



Prairie Bowmen

April 2019

President's Report

The March 9th banquet was a great time. Good food, great friends and a great venue. Awards were given out and a few door prizes, as well. Thank you to Chase Powers and Scheels for providing the door prizes. If you weren't there, you missed a good time.

A big thank you to all the members that helped at the work days, this past weekend. (March 30-31st). I believe we had a dozen or so members there each morning rebuilding the spider web targets. The range is looking good and will get better, with a little more work. Before the next target season begins, we plan to clean the rest of the range, rebuild to last 2 spider webs and build a couple more. We could use any old sleeping bags, fiber-fill, shrink wrap, etc for the new ones we build.

Turkey season is under way, but haven't heard about much success yet. I did see that Mr. PTH, Tom Nauman did take his 205th & 206th gobbler! I also seen that Janice Spicha has taken 2 nice gobblers, or I should say 1 ½. The coyote got the other half!

The club has acquired a much needed new Hustler zero turn mower. Now the range can be kept up as in the past for everyday use as well as tournaments and 3-d's. Thank you to Tom Nauman and Wes Sheets for their donations towards this much needed piece of equipment.

June 15th & 16th, Scheels will be hosting the Fathers Day weekend 3-d. A flier with all the details, will be coming out soon. A couple highlights for now – Saturday will be an unmarked 40 target 3d – Sunday will be a marked 40 target 3d. All divisions will receive a Scheels gift card for 1st thru 3rd place. Entry fee each day will be \$5.00 for 16 years and up, kids 15 and under will shoot for free. There will also be a fun range and novelty shoots. Lunch will also be available.

Prairie Bowmen will also be hosting the State Outdoor 900 Archery Tournament on Sunday June 30th. Last year we had around 50 archers and this year, hoping for more.

The 1st Annual Nebraska Deer & Game Expo is scheduled for January 17-18 & 19, 2020, at the Lancaster Event Center. Prairie Bowmen has been asked to put on a 3d for the event. This would be a great opportunity to promote the club and make a little money. We'll have more details as we get closer.

I was approached by a couple members to look at a vacant building in Airpark, for a possible new location for our indoor range. Just because a group of us looked at this location does not mean we are moving anytime soon or at all. Our biggest complaint at our current location has always been the parking problem. It would be great to have an indoor range with more room and ample parking. This would be a great benefit to the future of the club. So we will always be on the lookout for the next perfect location. If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call.

Good luck to all the turkey hunters. Hope to see you all at the next work day, 3-d or target shoot.

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E-MAIL ADDRESSES

We are making every effort to keep our e-mail addresses current. If you have an e-mail we send you newsletters, notices on shoots and workdays and emergency notices as they become necessary. Without the e-mail address you will only get the newsletters once every two months. If you know of a member that is not getting e-mails please have them contact Chris Benson. This would also be true if you change your own e-mail. Please also check your junk mail to see that our notices are not going there. Your help is greatly appreciated.

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JOAD / AAA

Last day for this session is April 9th and we will start the next session the very next Tuesday April 16. I'm planning a fun shot for the last day of this session. Several shooters are planning to take part in the next session with two woman planning on doing it for the third session in a row and thinking about buying their own bows and joining the club. Hope to see some of the Club's youth take part in the Tuesday evening shooting. We have a line at 6 PM and 7PM. Cost is only \$20 for Club members and \$25 for Non-Club members. It's fun and most kids just need someone else to explain things to them other than dad or mom. I know my kids went through a time like that. I tried to get them to the next level and it took a different voice to get them there. Than I could get them back and go on with them again. Also it is a great time and place to up their game in NASP for the next school year or join JOAD and earn the different metal steps.

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Board Meeting

Thursday, May 23, 2019

7 PM Indoor Range

2019 SCHEDULE

LEAGUES

April 29 at 7:00 P.M.

DIAR Target league commences

Indoor range

JOAD/AAA

April 9th through 10 weeks

Tuesday nights 6:00 & 7:00

Indoor range

TOURNAMENTS

June 15 & 16

unmarked 3D

June 30

State 900 Round

August 17 & 18

Club Jamboree & State 3D

November 9 & 10

Indoor 300 Round

December 14 & 15

Indoor 3D

December 27, 28 & 29

Indoor 450 Fita

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome new members. We have eleven new members:

David Hoffman

Fred Matulka

Shawn Mosley

Tim Roth

Jeremy Johnson

Payden Anderson

Chance Mak

David Wolfe

Russ Neemann

Doug Alles

Will Lockwood

We look forward to seeing you on the range.

SECRETARY /TREASURER REPORT

The 3/8/2019 meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were: Jim Tubbs, Wayne Janssen, Chase Powers, Adam Jirovsky, Steve Woitaszewski, Brian Krogman and Chris Benson. Also present was club member Clint Burge.

Target: Adam reported around 9-10 shooters on league nights The league is scheduled to end in early April but will continue if shooters want. Around 30 shooters attended the weekend shoot, not bad considering the inclement weather.

Bowhunter: Chase reported one week left for the 3-D league, then a shoot-off the next week for placing. March 23-24 is an indoor 3-D scheduled at the range.

Youth: Steve reported the classes going well. 20-22 shooters with some missing at times due to the weather and illness. The next class session starts April 16th.

Range Master: Brian is looking at scheduling a couple of work days, possibly March 30 & 31 from 7:00-noon to rebuild the spiderweb targets. The material needed has been received. The range will be closed to open shooting for the duration of the work hours. The lock combination is to be changed this Sunday.

Communications: Wayne would like the board members to try to get the newsletter articles to him in a timely manner. He reminds everyone the web site has a tab for member hunting success, more pictures are needed.

Old Business: Jim has been pricing a new Toro zero turn mower at Small Engine Specialists. A 50" would run about \$2,800 for a stamped deck, \$100 more for welded.

Scheels is interested in sponsoring our Father's Day shoot this year. Possibly charging \$5 to shoot with Scheels reimbursing the club for the difference in the normal charge. They plan to add novelty shoots. Jim plans to provide food for the event.

New Business: Some discussion was held regarding selling outlot A. This is our old entrance off Galloway Circle. A couple of options are being considered. Three members looked at a building as a possible indoor range. One benefit would be ample parking. This possibility of this happening will take some time.

There was some discussion about raising the prices for the classes. Currently the price is \$25 through SCC and \$20 through the club.

New member applications for Chance Mak, David Wolfe and Russ Neemann were approved.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 15th at the indoor range.

The 4/5/2019 meeting was called to order at 7:00. Board members present were: Jim Tubbs, Wayne Janssen, Brian Krogman, Adam Jirovsky, Chase Powers, Steve Woitaszewski, and Chris Benson. Also present were club members John Filsinger and Clint Burge.

Bowhunter: Chase reported the March 23-24 3-D went well with 21 shooters the first day and 25 the second. Our next 3-D indoor is April 13th & 14th.

Target: The indoor target league has wrapped up but Adam will continue with shooting as long as there are people who want to shoot. A 900 round is scheduled for the last weekend in June.

Youth: Steve said this Tuesday, the 9th will be the last night of the current class sessions. The next session will start on the 16th. He's looking into starting something like the "kid's camp" we used to host. Possibly will aim for the July 13-14 weekend. Groups would shoot 3-D, fun shoots, etc. Lunch provided.

Range Master: Brian reported the work weekend went well with a dozen people each day. Five of the spider web backers were rebuilt. The outdoor range need work for the summer. Downed trees, etc. Looking at a work day on April 20th at 8:00.

The new mower will be delivered on 4/6/19, the old one will be sold for scrap.

Communication Coordinator: Wayne asked for newsletters to be submitted asap, and that scores be turned into him for inclusion in the newsletter.

Old Business: The banquet held on 3/9 went well, 25 people had good food and a good time. The meeting with Scheels went well. They're developing a flyer for the upcoming shoot they're sponsoring. They plan gift cards for the first 3 places in each division. Also speed shoots, novelty shoots, etc. Plan is for cost to be \$5 for adults with kids 16 and under shooting free.

New Business: The club is still in conversation with the neighbor next to our outlot A. The City has decided they're not interested. Motion to sell to the neighbor for his offer of \$500 was seconded and approved with the stipulation that he pay any expenses for the transfer.

Any move to the space we looked at on NW 48th as a possible indoor range is not likely to occur in the near future.

Discussion was held regarding increasing the fee for the classes. Moved and seconded to increase the fee from \$20 to \$30 for members and from \$25 to \$35 for non- members. Motion passed.

There is a Big Game Expo scheduled for January at the Lancaster Events Center. The club has been invited to host a 3-D shoot at no cost to the Club. Set up will be on Friday with shooting Saturday and Sunday. This should be a good opportunity for the Club to earn some much needed revenue.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 23rd at the indoor range.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Benson, Secretary/Treasurer

Range Master Report

We had a great turn out for the last workday at the indoor range, it was very much appreciated for those that came to help out!!! We got 5 of the spiderweb targets rebuilt, after we get more materials we will rebuild the rest of them and possibly build more.

We will have a workday at the outdoor range on Saturday April 20th to get things cleared up by removing downed trees, and trimming lanes to get ready for the outdoor season. It would be greatly appreciated if everyone could come out to help. If you have a chainsaw, weed eater, or any kind of brush trimmers please bring them. We will start at 8:00 a.m.. Any questions please call / text 402-499-0470 Brian Krogman.

These are the names I could remember from the work days on the 30th & 31st: :

Clint Burge, Dave Huffman, Jim Tubbs, Bob Larson, Chad Morgan, Wes Sheets, Randy Meyer

Chad Scott, Robin Ward, Brian Crogman, Aaron Meyersburg and Chris Benson.

I apologize if I left anyone out. THANK YOU ALL FOR HELPING OUT.

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Work day March 30th and 31st.



Target Report

Well indoor target leagues came to an end last week. We had a very successful turnout. I would like to say congratulations to Colt Morgan for winning the most improved shooter. He improved his 450 average by 37 points and his 300 average by 2 points and 10xs. Also congratulations to Hayden Mitchell for winning the high overall. Going into the last day he and Chad Morgan were in a very close race separated by 1.7 points. When the Vegas round was over Haden emerged victorious and came away with the win. For the money shoot there was \$68.00. After a few rounds it was down to Haden Mitchell and Chad Morgan again. Haden Mitchell came out on top of that again. I asked him how it felt to win and I quote he said "I kinda feels bad beating a old man twice". But when he walked out with \$98.00 he said he didn't feel so bad anymore. Each of the award recipients got a plaque and \$30.00 for their hard work. Congratulations guys.

We will be running a DAIR league on Monday nights starting the 29th of April. If more people would like Thursday nights we could do Thursdays instead. But for now we will start on the 29th of April at 7:00 p.m.. That means the range will be closed starting at 6:00 p.m. every Tuesday night till league is over for the night. It will be a 6 week league. If you haven't heard of a DAIR target it is an ASA style scoring target on paper and will be shot at 3 different distances. It will be normal Target League prices with a random person shooting for a money pot every night. There will be at least 2 awards given out. It's a good mix of paper shooting and 3D. Thirty arrows will be shot each night. Hope to see some people there. Other than that we have the state 900 round coming up the last weekend of June. Shoot straight.

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Bow Hunter Report

3D is coming into full swing for us as we prepare to switch to outdoor season. With the coming switch comes a few new things. First, prices will go up for members to \$15 and non-members will pay \$20 while youth 12 and under will be \$10. Second, I will be moving all the targets back to the outdoor range and doing a target/insert inventory in order to prepare an order (if needed) for the year. There are a handful of new targets that the club could really use to offer better shoots for everyone. I am excited to partner our first outdoor shoot of the year, June 15th & 16th, with Scheels for Father's Day weekend. This shoot will be big for the club. \$5 cost for everyone to shoot the course and in addition we will be holding a series of fun shoots on the American range; Speed shoot, Money shoot, Long shot and or smoker course. 100% of the proceeds will be ours to keep! This should be a great way to start our year off on the right path for outdoor 3D. Thank you to everyone for your continued help on shoots. I couldn't do it without you all!

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TIDBITS FROM THE PAST





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60 YEARS OF



STRAIGHT SHOOTING

OUTDOOR RANGE
6333 Maple View Dr.

INDOOR RANGE
345 S. 14TH ST.

Lockers Available

We have several lockers for rent at the indoor range. Cost is \$50 per year. Contact Chris Benson at 402-540-0524.

Lost and Found

Missing something? Found something? Arrows, jackets, and notebooks 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 hoosierdaddy_ne@yahoo.com to confirm your e-mail.