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### A "brief" message from your Secretary,

The date has been set for the 2010 Hill Country Shootout, April 10th and 11th at Bugscuffle Ranch... with that said, I'm sure everyone is concentrating on bow season. Fortunately, I think we're ready and we're definitely looking forward to Fall and some cool weather.

Enjoy bow season, being outdoors and the upcoming holidays! We'll be looking forward to the hunting stories and pictures, and we'll post them on the website to share with all. Take care,

Brenda

### Do You Remember?

I'm starting a new section in the newsletter to post pictures of your first trad harvest. So dig around and find yours, scan and email to me with all the details you can remember.

Thanks  
Peanut



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### Bobcat Talk by Bill Norman

"Whoa! That's a bobcat and he's looking straight at me." I had been walking quietly when I heard the faint scratch, scratch of the cat's claws on the live oak's limb directly above me. Only fifteen feet separated our eyes as I slowly began to draw my bow.

Informed by my boss, a true Texan, that deer hunting there was the best in the world, I had moved to Texas from Michigan in the spring of 1984. I knew my boss was a true Texan because he wore someone named M.L. Leddy's boots under his Brooks Brothers' suits. He said I'd see deer, turkey, fox, coyote, bobcat and just to make things interesting, an occasional rattlesnake. Being an avid bowhunter, that sounded good to me.

Opening day of deer season found me in a tree overlooking the famous Brazos River south of Fort Worth. There were several deer in sight, including two bucks, the likes of which I had not seen in eighteen years of bow hunting on public land in Michigan. I thought I had died and gone to heaven, and certainly the \$600 I had paid the rancher to hunt was proving to be one of my smartest "investments." I made no attempt to shoot at a deer that morning but I did try on several occasions to shoot at a turkey. Never having seen a turkey in the wild I was quickly gaining respect for their outstanding eyesight and strong will to live. I learned that morning that a turkey can see you blink at fifty yards and can see you change your mind at forty yards.

I bagged neither a deer nor a turkey that weekend but I did meet a Texan who would become one of my all-time best friends. Charles took me under his wing and showed me how we "do things in Texas." Most importantly, he showed me the value of this device called a corn feeder. With a good feeder the odds of taking a deer with a bow changed from maybe 50-1 to 10-1, and in the case of turkeys from maybe 500-1 to 499-1.

With the sun setting on Sunday evening of the third weekend I decided to call it a day. I was thinking about the drive home as I walked under the tree that harbored the bobcat. Surprisingly, I was very calm as I started to draw my bow. And then he did it. From somewhere deep within him he let out a growl that started very, very low and ended very, very high. That was enough bobcat hunting for me!

I arrived back at our camp area in record time and Charles was waiting to see if I had any luck. When I finished relating what had just happened Charles laughed and said, "Bill, you let that bobcat talk you out of it."

Indeed I had.

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# Abilene TBoT June 20-21

MRW	
Jerry Hunt	314
Robert Williams	309
Dusty Hundt	288

MRO	
Josh Isbell	377
Jerry Hunt	305
Dusty Hundt	285

MLW	
Gary Addison	291
Garry Staah	267
John Sarrels	260

MLO	
Terry Dunn	275
Wesley Adams	264
Tracy Hensarling	260

Seniors 55-61	
Danny Meek	318
Garry Staab	289
Dwight Kinney	280

Super Seniors 62+	
Louis Huckaby	320
David Adams	299
Lynn German	287

LLO	
Debra Weaver	296
Martha Hundt	201

LLW	
Sheryl Kanaga	304
Lisa Freeman	281
Debra Weaver	244

LRO	
Lisa Freeman	343
Debra Weaver	275
Kathy Watts	227

LRW	
Sheryl Kanaga	314
Martha Hundt	199
Kathy Watts	132

Selfbow	
Arvin Weaver	283
Harvey Hensarling	210

Youth	
Brandon Barta	252

Mini Cubs	
Ty Sarrels	126
Lilly Deputy	106
Nathan Sarrels	43





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# Midsummer Meltdown San Angelo July 09

MRO	
1 Jerry Lee Hunt	274
2 Marion McKibbin	266
3 Louis Huckaby	262

MRW	
1 Marion McKibbin	251
2 Jerry Lee Hunt	242
3 Steve Shedd	236

MLO	
1 Jerry Bischoffberger	253
2 Danny Spencer	246
3 Wesley Adams	220

MLW	
1 Tracy Cannon	251
2 Danny Spencer	241
3 Steve Shedd	226

Seniors	
1 Louis Huckaby	269
2 Larry Harris	262
3 Randy Jones	249

Super Seniors 62+	
1 Eugene Purcell	269
2 Bill Norman	220
3 Ken VanDeman	214

Selfbow	
1 Marion McKibbin	221
1 Steve Shedd	221
3 Jerry Bischoffberger	192

Cubs	
1 Jacob Grubbs	171

LRO	
1 Lisa Freeman	255
2 Yvonne Carter	101

LRW	
1 Sheryl Kanaga	256

LLW	
1 Lisa Freeman	262
2 Sheryl Kanaga	217



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## 2009 Glen Parker Stick Bow Round Up

Another year, another Stick Bow, another family reunion. With this year being the 23<sup>rd</sup> year, it is mind boggling to realize that kids you have watched grow up are now in college, college graduates or even starting their own families. It is a comfort to know that they will play a large factor in the running of this state and country; it does put your mind to rest (somewhat). Stick Bow started out hot and humid on Saturday, with a lot of people coming in to have fun and fellowship, the trails, with the novelty shoot and aerial targets getting a good workout. A lot of laughter and friendly ribbing was heard around the two moving target, especially the flying mosquito that zipped along at a good pace between the trees. As we were preparing for the night shoot, thunder could be heard in the distance and was quickly approaching. By 7:30, the rain started, with water flowing up to 6 inches deep under some of the buildings. Even though this cancelled the night shoot, it did not stop or hamper Steve Shedd and other musicians from gathering for some picking and grinning. By 3:30am the rain had slowed to a light shower, but started up again at daybreak and continued till around 10 am. With the rain ending people headed to the woods, with a total of 406 scorecards issued over the 2 day period. This is the largest turnout of shooters we have ever had, and we say thank you for your continued support. Also a big thank you to our dealers and suppliers, 12 this year, that continue to support our efforts.

Remember to mark your calendar for the weekend AFTER Mothers' Day for next years get together. Also, we are already planning for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2011. We are planning to have a new design for our tee shirts, with belt buckles for awards and we need ideas for a tee shirt logo. If you are artistically inclined, or have an idea for a tee shirt, submit your artwork and if chosen, you will receive free lodging, free meals, free shooting, and yes, a free tee shirt at the 2011 shoot. Ideas can be sent to me at [bdecker@nederland.k12.tx.us](mailto:bdecker@nederland.k12.tx.us) or mailed to :

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## 2009 Stick Bow Results Chester, TX

### Mini Cub

Jerry Wayne Bowen	190
Ethan Webb	129
Brynna Haviland	40

### Cubs

Ashlyn Wagstaff	331
Bryce Arnold	320
Ryan Lane	294

### Youth Recurve

Cody Erickson	312
Jorge Gutierrez	293
Kathayn Sim	277

### Youth Longbow

Cody Erickson	302
Brady Smith	266
Jorge Gutierrez	245

### Ladies Traditional Recurve

Debra Weaver	275
Jane Raggio	263
Brenda Stein	253

### Ladies Recurve

Debra Weaver	278
Brenda Stein	243
Holly Middleton	230

### Ladies Longbow

Debra Weaver	272
Laura Burkhalter	268
Carol Lockhart	261

### Ladies Traditional Longbow

Laura Burkhalter	268
Jane Raggio	267
Carol Lockhart	239

### Men Recurve

Mel Sowell	365
Chris Brown	357
Mike Frizzel	351

### Men Traditional Recurve

Kelly Harris	357
Steve Raggio	342
Gene Bohannon	330

### Men Longbow

Kelly Harris	346
Glenn Bryant	340
Mark Holman	329

### Men Traditional Longbow

Derrick Williams	346
Johnny Burkhalter	341
Glenn Bryant	340

### Primitive

James Hicks	317
Johnny Burkhalter	308
J T Richard	304
Kelly Harris	304
Rick Trevaton	304

### Old Farts

Mike Frizzel	358
Mel Sowell	357
J T Richard	319



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# Jim Hickman Memorial Shoot Scores

## MENS RECURVE OPEN

Jerry Vickery	215
Dennis Mitchell	203
Tim Harvey	201
Buster Stiebing	200
Raymond Milburn	199
Charlie Reed	181
Doyle Mitchell	178
Todd Boiting	177
Mykhaylo Kurko	096

## MENS LONGBOW OPEN

Buster Stiebing	217
David Butler	202
Tim Harvey	185
Sam Willett	181
Steve Efird	159
Brad Scott	110

## MENS RECURVE WOOD

Stan Gouger	203
Robert Breckbill	

## MENS PRIMITIVE

Rick Trevathan	180
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## CUBS

Ashlyn Bolting	159
Isaac Lash	078

## MINI CUBS

Bryan Lane	258
Nathan Olachia	203

## MENS LONGBOW WOOD

Johnnie Lane	246
Rick Trevathan	209
Stan Gouger	193
Jeff Murray	162
Mark Pittman	139
A J Timmer	106

## LADIES RECURVE OPEN

Dena Kana	101
MaryAnn Lawson	089
Lynette Starr	068

## LADIES LONG-BOW WOOD

Anita Murray	139
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## The Crossbow Issue

It seems unfair that crossbow legalization can be brought up year after year only to be rejected. Then one day it passes and it's forever a part of the archery only season. That's just like saying in a best of 7 World Series in baseball, that one team only has to win once to be named World Champions forever.

Reminds me about the movie "Eight Men Out", everyone in TX was told upfront the crossbow issue was a forgone conclusion, everyone was told there was no opposition and there wasn't anything the bowhunters could do to stop it. The crossbow hasn't really been opposed to a great degree AFTER it's legalization.

My personal wants for TX, now dictated by the crossbow agenda, is to lobby for a new "1968 original archery only season" only during a different time frame in Sept. Recurves, long bows, and compounds with restrictions(65% let off, hand held-hand drawn and hand released, no tigers, and limited to one sight pin). Will this ever happen, maybe when it snows in heck.

But first I'd go back and do exactly what HB968 did, modify the existing law. Restrict the use of crossbows to the handicap, youth and those over 65yrs of age and return the verbage that archery equipment must be hand held, hand drawn, and hand released otherwise. If bowhunters would join together and inflict enough pain and suffering on the ATA-NRA Team by writing letters and a boycott they would welcome this compromise in TX. For some reason the ATA-NRA team think they're bullet proof on this issue, I do not agree.

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### Mens Recurve Open

<b>Gene Bohannon</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>Wes Campbell</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>Wayne Meuir</b>	<b>303</b>
Jeff Fleming	290
Chris Brooks	283
Dusty Hundt	281
Chris Casady	269
Todd Pool	268
Kevin Jones	264
Charles Alexander	247
Randy Probst	236
Bill Clingenpeel	228
Jay Gates	219

### Mens Recurve Wood

<b>Gene Bohannon</b>	<b>346</b>
<b>Shiloh Butts</b>	<b>330</b>
<b>Todd Smith</b>	<b>328</b>
Dusty Hundt	314
Joe Lucas	304
Todd Pool	283
Freddie Crowder	267
Chris Casady	261
Mark Bloyd	243
Kevin Jones	228
Charles Alexander	227
Randy Probst	215
Andy Multer	285
Creig Towery	157

### Mens Longbow Open

<b>Shiloh Butts</b>	<b>339</b>
<b>Freddie Crowder</b>	<b>311</b>
<b>Mike Baird</b>	<b>299</b>
G.W. Flanagan	297
Todd Smith	295
Chris Casady	294
Wayne Meuir	282
Charles Alexander	274
Gary Addison	255
Mark Watts	252
Chris Flewajal	235
Randy Probst	231
John King	208
Richard Crowder	173
Jackie Skinner Jr.	153
Jackie Skinner Sr.	135
Eugene Skinner	129

### Mens Longbow Wood

<b>Todd Smith</b>	<b>348</b>
<b>Freddie Crowder</b>	<b>327</b>
<b>Mike Baird</b>	<b>317</b>
<b>Lewis Varden</b>	<b>306</b>
Joe Wallis	298
Gary Addison	297
Wayne Meuir	283
Jeff Murray	276
Chris Casady	271
Mark Boyd	260
Chris Flanagan	254
Joe Lucas	251
Robert Spurgeon	239
Creig Towery	236
Brandon Rogers	235
Byron Neuse	235
Kevin Jones	213
Richard Crowder	163
Jackie Skinner Jr	147
Jackie Skinner Sr	138
Eugene Skinner	102

### Seniors 55+

<b>G.W. Flanagan</b>	<b>311</b>
<b>Freddie Crowder</b>	<b>296</b>
<b>Lewis Varden</b>	<b>293</b>
Dusty Hundt	286
Ed Alari	277
Lloyd Hensley	273
John King	273
Dano Williams	203

### Cubs

<b>Kade Reynolds</b>	<b>326</b>
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### Youth Recurve

<b>Michael Evens</b>	<b>264</b>
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### Mini Cubs

<b>Lanie Reynolds</b>	<b>219</b>
<b>Sam Little</b>	<b>185</b>

### Ladies Recurve Open

<b>Rachel Fleming</b>	<b>261</b>
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### Ladies Recurve Wood

<b>Martha Hundt</b>	<b>271</b>
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### Ladies Longbow Open

<b>Clara Murphy</b>	<b>229</b>
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### Ladies Longbow Wood

<b>Martha Hundt</b>	<b>283</b>
Anita Murray	255
Brenda Crowder	237

### Selfbow

<b>Glenn Bryant</b>	<b>303</b>
<b>Bud Murphy</b>	<b>230</b>

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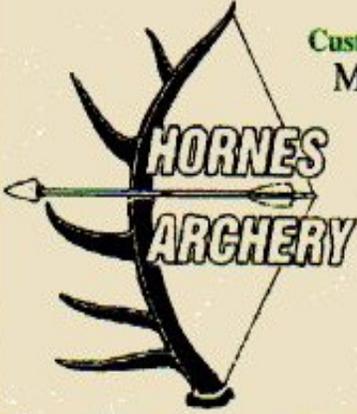
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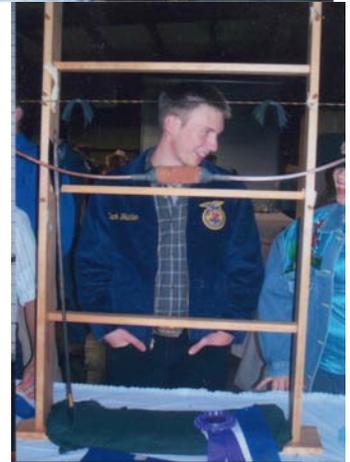
## My Project for the Montgomery County Fair, 2009

My name is Zachary Gladden and I am a student at Oak Ridge High School. For my F.F.A. project this year I made a Turkish Recurve bow and two arrows from raw materials. I entered the bow and arrows in the Montgomery County Fair and won Reserve Grand Champion honors in wood working.

The project took me about six months to complete and I worked on the bow and arrows in my spare time. I used ash wood and fiber glass for the bow. It was shaped using a curved patterned form. I made the finished shape using hand sanding and a belt sander. The bow was stained brown and sealed with 8 coats of clear polyurethane. The bow string is made of Dacron and I set the draw weight of the bow to 55 lbs at 27 inches.

I made the arrows using sitka spruce wood, turkey feathers and twine made of sinew. The arrow heads were cut out from a flat piece of steel with a small band saw. They were shaped and sharpened with a belt sander. The feathers and arrow heads were attached to the arrow shafts by wrapping them with sinew.

Bow and arrow making has become my favorite hobby. I plan to continue to make them and use my homemade bows to hunt in the future. I plan to enter another bow this year in the 2010 Montgomery County Fair as well as the Houston Junior non livestock show.



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## Another great shoot at Canyon Lake!

Thanks to everyone who attended and a very gracious thank you to the members of the Canyon Lake Archery Club for sponsoring our TBOT shoot.

Hats off to David Meke, D.W. Ellis, Cody Elliot, and David Styles for setting up one of the best courses I've ever had the pleasure to shoot. Many challenges, realistic scenarios, and trails that were easy to traverse, great job. Asak any of the 31 participants and they will tell you the same.

Be sure to put this one on your calendar for the next time around, you wont want to miss it.

Scott Sagebiel,  
South Texas Rep.

### Results:

<b>Mens Recurve</b>		<b>Mens Longbow</b>	
1) Mike Frizzell	349	1) Marion McKibbin	281
2) Mel Sewell	334	2) D.W. Ellis	257
3) Jeff Batey	307	3) Scott Sagebiel	244
<b>Ladies' Recurve</b>		<b>Ladies' Longbow</b>	
1) Heidi Wyatt	271	1) Tabitha Ellis	159
<b>Youth Boys</b>		<b>Cub</b>	
1) David Sagebiel	278	1) Zach Sagebiel	246
2) Sev Rollins	253		
3) Ethan Buchhorn	230		
<b>Seniors</b>			
1) Mel Sewell	372		
2) Steve Arnold	275		
3) Dennis Marbach	267		

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## ***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 weekend of hog and exotic hunting and 3-D shooting. TBoT also holds shoots across the state to offer the membership the opportunity to participate without traveling great distances. TBoT members pay a reduced entry fee at TBoT shoots. 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, hunting and tournament photos, 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 who or what the Traditional Bowhunters of Texas are, chances are, you are one. Why not take time and join today?

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### **TRADITIONAL BOWHUNTERS OF TEXAS Membership Application**

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Individual 1 Yr. \$15.00

Individual 3 Yrs. \$30.00

Family 1 Yr. \$20.00

Family 3 Yrs. \$45.00

Life \$150.00

\*Business 1 Yr. \$30.00

\*Business 3 Yrs. \$70.00

\*Business Life \$500.00

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

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