

The wild edibles are surfacing now for the spring. I am talking about the morels that are coming up ready for the harvesting. And the turkeys that I have seen, seem to be mostly big old adult birds. What a thrill when they race in and attack the decoy. This has to be the most pleasant time of the year for gathering food.

But spring brings another great option for archery club folks. It means the option to get outside and enjoy fresh air and the outdoor range. Read further as our target vice president works to create a fun outdoor system and the hunter vice president plans 3d events. I am confident that they happily will take suggestions in organizing fun. By the time you can read this we will have had at least one workday but I am quite confident there will be more on the calendar, at least I have heard discussed about enough desires for fix up that there is always something to do. Believe it or not you can have fun fixing stuff if you have just a little bit of pride in "the Club".

And that brings me to a bit of editorial. And I do welcome feedback. I could stand to be corrected.

Having a place to shoot is one thing, but being a part of a club should be a whole lot more than buying a service by paying dues. Everyone perhaps has a different reason to join a group, but I believe one underlying reason is that people are social animals and desire to associate with others doing similar activities. That may involve releasing an arrow, cleaning up the environment, passing on information and experiences or just a bit of BS. All of these actions involve sharing whether it is opening your wallet or taking responsibility for group actions of "your" club. Being able to fix imperfections of our group can be a source of pride and enjoyment. The example I might cite is the opportunity to work with our landlord to keep access open on our range floor. When asked to clean a doorway, we all need to jump at the option to help rather that respond with "it is someone else's responsibility I didn't do it".

Work days are not mandatory in this "CLUB", but sharing in this and the other activities can be enjoyable and help build that sense of pride.

Now, please don't get me wrong, our board meets regularly and you are encouraged to participate. Come to the meeting and join the discussions. Probably the only thing you won't be able to do is vote on spending club money. OR text, write, phone or send smoke signals with your thoughts, question or recommendations.

Let's get started on a great warm season. See you on the range. Cheers---Wes

NEW COMBINATION

April 2017



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Target Report

We are still continuing to have target league on Monday nights at 7:00 at the indoor range. As long as we have decent weather this next coming week on Monday May 1st I 'am going to do a trial run to have an outdoor target league at the outdoor range at 7:00. Each week I plan on letting as many people know at least 12 hours in advance if league will be at the outdoor range or indoor range by facebook, or word of mouth. If anyone has any questions feel free to contact me on my cell (402-499-0470) or email (briankrogman@gmail.com) at any time.

HAPPY SHOOTING,

BRIAN KROGMAN – PRAIRIE BOWMEN TARGET REP

BOWHUNTER REP REPORT

Thank you to everyone who came out and helped with the April Scheels 3D shoot! It was an amazing shoot with an outstanding turnout. We want to thank and recognize Scott Kapperman and the Entire Scheels crew for helping put on this shoot. I hope everyone's having a great turkey season and want to remind you that the first outdoor shoot of the year is coming up on May 20th and 21st. If anyone is interested in helping set up the shoot the day before (Friday the 19th) please contact Joel Burham. Thank you!

JOAD / AAA

The current season of beginner/ youth archery classes started April 4th. We have about 45 total participants enrolled between the 2 classes. You still have time to sign up if you know of someone who has an interest in shooting a few arrows, learning a new sport, or just having some fun on a Tuesday night. Come join us at the range @ 345 S. 14th @6pm or 7pm on Tuesdays or call John Filsinger @ 402-992-0251 for more info. Happy shooting and hope to see you out at the range.

John Filsinger

Board Meeting

Wednesday June 7, 2017

5:30 PM Outdoor Range

2017 Schedule

PRAIRIE BOWMEN ARCHERY CLUB 2017 SCHEDULE

TARGET

3D

300 Round

450 Round

Outdoor 3D

Outdoor 3D

November 5

December 16 & 17

May 20 & 21

June 17 & 18

August 19 & 20

Prairie Bowmen Jamboree

JOAD/AAA

April 4 through June 8Tuesday nights 6:00 & 7:00July 11 through September 12Tuesday nights 6:00 & 7:00October 10 through December 12Tuesday nights 6:00 & 7:00

Facebook Page

We have regained access to our old facebook account. Check us out at:

PRAIRIE BOWMEN ARCHERY CLUB

NEW MEMBERS

Mark Peschke	Cassia Ruhl	Caleb Burham	Michael	Blair	Jayne Stratton		
Noah Hines	Cody Kosmicki	Trevor Poland Sierra	Kurth (Chase Powers	Lane Albus		
Bryce Wood	Kolton Lehmkuhl						
RESTORED MEMBERS:							
John Elliott	Jim Tubbs	Michael Yost	J	an Robertson			

PRAIRE BOWMEN



OUTDOOR 3D

MAY 20th & 21st

JUNE 17th & 18th

Saturday 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

OR

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFO Joel Burham (402) 560-2038 pbarchery@gmail.com COST: \$15 Adult \$10 Young Adult \$ 5 Cubs \$12 Non-competitive PRAIRE BOWMEN 725 Carlton Dr. Lincoln, NE

Range Master Report

April 29, 2017 was our first workday of the year. Was rained out except for the salvage of materials.

The next Prairie Bowmen work day is set for May 12, 4:00 P.M. to dark. Plans for the day are, but not limited to:

- Installing a shooting line on the American range. It's time to get rid of the string one now in place. We will be digging a trench to install stone edging. Needed are a drain shovel about 4" wide. This would be best suited for the job and also a flat shovel to score the grass. If all goes well we will have a nice 50 yard shooting line in no time!
- Also, policing the grounds, installing targets on the upper range and the club house could use a good spring cleaning.

Why not ask a fellow member to come out with you.

There will be donuts waiting for all.

NOTE: The Range will be closed to shooting during the workday; but open after so bring your bow.

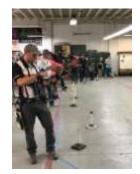
Lonnie Mostek





Scheels Indoor 3D

The Scheels Indoor 3D was a success. It was one of the best attended indoor 3D shoots in recent history. From Friday night until Sunday afternoon our facilities were made available to many long time and new users. With the help of Scheels in both advertising and prizes we received much needed publicity to assist us in growing our membership and promoting archery. Thank you for your help.







Secretary/Treasurer Report

Secretary's Report

3/10/2017 Board meeting was called to order at 7:00. Board members present were: Wes Sheets, Wayne Janssen, Joel Burham, John Filsinger, Brian Krogman and Chris Benson. Members present were: David Wolfe, Scott Kapperman and Ethan Burham.

Minutes of last month's meeting were read followed by the treasurer's report.

Old Business:

Brian stated he planned to continue the Monday night target shooting as long as members keep responding. John reported on the youth shooting on Tuesdays, current session ends 3/14. The next session starts April 4th. The new target backers are now scheduled for delivery early next week.

Discussion was held about the April 8th & 9th 3-D shoot sponsored by Scheels. Scott Kapperman talked about the logistics of the shoot. Scheels is promoting the shoot on Facebook and has had lots of interest. Scheels is offering free tickets for the shoot as an in-store promotion, and will reimburse our club for the value of these tickets. The poster for the shoot indicates 8 classes, but Scheels plans to pay all classes. Scheels will be holding a training session for their archery employees at the indoor range that Friday night and will pay the fees for shooting. The purpose is to make their employees available to help on Saturday and Sunday. The range will be closed to other shooters that night. Five new 3-D targets and about 24 new inserts have been ordered.

It was emphasized that the purpose of this shoot is to HAVE FUN!

Discussion was held about the outdoor lower range. It needs a major clean up, tree trimming etc. The plan is to revitalize this area to promote more use of the outdoor range. A weekly "hunter league" using animal face targets is one possibility. Plans are to also replace the rope shooting line on the American range with something more permanent.

Discussion was held about the life members. Motion and seconded to draft a questionnaire for these members to gauge interest in the club, possibly institute a minimal fee of some type, etc. Motion carried.

New Business:

There has been more trespassing noticed recently. It was decided to purchase new ""no trespassing" signs, also more use of the range should help alleviate this problem.

Five new memberships were approved.

The next board meeting is scheduled for April 14th.

Secretary's Report

4/14/2017 Board meeting was called to order at 7:00. Board members present were: Wes Sheets, Lonnie Mostek, John Filsinger, Joel Burham, Wayne Janssen, Brian Krogman and Chris Benson.

Minutes of last month's meeting were read and approved, followed by the treasurer's report.

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of gratitude is owed to Scheel's and Scott Kapperman by all Prairie Bowmen members.

John reported the new archery class has started and participation is good.

Lonnie started discussion about the need for a more permanent shooting line at the outdoor range. It was decided to use paver bricks at this time.

Discussion continued on the decommissioning of the well. We have until June to get that done.

The insurance company will be contacted about the roof damage sustained in last spring's hail.

The clubhouse needs to be painted, and Lonnie has a donation of \$100 to help out.

It was moved and seconded to allow board members to spend up to \$25 without contacting the board for miscellaneous expenses for the club. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded to purchase a new starter for the tractor, motion carried.

Old Business:

The rest of our target backers are due to be delivered in the next couple of weeks.

There have been some members asking about the club logo. Discussion was held regarding a survey of some type in an upcoming newsletter.

Discussion was held regarding the removal of some people from the membership list a couple of years ago. It was pointed out this action was handled inappropriately and therefore vacated. Moved and seconded to restore Mike Yost, John Elliott, Jim Tubbs and Jan Robertson to the membership list. Motion carried.

New Business:

Discussion was held regarding all facets of our student membership classification. More discussion will follow.

Discussion regarding the feasibility of moving the bleachers at the outdoor range to the new shooting line.

Discussion of ways to properly thank Scott Kapperman and Scheels for all the work they did with the 3-D and the financial donation for the target backers.

The next board meeting is scheduled for May 5.

Chris Benson

Secretary/Treasurer

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Lockers Available We have several lockers	Lost and Found				
for rent at the indoor range. Cost is \$50 per year. Contact Chris Ben- son at 402-540-0524.	Missing something? Found something? Arrows, jackets, and note- books keep showing up at both the indoor and outdoor range. Be sure to leave found items on the desk or bench.				
	E-Mail Listing				
	There is often important news that happens faster than the newsletter. Don't miss out! If you haven't been receiving e-mail from the club, then make sure we have your current e-mail address. Contact Chris Benson at hoosier-daddy.ne @yahoo.com to confirm your e-mail.				