

ARROW

San Francisco Archers

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see the same level of commitment and camaraderie that we have come to enjoy at this time and that the club will continue to grow and improve in even GREATER ways.

Once again, thanks for all the hard work that so many of you have done and remember—A CLUB is only as GOOD as the MEMBERS who are WILLING to WORK to KEEP IT THAT WAY!!

~Jim

JOHN FLYNN | *VP of San Francisco Archers*

Well the busy summer of '04 has come and gone. All the hard work around the range this year has paid off, and SFA has shown that we can still host a state championship.

For those of you not there (and for those that were) the State Field went amazingly well. Up on the range we had zero, count 'em folks, zero complaints. I would have felt sorry for the guy that complained to Tim Hamack if there was anything wrong! Tim put in a Herculean effort in getting both the white and red ranges in shape. Competitors that shot here as far back as 20 years ago said that the range NEVER looked so good. It's a testament to a lot of people in the club, but our hats are off to Tim.

I'd say there are some folks who will remember our red range for years to come (with both fondness

Well Folks,

It looks like another year of shoots at SFA has drawn to a close and it was a banner year. Bigger numbers at almost all of the shoots and large turnouts at the outreach program (THANKS Harri, Tim, Jack, Bill and all the other dedicated teachers!) A state championship was held at our range and an ENORMOUS amount of work was done to improve the quality of the facility. If you haven't shot both ranges in a while, I think you should be VERY impressed at the overall conditions.

I would like to thank everyone who was involved this year in the maintenance and upgrading of our facility and/or worked at the **Cabin Fever, Traditional Rendezvous, State Field Championships, 1 Million B.C. and the Wednesday Night 3-D Summer League** (man, this place is jumpin")

We've made some new friends this year and we've lost some old ones but, the sport of archery seems to be on an overall upswing at the moment and we need to look at this as the chance to bring in new and old shooters alike and get them involved in the fun (and work) of having a WORLD CLASS range for the enjoyment of ALL.

I hope that as we head into the new year we will

and cursing—mostly cursing I'd guess). Crystal Rosario managed to set a state record on the red—so how tough could it have been? Fact is, it was only the second state record ever set on it, and we hosted many championships in years past.

The only “incident” on the range involved a group of four cubs that were attacked by a swarm of yellow jackets. Our own Chris Scully was chaperoning the group and with the help of King Lamadora and Mike Klingler, got them off the range pretty quick. The thing is, after about 2 dozen stings each, three of them wanted to go back and finish! And they did! They even came back the next day and posted their scores! A great bunch of kids and a credit to their parents.

There was a minor incident at the end of the weekend as CBH President Dick Eckenberg decided that the bridge over the creek coming in on the “members parking” road just looked to good not to visit. He then drove his shiny new 34-foot 5th-wheel into it. Yep. He needed the help of SFA to get it out. With Bill Dahl hooking up his 4-by in front of Dick's truck, and near about 20 club members in the back, we got it un-stuck and Dick back on the road again.

The State Field was truly a group effort, and I can't begin to mention all the help the club had all through the last year to make it happen. The work that was done on the ranges needed to be done. And since we have everything in shape, and all the hardest work has been done, we've put in a bid to host it again next year. Over the years SFA has hosted the State Field back-to-back a few times. We won't know until the State meeting in January if it will be back here, so keep you fingers crossed.

~John

MARINA HAMACK | *Scorekeeper,*
San Francisco Archers

We've had quite a few people turn in scorecards this year for the club championship, which is very encouraging.

I'll go over the rules one more time (for those of you who are new, or have forgotten), in order to be eligible for the club championship, you must turn in three qualifying round scores. A qualifying round is a 4-arrow, 28-target score shot either of all field targets, all hunter targets, or a combination of 14 of each. Recognized state or regional sanctioned rounds) are also acceptable. So,

if you shot the State Field here at SFA you already have two of the three scores needed! If you shoot the upcoming regional championship up at Sonoma Country Bowmen this October, that qualifies for a round as well.

Make sure you turn in you scores at the clubhouse in the black box marked “scores.” All those eligible for 20-pins, 500-Round patches, and other NFAA awards will receive them at the annual awards dinner in November. The various club champions in each category will also be announced and prizes awarded.

If you have any questions at all on how this works, give me or John Flynn a call.

~Marina

DON DONOUGHE | *Editor and Webmaster,*
San Francisco Archers

Hopefully everyone saw the wonderful article in the San Francisco Chronicle by Paul McHugh, Chronicle Outdoors Writer. It was in Thursdays paper on the back page of the sports section. The article titled, “**Elf inspires new archers: Young kids are now flocking to Bay Area facilities**”, is well written and will probably send a lot of folks to our range. Especially after Paul says that..

the San Francisco Archers (incorporated in 1935) began nearly 60 years ago as custodians of a gorgeous, 66-acre dell with nearly 100 targets and its very own lake in Pacifica's Sharp Park.

It's just a guess, but I would expect that our club may see more and more parents and children giving archery a try. As the Archery Outreach Program has seen this summer, more and more people are bringing their children to give it a try. My experience has been that the parents have just as much fun as their kids when they participate. Once they have a walk around either range they will surely be hooked. That's all it took for me.

So if you get a chance help Jack and all the other volunteers at the Archery Outreach Program. It looks like they may need it.

~Don

NEWS



ARCHERY OUTREACH PROGRAM

We need more equipment for our Archery Outreach Program. If you have some old bows, arrows, or anything that you are not using, please consider a donation to our popular outreach program. As our program grows so does our need for instructors. If you are interested, please contact Jack Rauch.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a General Meeting **October 4th at 8:00** immediately following the monthly Board Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is the discussion and vote of an expenditure. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

BOARD ELECTIONS

Nominations for officers and board members were opened on August 31. A nomination board is posted in the clubhouse for those who'd like to take a more active and positive role in shaping the future of the club. If you want to serve, and can't make it the clubhouse to sign up, let one of the current officers know so we can make sure you're listed. Nominations will be posted in the October newsletter, with ballots arriving under separate cover (hopefully). Information on the due dates for the ballots will be provided with the ballots, and any new board members and officers will be sworn in at the annual awards dinner scheduled for November 19 (save the date).

Note: New members who haven't done a work party yet are not considered to be "members in good standing" and will not receive a ballot.

PACIFICA ARCHERY MOVES TO A NEW LOCATION

Joe and Beth Snell announced that they have found a new location. They will be moving to 2995 Junipero Serra Blvd in Daly City. There will be a grand opening in early October (check their website www.pacificaarchery.com for an exact date). The larger space will include a TechnoHunt and 15-20 yard indoor lanes. They are also planning to have Junior Olympic Archery Development program as well as various leagues. The new shop will be open 6 days a week with extended hours. The new phone number is 650-759-HUNT (4868).

TRUCK DONATION TO THE CLUB

Todd Epperson made a donation of his 1986 Ford Truck to San Francisco Archers. This 4 WD Diesel will be a great asset for years to come. Thanks Todd!

NEW MEMBERS

It's been a while since we had a welcome list, so I've opted to welcome all our new members who have joined since the May newsletter went out, whether or not they are "official" yet (i.e., completed their initial work party obligation). If you haven't received a membership tag, my records reflect that you haven't done your work party yet. If you believe you should have received one by now, call me or drop me a line at 650-355-0346 or treasurer@sfarchers.com. With much fanfare, please welcome:

George Abaja
Nelson Artiga
Mat Bradshaw
Emmanuel Campos
Bob Clark
Don Colquhoun
Dr. Phillip Dietrich
Bob & Norma Epperson
Todd & Dee Epperson
Tom Fahey
Ed Gersich
Anthony Kleppe & Nancy Ibison
Kalvin Kwong
Cathy Lewis & Andy Yun

Dewey Melton
Dave & Lisa Melton
Keith & Sandra Murray
Quynh Nguyen & Craig Brown
Amit Parikh
Ed Parodi
Benjamin Quarrels
Matthew & Lynn Roberts
Ralph Santos
Jacquelyn & William Toland
Tony Tse
Charles VanDonkelaar
Mark Velligan
Steve Ward
Aaron Wong & Didi Ricasa
Ricardo Zeballos

And welcome back to returning members Larry Pasero, Jr. and Barbara Piercy

UPCOMING CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

25-26 TAC Traditional Rendezvous, Rancho Neblina Shoot (see flyer)
26 King's Mountain Archers Cartoon Classic, Woodside

OCTOBER

1 Election Ballots Mailed
3 Archery Outreach Program 9-noon
3 Lodi Bowmen Grape Stomp
4 Board meeting
4 Special General Meeting @ 8:00
9 Work party
10 NCFAA Regional Outdoor Championship - Sonoma (see flyer)
17 Archery Outreach Program 9-noon
24 Diablo Bowmen Boo Shoot - Clayton
31 Briones Archers Grade All Shoot - San Pablo

NOVEMBER

1 Board meeting
7 Archery Outreach Program 9-noon
13 Work Party 9-12
14 Club Shoot
14 Ballots due for election
21 Archery Outreach Program 9-noon

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