

President's Report

Thank you, thank you, thank you for the 20 plus club members that helped with our workday on the 17th. We got lots done; rebuild almost all of our target butts, cleaned the pole shed, cleaned up dead branches and made a large chip pile for use later on our trails. A special thanks to Jim Tubbs for fixing breakfast and lunch for our crew. This was by far the largest crowd we have had at a work day in many years, so again thank you!

By the time you get this our club championship will be decided, next year we will avoid conflicting with the first week of turkey season as many of our shooters will be in the woods this year during the championship. As we set yearly schedules it is imperative that our club leadership avoids as many conflicts as possible by attending scheduling meetings and also being aware of other archery, hunter education, etc events. As an active target shooter, hunter, and bowhunter education instructor it is pretty easy to tie up every weekend all winter long with something archery related. Sometimes conflicts in schedules can't be avoided but we will try to do our best.

Let's wish good luck to our Prairie Bowmen members headed to the NFAA National tournament in Louisville at the end of March. This Saturday March 24th several of us head to Manhatten KS four our semi-annual Kansas vs Nebraska Archery Challenge, Go Big Red!

One of the many great things about living in Nebraska is our fantastic turkey hunting opportunities. As most of you know our season opens on March 25th every year and goes till the end of May.....I hope you all find some time to chase a big "Tom"! Until next time shoot straight.

Tom Nauman



Welcome New Members!

The Prairie Bowmen Archery Club would like to welcome 5 families to our fold this month. First family is the Matt Deharsh family with Mellissa, Cole and Meya. The second family is the Mark Cole family with Tobiann and Christopher. The Bob Caldwell family is our third family with Beth, Annalyn and Charlie. Our forth family is Sindy Baldwin and her daughter Nevaeh. The fifth and last family is Mariah Durnal with Matthew, Abbee, Shawn, Laine and Faith. Please make all these new members welcome and extend them any and all courtesies to make them feel right at home. Again a BIG WELCOME TO ALL THE NEW MEMBERS THIS MONTH.



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Red Star?

Please look at you label **NOW**, if there is a **RED STAR** on the right side of your address label then you need to contact Membership Chairperson, John Elliott at 466-6391 or 540-7238, **ASAP**. This means by the board meeting on MARCH 19, 2012, you have received at least two bill statements. Combination will be given out again **ONLY** if all dues are current. NO club member should give the combination to anyone at any time. Please have the person-requesting combo to call the Membership Chairperson for that information. If you think the **RED STAR** is a mistake, please call me.

Thank you, Membership Chairperson.

Target Rep Report

By the time you read this, indoor target league, indoor club championships and the NASP State Tournament will be in the record books! And turkey season will be under way. Thanks to all that participated in all.

Outdoor Target league will start on Tuesday May 22nd and bowhunter league will start on Thursday May 24th. This year both will be help at Prairie Bowmen's Range. I plan on having some fun and different things planned for both, but could still use some input from those of you that would like to participate or have participated in the past. A couple things I have thought about are grilling some burgers and/or brats after, along with a campfire and BS sessions. Just hanging out and talking archery and hunting. Let me know what you think.

Our next tournament will be the Iron Archer on May 27th. This will be a combination of target archery, field archery and marked yardage 3-d. This should be a real challenge for everyone. More information about the tournament is on our website or you can contact me for more info.

Now that we have rebuilt almost all of the outdoor butts at our range, we will soon be putting targets out so you will have something to shoot at when walking the course. Thanks to all that came out and helped at the work day on the 17th. We got a lot of much needed work done and the range is starting to look good again. Another future work day like the last and we will be in great shape!

Good luck this turkey season and hope to see you at the range!

Jim Tubbs

Rangemaster Report

Well, spring is trying hard to break through. It won't be long before the trees are full of leaves and the grass is growing out of control. And of course that means there will be plenty of work to do all over the range.

On Saturday, March 17th we had a work day that involved cleaning out the pole shed, cleaning up the trash and debris around the range, repairing target butts on the American Range and on the 2-D trail course, and cleaning up trees and tree debris from the heavy wet snow storm earlier this winter.

It was great to see all the familiar faces that usually respond when the call goes out, and there also were many faces I didn't recognize that were stepping in and taking the lead like they were old hands at this volunteer stuff.

The amount of work that was accomplished was beyond anything I could have imagined. These guys worked like they were going to get a thousand dollar check at the end of the day. And they all certainly deserved it. I don't know everyone's name that was at the range so to avoid leaving someone out I will just say thank you very much to all who were there. Special thanks to member Lon Nutter for the use of his chipper and for taking the lead in the tree clean up, assuring us we will have a safe place to shoot. The following is a list of a few things I hope to accomplish this summer:

- (1) Create a few true tree stand style shots on the course that will require shooters to climb up then pull their bow up much like you would do in the field. If you have a ladder stand you would like to donate for this it would be more than welcome.
- (2) Mark out the course and develop a map that shooters can take a copy of from the display case. If you know anywhere I may be able to get a copy of a map of the original course lay-out I would appreciate it if you would let me know. And speaking of the display case, this is also in need of repair.
- (3) Complete the cleanup of the range.
- (4) Clean and organize both the club house and the garages.
- (5) Find 28 individuals or families willing to take on a lane assignment.
- (6) Repair or remodel existing tree stands.
- (7) Mark out the course and develop a map that will be available at the display shelter. Also repair display shelter.
- (8) Build new or repair existing bow racks and benches on the 2-d course.
- (9) Redo bathroom at the indoor range.
- (10) Spray and spread chips on shooting trails.

If you see something you would like to help with or be a project leader on please feel free to get a hold of me and I will do everything I can to get you all the tools and materials to complete the task. The fastest and easiest way to contact me is by cell phone text message. I am required to have my phone off much of the time at work but when I turn it on I get my texts almost immediately.

It's time to change the combination at the indoor and outdoor range. I'm not positive exactly what day it will be changed but it will be before April 11th. The new combination will be XXXX If the new combination does not appear in your newsletter please check to see that your dues have been paid.

Thanks again to everyone who attended the work day and I hope to see all of you somewhere 'Out on the Range'.

Youth Archery Report

How would you like to see the smiling face of a young person the first time they hit the target? You can have that opportunity On May 5,2012 at the 11 annual youth archery camp sponsored by Prairie Bowmen and other great organizations. This camp will take place 8:00 am until 3:00 pm at our outdoor range at 1010 Galloway. There will be many types of fun shoots for the young people that day as well as instruction on game calling ,arrow building, whitetails, and many other topics. Please volunteer to help with this great outreach endeavor. All volunteers will receive a free T-shirt. To volunteer call me at 402-435-6689. We will be doing setup on Friday May 4th..

On another note the Spring youth archery session is over. The next one will start the first Saturday after Labor Day. JOAD will continue both indoors and outdoors for the next several weeks.

Well that is all for now until next time may your arrow find the turkey of your choice.

Gary Waters

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt is planned for Saturday, April 7 at 1PM at the outdoor range at 1010 Galloway Ave. This is for kids 15 and under but if older youths or adults would like to help, give my wife Carol a call at 466-6391. Be sure to leave a message if no one is able to answer the phone at that time. Please come out and have lots of fun hiding, finding eggs and playing games if weather permits! This is a RAIN OR SHINE event so dress according. If you would like to donate money or candy (please make sure candy it is small size so it will fit in the eggs) or would like to help please give my wife a call ASAP.

John Elliott

Traditional 3D

Thank you to all the traditional shooters that attended the Prairie Bowmen Traditional Only 3-D at the Prairie Bowmen outdoor range at 1010 Galloway.

The total number of shooters was 15. 15 people that had a great time.

Thanks to Lonnie for putting the compound on the shelf for a day and it was great to see our own Traditional Archery Champion Rod Aden on the course.

(Cliff, Lonnie, Rod and Jon Ott – if you have photos or video that you would like to share please contact Pr. Bwmn. Web site coordinator Brett Croner and he can tell you how to share it. Thanks.)

We had spinning shots, moving shots and three shots off 'horseback'.

Thanks again to my nephews Elijah, Tereic and David. And my niece Kayona for helping with set up and tear down at this shoot. Don't know what I would do without these guys.

Check out the scores and photos on the web site at Prairiebowmen.org

I will be planning another shoot much like this one next year. You never know, maybe it will become a Prairie Bowmen 'Tradition'.

Danny Tubbs

2/13/12

Board Members Present: Nauman, J. Tubbs, Croner, Waters, Jisa

Members Present: R Young, Elliott

Minutes: Approved with correction on item 4, Jim Tubbs as Target Rep.

Financial Report: Financials reviewed, still working on Quickbooks and computer. Balances are correct, but other items on report still need work. Need inventory of 3-D, etc.; youth in/out kept separate, JOAD kept separate.

President:

Thank Belinda, Rusty and John for working at sports show. Brought in approx. \$221.

Also thank Belinda, Jim and John for getting newsletter out.

Received two complaints for results from shoot not on website and three for 3-D league not being cleaned up.

By-laws committee reviewing by-laws. Committee consists of Chris Bensen, Ross Young, Wes Sheets, Tom Nauman and Cindie Jisa

State Games Update: request 65+ class be added. Conf. call held with each club involved. A rep from different clubs will be an advisory committee over the games. Target will be held at our range on 1st weekend. Parking may be an issue. 3-D will be held second weekend.

Bowhunter Report:

Need targets, will need a budget for this. Could use \$2,000 – table discussion for next meeting.

League averaging 25 shooters

Target Report:

Presidents shoot on 2/18. League averaging 12-15 shooters Sound board needs to be picked up

Newsletter Report:

No report, not able to get in touch with Ryan. Tom will send letter instead of email (no response via email)

Youth Report:

Saturday going well. JOAD going well. Average 24 memberships from youth program. Need to get NASP kids to try 3-D

Invite youth members to league

Rangemaster:

Tree fallen in driveway

Working on bathroom remodel

Looked into different phone services for range, current monthly phone cost is approx. \$80 for indoor and \$12 for outdoor. New service would cost \$50 for a voicemail service with unlimited access. There would be no phone at either range, but still have phone numbers. Everyone has cell phones, so feel a land line at each range isn't needed.

Danny research and bring info to next meeting.

Website:

1,200 views over last 2 weeks, about 90 hits/day Can track what pages are popular Hosting is \$11/mo. through Binary.net

Membership:

10 new membership applications Cindie motion to accept, Jim 2nd, motion passed

Misc.:

Banquet: approx. 70 people registered, nice prizes Furnace controls at indoor range: move to flat wall

JOAD shirts: could order if wanted

Newsletter: send "comp" newsletter list to Tom; motion made for monthly paper newsletter – approved.

Meeting adjourn - 9:14 pm



P. Bowmen

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JOAD

Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD)

The sessions are 10 weeks long and cost a total of \$15.00 for Prairie Bowmen nonmembers and \$12.00 for members. One is in session now! For more information on the program call Mr. Jan Robertson cell 430 1209 or 464 2183

Mondays 7pm

Indoor Range:



Broadheads Found!

Member Doug Friendt found some broadheads at the outdoor range. Whoever can name the quantity, brand and weight can claim them. Please Email newsletter editor if you think these are yours and you will be put in contact with Mr.Friendt.

We are on the Web Prairiebowmen.org

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OUTDOOR RANGE 1010 GALLOWAY RD.

INDOOR RANGE 345 S. 14TH ST.

"HISTORICAL "TRIVIA QUESTIONS"



Here are some fun questions that we did at our banquet this year and I thought the rest of you that did not attend might enjoy them too. This is the plan; I will put five (5) questions in the newsletter each month for the next five months with the answers to them in the following newsletter. Some are easy and some are a little more difficult because they are history questions after all. If you don't know the answer, ask fellow club members.

- What was the name of the State Organization that the Prairie Bowmen Archery Club started?
- On June 11, 1967, the outdoor range was dedicated in memory of what individual? (Hint: Dedication Rock is located by the long sidewalk near the clubhouse)
- What prominent Nebraska State Senator dedicated the land for our outdoor range?
- What member had an archery shop in College View and had to close due to health reasons in 2002?
- Who was one of the founders of the Prairie Bowmen who operated an archery range in Lincoln in the 1940's and has the Clubs highest Award named in his memory?

John Elliott

"HISTORICAL "TRIVIA QUESTIONS" Last Month's Answers

- What is the club mascot? Prairie Dog
- What archery symbol is on the club logo? Arrow
- What 2 prominent Nebraska landmarks are on our club logo? Chimney Rock & State Capital
- In what year did the Prairie Bowmen Archery Club begin? 1954
- How many Board Members does it have? 9 Board Members