



TBoT Newsletter



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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear TBoT officers and Members:

I'd like to personally thank all the TBoT officers that gave their time and energy to TBoT this year. Sandy Home has had to resign recently due to illness in her family. She has served as TBoT secretary for the past few years. Her hard work will be missed by all of us. TBoT would also like to thank our Treasurer, Peggy Casey, and her husband Mack for their donation toward the purchase of some targets that were much needed during this past season.

Another 3-D Season has passed. As far as TBoT, we had some great shoots this year. We had good turnouts. TBoT made some changes that the officers and I feel are good changes. We've had several clubs approach us about having more TBoT shoots next season. As dates are confirmed we will post them on the shoot schedule and on the website. Maybe by doing this it will enable more members to participate in the shoots.

Our Vice-President, Bill Decker, has been working hard on a program to offer archery youth hunts. More details will be published in the upcoming Newsletter and on our website as they become available. We may need some volunteers to make this possible.

Soon after the first of the year we should have our calendar of shoots published in the Newsletter and on line on our website at www.tbot.org. Now that we've made you aware of some of the business and upcoming events of TBoT—we need everyone working on the TBoT "MEMBERSHIP DRIVE." Some great prizes have been donated, so let's get busy and sign up lots of new members.

Hunting season is here, so let's head to the woods and have a great hunting season. Be sure to share your stories and photos with TBoT. You can send them to our editors or forward them on our website.

Glenn Bryant

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TREE FROG TRADITIONAL ARCHERS

Tree Frog Traditional Archers hosted a fundraiser shoot and barbeque on July 20th and donated the proceeds to Traditional Bowhunters of Texas. All these men are TboT members. They bought the targets and held the shoot on one of the member's property just outside of Dennison, which is in North Texas. The five men of Tree Frog cleared the property, set the targets and did an excellent job of setting the course and providing barbeque for all who attended. The five men responsible are Gerry Grigg, J. R. Robertson, Harry Wright (who by the way looks a lot like Fred Bear), Tommy Douglas, and James Dean.

The shoot raised over \$400 on registration and good raffle items which included a custom knife donated by Chuck Menton, a two-night stay at AmeriSuites in Austin donated by C. J. Morgan, and a two-day Hog Hunt for two people donated by M. F. "Dusty" Kusch of the Carta Valley Ranch. Many door prizes were also given away. The money was donated to help TBoT wherever there is a need; it was decided to purchase targets for the TBoT practice ranges. The Tree Frogs plan to host another shoot next year.

TBoT would like to thank the five men and everybody else who was involved. I would like for everyone to think about how much these five guys accomplished and what we could really do with everyone working together.

Thanks, men--it was a lot of fun, and next year we will have 100 shooters and who knows how much money can be raised!

Glenn Bryant

CHECK IT OUT!

Check us out on line at www.tbot.org. Visit our website and let us hear from you. Our website is all new and full of TBoT information. A special thanks goes out to our Webmaster, Dan Lockhart, for doing such a great job. He and his wife, Carol, are also the editors of our quarterly Newsletter. Keep up the good work! If you wish to receive your Newsletter on line instead of the paper copy, please let us know. It is a feature we are now able to offer.

Editor's Note: See pages 2 and following for details about the website. Suggestion: Keep this article for reference.

Also see "Save TBoT Money" on page 17.

WWW.TBoT.ORG

The Traditional Bowhunters of Texas have an Internet website, www.tbot.org, for its members. The site provides a variety of communication functions which I'll discuss using the site **Homepage** as a guide. The TBoT website will/can provide up-to-the-minute bi-directional communication between TBoT members and TBoT officers about the state of TBoT activities.

Here's the first web page you'll see when you direct your browser (i.e. AOL, Netscape, Internet Explorer, etc.,) to <http://www.tbot.org>.

Traditional Bowhunters of Texas Today is Tuesday, October 01, 2002

Address: <http://www.tbot.org/shootcentral/index.asp> Go

Homepage

TBoT is ...

TBoT Newsletters

Traditional Archery Forum

Traditional Archery Chat Room

TBoT Membership Application and Feedback

Current TBoT News Items

TBoT Officers

Send a Message to your TBoT Officers

Shoot Results

Your Photos!

Administration Area (restricted access)

Humor

Archery Tips

TBoT Vendor Links, etc.

Welcome

We're happy to have you visit the official Traditional Bowhunters of Texas (TBoT) website. Within this site you'll be able to find all the latest information about 'traditional archery activities' within the state of Texas (and surrounding states if we are aware of any). A 'traditional archery activity' is any TBoT officially scheduled shoot PLUS ANY other traditional shoot we discover. So if you plan on hosting a traditional 3D shoot be sure to let us know. And you say, 'How can I let you know?' That's easy, by clicking on the 'TBoT Membership Application and Feedback' link on the left side of this page. This is our communication link to the world. In the 'feedback' area you'll be able to request an event be placed on the TBoT schedule (traditional only please), apply for TBoT membership, request a 'news item' be posted under the 'Archery News Items' link on the left of this page, request your archery business website link be post under the TBoT 'Archery Links', lots of other stuff, and sweet messages to the TBoT officers for all their hard work in our behalf.

You'll also be able to peruse and download current and back issues of the TBoT newsletter. If you download the newsletter you'll be able to print the newsletter in color if you have a color printer.

Finally, you can post messages (and answers) for your friends on the 'Archery Forum' by following the link on the left side of this screen.

The 'Shoot Results' area is no longer under construction. If you've got any shoot scores (traditional classes only) you'd like posted just send them to a TBoT officer. They can post shoot results to the website.

Digital Postcards

Send a Digital Archery Postcard!

Drop a quick line to a friend or let someone know about an upcoming shoot. Let people know what event you'll be at this coming weekend! It's quick, easy, and fun.

IT'S FINALLY WORKING!

Information on TBoT.org is reliable but not guaranteed. It is provided completely by feedback from individuals wishing to spread information about traditional archery.

Archery Events

October 2002

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Jul 2002

Display Shoots by Month

Sep 2002

Weekly Poll

Will you hunt?

- Private land
- Hunting lease
- Public (Type II)
- National Forest
- Out of State

[View Results](#)

Latest Forum Posts

- [Fort Worth Invitational Question](#)
- [Openina Weekend results](#)

Kinetic Energy Calculator

827 lost archers 0 chat room participants **Who's chatting** 3 active users design / development: i2a and Old Ishi

TBoT Homepage

The **Homepage** is divided into parts called frames. The *top frame* provides the website title, Traditional Bowhunters of Texas, a date/time stamp, and four pictures of primarily the fathers of our sport. New pictures are posted every 3-6 weeks as a function of the moon and clock. Clicking a picture will cause it to expand into a separate window for better viewing.

The *right frame* is used to list TBoT events/shoots, present polls to gather information, and forum activity status. Under the heading Archery Events at the top of the frame you'll see a calendar. If a shoot is scheduled for the month shown, the day(s) of the shoot will be highlighted. You can click the day and see all the information about what shoot(s) are being held on that day. You can select a different month and year by clicking on the small arrow points. Under the heading Display Shoots by Month, you can list all shoots for a month by clicking GO after you select a month and year. Many folks print this list, if they have a printer, to use as a travel schedule guide. Under the heading Weekly Poll is a poll requesting information. The poll question and responses are constructed and posted by a TBoT officer. Weekly is a misnomer because a poll rarely changes after one week. The last heading, Latest Forum Posts, begins a list of the most recent forum items/threads updated. The list is built automatically. I can't remember the maximum number of entries but I could probably be bought to find out if someone really wants to know.

To the immediate *left of the right frame* (actually appended to it) you'll see the Welcome heading. Beneath the heading is the "welcome to the website message." Following the welcome message is an Electronic Postcard Generator. You can send your archery buddies a refined and cultured note using this facility. Finally, using the Kinetic Energy Calculator, you can determine how hard you would have hit that buck...if the tree limb hadn't absorbed all the energy possessed by the arrow.

The *bottom frame* contains three counts and a way to identify who is using the chat room. At the left end of the frame is the count of total times the website has been accessed, denoted by the label lost archers. To the right is a count of current chat room participants followed immediately by a button labeled Who's chatting. Clicking this button will cause a window to appear containing the chat room name(s) of people currently using the chat room. The next count on the frame, active users, is a count of the number of people currently using the website.

The Left Frame...or how to do stuff within this website.

The *left frame* enables a user to navigate into and between the various functions and features of the site. Each underlined entry in the left frame is a link/pointer/address to a TBoT website function or feature. Any entry can be clicked any time and will result in an immediate transfer to its corresponding function/feature.

The following two pages contain a table describing, in a little detail, the function of each behind each link.

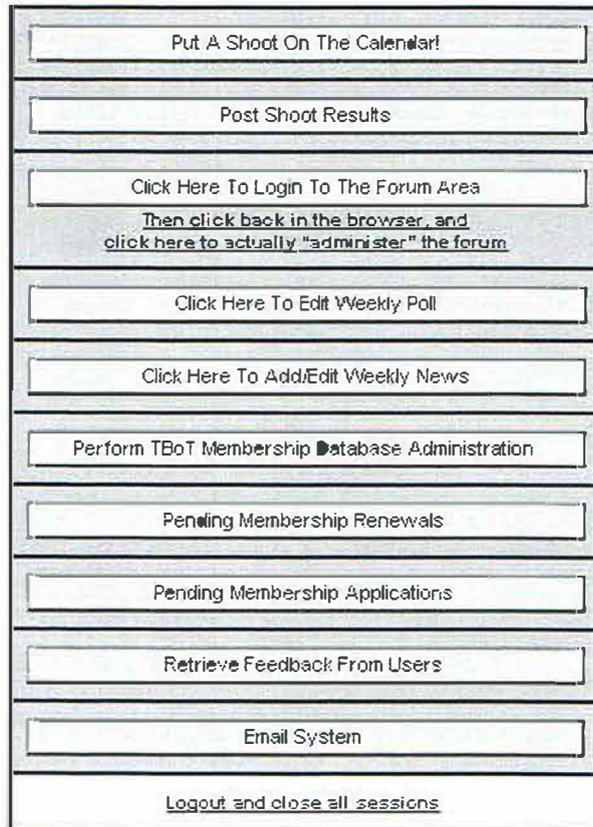
The navigation frame will always be visible as long as you're in the TBoT website.

LINK	FUNCTION / FEATURE / PURPOSE
<u>Homepage</u>	When clicked this link will immediately return you to the website homepage.
<u>TBoT is...</u>	When clicked will display a webpage containing information about TBoT.
<u>TBoT Newsletters</u>	When clicked will display links to previous TBoT newsletters. The newsletters can be downloaded to your computer and printed locally. If printed locally with a color printer, color pictures, images and advertisements will be rendered in color.
<u>Traditional Archers Forum</u>	When clicked will take you to the website online forum. An online, internet based, forum is a place where you can visit with other people by leaving messages, questions, comments, answers, observations, etc., so that when others visit the website they can look at the forum contents to see if any communication was directed to them or the membership in general and respond. A forum is an electronic bulletin board on which messages can be placed and/or read. A forum is not interactive. Interactive means the parties sending and receiving messages are on the website at the same time and immediately receive/respond to messages. An interactive forum is a chat room which is the next link function.
<u>Traditional Archery Chat Room</u>	As mentioned previously, a chat room is an interactive forum. The TBoT chat room is for the <u>exclusive</u> use of TBoT members and requires a <u>password</u> to gain entry. Each TBoT member has an individual password. Your password is the <u>email address</u> you supplied as part of your TBoT membership application. If you failed to supply an email address with your application or can't remember what it was, you can have your membership record updated by providing an email address to one of the TBoT officers who will update the membership database. Our chat room is a wonderful place to hold meetings or just hang out and lie to one another about our latest exploits...like Dick Grande does.
<u>TBoT Membership Application and Feedback</u>	When clicked will display a form. When completed, the form will be used to send six possible email messages to TBoT officer(s). The six possible message subjects are 1. Take my TBoT Membership Application (online); 2. Please list this traditional Event; 3. I have a traditional archery tip; 4. I have a traditional archery article to Contribute; 5. I would like to be listed as a TBoT vendor; and 6. General Feedback. This facility provides an easy way to communicate to the TBoT officers. It is also an extremely easy way for someone to join TBoT without any paper being involved except the check for dues. The system enters the application directly into the TBoT membership database, sends a welcome message telling the prospective member how much and where to send dues, sends the same message to some TBoT officers, and sets a flag in the database indicating dues are due. The dues due flag will be taken off by a TBoT officer when the new member dues are received.
<u>Current TBoT News Items</u>	When clicked will display a list of news items of TBoT membership interest supplied by TBoT members. The news item list is maintained by the TBoT officers. If you have a news item, send it to a TBoT officer for posting.
<u>TBoT Officers</u>	When clicked will display who they are and what position they hold.
<u>Send a Message To your TBoT Officers</u>	When clicked will display a form enabling you to send an message to the TBoT officers about <u>any subject</u> .

Shoot Results When clicked will display a shoot year/month selection page. When selected, all shoots for that month and year whose scores have been entered by a TBoT officer will be displayed.

Your Photos When clicked will display galleries of pictures you've supplied to be posted on the website. Please contact a TBoT officer to have your pictures posted or mail to Traditional Photos, 2513 Manchester, Bryan, TX 77802. Pictures provided on digital media, CD, zip disk, or diskette are really appreciated.

Administration Area (restricted Access) When clicked will display a password-protected area where your TBoT officers maintain your website. This is the Administration Area Menu used by the officers to maintain the website.



Humor When clicked will display some really funny stuff. Feel free to contribute.

Archery Tips When clicked will display contributed archery tips.

TBoT Vendor Links, etc. When clicked will display website links to vendors who are members of TBoT and other links of interest. If you are a TBoT member who would like to have the website address of your business listed here please send it to an officer.

Archery Game Ye olde longbow in action.

If you have questions about how to use the TBoT website or content suggestions please contact a TBoT officer and they'll be able to help you or to direct you to someone who can. Happy clicking, Dick.

A WORD FROM V.P. Bill Decker

Summer is over, at least for teachers and students. I hope everyone had a good summer; mine was very busy. Even though I did not work a summer job, I was very busy--spent one week at NASA in Houston for a space conference for teachers, then one week in Los Alamos, New Mexico, with my brother and his family. While there, I saw over 200 elk grazing in a valley. What A Sight!! On my way home, I stopped in San Angelo to shoot in the "Melt Down." It was more like the "Wash Out" with over five inches of rain falling Sunday afternoon. From there I went to Dallas for a 3-day math conference. Just when I was thinking my summer might slow down, my mother suffered a stroke, making it necessary to make many trips to Lake Jackson to see to her care and needs. She is doing much better, and is on the road to recovery.

Now it is waiting time for deer season to open, having to buy licenses, stamps, scouting new and old hunting areas, practicing more often, and packing and repacking supplies. Many have been traveling to their leases, preparing for opening day. Please don't forget to be safe. Don't take any risk-- you cannot be replaced!

One of the many topics that TBoT officers discussed this summer was sponsoring an archery youth hunt. After researching this topic, I found that several archery associations have discontinued their youth hunts due to lack of interest, insurance expense, the cost of holding the hunt itself, and trouble with scheduling conflicts on hunting ranches. I did find a group in San Antonio called Texas Youth Hunting Program. They will train you to be a Huntmaster in approximately 30 hours over a weekend, where you Review/utilize/practice Hunter Education

Operate various firearms

Plan the necessary components of a hunt

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It is my understanding that they set up the hunt and provide the food and a two million dollar liability coverage. They are very interested in conducting archery hunts for youth, but they need Huntmasters. If you are interested, contact them at 1-800-460-5494. It would be good if TBoT could work with TYHP to put on youth hunts.

Good hunting and keep informed on what is happening.

Bill Decker

**Tell a friend
about
TBoT!**



Bryan Keeling & Keith Mitchell with their Frio River Gar—6'5", 140#
June 18, 2002

IS IT HARD TO JOIN TBoT?

Do I have to tell my friends to complete a "paper" membership form and "mail" the thing to join TBoT? No Sir, No Ma'am! Not our TBoT. It's so simple it's scary. Just tell them to go to WWW.TBoT.ORG on the internet. When they get there have them click the [TBoT Membership Application and Feedback](#) link, complete the form, click submit, and walla. . . they've been added to the TBoT database, been sent a "Welcome" email from Glenn telling them how much their dues are for the type membership they chose, and where to send the check. Is that hard?? Naaaaaw. Not many places can take their money that easy.

Oh yes, if you persuade a friend to join TBoT by using the our website, your friend will be able to specify you as sponsor on the application form. Your name will be entered in the sponsor field in the TBoT database record created for your friend.

This way you'll be able to win the "get more members contest" without having to embarrass yourself by passing out coffee stained paper applications.

WHO ARE THE TRADITIONAL BOWHUNTERS OF TEXAS?

If you are reading this, chances are that you are a Traditional Bowhunter of Texas.

Traditional Bowhunters of Texas is a statewide organization of people who prefer to use recurves, longbows, and selfbows as their primary choice of archery equipment. TBoT provides the opportunity for these people to get together and compare equipment, techniques, and hunting philosophies.

TBoT does this by sponsoring gatherings and shoots during the year and through the quarterly newsletter that is sent to all members. TBoT sponsors the Texas Hill Country Shootout each spring. This event is a leisurely week-end of hog and exotic hunting and 3-D shooting. TBoT also tries to hold satellite shoots across the state to offer the membership the opportunity to participate without traveling great distances. At all 3-D type events, children 12 and under shoot free, even if their parents are not members. Also, all children receive trophies, medals, or some other type of award for participation.

The quarterly newsletter contains information about activities within the organization, news of other traditional events across Texas, and stories—both factual and fictitious—submitted by members. There is a free classified ad section for use by the membership. If a member has a question about equipment or hunting situations, there are a number of bowyers, arrow crafters, and outfitters in the membership to answer questions.

So, if you are still wondering what or who the Traditional Bowhunters of Texas are, chances are, you are one. Why not take time and join today?

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Life \$150.00

*Business memberships include dues and a business card ad in four issues of the TBoT Newsletter.

NOTE: If this is a new membership and you have been asked to join TBoT by a member in our Membership Drive from August 1 till December 31, 2002, please list your SPONSOR's name so that TBoT member will receive credit for recruiting you as a TBoT member.

My sponsor for TBoT membership is _____.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our membership drive will continue through December 31, 2002*. The winner will be the TBoT member who signs up the most new members. These can be individual, family or corporate, but must be new members, not renewals. A membership form** is included in this newsletter and the new member must list you as their sponsor.

The prize for the member with the most paid new memberships is a

3-day hog hunt on the Bug Scuffle Ranch
donated by Bryan and Debbie Keeling.

Prizes will also be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place finishers.

We need everyone working to make this club bigger and better next year!
The winner will be decided based on total points.

Points will be awarded on the following scale:

- 1 pt. Individual 1 year
- 2 pts. Individual 3 years
- 2 pts. Family 1 year
- 3 pts. Family 3 years
- 4 pts. Life
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- 2 pts. Business 3 years
- 5 pts. Business Life

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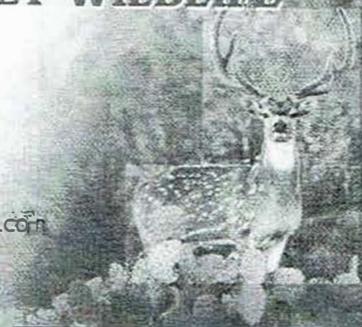
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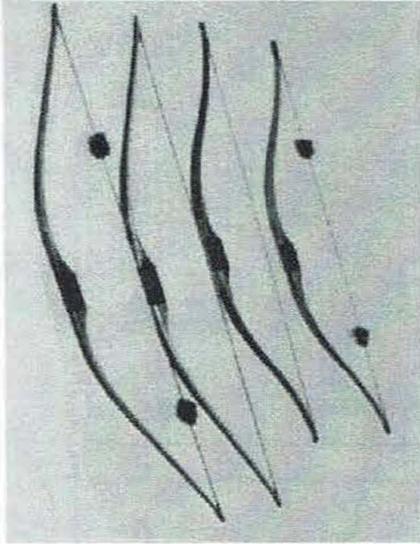
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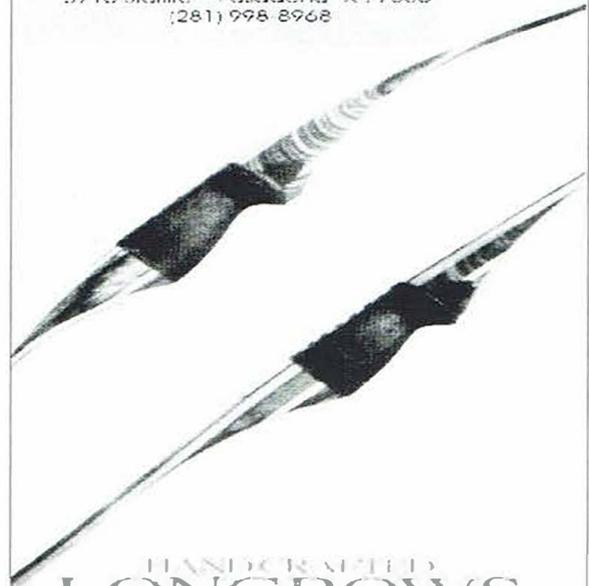


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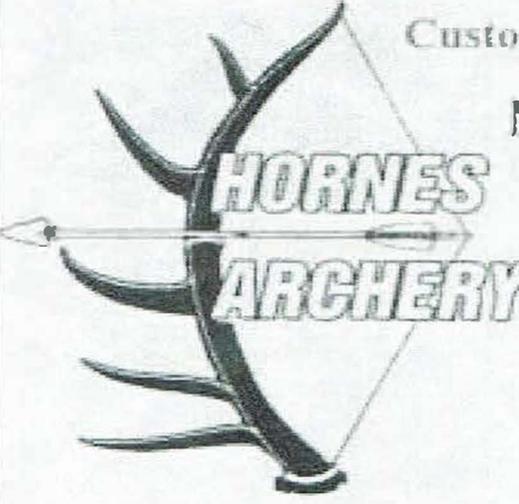
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The next Newsletter will also have most of the 3-D shoot schedule included.

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A TRIP EAST INTO THE PAST

by Butch Gleghorn

Fred Bear is one of my heroes. Although he is gone, he still lives on video and film and in the hearts of some of us.

Mr. Bear was guest speaker at an L.S.B.A. banquet several years ago. Because of work, I could not attend, but I made myself a promise that when I retired, one of the first things I was going to do was visit the Fred Bear Museum.

I live in West Texas, so to go to Gainesville, Florida, I had to travel east. I wanted to see first hand the museum so I could connect all the stories I have read and the videos I have watched.

The museum is open Wednesday through Sunday. We left San Angelo on Monday morning to give us two days for travel. We also had plans to stop by and visit Jeff Massie of Massie Archery in Shiner, Texas. We got to visit with our friend Jeff for about an hour and see his shop and some new design work in his bows. We wanted to try to get through Houston before 5:00 PM. Jeff said it did not matter—it's crowded all the time. (Jeff, you were so right!) Being from West Texas, I believe I can honestly say that I saw and met more vehicles in that one afternoon in Houston than I will in six months near San Angelo.

We (my two companions Mike Toungst and Richard Proctor and I) found out something else—Louisiana has water, LOTS of water! We crossed a bridge that was 19 miles long. You could link together every bridge in Tom Green County and not have 19 miles of bridges! We also learned what the old saying, "You can't see the forest for the trees," means. Being from West Texas, we are used to seeing a long way in front and to the sides. Driving through the southern states made us feel a little confined—we could literally see only the right of way.

On Wednesday morning at the Fred Bear Museum, the big bears greeted us as we turned in. Inside the front door is the largest bear Fred ever shot—a brown bear, plus a large moose and the head of an elephant Fred shot. We paid the extra four dollars to go upstairs, and it was wonderful—everything I had expected, and more.

They have a room dedicated to Frank Scott now, a true pioneer in Bear Archery. You can see old bows made by Nels Grumbly, bear mounts and skulls, and pictures of Fred's adventures. There are audio presentations by Frank Scott, telling of Fred's adventures on the hunts for specific animals. There are items Fred brought back from around the world, patents he held, archery equipment he invented, and archery history from the beginning of man.

Back down in the souvenir shop, we expected to find caps (None!) or T-shirts (a few in small sizes). I would have liked to have seen the new Cheyenne bow, but the museum didn't have one to show. The museum itself was great, everything one could ask for; but the shop and the people that worked there were less than desirable. I felt that they had no idea what Fred Bear meant to archery. I really wish someone who gives a darn or some organization could take over this wonderful museum.

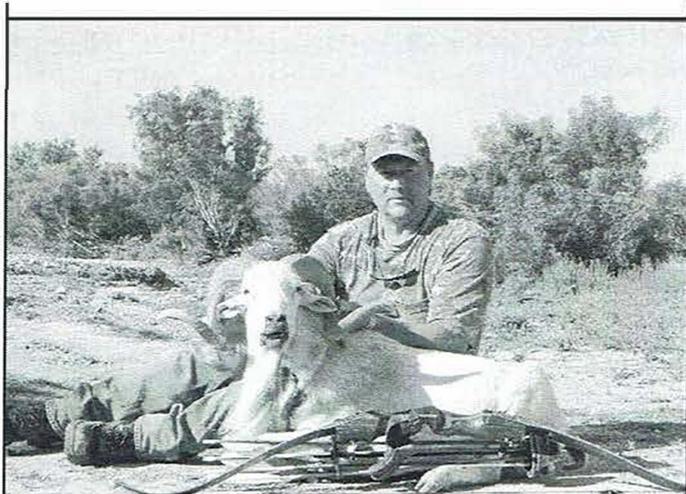
Editor's Note: I took the liberty of editing Butch's great story. Thanks, Butch. See the picture at the top right.



The Fred Bear Museum



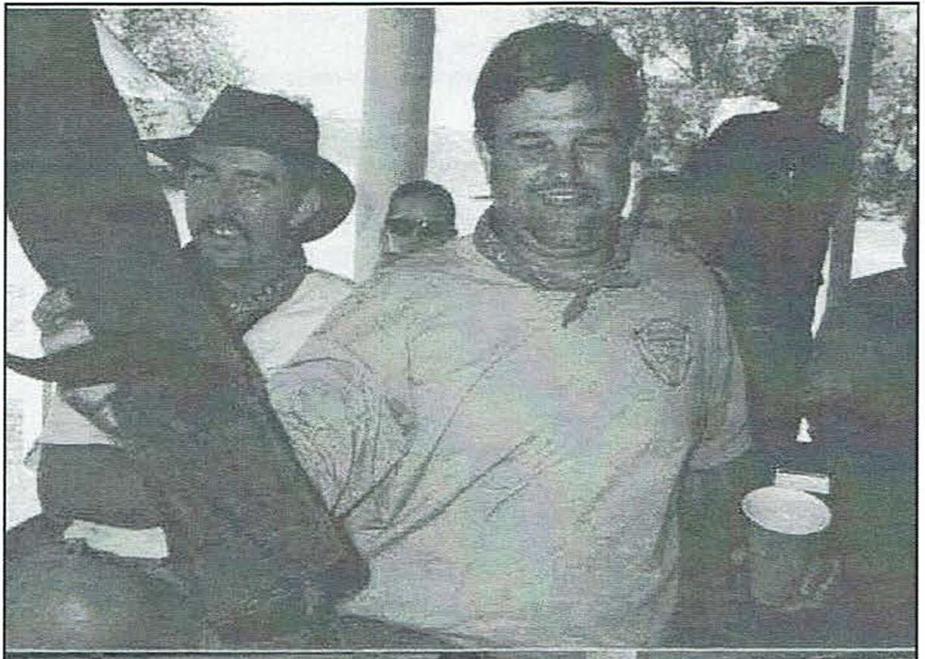
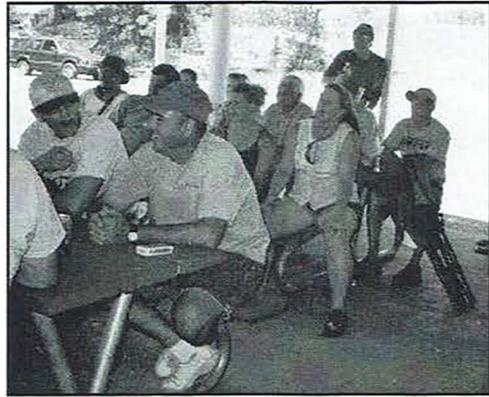
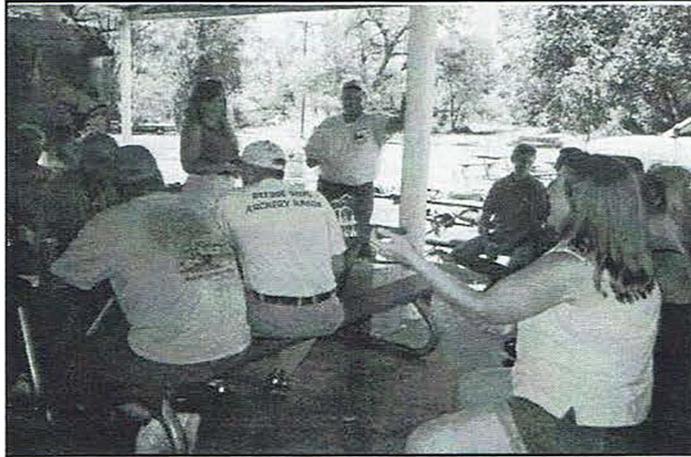
Jim Miller with his Jacob's ram (4 horn) harvested at T-Post Ranch in Laredo with Blackwidow bow and wood arrow and Journeyman broadhead.



Dennis Mulder with White Texas Dall harvested at T-Post Ranch in Laredo with Palmer recurve and wood arrow and Zwickey broadhead.

MEMPHIS . . . TEXAS, that is!

Memphis held a two-day shoot June 1st and 2nd. These are a few of the shooters receiving their awards. We all had a great time. Watch for next year's schedule and make sure you come out to Memphis and join us.



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