

September 2020



Prairie Bowmen Archery Club

Prairie Bowmen Archery Club is a private, not for profit Archery Club established in 1954.

Our indoor range is located at 1432 N. Cotner Blvd., Lincoln, NE and is open to our members 7 days a week/24 hours a day.

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President's Message

by Jim Tubbs

Deer season is just around the corner, just a little over 2 weeks away. I hope you have your tree stands up or ground blinds, trees trimmed, trails marked and most important have your bow tuned and sighted in.

Club elections are also coming up. If anyone is interested in any of the positions (President, Bowhunter Rep., Secretary/Treasurer or Youth Coordinator) please let any board member know. The deadline for nominations are the September 16th board meeting. The current board members are again running.

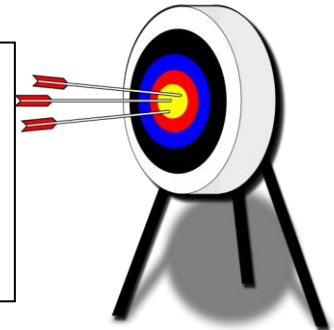
The Board is working on a couple new tournaments, so keep an eye on your newsletters and emails. We also try to keep you all updated on our Facebook page. If there is anything you'd like to see, please let us know.

Target Rep Report

by Chad Morgan

The next Target league (450 Round) will start up on Monday, September 14th at 7:00pm.

Come join in on the fun!



**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS**

The Jedrzejczyk Family
(Todd, Bridget, Alexa & Sullivan)

Kelsey Romshek

Chad Schneider

Jon Topp

Justin Wilson

Youth Education Report

by Steve Woitaszewski

The current archery class is going along despite the pandemic. We just added two people to the class and have two more joining in on the fun next week, but we still have room for more.

The current class (at 6:30pm) will end on September 29th and restart up on October 27th and run for 10 weeks which will be to the end of the year.

For members, the classes only costs three dollars per evening. In October we are planning to offer two classes one starting at 6:00pm and another at 7:30pm.

Hope to see more new youth or adults come out on Tuesday evenings. Planning a special fun night for the last day of this session.

Secretary/Treasurer Report **by Chris Benson**

The 8/12/2020 Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at the indoor range.

Board members present were: Jim Tubbs, Danny Tubbs, Chad Morgan, Bob Larsen, Brian Krogman, Steve Woitaszewski, and Chris Benson.

Club members present were: Patrick Sullivan

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved followed by the Treasurer's report.

Target: The Monday target hunter league has wrapped up. September 14th there will be a 450 round at the range. Chad would like to have a two-day Prairie Bowmen "Pro-Am" shoot in December. November 21st & 22nd we will host the State Archery Association "President and Secretaries" shoot. This will be a 450 round.

Bowhunter: The bowhunter league continues, not a lot of shooters at this time. August 30th there will be a 3-D shoot at the range.

Youth: Classes are continuing, attendance is slowly increasing. So far, Southeast Community College hasn't cancelled the next session due to the pandemic. The next session starts October 27th.

Rangemaster: Brian brought up the subject of "hanging" bow racks to save some floor space. We may try a few of these to see how it works out. There was discussion regarding purchasing some closed-circuit monitors & cameras. The cameras would be near the targets with monitors behind the shooters so spectators would be able to see the targets without the shooters blocking the view. We will be checking into the cost.

Communication: Nothing new to report at this time.

Old Business: August 23rd is planned for a day to paint the exterior of our building. Steve Woitaszewski and Harry Windle plan to power wash prior to that day.

August 26th from 6:00 to 9:00 the range will be closed so we can inventory our 3-D targets.

Discussion was held regarding our out dated copy machine. Plans are to keep using it until it breaks down or runs out of toner. Patrick Sullivan will donate a copier to the club that should take care of our needs at this time.

Our August 30th 3-D is coming up soon. Registration opens at 11:00am. Any help prior to that to help set up would be appreciated.

New Business: Discussion was held regarding "assistants" for some of our Board positions. It was decided that there will be only one assistant for each of these positions, and these assistants will pay one half the normal dues.

Current Board Member bio's for the offices in this year's election need to be turned in to Bob Larsen within a week.

With the current pandemic a couple of NASP coaches have inquired about practicing at our range. The decision is to require the coach to join our club, and they will be responsible for collecting the fees from their students and remit to the club.

Jeff Rawlinson from the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission has requested to be added back to membership as an honorary member. A motion was made and seconded, carried.

We will be reviving the practice of sending "Welcome To The Club" letters to new members.

Ballots will be emailed to members by October 1st, and must be turned in by October 14th. These electronic ballots will be "blind" and secure so no one will know who turned in the vote, and no one can vote more than once. Family members still have two votes.

New member applications were presented and approved from the Todd Jedrzejczyk family, Chad Schneider, Kelsey Romshek, Justin Wilson and Jon Topp.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 15th, 7:00 pm at the range.

Respectfully submitted
Chris Benson
Secretary/Treasurer



Keep your equipment safe and convenient at the indoor range. Lockers available for only \$50/year. Contact Chris Benson (Secretary/Treasurer) for more information.



Member Spotlight

Bill Wessig

(1/16/1946 - 9/8/2006)

From shooting his bows and arrows as a child and continued his passion for the sport throughout his life. When he moved to Lincoln, he joined Prairie Bowmen and furthered his long passion by competing in many types of archery events.

Bill shot longbow, recurve, primitive and Olympic style bows in NFAA, FITA and IBO 3D's. He shot both indoors and outdoors plus the Senior Games and Cornhusker State Games. Yes, he even had a compound bow. He made his own bows and handcrafted and painted his own arrows with some given as awards.

Bill won many tournaments including winning State Overall Champion in Recurve/Longbow in 2001, 2002 and 2003. He was also Indoor and Outdoor Sectional Champion in 2002 and finished as high as 3rd at NFAA Indoor Nationals in 2004.

He loved to help with Kids Camp every year and many kids have quivers, arm guards, finger tabs or other items he made. Bill "The Caveman" was a warrior and never let Leukemia interfere with his love and teaching his "Archery Kids".

When Bill passed away in 2006, Prairie Bowmen proposed a special award called "Bill Wessig's Memorial Bow Award" in his memory. Proceeds from this award going to the "Youth Programs" or the "Kids Camp".



Target Representative Prairie Bowmen and NSAA

NFAA Archery Instructor

National Archery in the Schools Instructor

Jim Lund Award - 2002



Just a friendly reminder...

Our members have worked very hard to provide a Safe, Clean and Enjoyable environment for our sport. Help keep our range clean and targets in great shape.

Reminder: Broadhead arrows are not allowed at our indoor range.

Bowhunter Rep Report

by Danny Tubbs

Hope you are all healthy and dealing with the current events in a positive manner. I am certain that many of your lives have been changed forever in many ways as we move forward.

Food for thought: Recently, I attended an outdoor 3-D. Since it had been some time since I had shot a bow I was shooting alone and taking my time. Since I was alone, and I shoot traditional, it wasn't long before I began catching up with those ahead of me. The first thing I noticed was that the person ahead of me was taking 2 shots at every target. I sort of chalked this up to the fact that there was a group of 4 ahead of him and he was just taking a second shot because of the waiting time. As I got closer to the second group, I noticed that they too were taking 2 shots each on every target.

As a board member at my club this kind of thing frustrates me. If you are not a person who is involved in the inner workings of a club there are some things that you may or may not be aware of. When you are following a group of 4 and each person takes 2 shots, you are now following a group of 8 so everyone behind that group has their waiting time doubled. This is much like playing golf. Imagine following a group of 4 on the golf course and all of them are hitting 2 balls. Not only would this be rude to the players behind them, but from the golf courses perspective, you didn't pay for 2 rounds so you shouldn't be playing 2 rounds. The difference between the golf course and the archery range is that on the golf course you aren't doing irreparable damage to the target with every shot.

Again, as a board member I am very aware of the high cost of quality 3-D targets and inserts. Archery clubs aren't in the business to get rich and all the workers are volunteers. Shoots provide the necessary revenue to keep the club afloat and to purchase the equipment needed to provide you with a quality experience while promoting the sport of archery. This becomes much more difficult when supplies have to be replaced sooner than expected. I believe that most people have good intentions in everything they do. I don't believe that anyone intentionally tries to upset other people or cause hardship for the clubs. I believe everyone is just out to have a good time. Let's do our best to make sure everyone does.

Til we meet....do something nice for someone every day.....Just because you can.

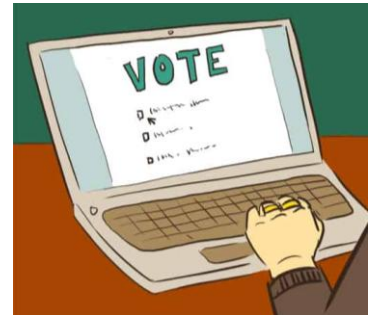
LOST AND FOUND



Missing something?
Found something?
Be sure to leave any found items in the "break room" area.

Watch your email

for our **NEW ONLINE**
Voting Process



Positions up for election this year include:

President

Bowhunter Rep

Secretary/Treasurer

Youth Education Coordinator



Updated Timeline

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| September 15 th | 7pm deadline for submitting a Bio for a Board position |
| October 1 st - 14 th | Online voting takes place |
| October 21 st | Board Meeting with election results announced.
Results will be included in the November newsletter |

It's **NOT**
Too Late!

**to become more involved
in YOUR CLUB and submit
your Bio!**

September, 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 JOAD @ 6:30-7:30pm USA Archery Outdoor Field - Yankton, SD	2	3	4	5
Items in yellow are Prairie Bowmen events						
6	7	8 JOAD @ 6:30-7:30pm	9	10	11	12
13	14 Target League @ 7:00pm (Range closed @ 6:30pm)	15 JOAD @ 6:30-7:30pm Board Meeting 7:00 pm Indoor Range	16	17	18	19 GA 300 NAC 3-D CSA Pin Shoot
20 GA 300 NAC 3-D	21 Target League @ 7:00pm (Range closed @ 6:30pm)	22 JOAD @ 6:30-7:30pm	23	24	25	26
27	28 Target League @ 7:00pm (Range closed @ 6:30pm)	29 JOAD @ 6:30-7:30pm	30	<p style="text-align: center;"> Make sure to watch your email for cancellations, changes or additions to this calendar. </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Contact area clubs regarding the status of their shoots. </p>		