

## Time to Renew Your Membership

January 18th Membership Meeting - Annuals Dues are due. Dues are \$100/yr, less volunteer hours at \$1/hr, up to \$25 discount. Volunteer hours must have been approved by a club officer.

## President's Corner - January 2023

Hi All

2023 is here and well under way. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season (even with the blizzard right before) and are getting the New Year off to a great start.

Winter leagues have started and we have a really good turn out this year. The Tuesday night bowhunter league had 12 people show up the first night and a couple more the next one. (Since we didn't have enough interest to have this night the last two years that is a great start). Bob Schell has been running that one for us. (Thanks Bob!) The Thursday night target league has most of the usual suspects plus a few new people to fill out 9 teams. We have been having fun shooting 450 rounds for this night and the scores are pretty good so far. (Don Parker and I are running this one) The Sunday afternoon traditional league started the second Sunday of the month as the first was New Year's Day. I have not seen how many were signed up for that one but they usually have a lot shooting it. (Dan Perra got this league set up this year)

Coming up in January and February

January 22<sup>nd</sup> – There is an Indoor 2D 3D shoot starting at 7 AM and ending at 1 PM. This is a Sunday and the registration opens at 6:45AM. This will consist of 12 targets that you will shoot 2 arrows at each. It should be fun, come and give it a try.

January 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> – The ISAA State Indoor Vegas 450 will be held at the Waltonians. We will have a Friday night line at 7PM on the 27<sup>th</sup>, and 9AM and 12:30 on both Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup>. Keep watching the Waltonians website for registration. This is always a good shoot to come out to and draws some really great shooters.

February 11<sup>th</sup> – We will have an Indoor 300 target round. This starts at 7PM and will be a good warmup for the State Indoor Championship which will be at the Border Brigade March 17<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> in Webster City.

Several members have been cutting some more trees on the ranges in preparation for planting in April or May. The areas we will be planting need to have a clear area around them so the sun can get to them and the diseases can't. He has been talking about the trees and what we need to do with the State Forester. If you want to know more, you can ask Carl Mally.

Well, I think that is about all I have for now. Keep shooting, be safe and enjoy the lovely grey weather!

Mary Bisinger

President

# Waltonian Archers Event Calendar

January		
Tuesday 3rd (Weekly thru Mar 14)	7 PM	Bowhunter 2D -Winter League
Thursday 5th (Weekly thru Mar 16)	7 PM	Target League -Winter League
Sunday 8th (Weekly thru Mar 19)	4 PM	Traditional Bowhunter -Winter League
Sunday 22nd	7 AM—1 PM	Indoor 2D/3D
Friday 27th	7 PM	ISAA State Vegas 450 Target
Saturday 28th	9 am & 12:30 PM Lines	ISAA State Vegas 450 Target
Sunday 29th	9 am & 12:30 PM Lines	ISAA State Vegas 450 Target
February		
Weekly		Winter League
Saturday 11th	7 PM	Indoor 300 Target
Saturday 25th	7PM	Indoor Vegas 450
March		
Saturday 11th	7 AM— 2 PM	Cabon Fever 3D
Sunday 12th	7 AM—12 PM	Cabin Fever 3D

### For full schedule go to: https://www.waltonianarchers.net/Shoots.htm

Member meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month (no December meeting) at 7PM, Waltonian Archers Clubhouse

There is a \$5/member fee for Indoor Open Shooting. If you're shooting often, the club offers Unlimited Open Indoor Shooting for \$200/yr. Full list of prices and fees are posted at the club and on the webpage

### Area Shoots/Events

Jan 21: Archery Field and Sports, Altoona, Open Tournament, Match Format. Infor at <u>archeryfield.com</u> Jan 28: Echo Valley Archers, Money Shoot, <u>https://www.facebook.com/echovalley.archery.5</u> Feb 4 & 5: Echo Valley Archers, Indoor 3 D;

- Echo Valley Archers— Open Shoots, Mon-Fri 4 PM to 9 PM, Sat/Sun 8 AM-9 PM

Feb 10-12: Illinois Target Archery Association, ITAA Indoor State Championship, Wheaton, IL

Feb 18th: Echo Valley Archers, Iowa A.S.A. Indoor

Feb 25, 26: NFAA Midwest Sectionals, Prairie Bowman Archery. Lincoln, Ne <u>https://www.nfaausa.com/</u> Feb 25, 26: NFAA Midwest Sectionals, Rapids Archery, Andover, MN

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# 疑 Little Rock Air Force Base, Archery Range Makeover

Rick Roger's son Brian contributed this note for our newsletter. Brian is a Chief Master Sergeant, stationed at Little Rock AFB and has been working to reopen an old base archery range. Rick went down for a visit to check it out and give some pointers to his granddaughter.

#### **Brian Rogers**

So the club got revived recently when the base here started a program that they call "Herk Hangouts". Herk is short for Hercules which is the name of the C-130 that this whole base/community was built upon. We have the AETC side that trains them, then my side that operates them through AMC. There's also an ANG wing here and a Reserve Group. All with the C130 mission. Anyway, Herk Hangouts was a thing started sometime before I got here to help people start up/connect through hobbies. Everything from archery, to writing, to hunting, disc golf, cars, etc. One of the civilians took the lead to start an archery club and a couple months back they held a Herk Hangouts fair, kind of like a job fair, where each of the clubs could set up a table and get the word out. This was where I met the lead for the group and he mentioned there was an old plot of land on base that was used as a range years ago. Upon seeing it, you can tell it was set up probably in the 60s or 70s. Not in terrible shape, just really old and not kept up in probably a decade or more. Coincidently, Outdoor Recreation had bought probably 10 nice 3Ds and a few square/block type targets a couple years ago cause they were gonna convert a part of the old golf course into a target range (which never took off), that have just been sitting in storage. So we got some folks together, went through the old trailer/ sheds, around the small range, etc just cleaning up and marking off areas for safety. There's an old stand, with some targets that aren't in the attached pictures, but it's not safe, so we are just avoiding that area for now. The base does have plans to eventually convert that part of the base into something else, but you know how base/land contracts go... could be 10 years or more. So we're gonna just keep it fixed up until they take it away. Outdoor Rec didn't seem too interested in doing any work, but when we told them we'd do it all, they gladly handed over the key to the small trailer with the targets and now it's out there for our use, lol. We had about 6 people out there helping that first day, then a few hung out to shoot. The shorter days and chillier weather will probably slow any major improvements in the next couple months, but I expect as it starts to warm back up come Feb or March we'll have it all set up proper.





Shavings Editor Bob Schell, rschell5gmail.com Please keep The Shavings in mind if you a hear of area shoots, have a story, news or a good joke you'd like to share. Pictures are always welcome. Bob





**Club Tees, Hats, ETC. OR SALE!!!** Styles and colors are posted on the bulletin board in the main room of the clubhouse.

#### Winter Leagues

Our Winter Leagues got off to a good start, with all three, Traditional, Bowhunter and Target shooting this year. You do not need to be a league shooter to shoot during league shoots, but you will have to follow league rules. Cost is \$6/shoot for adults, \$3 for youth.





## Successful hunt on Club Grounds

Humza Igram arrowed this buck on the last day while hunting club grounds.







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