



THE SHAVINGS



Waltonian Archers of Linn County Newsletter

A Family Tradition Since 1935

January 2009

Presidents Note

Our next meeting is January 21st at 7pm.

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays! I'm looking forward to a GREAT 2009. Thanks to everyone who attended the Open House/Chili Cook-off! We had a fun time. Terry Perkins won the Chili Cook-Off for the 2nd year in a row, Al Perkins won the novelty dart board shoot, and we got some 2009 renewals and some league signups. Thanks to Dave Stueve of Double Lung Archery in La Porte City for the great hats, shirts and the Bow Bat for door prizes! If you have any ideas to make the open house better for next year let us know your ideas!

Leagues are approaching fast so be sure to get signed up. Look for details in this month's Shavings.

All the deer in the state have eluded me so far this year. But some members have done very well! Some have taken their 1st deer, some have stalked their deer and one member shot a buck of a lifetime! More details later in this issue.

Remember when you renew this year to choose a committee to belong to. It doesn't mean you need to volunteer time, but the more people that get involved the better and more fun the club will become!!! We are getting a lot of involvement already from folks that haven't been involved in the past. That's awesome!

Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who made 2008 a success! Every aspect of the club is improving and we are getting new members at every monthly meeting. That is all thanks to the support of our members!

Have Fun,

Al 

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Thank You Thank You

I'd like to thank the club and all its members for the Award I received at the Game Feed and Old Timers night. I was TOTALLY surprised and very glad to get it.

The sport of archery and the archery club are my love. I like to participate and give back for all the enjoyment I get out of it.

My wife and I thank you very much.

Dave Mason

Editors note.

Dave Mason received the clubs first ever Lifetime Achievement Award which also makes Dave and his wife Charlotte Lifetime members. He's been a member of the club for 40 years and has been involved in countless youth, archery, outdoor and state organizations as well as the Waltonian Archers. Dave and Charlotte Mason are a great example of what it means to be a Waltonian Archer. Thank you for all the hard work you've done for the club and continue to do. It's an honor to call you friends.

Deer? Where?

This has been one of those years for me that remind me of 25 years ago. If you're as old as I am or older you know the scenario, if you even saw a deer on a weekend hunt it was successful. But the season isn't over yet. Colder, but not over.

Some club members have had some great success. I helped a member weigh a couple of does early in the season. He took both does within minutes of each other. Another member shot his first buck ever, a nice 9 pointer. Yet another member shot a 13 pointer from about 3 steps away on the ground. Not in a blind, standing next to a tree! WOW! It don't get no better than that! Then I got a call from a member who was just ramblin' on. I finally got the jest of what he was tellin' me. He had shot a monster buck on Halloween morning. I've heard of big bucks shot before, and it's always cool. But this one was a monster. It measured 205 gross. You need to see the pic on the photo page on our website. Quite the story behind it, but I'll let the member tell you about it. That's half the fun! We'll all get a chance to see the mount at the Iowa Deer Classic this year. It'll be on display. I'm sure it may make its way out to our club at some point.

Be sure to get the pics of your deer to us to get on the website and take a copy out to the club and put it on the bulletin board. Whatever you happened to get this year, doe, buck, big or small. Remember that any deer taken by bow was an awesome hunt!!!!

Indoor Winter Leagues

It's that time of year again. Winter Leagues begin the week of January 11th.

We start off with the Traditional League.

This league is for those who shoot recurves or long bows. This is a fun league that begins at 4pm every Sunday afternoon and begins Jan 11th.

The Sunday Night Bowhunter League.

For this year's Bowhunter Leagues we will be shooting 3-D targets instead of the paper targets. This league has some families shooting like Monday nights and this league begins at 6pm every Sunday night and begins Jan. 11th.

The Monday Night Bowhunter League is also shooting 3-D's this year. This league is already full and has a lot of families shooting. It begins at 7pm every Monday Night and begins Jan. 12th.

The Tuesday Night Bowhunter League is shooting 3-D's and has been a good night for years. The scoring is a little tighter than the other nights in this league. This league starts at 7pm every Tuesday Night and begins Jan. 13th.

The Thursday Night Target League has been a good target league for years. Shooting a 5 spot target this is a great league to shoot and improve your overall shooting from 20 yards. This league begins at 7pm every Thursday Night starting on Jan. 15th.

The Leagues run for 12 weeks and cost is \$6 for non-members, \$5 for members, and \$3 for youth per week. Payment can be made in full or our 4 week plan. Families can pay weekly if needed.

Sign up can be done on line at waltonianarchers.net or call Al Perkins at 393-7628. "Let's have some fun!"

Website Updates

If you haven't checked out the website lately you're missing some cool updates.

We have a new calendar listing everything that's goin' on at the club. Just click on Calendar of Events. We have the 09 shoot prices, 09 shoot schedule, member brochure, club grounds map, shoot divisions, membership apps, flyers for the open shoots, raffles, beginning archery class, winter leagues, moon phases and, oh yeah, even local gas prices. We keep making this baby better all the time!!!! Check'er out!!!!!!

GAME PINS

Did you get a big game animal by bow this year? Deer, bear moose, turkey, you get the idea. To get your pin you need to bring in a picture of the animal you shot. Have you and your bow in the picture. We will order your pin and put the picture on the bulletin board in the club.

Membership Renewals And Club Keys

Members can renew their memberships at the January club meeting. Don Parker said that he will also be at the winter leagues for the first 2 weeks if anyone would like to renew then or you can reach Don at 431-0979 to renew your membership.

We are having new locks and keys made for this year and the keys won't be available until the January 21st membership meeting. **We will change all the locks after the January Membership meeting.** So that would be a good meeting to attend.

We also are looking to put a different lock on the animal shed and give out some keys to that lock to folks who usually need to get in there. The concern is the value of the 3-D's in there and everyone having a key. If you have a concern with this talk to Al Perkins or give me a call. 393-7628.

Raffle Tickets

We need members to step up and sell raffle tickets. All proceeds go to the building fund for the addition of restrooms.

We need our members to sell just 10 tickets each. Cost is \$5 a piece or 5 for \$20.

We're giving away a Larry Zach Print, a 09 Hoyt Alphamax bow, a Mathews Outback bow, a portable Grill and a Waltonian Archers membership. 5 prizes going to 5 winners. Just see Al Perkins to get some tickets to sell to friends, family or co-workers. We will be giving away the prizes at the Silver Broadhead Banquet in May.

Whitetails Unlimited Banquet

Anyone who would like to attend the Whitetails Unlimited Banquet on January 24th we need to order tickets within the next 2 weeks. Cost is \$45 single, \$20 spouse or child. There is a meal catered by Dostals Catering, raffles, silent auctions and live auctions. Whitetails Unlimited has been good to us over the years with large donations for our building fund. The group of Waltonian Archers that attend the banquet is growing each year and its good that we help support Tim Powers of Whitetails Unlimited for all that they have done for us. Contact Cal Struchen at 393-2448 if you want to attend.

IBA Banquet

The Iowa Bowhunters Associations Spring Banquet is coming up March 7th.

The guest speakers this year are Fred and Michele Eichler. Fred is on Hoyt's Pro Staff and just recently completed the Super Slam with a recurve. Michele is the daughter of the late John Mussachia of Muzzy Broadheads.

Cost is \$35 for adults and \$20 for youth. The banquet will be held again at the Sheraton West Des Moines Hotel 1800 50th Street West Des Moines, IA. You must be an IBA member to attend. We usually get 2 tables of 10 up front.

The IBA banquet is the same weekend as the Iowa Deer Classic, so it's a great weekend. Contact Cal Struchen in the next few weeks at 393-2448 if you are interested in attending.

Beginning Archery Class

Roger Reid will be doing a 2 hour Beginning Archery Class January 6th at 7pm at the club. Cost is \$5. If you know of anyone interested in the class have them call Al Perkins at 393-7628 or just show up on the 6th at 7pm.

Archery Tips

Numbering your arrows is an easy way to identify a flawed arrow. Often in practice you will find that one of your arrows in each set is slightly out of your group. If your arrows are numbered its easy to identify if its the same number each time that's out of the group. You know then its time to set that one aside for tuning later.

Waltonian Archers

2009 Shoot Schedule



MONTH	TIME	EVENT
JANUARY		
SUNDAY 4 TH	1 PM	INDOOR VEGAS 450 ROUND
SATURDAY 10 TH	4 PM - 9 PM	INDOOR 3-D
FEBRUARY		
SUNDAY 8 TH	1 PM	ADVANCED VEGAS ROUND
SUNDAY 22 ND	7 AM - 1 PM	INDOOR 3-D
FRIDAY 27 TH	7 PM	ISAA INDOOR TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY 28 TH	9AM - 12PM - 3PM	ISAA INDOOR TOURNAMENT
MARCH		
SUNDAY 1 ST	9AM - 1PM	ISAA INDOOR TOURNAMENT
SUNDAY 8 TH	1 PM	INDOOR 300 ROUND
SATURDAY 21 ST	7 AM - 3 PM	CABIN FEVER 3-D
SUNDAY 22 ND	7 AM - 1 PM	CABIN FEVER 3-D
APRIL		
SATURDAY 4 TH	7 AM - 3 PM	SPRING STRUT 3-D
SUNDAY 5 TH	7 AM - 1 PM	SPRING STUT 3-D
MAY		
SATURDAY 16 TH	7 AM - 3 PM	SILVER BROADHEAD 3-D
SUNDAY 17 TH	7 AM - 1 PM	SILVER BROADHEAD 3-D
SUNDAY 17 TH	9 AM	SILVER BROADHEAD FIELD
SUNDAY 24 TH	9 AM	TARGET 900 ROUND
JUNE		
SUNDAY 7 TH	9 AM	ISAA STATE TARGET
SATURDAY 20 TH	7 AM - 3 PM	CHARITY SHOOT 3-D
SUNDAY 21 ST	7 AM - 1 PM	CHARITY SHOOT 3-D
JULY		
SATURDAY 25 TH	7 AM - 3 PM	THE RENDEZVOUS 3-D
SUNDAY 26 TH	7 AM - 1 PM	THE RENDEZVOUS 3-D
SUNDAY 26 TH	9 AM	FIELD SHOOT
AUGUST		
SATURDAY 22 ND	7 AM - 3 PM	FOSTER TRADITIONAL 3-D
SUNDAY 23 RD	7 AM - 1 PM	FOSTER TRADITIONAL 3-D
SEPTEMBER		
SUNDAY 26 TH	9 AM / 6 PM / 8 PM	CLOUT/GAMEFEED/PM SHOOT
SUNDAY 27 TH	7 AM - 1 PM	DEER SLAYER 3-D



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