per 50 members up to a maximum of 3 votes per club.) The number of votes per club to be determined by the membership roster of each club as listed in the VBA corresponding secretary files at time of mailing. The ballots, with the number of allowed votes, will be sent to each club president within 30 days after the March meeting. It shall be the duty of each club president to present the ballots to his/her club to obtain final direction of how the votes should be cast."

**From the Office of  
VBA Field Governor  
Range Inspections 1988**

Augusta Archers	Before First
Smyth Co. Archery Club	Outdoor Shoot
Kingsboro Bowmen	
Shawnee Bowmen	January
Princess Anne Bowmen	February
Shenandoah Co. Archers	March
Sherwood Archers	April
Two Rivers Archery Club	April
Prince William Archers	May
Loudoun Bownhunters	May
Manahoac Bowmen	May
Wythe Bowhunters	June
Triangle Archers	July
Dickenson Co. Bowhunters	August
Dixie Bowmen	September

**Range Inspectors**

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1012 Stonewall Drive  
Front Royal, VA 22630  
703-635-7030

**Buggs Island Archers**

5th Annual Buggs Island Bowfishing Tournament, April 23, 1988. Carp and Gar — combined poundage.

**Tournament Rules**

1. Club Base Tournament: All entries will depart from Buggs Island Fish and Wildlife Club at 10:00 a.m. Weigh-in will be at the club at 5:00 p.m.
2. One (1) pound of weight will be deducted for each minute late after check-in (5:00 p.m.). Entry must check in upon arrival at club.
3. Three (3) man team maximum. (Your choice by land, boat, or both).
4. Two Big Fish Pots—Archer's Choice: \$5.00 per team includes both categories for Carp and Gar. (This fee will have to be paid the morning of the tournament.)
5. Registration: Pre-registration—\$20.00 per team. Deadline—April 22, 1987. Registration after deadline will be \$30.00 per team.
6. Pay-Off: 40% — 1st Place  
20% — 2nd Place  
15% — 3rd Place  
75% — Entry fee pay back to Bowfishing teams.

Final Registration — Saturday 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

Confirmation letters will be mailed out after receiving team registration check or money order.

Any questions, please call in Virginia:  
Bill Colgate III (804) 374-2375  
Timmy Glasscock (804) 374-8533  
Mickey Baugh (804) 374-4296

Free refreshments from 5:00 p.m. til 6:00 p.m. furnished by Buggs Island Fish and Wildlife Club.



## OFFICIAL VBA CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM OUTDOOR AND INDOOR BREAKDOWNS

ATTENTION: These breakdowns have been published numerous times, but there still seems to be confusion. . .so here they are again! Clip out this page and save for future reference.

### VBA OUTDOOR CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

#### Men Freestyle Unlimited

AA	525-up
A	490-524
B	425-489
C	0-424

#### Men Freestyle Limited

AA	475-560
A	400-474
B	275-399
C	0-274

#### Men Barebow

AA	450-up
A	400-449
B	300-399
C	0-299

#### Men Bowhunter

AA	435-up
A	350-434
B	275-349
C	0-274

#### Men CFSBH-UL

AA	500-560
A	425-499
B	300-424
C	0-299

#### Men CFSBH-L

AA	475-560
A	400-474
B	275-399
C	0-274

#### Youth—Freestyle & Barebow

AA	490-560
A	430-489
B	350-429
C	0-349

#### Women Freestyle Unlimited

AA	490-up
A	430-489
B	350-429
C	0-349

#### Women Freestyle Limited

AA	440-560
A	370-439
B	300-369
C	0-299

#### Women Barebow

AA	375-up
A	300-374
B	200-299
C	0-199

#### Women Bowhunter

AA	300-up
A	200-299
B	100-199
C	0-99

#### Women CFSBH-UL

AA	450-560
A	375-449
B	250-374
C	0-249

#### Women CFSBH-L

AA	425-560
A	350-424
B	225-349
C	0-224

#### Cubs—Freestyle & Barebow

A	400-up
B	200-399
C	0-199

### YOUNG ADULT, BOTH FREESTYLE & BAREBOW — SAME AS ADULTS

#### INDOOR CLASS BREAKDOWN

##### Men Freestyle

A	290-300
B	270-289
C	0-269

##### Men Barebow

A	280-300
B	240-279
C	0-239

##### Men Bowhunter

A	260-300
B	210-259
C	0-209

##### Men CFSBH-UL & L

A	290-300
B	270-289
C	0-269

##### Women Freestyle

A	290-300
B	270-289
C	0-269

##### Women Barebow

A	260-300
B	225-259
C	0-224

##### Women Bowhunter

A	235-300
B	185-234
C	0-184

##### Women CFSBH-UL & L

A	270-300
B	225-269
C	0-224

##### Young Adult FS

A	280-300
B	250-279
C	0-249

##### Young Adult BB

A	270-300
B	230-269
C	0-229

##### Youth FS

A	260-300
B	200-259
C	0-199

##### Youth BB

A	245-300
B	180-244
C	0-179

Cubs — Freestyle and Barebow — Boys and Girls: No class division  
Awards in order of completion

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## NFAA Mid-Atlantic Sectional Championships June 18, 19

Host

Warwick Bowmen  
Newport News, VA

For further information contact:

John Street  
804-229-2746

After 6:00 p.m.

Pre-Registration

### Flight Deadline

The deadline for the Mar.-April issue of FLIGHT will be March 27, 1988. Submit your articles of interest to the editor prior to that date. I encourage readers to send in letters to the editor. Remember, this is your newsletter.

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