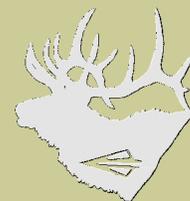


August 2011

Cheyenne Field Archers Newsletter



Calendar

LEAGUES

Resuming Fall 2011
TBA

JOAD

Saturday @ 10:00 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bow Hunters Weekend
(BHW)

August 6 & 7, 2011
Registration Saturday
7:00 am-10:00 am

Work Party
Tuesday, August 16, 2011
4:30 pm
Unload Trailers for BHW

No September Meeting

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A word from your President



I was wondering what I was going to write about this month. Then the answer became quite clear as my phone started to ring all the time. Let me start by pointing out that we are all owners. ALL members pay the same dues, but some of us have volunteered our life to keeping this club going. So, the real issue here is our expensive target Butts. Some of our members have been tearing them up and so we all pay. These Butts now cost us about \$600 each. Since this isn't fair, we "the people in the board room" have to do something about it. There are several approaches here but ALL members will suffer. 1) We hire a proctor and our range is no longer open 24/7 UNFAIR! 2) We replace the card lock with a system like the gun clubs use. Every club entry is recorded as to whom and when entry was made. This may sound too much like Big Brother but may be effective. 3) We re-install security cameras and Prosecute. 4) We simply raise the dues and ignore the problem. (The easy way out); 5) We request that club members monitor their peer's actions. 6) Perhaps a combination of some of the above.

In any case the club has rules for a reason. That is to protect the other members interests. In all recent cases, the person who has called me has cleaned up the mess. UNFAIR to them! We will again be bringing some of these issues up again at the next Board meeting in October (Remember NO September meeting). Please come to the October meeting with some constructive ideas as to how we solve these issues. In the meantime, you can help by dragging a broom and keeping our range clean. Have a Great hunting season! Bob

Board Meeting

The regular board meeting of the Cheyenne Field Archers was called to order at 7:00 pm on August 1st, 2011 at the Cheyenne Field Archers Office. Present:

Board members present: Bob Day, Mary Jo Day, Matt Rusk, Bob Graham, Al Tharp, Mike Lancaster and Mary Tharp. Alternates present: Jim Frauendienst and Dan Conrad. Members present: David Hays.

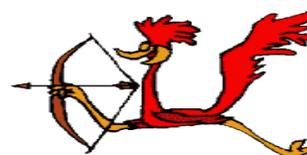
A. Approval of Minutes & Treasurer's Report

Mary Tharp presented the Minutes from the July Board Meeting. Bob Graham made a motion to accept the minutes as read and Al Tharp seconded it.

Mary Jo Day presented the Treasurer's Report. Bob Graham made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented and Al Tharp seconded it. The minutes and treasurer's report we accepted as presented.

B. Membership Report

Membership Report was given by Bob Day. He reported that there were 217 members.



Have Bow, Will Go!!

Old Business

a. BHW

1. **Triple J** – porta potties-we had two scheduled and one handicapped, will be adding a third one.

2. **Bull's Eye Archery** has donated \$150.00 gift certificate for a door prize. Thank you for your donation.

3. **Roger Tharp** donated an HP Printer for BHW use. The club thanks him for the donation.

4. **Trailers**-Jim Fraundeniest will take the new trailer up, Al Tharp will bring the trailer back to town and David Hays will take the other trailer up and bring it back.

5. **The donor banner** -it cost \$61.00 (lower than expected). Al Tharp also got a donation from The Gill Window Company.

6. **Bob Day talked to Ken McCune to setup his PA system and he may play his acoustic guitar in the afternoon.**

7. **Water on the course**-David Hays said someone would need to get water and ice on the B course. Bob Graham said he would do both courses. It has to be done Saturday morning and early Sunday morning.

8. **There was a call for two disable women from Boulder who want to come to the shoot.** After much discussion, about how difficult it would be to take them on B course, it was the board's decision to have them shoot the A course from the Young Adult Girl's stake to make the course fair.

b. Kiosk-Bob Graham and Al Tharp reported that the kiosk is finished. Eric Gerhart did a great job supervising the work. He truly earned his Eagle Scout Award. The boy scouts who attended and helped with the project also did a great job.

c. Animal cores are in except for one. When we loaded trailers they were put in.

d. Club website-there will be a committee formed to work on whether the club should develop a new website. Presentations from interested persons will be scheduled at the next few meetings to see what can be done and how much it will cost.

e. Curt Gowdy-no report on the archery range except it's not done.

f. Outdoor Range at club-We are waiting on our rubber belt source to get back into town to finish it and then we only will be waiting on AeroLast butts or an alternative if we can't get them. Shipping cost is the deterrent. Until this range is done, you can shoot at North Park archery range, but you cannot shoot BROADHEADS there.

2011 Club Officers

President
Bob Day

Vice President
Bob Graham

Secretary
Mary Tharp

Treasurer
Mary Jo Day

Board Members
Matt Rusk
Mike Lancaster
Al Tharp
Craig Deuel

Alternates
Jim Frauendienst
Tim Whetsell
Dan Conrad

We are all owners of this club. Members are issued a key card so they can shoot 24/7. With that comes the responsibility, **'on your honor'** to use the club and it's resources, not destroy or abuse them. One person who flagrantly disregards the rules, hurts us all.

g. Thanks from Game & Fish. Jeff Olbrech sent a thank you letter for the club letting them use the bedded elk. This was an outdoor skills lab for 4H Shooter skills state event in Douglas. They used the bedded elk to test the juveniles skills in determining distances.

New Business

a. Senior Olympics-The board was asked if they could borrow a wood bow rest and tubes for arrows to the one day shoot. The board voted to let them use both for the one day shoot.

b. Broadhead problems at the range-has reared it's ugly head again. The past week there was major abuse in the indoor range. Two butts in the center have been ruined and the mess was left right where it fell. Although there are signs on all the butts, No Broadheads, there was a target set right on the target butt and was penetrated by what appears to be broadheads, as there were clear slit marks in the target which couldn't be made by a field point. There was also damage which appeared to be caused by putting the broadhead target on the benches and missed shots hitting the butts. Most members present agree that if the bow is tuned correctly for field points, you shouldn't miss with broadheads. The butts cost the members \$600.00 each, we lose \$1200 to \$1800 a year due to abuse. Since the members voted to allow shooting of broadheads in the indoor range, the board has decided that the members should come up with the solution to alleviate the problem. There is 10% or less of the membership who shoot broadheads inside the building.

There were several suggestions to alleviate the problem.

(1) is to adjust the membership fee for everyone to defray the cost of replacing the butts (those who don't shoot broadheads in the building don't feel this is fair); (2) David Hays said that in Pueblo there is one lane designated for broadhead shooting only (since there is broadhead shooting already allowed and there is still abuse, the person or persons abusing the butts may or may not shoot in that lane); (3) install a camera to see who is abusing the butts and prosecute them; (4) buy key card reader which will require another computer to keep track of who enters the building at what time; (5) hire a proctor to make sure that everyone is following the rules (this would limit shooting because the club would only be open certain times of the day) or (6) we could **only** charge the members who want to shoot broadheads inside more to alleviate the cost. Come to the October meeting with any other suggestions or solutions you may have.

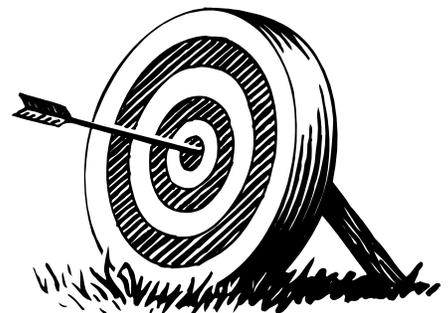
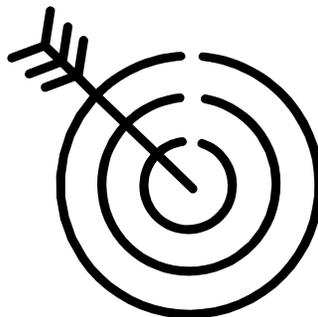
Other Business

- a. Work party-August 5th to set up the A & B Course-9:00 am**
- b. Work part-August 16th 4:30 pm to unload trailers and dinner, meeting to go over problems we encountered at BHW to correct for next year; and how much money we made.**
- c. No Meeting for September- next Meeting October 3rd at 7:00 pm**

Adjournment-Al Tharp motioned that the meeting be adjourned, Bob Graham seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Mary Tharp

217 Members



**Next Board meeting
October 3rd, 7:00 pm**



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