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# The Shavings

Waltonian Archer's Newsletter  
October/November 2005

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## 2005 Club Officers:

President: Cal Struchen 393-2448  
Vice President: Dave Mason 435-2612  
Secretary: Al Perkins 393-7628  
Treasurer: Randy Beelner 395-7492

## Board Members:

Craig Waite 363-6314  
Art Foster 373-0609  
Joe SherBon 448-4430

## Meetings:

### Club Meeting:

November 16<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM at G.O.T. in Cedar Rapids. (Great Outdoor Traditions) (Formerly Fin & Feather)

## Note from the President:

The Waltonian Archers were host to the three Bow Hunter Education classes held the last week of September and first week of October to certify bow hunters for the new Cedar Rapids/Coralville Inner-city bow hunts. Thanks go to Dave Nichols (Deer Task Force Administrator), Steve Havlik (Cedar Rapids Fire Chief) and the many people involved to make this hunt finally happen.

Thanks also go to Dave Mason, Kelly O'Mera, and Art Foster for teaching the Bow Hunter Education classes and Great Outdoor Traditions for their help with advertising and donations. In all there were approximately 120 bow hunters certified through the classes.

The Building committee met at the club grounds on 10/17 2005. After much discussion, a recommendation was decided upon and presented at the 10/19 2005 club meeting. The board's recommendation included a couple of points:

1) When pouring cement for the floor, include the tubing needed for in floor heat. This would provide us with the option of in floor heat in the future.

2) Proceed with the option of a Forced Air Heat Furnace which could be made to include A/C at a future date.

A motion was made to accept the Building Committee's recommendations with the condition that we would not proceed until we have the money in the building fund to complete the project. The motion was passed.

I was admittedly disappointed at the out come as I was hoping to get the building far enough along to be able to shoot winter leagues at the club grounds. But, we need move on and raise the money to complete what we have started. We are going to form a Fund Raising committee for the building fund. We need help with this project. Myself or the Board of Directors can not do it all by ourselves. We need all of the membership to take an active part if we are going to get this project completed.

Call me (393-2448) and give me your ideas, support, donations or names of organizations, foundations or people who might be able to help us reach our goal.

In the meantime, we are looking to hold winter leagues at the Round House (we'll find out for sure in Nov.)

Our next club meeting will be held in the conference room at Great Outdoor Traditions (formerly Fin & Feather) in Cedar Rapids on 11/16 2005.

Hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable hunting season.

Cal

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## Special Thanks:

We would like to extend a special Thank You to the Otter Creek Gun Club for their donation of \$500.00.

## Fund Raising Committee:

In an effort to help raise funds for the new building a Fund Raising Committee is being formed. Anyone interested in joining the fund raising committee should contact Cal Struchen. Your help and support in this fund raising venture is greatly needed. It is going to take the help of all club members to make the completion of the new building a reality.

## Scouts and the Club Grounds:

At the October club meeting we were once again visited by the Boy Scouts of America. The club has decided to move forward with the idea of creating a Venture Crew that would focus on archery and promote scouting values. The club grounds will be used as the group's main meeting area. The Venture Crew will be a Co-Ed Venture Crew for young people ages 14-20. 5 young people and 5 adults (one female) are needed to get this Venture Crew started. As part of the Boy Scouts of America the Venture Crew will be covered under the Boy Scouts insurance when participating in Scout sponsored events such as meetings, shoots or community service days out at the club. The cost to charter the crew is \$25.00 a year. Each member of the crew will pay a yearly registration fee of \$10.00 and about \$2.50 a year to be covered under the Scouting insurance policy. Although focused on archery, members of the Venture Crew are able to earn multiple awards for participation in activities other than archery. This gives members the opportunity to experience, learn and grow in other areas. The crew is organized by the members with adult guidance. This structure gives members a greater sense of ownership and helps to promote organizational values. If you know of someone between the ages of 14 and 20 or an adult that would be interested in joining the Venture Crew, contact Cal Struchen 393-2448 or Dave Mason 435-2612.

## Archery in the Schools Program:

If your children or someone you know has children that go to a school without an Archery in the Schools program, contact Cal Struchen (319) 393-2448 for information on how to get the program started.

Anyone interested in donating to the local Archery in the Schools program contact Cal Struchen. Your donations will help keep archery alive in our community.

## Safety Note:

Due to safety concerns the big tree stand at the top of the hill is closed until repairs are made.

## Successful Hunts:

Congratulations to the following people on a successful hunt:

- Joe SherBon got an 8 point buck.
- Lynn Carter got an 8 point buck.
- Howard Madison got a button buck.
- Cal Struchen got a doe.

If you have any successful hunts, be sure to provide information to the Vice President and Shavings editor. You may be eligible for a pin.

## Ways and Means:

Waltonian Archer's apparel is available.

There are currently T-shirts, sweat shirts, hats and patches in stock.

We are trying to get enough people together to place an order for jackets.

We are also trying to get enough people together to order shirts with the old broad head logo. At least 12 are needed for the first order.

If you are interested in these or other items with the Waltonian Archers logo, contact Lynn Carter 393-6478.

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## Legal:

The application for the 501c has been submitted and the by-laws reorganized to fit a model the federal government expects of a non-profit organization. Now that process is underway, Art has begun working on a Policies and Procedures document. This document will be a set of policies and procedures that all members will be expected to follow. It will include items from the old by-laws that had to be removed for one reason or another. To this end, Art is requesting that everyone review the old and the new by-laws creating a list of items that you feel should be brought forward into the Policies and Procedures document. Examples: No guns on the club grounds, No Alcohol or Drugs on the club grounds, Amount of dues, etc... Art requests that all lists be turned in by the first of the year. If you have any questions regarding this information, contact Art Foster at (319) 377-0609. For a copy of the new By-Laws, visit our web site <http://www.waltonianarchers.net>.

## Deer Trailing List:

As part of the new deer hunt within the Cedar Rapids city limits, a deer tracking list is being compiled. Those on the list would be called upon to help track a deer in the unfortunate instance where one is wounded and not recovered. If you would like to have your name added to the list and help preserve the future of this deer hunt, contact Cal Struchen (319) 393-2448 or Dave Mason (319)435-2612

## Targets:

The club recently purchased new Buffalo and Caribou targets. These were purchased from Surplus Inventories in Cedar Rapids at a price we could not afford to pass up. These targets came with extra vitals and body parts and also included a part to the Kodiak bear leaning on a stump.

## Logging:

The club has accepted a bid to take down additional damaged trees. The logger is planning to take these trees sometime in November. The logger, club officers/board members and our conservation officer have walked the damaged areas and marked the trees that are to be taken. If you would like more information regarding the logging, contact one of the club officers or board members.

## Firewood:

There are still quit a few downed trees on the club grounds that need to be cleaned up. If you would like to take some time and cut firewood it would be greatly appreciated. Wood is being stacked at the bottom of the pines. As a fund raiser the club will be selling a truck load of fire wood for \$65.00. If you know of someone interested in purchasing firewood, contact a club officer. Phone numbers for all club officers are listed at the beginning of The Shavings.

## Waltonian Archers Online:

[www.waltonianarchers.net](http://www.waltonianarchers.net)

Have pictures of game taken with a bow or other club related pictures? Submit them to our web master [Lynn@waltonianarchers.net](mailto:Lynn@waltonianarchers.net) for posting on our web site.

Join the Waltonian Archers Yahoo Group: <http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/WaltonianArchers/> and keep up with club events on-line (maintained by Marv Findley).

## Shavings Editor:

To help reduce copying and mailing cost we would like to send The Shavings via email. If you would like to have your copy of The Shavings sent to you via email, send an email to the shavings editor [b.struchen@mchsi.com](mailto:b.struchen@mchsi.com).

If you have anything you think should be added to the Shavings, corrections that need to be addressed, information you would like to share, contact Brian Struchen at (319) 363-4398 or email [b.struchen@mchsi.com](mailto:b.struchen@mchsi.com).

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## 2006 Shoot/Work Day Schedule:

The 2006 Shoot/Work Day schedule was presented and approved at the October club meeting. The following is the approved schedule and is subject to change.

January		
22	12PM	Vegas 450 Round *
28	7AM - 1PM	Foul Weather 3-D

February		
4		Work Day
5	12PM	300 Round Inv. *
19	7AM - 2PM	Indoor 3-D *

March		
4	12PM	Club Indoor 300 Round Inv. *

April		
8		Work Day
22		Work Day

May		
6		Work Day
7		Work Day
20	7AM - 3PM	Silver Broadhead
21	7AM - 1PM	Silver Broadhead
21	9AM	Silver Broadhead Field

June		
11	9AM	Club Target 900 Round Invitational

July		
2	9AM	Club Field Inv.
8		Work Day
15		Work Day
22	7AM - 3PM	Rendezvous 3-D
23	7AM - 1PM	Rendezvous 3-D

August		
5	7AM - 3PM	Traditional
6	7AM - 1PM	Traditional

September		
16	10AM	Clout
16	5PM	Old Timer's Night, Game Feed, Candle Light
17	7AM - 1PM	Deer Slayer Inv.

\* Dependent upon Round House availability