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Waltonian Archers of Linn County Newsletter

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April 2008


Presidents Note

It's mid May already and it's good to have the snow finally gone for the year.

We have been very busy this year with the many shoots we have had and the Buffalo Fork Settlers event. All have been successful and that has been very important in helping us make our financial commitments for the beginning of the year. Having many events though is having a negative effect also. Those who usually run the kitchen and registration are getting a bit overwhelmed. What we really need is to have two crews for the kitchen and registration. We really need a crew to run Saturday and another for Sunday or a crew to run ½ a day each day. If you are interested in running the kitchen or registration give me a call at 393-7628 or send me an e-mail. We would really appreciate it.

Our Silver Broadhead shoot, the oldest shoot in the state of Iowa, is this weekend already. We have a 28 target 3-D shoot Saturday and Sunday and a Field shoot on Sunday. The folks from the Iowa Sportsman Magazine will be coming to shoot and will be writing an article about the club. So we need to make sure we have everything running smoothly!

Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who helped out with the kitchen and the gate for the Buffalo Fork Settlers. That Sunday we really needed help in the kitchen and a lot of folks stepped up! Thank You!

Have Fun,
Al 

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Silver Broadhead Shoot

Our Silver Broadhead shoot is this weekend. This shoot is the oldest shoot in the state and 1st place awards are a genuine Silver Broadhead that we make ourselves. Weather permitting, I imagine a lot of folks will be camping, so bring that tent or camper out to the club and spend the weekend!

Buffalo Fork Settlers

The Buffalo Fork Settlers event went well given the rainy and cold weather. There were quite a few vendors with some interesting stuff. The kitchen went well and we learned a lot about how an event like this works. Our indoor facility worked out very nicely. We may have to hold events like this in the future.

Archery Lessons

Our archery class started a couple of weeks ago. Thanks to member Roger Reid for running the class. He's doing a really nice job and has a great program for new archers. I'm sure we will continue this class as well as more advanced classes. Thanks Roger!

NASP National Tourney

The kids from Alburnett and Central City went to the NASP National Tournament this last weekend in Kentucky. We let the kids practice at the club and they are really becoming good archers! I don't have results yet, but I will get them out to you as soon as I can.

Turkey Season

I hope everyone who has gotten out turkey hunting is having success. I have a tag but haven't gotten out yet. Where are my priorities? Remember to send in pictures of your turkey for the website, or put one on the bulletin board at the club.



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New Bridge

We have a new bridge to put in place coming off the Orange range onto the flats. Thanks to Mike Cooper, Cal Struchen and Chuck Zvacek for putting together a great metal bridge. We need to somehow get it into place now. We will need some help to get this in place. It's all metal with a grate walkway and handrail. It would be great to get it in place for the shoot this weekend.

Concrete or Rock Needed

Conservation Committee chairman Tom Rosenberger is asking for rock or broken up concrete to complete the riprap project. The culvert that the creek runs through under our driveway was washing out and the banks of the creek are eroding at a great pace. So Tom and the Conservation committee have been working on putting large rock and broken up concrete on the banks and under the culvert itself to avoid a costly repair to our road. If you know of anyone who has concrete or rock they would like to get rid of we sure could use it! Call Tom at 364-3711 if you think you may have some. Thanks!





Projects

We have more projects that need to be done this year to get the grounds squared away. The front gate and fence area needs work. The bare spots on the flats from the wood chips and the stump grinding need to be seeded. We hope to get the saplings cut out of the White range and the marked pines cut out of the lower pines. We hope to get the creek cleared of all the limbs and debris that may be in it as well as maybe make a couple rock dams in it. We have stairs that need to be made in some places on the ranges as well.

Watch for more info on when and what we may need help with. If you have any ideas that you would like to see done let us know.

Gas Prices

Check out our website for the lowest gas prices in the area. On the left side of the website we have added a link that will tell you where the lowest gas prices are in the area. It comes in handy the way gas prices keep jumping around!

Membership Dues

Have you paid your dues yet? We really need everyone to get their membership renewed for 2008. The membership dues help us get through the first part of the year.

How can you pay?

- Come to the next membership meeting is always an option. The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 pm.
- You can take your dues to a board member and we will get you a new key ASAP.
- You can mail in a check to:
Waltonian Archers PO Box 595 Cedar Rapids, Ia 52406 and we will get you your new key ASAP.

Those who have paid already, Thank You!
Those who are about to real soon, Thank You
Those who don't plan to, you can....
Just kiddin'! Just Kiddin'!



Summer 3-D Bowhunter League

Our Summer 3-D Bowhunter League is just around the corner. It starts the week of June 1st and runs through September 15th. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for youth and will run for 12 weeks with 4 person teams. If you don't have a team, don't worry we'll put you on one.

How's this work?

You can come out and shoot any time from Sunday afternoon through Friday night. Just grab a scorecard from the box. Shoot. Drop your scorecard back into the box provided and you're on your way. We're going to set up 2 courses this year. Shoot 1 course one week then the other course the next week. If you're going on vacation the next week, just shoot both courses and get 2 weeks done at once.

This is awesome 3-D practice. If you want to improve your 3-D shooting for our weekend shoots, this is a must!

Plus, \$2 of your shoot fee goes into the new 3-D fund, ensuring that we can keep good 3-D targets for the club.

A lot of people make plans to shoot the same day and have a cook out after they're done. It's a nice way to get out of the house!

There is a signup sheet on the indoor range door or you can call Al Perkins at 393-7628 or you can sign up on our website! www.waltonianarchers.net

Hunters 4 Iowa

We have been contacted by a new organization that is interested in preserving Iowa hunting, Youth and Preservation efforts. They are hosting an event in Amana in July and we will be running an Archery exhibition to let adults and especially kids try archery. You can check them out on-line at www.hunters4ia.com

New Members Needed

Do you have friends or family that may be interested in joining the club? Bring them out and show them around. Then bring them to a membership meeting. We had about 150 members at the end of 07. But at \$50 a year we should have more like 250 members. The more the merrier!!!



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