



San Francisco Archers Inc.

ARROW

Spring 2006

President's Message

"Oft a little morning rain
Foretells a pleasant day"
Charlotte Bronte

A little morning rain may foretell a pleasant day for Charlotte Bronte but not for me. It is March 25 and here in Pacifica we have had over 35 inches of rain already and there are still two more months in the rainy season.

The one hundred-yard range has been flooded and the outreach program has been restricted to the regular range. The clubhouse has been flooded at least once and water is beginning to seep through the roof in several places. Every time new targets are put on the bales the rain soaks them and the wind strips them off of the cardboard and sends them flying everywhere. I want to barbecue outdoors and not have to duck inside to eat. I want to get in the car without muddy boots and I want to stop wearing wool shirts. And yet—the yellow and white daisies are blooming on the hundred yard range and where would they be without the rain?

Our range was inspected last year so we really do not need to be inspected this year but Josh and Jim and Tim want to make some changes to the Traditional Shoot, B. C. Shoot, and the Wednesday Night Shoots so we will be having an inspection in late April or early May. After much discussion and a little research, I discovered we could purchase good, heavily compacted, 44 inch (185 lbs), hay bales for about the same price we paid last year. Because we still have some bales left over from last year and because we really have no good dry place to store the bales, Tim has convinced me to purchase only sixty bales. If we can stretch these out for a year by using only two bales in some places where three bales were not really needed in the past, we can save some money. If not, we will just order whatever we need later in the year. I hope to get the bales delivered on Saturday, May 13 a regularly scheduled work party day. If that date does not work out, I'll let everyone know.

There was a new product advertised in the latest edition of *Primitive Archer Magazine* and I would like to share it with you. These nifty little items are called Repararrow Footings from Ironwood Archery. If you have ever thought about making footed arrows but have never tried it or were frustrated with previous attempts, you might want to give them a try. They cost \$15 a dozen and are available in walnut and cherry wood. One end is pre drilled to receive a traditional taper so you only need to glue, sand, and taper the end for a point. If you are interested, find Ironwood Archery online or phone James C. Davis at 207 426-8851 in Clinton, Maine.

That is all of the archery news I have at this time and it's a good thing because my cat (Flies) just came in soaking wet from the rain and I have to dry her off. She's upset and has something she wants to tell Charlotte Bronte.

Jack Rauch



Vice President's Message

Hello everyone. I hope you're still afloat in all this rain we've been getting. There hasn't been too many opportunities to get out and enjoy our range but with any luck, and a shift in weather patterns, that shall change. I've been busy dodging rain drops and marking out a new Wednesday night course as well as a new course for our traditional shoot. **Wednesday night shoots will be starting May 10th.** The new layout will more or less follow the route we're all used to but I've incorporated new shooting and target positions on all 14 targets. I'm going to be putting a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse for anyone who chooses to volunteer for set up or take down....the targets are all very accessible, i.e., close to the road, so set up and take down should be a breeze. Our Pacific Traditional Rendezvous will happen June 18th. I've laid out a new course that I think everyone will enjoy. I will put a sign up sheet for this in the clubhouse as well. We'll need some volunteers for set-up/take down, kitchen, and registration. The flyer had a few technical difficulties, so is not included with the newsletter, but copies are available at the clubhouse.

- Josh



Treasurer's Message

Happy Spring fellow archers! As we "spring forward" and gain some daylight, let's hope this "rain, rain will go away" so that we can go out and shoot more often!

Welcome to all our NEW 2006 Members and thanks to all who have sent their membership dues. To those who have forgotten, please send them as soon as possible.

Thanks to our members who continually donate their time and/or money for the love of archery.

I'd like to thank to the Epperson family who recently made a generous donation of \$500. The Church of the Highlands also donated \$500. We will put some of this money toward some new 3D targets, our seemingly insatiable need for bales and/or some equipment for the Outreach Program.

Stay dry! Until next time, **Tricia Porter**



Archery Workshops Coming to San Francisco Archers

by
Jack Rauch

At our most recent board meeting on April 3, there was much discussion about how, in the past, there were workshops offered at the clubhouse from time to time. Rather than just wish for "the good old days", several members offered to present workshops/classes in the near future.

Ishi and his World—Mike Klingler
A GPS Seminar—Mike Klingler
Arrow Making—Tim Hamack & Jim Robison
String Making—Instructor to be determined
Flint Knapping—Instructor to be determined
Bowmaking—Instructor to be determined

Please watch *The Arrow* and the clubhouse for notices of dates, times, and fees (if there are any). If you are interested in teaching an archery-related class such as Bowhunter Education, Leatherworking for Dummies or whatever, please contact me or any club officer or board member.



Notes from the Editor

If you have renewed, you should have received your 2006 membership tags either with this mailing or a prior issue. I am returning to using e-mail to distribute the *Arrow* to those who have indicated they wish to receive it that way. If you usually get an electronic copy and are expecting your tags, they will be sent separately. As the renewal reminder states, this will be the last reminder—no personal letters, no e-mails, no phone calls asking if you intend to renew. Only people who have not renewed will receive the reminder notice in a snail mail copy of the *Arrow*, so if you receive one, it is meant for you.

At the March meeting, King Lamadora expressed his regret at having to resign his position on the board due to other commitments. He will remain until a replacement is found and accepted. Any takers? As promised in the February issue of the *Arrow*, a copy of the new and improved bylaws that the board adopted is included with this mailing.

As always, anyone can send me something to be published in the *Arrow*. You should feel free to communicate with any of the officers or board members on issues or concerns you would like addressed (or, you can show up at a board meeting). **Darlene**

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Calendar

April 16, Sunday	Outreach(?) / Easter Sunday
April 29-30, Saturday-Sunday	Fresno Field Archers Safari - Dunlap
April 30, Sunday	Sonoma County Bowmen Ultimate Bowhunt (CANCELLED)
May 1, Monday	Board Meeting
May 7, Sunday	Outreach
May 10, Wednesday	The return of the Wednesday Night 3-D Shoots (No Broadheads!)
May 13, Saturday	Work Party
May 17, Wednesday	Wednesday Night 3-D Shoots (No Broadheads!)
May 21, Sunday	Outreach
May 21, Sunday	Kings Mountain Archers Cartoon Classic - Redwood City
May 24, Wednesday	Wednesday Night 3-D Shoots (No Broadheads!)
May 31, Wednesday	Wednesday Night 3-D Shoots (No Broadheads!)
May 27-28, Saturday-Sunday	CBH/SAA Broadhead Championships - Cougar Mountain (Brownsville)

