

President's Corner

Aug 12, 2014

Hi Folks

It has been a busy time at the club.

A huge thank you to all of the people who have helped clean things up and put things back right after the windstorm. We had a great turnout for the work weekend and several people who have spent time outside of the work week end fixing things up. We have all the ranges except the Orange usable and trees felled where needed. There is still some clean up that could be done on the Blue range cutting up trees that were taken down. The Orange has a couple of paths still blocked and we will get to them as time permits. We have reduced the size of the gravel pile by filling the ruts and working on the parking area. We will do more as the fill compacts. We will need to do more gravel work the next few years catching back up but the road is at least passable. The severe rain had washed it out badly. Several people replaced the bridge on the Orange which was smashed by a large tree. It is a walking bridge for now. In the future we will want to build another driving bridge but need to use new timbers or beams and make sure the abutments are sound when we do so. Power lines were down for several days but the power never went completely out. So again thanks to all who helped.

Joe Sherbon and Don Parker have been working to get mowers back running and trying to get the Ford tractor back into service. Thank you.

We had a nice archery event for Hiawatha School in June working with about 60 or so disadvantaged kids in a summer activity program. They all had a big time and wanted to do more of it.

The Rendezvous went real well. We had over 100 shooters and the weather was near perfect. Mosquitoes and gnats were bearable and we all had a good time.

The next upcoming shoot is the Art Foster Traditional Shoot on August 16th and 17th. Setup will be the Wednesday before. Art Foster, who the shoot is named after, was a long time very active club member and officer. He had a lot to do with the planning for the indoor range when it was built and shot all types of archery. He died abruptly of a heart attack in 2006 and is missed for his good nature and effort he put into the club. I plan on camping out there and we will have some kind of pot luck on Saturday night.

We have three more weeks of outdoor league. I apologize for being delinquent in posting scores and standings. It has been a good year anyway. Some of us will continue to stump shoot on Monday or Tuesday evenings after the league ends for as long as weather and light will allow us. So anyway, good shooting and I hope to see you out there.

Carl Mally

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Events Calendar

August 16-17th Art Foster Traditional 3D

August 20, 7pm WALC Membership Meeting

September 3, 7pm WALC Board Meeting

September 17, 7pm WALC Membership Meeting

September 20-21, Deer Slayer 3D Shoot

September 20, 1:00/Dark, Clout Shoot / Candlelight Shoot

October 4th, 5pm Randy Beelner Retirement Party at Marion Knights of Columbus

October 18th, 7pm, Indoor Vegas 450 Round

November 16th, 1pm, Indoor Vegas 450 Round

Ways and Means

Gayla Lewis, 1-563-212-3457, Silverbay13@gmail.com Pre-order a beautiful embroidered WALC t-shirt or jacket and help us put together a minimum order. Contact Gayla for details.

Joke of the Month

A mom calls out to her son "Harry! Wake up! You'll be late for school." The son replies, "Mom I don't want to go to school! The teachers and students hate me! Give me one reason I should go!" The mom says back, "You should go because you're the principal!"

Submitted by Garl Mally

BOWHUNTER SAFETY COURSE to be held at the WALC Club House

A free bow hunter safety course will be held on Saturday September 6th at the WALC Clubhouse. Sign up at the DNR website. Anyone interested in helping with the bow hunter safety course or in the kitchen please contact Doug Berry or Carl Mally.

RANDY BEELNER RETIREMENT PARTY

October 4th 5-8pm Club members are welcome to attend Randy Beelner's retirement and birthday party held at the Knights of Columbus in Marion (near Culvers on Hwy 13). Drinks and food provided.





Waltonian Archers 3D Target Traditional Field Indoor Clout Bowhunting Family & Friends

What is expected of you as a member of the Waltonian Archers of Linn County

Share in the work load

We have APPROX 70 targets that need continued maintenance, repair of shooting butts, mowing, clearing debris from paths

Mowing of the gate area

Mowing of the flats

Mowing of the Pavilion area

Clearing of down trees in the entire club grounds

Painting of the markers used as shooting positions throughout the club grounds

Repair of bridges on the ranges

Repair of bridges to enter and exit the courses

Maintain roads on the entire grounds

Repair of the buildings

Assist in the kitchen during events

Setup courses for shooting events

Clean and repaint building as needed

Serve as a shoot chairman

Serve as a committee member for different projects

Serve as an officer of the club

Repairs inside the clubhouse during different events

Repairs of the shooting butts inside

Occasional repair to fences that surround our club

Equipment repairs, a constant need for a small engine person

Someone to bring fuel to the club grounds, club pays for fuel, without Fuel we cannot mow or do repairs

Occasional donations of food, money for needs like gravel animals etc.

A person to make up and publish the club shavings

Someone to advise the news media of our events, so we can attract shooters and new members

These are only some of the needs of the club. I am sure you can think of others.

We expect our members to share in some of these functions.. You may be asked on occasion to help only in some of these projects. If all members share in one or two of these, we are able to keep our expenses down. If we had to hire persons to do this work our dues would be thousands of dollars. By all sharing in some of these duties your club dues have been kept to a minimum. The problem is, a few have shared this load while others simply come to the club and enjoy the facility. If this continues, you as a member could be asked for a significant increase in your dues. Remember this is a private club. All members get the benefit of 80 plus acres with a private gate system. Please be advised, we need your assistance to keep what we have at a cost near to nothing.

In the past years, when you joined the Waltonian Archers, you were assigned a duty. As an example you were given a target assignment to maintain or maybe a duty to assist others, mowing the gate area, mowing the flats etc. A team effort has allowed us to remain solvent. With the power of many workers the load is spread out. Consider what we have as Waltonians and what it would cost if you were to join an organization where the help is not volunteer.

Thank you for your support of archery!

A proud club member Marv Findley

2013-2014 Club Officers



