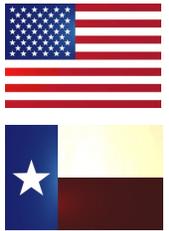




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Butch Gleghorn

West Texas Rep. Since 1999
Retired August 31, 2016
17 Years

Pat Handley

South Texas Rep. 1998 to 2000
Range Captain 2000 to Current
18 Years



Two Amazing
Gentlemen!
Thank You for
your many
years of
service to
Traditional
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of Texas.





Melvin 936-522-7143
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Melvin Erickson *A message from your New President*

Hi. My name is Melvin, I am married to my best friend Molly. Some twelve years ago our son Cody became interested in traditional archery and as a family we began shooting 3D tournaments with traditional equipment and became regular participants at the TBoT/Club shoots. The Hill Country Shootout was a great family event for us and an event we looked forward to each year. Cody excelled with his bow; winning the HCS Youth Overall 2011 Boy's 15-17 , 2010 Boy's 15-17 and 2009 Boy's 15-18.

As a family we are avid hunters.

We have just finished our best TBoT/Club 3D tournament season with 23 shoots, Buffalo Field Archery Club and Holliday Creek Archery Club were cancelled due to rain - but still a great year!

I would like to thank the outgoing officers; Bryant and Brenda Stein and Todd Smith (25 1/2 years combined) for their many years of service and dedication. They have given us a strong base to continue on as TBoT ambassadors. They are committed to staying involved either as participants, advisors and/or volunteering on the HCS

committee. Additionally, Bud Murphy is moving back to the Rep. of North Texas, thank you for staying with us.

Being a TBoT officers takes a great deal of time, hard work and a love for the sport. We are blessed to have each of our current officers who generously donate their time. Many times the Reps. do not have the luxury to shoot at their own TBoT/Club shoots because they are busy working. Therefore, we would like to help them out by hoping a few volunteers will step up and offer support to our Reps.

Butch Gleghorn, became TBoT's second elected West Texas Rep. and has held that position since 1999 (17 years). On August 31, 2016, Butch retired. We are currently looking for a special individual to fill that position.

Pat Handley, began in 1998 as the South Texas Rep. and then in 2000 moved to Range Captain. He is the longest serving TBoT officer with 18 years and counting.

Both gentleman are true assets to our club and have seen the most changes in TBoT thru the years. When you see Butch and Pat please shake their hands and Thank them!

TBoT is growing, with a membership of 641, we need a few more volunteers! Please contact me if you would like to be on "Team TBOT". Good Luck this hunting season.



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law5859@yahoo.com

Larry Wentrcek

A message from your New Vice President

Hello! I am excited to serve as your elected TBOT Vice President for the next two years. I will work to help the club grow and to preserve traditional archery and recruit new shooters to our style of archery.

For those who do not know me I was born in Bryan TX , June 8,1958. Professional years included 24 years with the College Station Fire Department, 15 years as an officer and director of RVOS Ins. Co. and a licensed real estate agent in the state of Texas for over 30 years. Currently retired firefighter assisting a friend in his real estate business and shooting my bows. Hobbies and interest include but not limited to traditional archery, kayaking and other outdoor activities. I started shooting a recurve around 1990 and evolved to a long bow several years later, currently shooting both,

including composite, self bow and a primitive sinew backed bow my son made.

Here's hoping you all have a successful deer season and I look forward to seeing you at a 3D shoot in 2017. Until then keep your feathers dry and shoot em straight.



Connie 936-827-1770
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Connie Balusek *A message from your Incoming Secretary,*

This has been such a busy summer Greetings to all! As your incoming secretary I would like to thank each and everyone of our members. We have been blessed with continued membership and renewals! Tell your friends and keep sending them in. My family and I have been apart of TBoT for 25 years. It is truly a family and an organization in which we thank you for being apart of! We appreciate YOU!

Best of luck to all, as bow season comes upon us! I know we will be seeing first harvests by our young members or even those who have recently taken on the challenge of traditional bow hunting. Stay safe. Stay Calm and Hunt On!

Remember if you have harvests, this season, we'd love to read the story and see the pictures! Many Blessings.



Brenda Stein *A message from your Outgoing Secretary,*

This has been such a busy summer and the time has gone so quickly. We had a great turn out at the Hill Country Shootout making it possible to purchase our trailer. This is huge for those that help with the set up and tear down for this event (sad for the storage unit). Thank you to everyone who participated, volunteered, worked, donated, sponsored, supported and promoted our club. What a team we have!

I have been working with your new secretary, Connie Balusek who has already been a great asset. She has worked diligently behind the scenes to help me and has helped with the registration table at the Hill Country Shootout for years. I will continue to support Connie as needed.

Our club has grown and our tournaments are growing in popularity. As we grow, it requires more help. I would like to personally thank Holly Middleton for working with FaceBook and Judy T for becoming our Editor. I get compliments daily on both these medias. Great job ladies!

So for my last message to you as Secretary, I have to say, it's been an exciting and rewarding 10 years. I've had several ask me, how could I leave TBoT? Well, I'm not leaving. Bryant, my Hubby has volunteered to chair a Committee for the Hill Country Shootout and I will be co-chairing on this committee with him. Lots to look forward to. I truly appreciate the confidence our members have placed in me over the years. And, ... I'm on a new hunting lease and I really need time to practice. Take care and enjoy the season, Brenda



Todd Smith *A message from your Outgoing North Texas Rep.*

Over the past few years I have been blessed to be part of Traditional Bowhunters of Texas.

I have worked with a great group of Officers and have met some of the nicest people. Unfortunately, I have had some changes in my personal life to where I am no longer able to donate the time needed to be a Representative for TBOT.

I will be at as many tournaments as I can and will help in any way I can. I truly love the sport and the organization.

I hope everyone has a great hunting season. Be careful and have fun!

Thank You for hosting TBOT in 2016

3D Shoot Results and Upcoming 2017 3D Shoot Schedule at www.tbot.org



Archers For Christ • TBOT January 30-31, 2016

Fredericksburg Archery Club • TBOT Saturday, February 20, 2016

www.fredericksburgarcheryclub.com



Denton Archery Club • TBOT February 20-21, 2016

www.dentoncountyarchers.org

Clifton Archery Club • TBOT Saturday, February 27, 2016

Bastrop County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, March 5, 2016

Golden Triangle Bowhunters • TBOT Sunday, March 6, 2016



Canyon lake Archery Club • TBOT Saturday, March 12, 2016

www.canyonlakearcheryclub.net



Holliday Creek Archery • TBOT March 12-13, 2016 Cancelled - Rain



Brazoria County Bowmen • TBOT Saturday, March 19, 2016

www.brazoriacountybowmen.com



Tyler Archery Club • TBOT March 19-20, 2016



Cherokee Archery Club • TBOT Saturday, March 26, 2016



South Plains Archery • TBOT April 2-3, 2016

www.southplainsarchery.com

TBOT 23rd Annual Texas Hill Country Shootout and 18th Annual Texas Youth Traditional Championship



April 9-10, 2016 www.tbot.org Bug Scuffle Ranch www.bugscuffle.com



Timber Creek Archery Club • TBOT April 16-17, 2016



Rolling Plains Sportsman Club • TBOT April 30-May 1, 2016

www.sportsmanclub.org



Abilene Bowhunters Association • TBOT June 25-26, 2016 www.abilenebowhunters.com



Mid Summer Melt Down Concho Valley Archery Association • TBOT July 9-10, 2016



Buffalo Field Archery • TBOT Sunday, July 17, 2016 Cancelled

www.buffaloarchery.org

Collin County Bowhunters Association • TBOT July 16-17, 2016

www.collincountybowhunters.org

Hill County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, July 23, 2016

www.hillcountrybowhunters.com

Bastrop County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, August 6, 2016

www.bastropbowhunters.com



Banana Bend Archery Club • TBOT Saturday, August 13, 2016

www.bananabendarchery.net

Devil's Mountain Archery Club • TBOT September 10-11, 2016



Sagebrush Traditional Archery Club 5th Annual STAC/TBOT 3D Sept. 17 & 18, 2016

2017 Shoot Schedule

2016 marked a banner year with 24 TBOT 3D Shoots on the schedule. In 2017 we are hoping for another great year. Confirmed 3D dates below. As the archery shoots become available we will add to the schedule.

Please check often for the current schedule at www.tboto.org

Bastrop County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, March 4, 2017 www.bastropbowhunters.com

 **Duncan Bowhunters • TBOT March 4-5, 2017 IN Oklahoma**
www.duncanbowhunters.com

 **TBOT 24th Annual Texas Hill Country Shootout and
19th Annual Texas Youth Traditional Championship**
April 8-9, 2017 Growing Rocks Ranch, Vanderpool, Texas www.tboto.org

 **Rolling Plains Sportsman Club • TBOT May 5-6, 2017**
Memphis Texas 14th Annual TBOT Shoot and 4th Annual Primitive Championship
www.sportsmanclub.org

Bastrop County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, August 5, 2017 www.bastropbowhunters.com

 **Sagebrush Traditional Archery Club hosting Traditional Tri-State Championship**
for Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico **July 22-23, 2017 (Non-TBOT)**

 **Sagebrush Traditional Archery Club 6th Annual STAC/TBOT 3D Sept. 16-17, 2017**

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4th Annual Joe Krout Essay Contest

Hunt Sponsored by H-H Ranch, Heidi Wyatt, Pipe Creek, Texas

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"What it means growing up with TBOT"

Congratulations! The Winners are:

**Maryann Heffley
Candace Landrum**

Hunt Date: November 11-13, 2016

Must be a TBoT member, Youth age 12-16. Must have Hunter Education Certificate and valid Texas Hunting License. H-H Ranch rules apply. Contact Heidi Wyatt cell (210) 260-4342 or e-mail: hpage311@aol.com Minimum draw weight of 30#. Must be accompanied by one adult.



Candace Landrum

Growing Up With TBOT

Growing up with Traditional Bowhunters of Texas is another family and not only that it is a truck load of memories. It has also taught me many skills that I will use for the rest of my life.

My first memory of Traditional Bowhunters of Texas was when I was four years old and my dad took my brother and I to the Hill Country Shootout in Vanderpool, Texas. I was in the mini-cubs division and could shoot from any distance at the fifty targets up throughout the huge mountain range, as I believed it to be. My dad made it like I was stalking up on each animal (target). It made the bowshot so exciting that I didn't even care about how tired of walking I was or how hot it was outside. This is just one of the many, many memories I poses. Memories are pictures that can't go missing or be taken away. That one experience gave me the push and drive to become a bow hunter. I've had the experience to be able shoot a Catalina goat, which I now have proudly mounted on my wall with the arrow it was shot with.

Not only does Traditional Bowhunters of Texas give you a lot of memories it also gives you another family. I know so many great people through this one organization it would take me pages to list them all. I've gotten to know so many people more

than acquaintances but on a personal level. My family and I have gone bow fishing, hunting and just plain hung out with folks we meet through this one organization. This organization brings people together from all over the state with one common interest.

Finally, but not least this organization has taught me so many skills that I will use in my day to day life and hope to pass on. It has taught me patience and diligence. It has taught me that it's okay to make mistakes because there will always be another arrow. Just like there will always be another day. It has taught me the true meaning of practice makes perfect. You have to repeat the process of knocking the arrow, picking your place on the target, drawing, and releasing your arrow.

Growing up with Traditional Bowhunters of Texas was and has been, as still is a great adventure. This wonderful organization has given me terrific memories, another family, and taught me many, many, valuable lessons which cannot be replaced.



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Officer Changes

Thank You!!

Butch Gleghorn 1999 - 2016 **17 Years** • Outgoing

Brenda Stein 2006 - 2016 **10 1/2 yrs.** • Outgoing

Bryant Stein 2008 - 2016 **8 Years** • Outgoing

Todd Smith 2009 - 2016 **7 Years** • Outgoing

Bud Murphy

Moved back to North Texas Rep. Sept. 1, 2016

Currently 10 Years and counting.

- North Texas Rep. 2006 - 2009

- President 2011 - 2016

Thank You!!

TBoT is *growing*.....Volunteers Needed!!

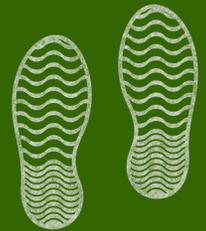


West Texas Representative

(Butch Gleghorn retired as our West Texas Rep. after 17 years)

Additional East Texas Representative

Interested please contact TBoT President Melvin Erickson 936-522-7143



All Traditional Bowhunters of Texas Constitution / Bylaws available at <http://tbot.org/constitution.html>

Article VII

Leadership Structure

A. An Executive Council comprising a total of eleven (11) officials shall govern the organization. Except for the President, each member of the EC shall have an equal vote on all issues of interest to the organization. The EC will consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Legislative Representative, Range Captain and Area Representatives, (one each) for the North Texas, West Texas, South Texas, East Texas areas and one At Large position. The term for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be two (2) year terms, September 1 to August 31 with elections to be held on even years. The elections for the position of Legislative Representative, North and West Area Representatives will be conducted on odd years. The elections for the positions of Representative at Large, South and East Area Representatives will be conducted on even years. Range Captain shall be a two (2) year term with elections held on even years. Past President shall remain on the Council in an advisory position for one year (see Section I).

H. Representatives shall consist of one (1) representative from each designated geographical region. The representatives shall be elected by popular vote from the membership. Representatives should attend regional shoots in their area or assign a TBoT representative to attend. TBoT will provide the awards and TBoT merchandise for the shoot. TBoT will split 50% of the profits from the entry fees with the hosting club.



Traditional Bowhunters of Texas



Membership Form

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Occupation: _____

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Newsletter Preference (Check one Choice): _____ by US Mail _____ On the TBOT Website (paperless)

Membership Rates:

- Individual 1 Yr. \$20
- Individual 3 Yrs. \$40
- Individual Lifetime \$150
- Family 1 Yr. \$25
- Family 3 Yrs. \$55
- Family Lifetime \$225 (\$125 down with 1 year to pay the balance, non-refundable)

- * Business 1 Yr. \$35
- * Business 3 Yrs. \$80
- * Business Lifetime \$500 (\$225 down with 1 year to pay balance, non-refundable)
- * Business memberships include dues and a business card ad in four issues of the TBOT newsletter. Please enclose your business card.

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- 1/4 Page Ad \$50
- 1/3 Page Ad \$70
- 1/2 Page Ad \$90
- Full Page Ad \$150

Website Advertising Rates Annual

Sponsorship Ad \$400 (free with donation of a bow or hunt)

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* Link Ads will be provided free of charge to Archery Clubs with Traditional classes and to archery organizations which offer a TBOT link at no charge.

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Anderson, Texas 77830



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Bowhunter Clumsiness, Mishaps, & Mistakes - Some Hilarious, Some Reckless, Some Dangerous

Bob Morrison

Be careful during a hunt. All sorts of accidents can happen in the flash of an eyelash. I know; I've had several all because of carelessness.

Herein are some selected from my bowhunting diary, which I have kept faithfully since I released my first arrow at an animal. Way back on August 7, 1959 - a cotton rat at the Brazos Bowman Field Archery Range, College Station, TX.

Among the many klutz mistakes, this one nearly cost me a couple of digits on my right hand.

It was nearly dark on the Llano, TX lease, when I decided to climb down from the crotch of a live oak tree where I had been standing on one foot until it grew numb; then, I'd change to the other foot. (The rancher wouldn't allow treestands - not even nailing a single board in a tree crotch to stand on. Further, no nails, spikes, or steps nailed to the tree trunk.)

If I remember correctly, the rancher sarcastically answered my question about a treestand with, "Climb like a squirrel or coon and shimmy up the tree."

Just at dark, I decided it was time to head back to the camp house situated near the Llano River. I didn't unhook my thumb-forefinger bow sling. As I started down, I slipped. Instinctly, I grabbed for a limb. My Wing bow twisted horizontally in my right hand and caught between two forks of the oak. Temporarily, I hung a microsecond by my thumb and fore-finger. Amazingly, my reflexes reacted, and I grabbed a limb with my left hand before my fingers were popped free from their joints.

I never used a bow sling again while bowhunting. ...

The following season on the same Llano lease, I had a fright that made me think of all my sins and wondered if the rancher - or anyone would find me before the buzzards did.

I'd spent three hours in the crotch of a large mesquite tree ... another miserable, foot-throbbing afternoon.

A few minutes before dark, I started to descend from the tree. I rotated my left leg and foot so I could grab a limb and swing to the ground, eight feet below the crotch. I lost my balance as I squirmed around. Luck-ily, my foot lodged firmly in the crotch to keep from falling to the ground. I was suspended upside down.

"No big deal," I thought. "Just hang a few seconds to regain my senses. Bend up at the waist, grab a limb, pull up, and get my foot loose." I took a couple of deep breaths, reached for the limb, but couldn't quite reach it ... missed by a few inches. A second try was a miss, as was a third try. By then, I was stressed and really started worrying how to get my foot loose. I even thought I might die.

I hung there thinking. Cutting off my leg at the knee wasn't an option. Yelling wouldn't help; the rancher wouldn't hear me. The other hunters wouldn't be there until the weekend.

What to do? Hang there and rest a few minutes. Then, give it the old Gung Ho! try.

I took several deep breaths and lunged for the limb. Bingo! I grabbed the limb in a bear hug and held on a few moments to catch my breath. I slowly pulled myself up and released my foot. ...





Oak limbs are brittle and break easily if overstressed. They aren't forgiving such as cedar (juniper), elm, and hackberry with limber limbs that bend and support quite a bit of weight before breaking.

One afternoon on a lease north of Stephenville, I found a deeply worn deer trail, with a large live oak tree nearby. About fifteen feet above the ground was large limb that formed a perform seat. The limb jutted horizontally and parallel to the ground. Below it was another limb just right for a foot rest. The only thing wrong with the perch was a small branch obstructing the view to the trail.

I didn't have my extension saw with me. I thought I could tiptoe out far enough on another limb and snap it off, giving me a opening to the trail.

"Ooops!" My mistake; I had forgotten how brittle oak limbs are. I reached above my head and grabbed a small limb for support with my left hand. Carefully, I inched out along the limb that would be my foot rest. So far; so good, but I needed another foot to grab the branch blocking my view to the trail. Cautiously, I slid my right foot farther along limb.

"Hmmm," I thought, "If I can hunch forward a little more, I can grab the limb, pull it to me, and break it off."

I hunched forward, shifting my weight just enough to break the limb I was standing on. Both the limb I was holding on to and standing on broke. Crack! Crash!

I plunged to the ground, breaking straight young cedars beneath the oak on my way down. One cedar sapling caught in my left armpit and slowed the fall somewhat. But not enough to prevent me from hitting heavily on my left foot. The ankle popped loudly. I landed like a fresh pile of cow manure on a flat rock. I lay on the ground for a few minutes to get my breath. I didn't feel any broken bones. My left arm ached fiercely. By the time I hobbled a quarter mile from the tree to my pick-up truck, the ankle had doubled in size.

X-rays showed I had broken the heel bone in two places. Within six weeks, I was bowhunting. The ankle still hurts during cold winter. •••

The Boy Scout motto, "Be prepared," holds true afield.

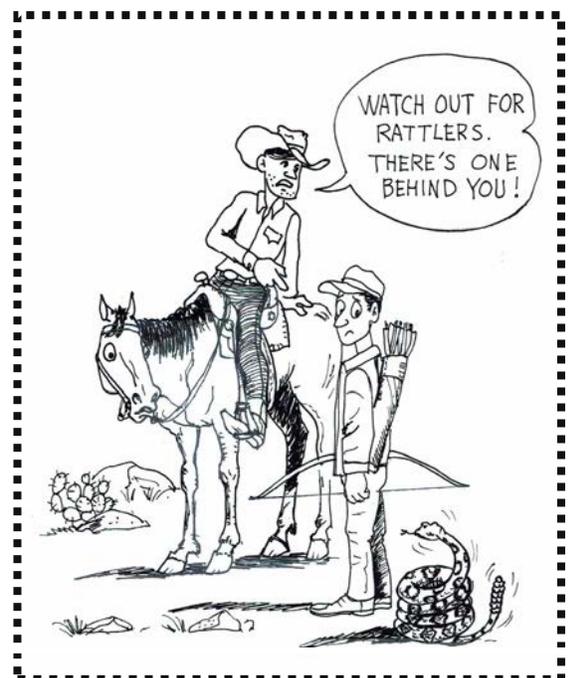
When I took the week-long archery class sponsored by Texas A&M, the instructor demonstrated how an arrow should be nocked. It is unorthodox to the modern way. The arrow was slipped between the string and the bow and laid on the arrow rest before nocking the arrow. No problem of nocking a target arrow. But, with an arrow tipped with a sharp broad-head, the archer had to be very careful not to cut the bow string when nocking.

One early morning an hour before daylight, I climbed into my stand, drew up my bow, removed an arrow from my quiver, and proceeded to nock it. As usual, I did as the instructor had taught me how to nock. Yep; you guessed it. When I started to place the arrow between the string and bow, the Bear razorhead cut the bow string cleanly. The bow recoiled and bounced from my bow hand and fell to the ground.

I didn't have a spare string with me or in my vehicle.

I've learned over the years to "Be parpared." Now, I carry a well-equipped back pack.

Note: Excerpted from "Bowhunter Bloopers & Boners - Some Funny; Some embarrassing; Some Dangerous." (By Bob Morrison) Drawings by Clint Lowery, Stephenville, TX 76401



Meet

Mike Heisler

Veteran and Archer



About 3 1/2 years ago while stationed in Jacksonville, Florida I picked up a Samick Sage 40# bow because my daughter wanted to try archery and I wanted to shoot with her. It didn't bother me because I had always wanted to try archery myself. So I did the only logical thing I could think of and that was to watch Utube videos on archery. By the time I had watched about 50 videos and joined North Florida Archers Club and I just knew I was ready to nail every target just like they did on the videos. I remember walking on the range and the first person I met was an elderly man named Richard. He saw my bow and said "hey I didn't know you shot traditional, want to walk the course?". Richard watched my first arrow fly well past the target and then turned, looked at me and kindly said "hey can I give you some tips?". By the time we finished walking the course I had a sound foundation in archery and a mentor that I will never forget. For months I would shoot with Richard as well as other archers at the club. As I did I would ask each archer questions about how they shot; some advice was better than others but from each archer I learned something. I found it peaceful walking the woods and shooting archery because at the time I was going through a divorce and archery was a place I could go to get away and clear my head.



I remember wanting to get to the archery range every chance I could. There were these four older guys named Charlie, Tim, Grover and Gary who met up every morning and one day they invited me to shoot the course with them. I was so new to archery that I didn't realize the difference between compound and traditional bows and they all shot compound bows. As I walked with them they explained that if I didn't shoot from where they did I would have a pair of pink panties hanging from my truck by the time we finished the course. Well that was not going to happen on my watch. Their shots averaged 50 yards and I had no idea

that was a long shot for a traditional shooter but I kept up with them and my truck never once was graced with a pair of pink panties. Also, after several months I had earned their respect as a trad shooter. I didn't know it but taking those long shot taught me the arch of my arrow in flight and that if I could make long shots then short shots became easy.

One day about four months into my learning archery a fellow archer I was shooting with invited me to a Tuesday working man shoot. He explained that every Tuesday archers would meet up and shoot a 10 target 3D course and afterwards would all go to a local taco stand and hangout. I remember the first time I went I was paired up in a group of about 5 other traditional shooters. At the time I had no concept of the scoring rings so I just made sure I shot last. I would listen to the shooters in my group and if they said "nice arrow" I would remember that arrow and when it was my turn to shoot I would aim for that arrow. Well it must have been a good game plan because I won. At the end of the 10 targets there was a 11th target called the long shot (usually 40-50 yard shot) which all the trad shooters would pitch a dollar in the hat to shoot. The person closest to the 10 ring would win the money in the hat. I remembered when it was my turn to shoot I drew back the arrow and letting it fly which ended up in the 10 ring. All the other trad shooters just looked at me. I didn't think anything of it because I had been shooting with the compound shooters. It was then I learned that Charlie, Grover, Tim and Gary helped me learn both confidence in my bow and myself. After that I started shooting in competitions with fellow trad archers from the club and the rest is history.



TBOT • Rolling Plains (Memphis) 2016

2016 TBOT Hill Country Shootout

Men's Recurve Open 4th Place 427
Men's Recurve Open 2nd Place 453
Men's Longbow Open 2nd Place 463



Fort Grand 2016



Collin County Bowhunters • TBOT 2016

David, Francine, Mary and Mike



BIOGRAPHY

Command Master Chief Michael T. Heisler,

United States Navy

Command Master Chief, Fleet Logistics Support Wing

Command Master Chief Heisler, a native of Tecumseh, Michigan, enlisted in the Navy in August 1987. He began his career after completing rate training as an Aviation Electronics Technician. His first assignment was VAW-120 at NAS Norfolk, Va.

In 1990 he reenlisted as a Training and Administration of Reservists (TAR) and reported to VRC-40 at NAS Norfolk, Va. In 1992, he received orders to VAW-78 at NAS Norfolk, Va. There he conducted counter narcotic operations in Panama, Puerto Rico, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and carrier qualifications onboard the USS Washington and USS Stennis. 1997 he reported to NAR Norfolk, Va. for instructor duty. There he designated as a Master

Training Specialists. In 1999 he advanced to Chief Petty Officer.

In 2000 he reported to VR-56 at NAS Norfolk, Va. There he deployed to Atsugi, Japan; Sigonella, Sicily; and the United Arab Emirates. In 2004, he advanced to Senior Chief and transferred to VP-69 in Whidbey Island, Washington. His assignments included: Quality Assurance Supervisor, Maintenance Control Senior Chief Petty Officer, and Command Senior Chief. In 2008, he graduated from the Senior Enlisted Academy and reported to HSL-60 at NAS Mayport, Fl.

As the Maintenance Senior Chief Petty Officer for HSL-60 he managed eight H-60 aircraft and 150 maintenance personnel through deployments onboard the USS Underwood, USS Samuel Roberts and humanitarian relief efforts in Haiti. In 2010, he earned Bachelor of Liberal Arts in Management from Excelsior College.

December 2010, Master Chief Heisler assumed duties as Command Senior Chief onboard the USS MCCLUSKY (FFG 41). During his tour the MCCLUSKY was awarded the 2011 Battle E, Blue E, Green E, and Red E. In July 2012 USS MCCLUSKY returned from a six month counter narcotics deployment to South America. He advanced to Master Chief in April 2012.

November of 2012 Master Chief Heisler assumed duties as the CMC of VP-62 (Broadarrows). In 2013 Broadarrows was one of four active and reserve P-3 squadrons to deploy as one unit conducting Seventh Fleet operations. During this deployment VP-62 was the first aircraft on scene providing intel to Task Group 72.2 for rescue of survivors after Typhoon Haiyan devastated the Philippines in 2013.

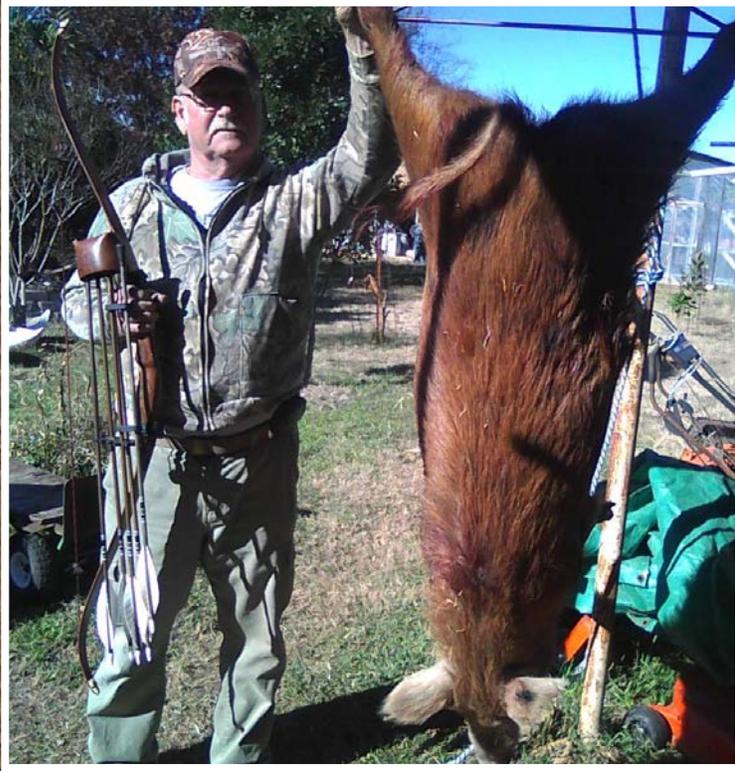
July of 2015, Master Chief Heisler proudly assumed duties as Command Master Chief of Commander Fleet Logistic Support Wing, Fort Worth, Texas.

His decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (1 award), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (5 awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (6 awards), and various unit awards.

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I do need to say something about the groups of shooters on the range. We want everyone to have fun and be respectful of the other shooters. Everyone is there to have fun and a good time with friends and family. If you have a large group, or a family group, I know it's an inconvenience to let a small group of shooters play through, but that is what needs to be done. The large groups of family and friends are there to have fun in the fashion they want to, and the small groups are there to enjoy themselves as well. Many times the small groups of 3 or 4 shooters are there for the competition and are trying to get in four rounds to qualify for the overall. They do not mean to inconvenience anyone but it just happens. Typically, it doesn't take very long for them to play through anyway. Everyone has come to have fun in their own fashion.

I know the thing we want to do is to make up another silly rule as to group size, blah, blah, blah...
Thanks and see you at the next shoot!

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Phone _____ Amount Enclosed _____

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Men's Longbow Open

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Ladies Longbow Wood

Ladies Seniors (+62)

Ladies Selfbow

Ladies Recurve Open

Ladies Longbow Open

Ladies Composite

Boy's Recurve (12-14)

Girl's Recurve (12-14)

Cubs Recurve or Longbow (9-11)

Boy's Recurve (15-17)

Girl's Recurve (15-17)

Mini Cubs Recurve or Longbow (8 & under)

Boy's Longbow (12-14)

Girl's Longbow (12-14)

Boy's Longbow (15-17)

Girl's Longbow (15-17)

Additional Shooters (if additional space is needed, please copy and be sure family name/address is included)

Name _____ T-shirt Size _____

Class _____ Youth Indicate Age _____

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- Seniors (Men) 62+ (Effective 01/01/2014) – any bow, any arrows
- Selfbow (a bow composed of one piece of wood from end to end allowing decorative backing of animal skin or sinew) – wood arrows only
- Composite (all wood with no fiberglass) – wood arrows only
- Men's Recurve Open — carbon, aluminum arrows, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Men's Recurve Wood — wood arrows only
- Men's Longbow Open — carbon, aluminum arrows, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Men's Longbow Wood — wood arrows only
- Ladies Seniors Over 62+ , any bow, any arrows
- Ladies Recurve Open — carbon, aluminum, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Ladies Recurve Wood — wood arrows only
- Ladies Longbow Open – carbon, aluminum, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Ladies Longbow Wood - wood arrows only
- Boy's Recurve (15-17) — any arrows
- Boy's Longbow (15-17) — any arrows
- Girls Recurve (15-17) — any arrows
- Girls Longbow (15-17) – any arrows
- Boy's Recurve (12-14) – any arrows
- Boy's Longbow (12-14) – any arrows
- Girls Recurve (12-14) – any arrows
- Girls Longbow (12-14) – any arrows
- Cubs (9-11) – Recurve or Longbow, any arrows
- Mini Cubs (8 and under) – Recurve or Longbow, any arrows

TBOT Tournament Rules

1. Must shoot off the shelf. No Moving parts. When assembled, the working bow is to be one solid piece.
2. No sights or markings on the bow or string. Index finger must be touching the string and nock of the arrow at the same time to prohibit string walking.
3. **Arrows are to be no less than 6" shorter than the draw length of the archer using the bow, e.g. to allow for Turkish, siper-type overdraws but to disallow vertical crossbows.** Broadheads are not allowed.
4. Release shall be accomplished with the digits of the drawing hand.
5. Binoculars are allowed at all TBoT tournaments, but shall not be used once the shooter is at the shooting stake. No rangefinders allowed.
6. Minimum of Three (3) shooters/participants per group. If family members shoot together, there shall also be at least one shooter in the group that is NOT related to the family. No shooting alone.
7. Score keeper must be a shoot participant and be able to visually validate scores.
8. If an arrow bounces back from the target and is witnessed by the group, it shall be the decision of the group to score the arrow as agreed upon, however, this score shall not be higher than 10. Glancing blows (or ricochets) off the target score zero.
9. Some part of the body must be touching the stake. Cubs and mini cubs may shoot from where they feel comfortable.
10. One must shoot the class they signed up for unless approved at the registration desk prior to starting the round.
11. Fun rounds are welcomed but can only be shot after all scoring rounds are shot and score cards turned in.
12. Only one class may be shot per tournament round.
13. Children under 12 must be accompanied by adults on both the practice range and the tournament range
14. All dogs must be kept on a leash.
15. **Driving permitted only in designated areas. No driving ATV's on the tournament range without prior consent.**
16. Watch for signage indicating Burn Bans in effect.
17. No alcohol on the tournament ranges.

TBOT Tournament Grievance Policy

1. All grievances must be filed at the shoot at which the alleged rules infraction occurs.
2. A grievance fee of \$20 must be paid at time grievance is filed and is non-refundable.
3. Two TBOT Officers shall recruit two TBOT Members who are in good standing, and are participants of the event to form a committee to hear the grievance.
4. A private session will be held, vote taken and decision made.
5. Decision of grievance committee will be final.



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June 25-26, 2016 Shoot Results



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Ladies Longbow Wood

Francine DeRhodo 231
Lisa Freeman 224

Selfbow

Marion McKibbin 170
Lewis Via 154

Seniors (62+)

Danny Porter 245
Randy Jones 229
Doug Hill 215
Mark Holman 208
Mike Baker 182
Louis Huckaby 173
David Adams 171
Bob Caruthers 164
Lynn German 135
Ronnie Ray 58
Ken VanDeman ns
James Bell ns

Men's Recurve Open

Danny Porter 252
Jerome Hargus 230
Doug Hill 221
Mark Holman 216
Mark Barta 204
David Hill 144
Jon Earley 119
Luis Castillo 111

Men's Longbow Wood

Stick McDonald 204
Mark Boyd 185
Mark Holman 182
Jerome Hargus 181
Jeremy King 179
Joe Wallis 177
Jon Holman 138
Ivan Via 127
Robert Braden 68

Men's Longbow Open

Stick McDonald 217
Jerome Hargus 201
Jeremy King 194
Mark Boyd 190
Doug Hill 190
Joe Wallis 187
Wesley Adams 159
John Holman 156
Ron Ferguson 154

Men's Recurve Wood

Mark Holman 222
Bruce Grubbs 110
Mark Barta ns

Mini Cubs

Harrison Via 183

Cubs

Mattie Hill 256

Girl's Youth (13-17)

Celeste Castillo 178
Morgan Ross 133

Boy's Youth

Sebastian Castillo 143

Ladies Recurve Open

Shelia Hill 201
Francine DeRhodo 158
Kay Harbour 145
Yuvonne Castillo 89

Ladies Longbow Open

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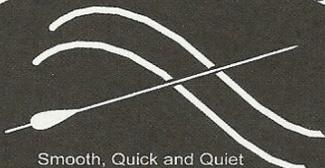


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July 16-17, 2016 Shoot Results



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Youth Longbow

Max Meuir 177
Colton King 165
Jordan Tarver 127

Ladies Longbow Open

Francine DeRhodo 233
Melissa Purvis 206
Cori Coffey 169
Tammy Woolsey 164

Ladies Longbow Wood

Francine DeRhodo 246
Meagan Alexander 231
Melissa Purvis 210
Tammy Woolsey 184
Cori Coffey 138

Ladies Recurve Open

Karina McMenamy 184
Melissa Purvis 156
Cori Coffey 135
Sara Hughes 125

Ladies Recurve Wood

Mary Beth 231
Melissa Purvis 178

Ladies Selfbow

Mary Beth 222
Meagan Alexander 203

Composite

Short Stroke 276
Glenn Bryant 258
Jeffro Murray 212
Mike Williams 197
Bud Murphy 180

Senior Men

Wayne Meuir 249
Randy Probst 243
Frodie G. Crowder 210

Ron Kauffman 210
Mike Williams 163

Men's Selfbow

Brad Reuthinger 267
Glenn Bryant 232
Charlie Alexander 222
Bud Murphy 216
Glen Moore 209

Men's Recurve Wood

Stick 252
Charlie Alexander 246
Randy Probst 243
Delano Carniero 236
Delvin D. 231
David Rubio 145

Men's Longbow Open

Wayne Meuir 278
Short Stroke 275
Brad Reuthinger 273
Mike Heisler 271
Todd Smith 269
Charlie Alexander 267
Stick 258
Marshall Woolsey 244
Jeremy King 227
Joe Lucas 208
John Holman 189
Rabbit Spurgeon 180
Todd Maxey ns

Men's Recurve Open

Mike Heisler 277
Charlie Alexander 271
Stick 267
Todd Smith 260
Randy Probst 230
Mark Mosley 229
Marshall Woolsey 227
Todd Maxey 212
Bud Murphy 220
Joe Wallis 190
Steve Seals 189
Neal Kuzuar 182

Men's Longbow Wood

Short Stroke 279
Brad Reuthinger 268
Wayne Meuir 256
Todd Smith 251
Jeremy King 249
Joe Wallis 244
Stick 235
Mike Baker 233
Chad Meuir 231
Delvin D. 217
Danel Schmidt 216
Freddie G. Crowder 205
Brandon Tarver 198
Glen Meere 195
Jeffro Murray 193
Greg Bench 186
David Neidigh 185
David Rubio 182
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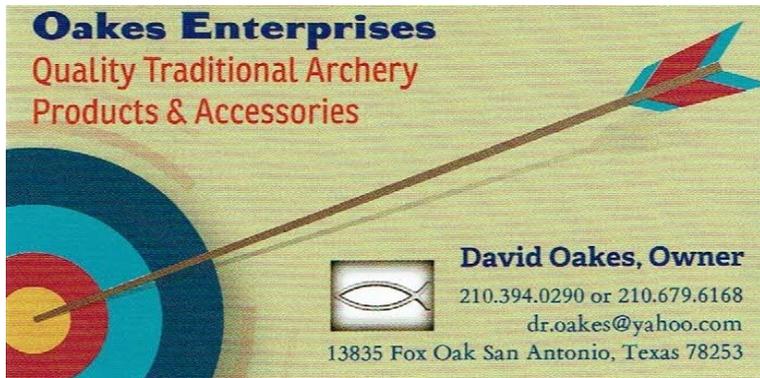
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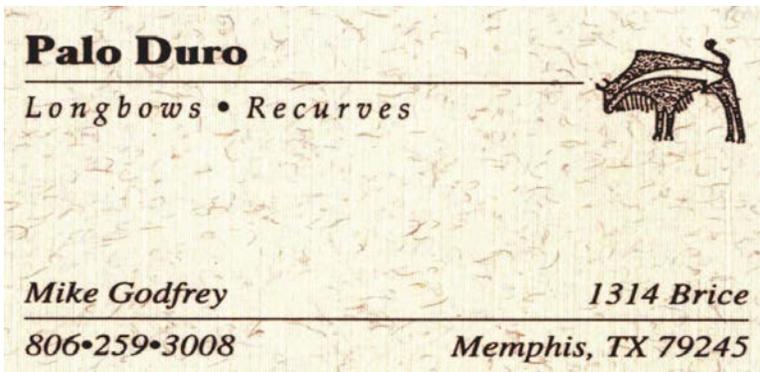
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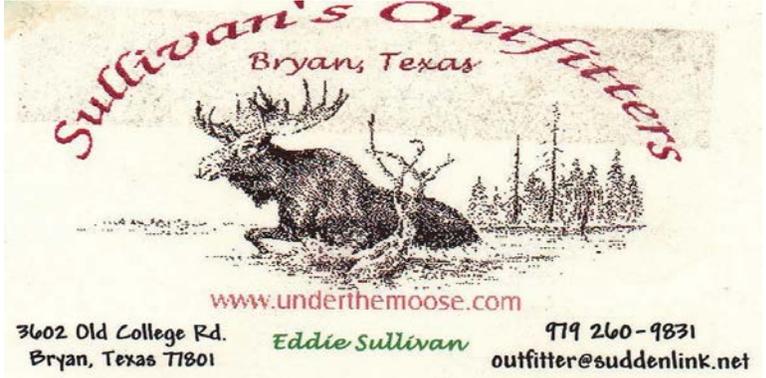
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July 23, 2016 Shoot Results

Mini Cubs (8 and Under)

Nicholas Ortiz 147

Cubs

Eli Fox 214

Boy's Longbow (12-14)

Milo Garcia 193

Boy's Recurve Open (15-17)

Jacob Ortiz 177

Ladies Recurve Open

Allison Compton 243

Judy gocowboys 220

Molly Erickson 202

Elaine Compton 192

Carrie Jones 122

Ladies Recurve Wood

Allison Compton 207

Judy gocowboys ns

Ladies Longbow Open

Jessica Lewis Porlek 247

Molly Erickson 196

Selfbow

Larry Wentreck 238

Henry Sykes 189

Cole Wilkins ns

Seniors 62+

Tommy Avis 277

Henry Sykes 260

Roland Jenkins 257

Fred Woodward 236

Sam Tate 234

Lee Bryan 231

Frank Smith 212

Paul Kimbol 202

Men's Longbow Wood

Tommy Avis 260

Tom Denio 259

Rob Flinn 244

Justice Jones 244

Lino Melchor 236

Frank Smith 232

Ron Durst 211

Glen Buchhorn 210

Men's Recurve Open

Bud Ellis 292

Melvin Erickson 275

Sam Stephens 275

Jackie Glass 254

Lino Melchor 238

Greg Compton 235

Monty Roberts 231

Fred Woodward 216

Jon Fox 167

Men's Recurve Wood

Tom Denio 273

Roland Jenkins 256

Monty Roberts 246

Sam Tate 231

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Troy Lansing 277

Bud Ellis 272

Kevin Davis 261

Robert Garcia 261

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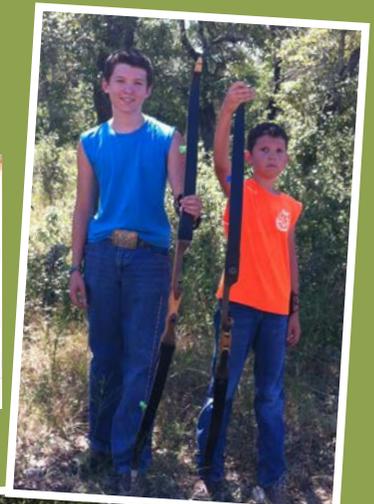
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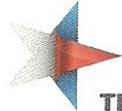


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August 6, 2016 Shoot Results

Ladies Seniors

Jill Tate 135

Ladies Selfbow

Rebecca Gomez 132

Ladies Longbow Open

Kim Wimberly 164

Ronda Buchhorn 153

Laura Jenkins 93

Jessica Lewisporter ns

Ladies Longbow Wood

Jill Tate 128

Ladies Recurve Open

Judy gocowboys 221

Ladies Recurve Wood

Judy gocowboys 191

Men's Seniors 62+

Tommy Avis 270

Sam Tate 232

Roland Jenkins 232

Ron Ferguson 218

Art McCall 201

Frank Smith 201

Fred Woodward 182

Paul Kimbol 163

Boy's Longbow (15-17)

Johnathan Ellis 218

Composite

Larry Wentrcek 221

Men's Selfbow

Rusty Horn 271

Jerry Bischoffberger 227

Thorn Slavinche 206

Larry Wentrcek 205

John Bourdeaux 201

Robert Flinn 184

Gibert Gomez 150

Tommy Avis 105

Men's Recurve Wood

Rusty Horn 262

Tom Denio 254

Fred Richards 236

Sam Tate 227

Roland Jenkins 220

Art McCall 214

CJ Haulbert 171

Jacob Bourdeaux ns

Men's Longbow Open

John Bourdeaux 269

Jerry Bischoffberger 264

Jerome Hargus 247

Sam Stephens 246

Troy Lansing 237

Ron Durst 231

Bud Ellis 222

Jackie Glass 214

Ron Ferguson 213

Robert Garcia 212

Todd Wagner 212

Rob Flinn 211

Damon Polk 196

Lindel Baker 177

Darrell Wimberly 159

Men's Longbow Wood

Ronnie Ledwig 247

Rob Flinn 239

Fred Richards 235

Tommy Avis 228

Tom Denio 222

Justice Jones 193

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Rusty Horn 280

Jerry Bischoffberger 272

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Saturday, August 13, 2016 Shoot Results

Cubs

Greyson Gomez 131 (Selfbow)

Boy's (12-14)

Canyon Johnson 186 (Recurve)

Jaeden Young 153

Ladies Selfbow

Rebecca Gomez 141

Ladies Recurve Open

Judy gocowboys 187

Kacie Floros 144

Ladies Recurve Wood

Judy gocowboys ns

Seniors

Bill Decker 226 (Recurve Open)

Roland Jenkins (Recurve) ns

Men's Selfbow

Rusty Horn 260

Gilbert Gomez 173

Men's Longbow Open

Bobby Taylor 253

John Boudreaux 240

Kyle Johnson 195

Ben Ulrich ns

Men's Longbow Wood

Stan Gouger 177

Jim Franze ns

Men's Recurve Wood

Roland Jenkins 202

Jason Young 194

Men's Recurve Open

Rusty Horn 268

Bob Heard 262

Buster Stiebing 241

Scott Faasse 236

Jason Young 236

Grady Hoist 218

Dennis Mitchel 214

Bob Fulmer 196

Steve Boudreaux 183

Jimmy Williams 170

Curt Horn 157

Colin Floros 144

Jacob Boudreaux ns

Michael Scacia ns



Greyson Gomez
(Apache and Cherokee) Age 7, 1st Shoot. Osage Self-bow made by Dad, Tonkin Cane arrows Fletched with goose and turkey feathers.



Rebecca Gomez and Gilbert Gomez with their Selfbow 1st Place Buckles



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Cubs

Bobby Seghers 195

Women's Longbow Open

Sheryl Kanaga 224

Women's Longbow Wood

Lisa Freeman 257

Women's Recurve Open

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Cougar Claims Doe

By Bob Morrison

It was nearly dark on Decemer 21, 1961, when a doe and two yearlings tip-toed from the yaupon thicket 26 yards from the treestand. The doe doubled back at the snap of the bow string, trying to dodge the wooden arrow, tipped with a 125-gr. Bear broadhead, released from a Wing Redwing hunter bow, pulling 50-lbs., at 28-in.

The evasive maneuver didn't work. The armed shaft hit low in her abdomen near the rib cage and angled forward, merging from the right shoulder. A gut shot.

I marked the spot of the hit with a hankkerchief and returned to camp. I asked an older experienced bowhunter if I should pursue the doe or wait until morning. The weather had been in the low 30s for two days and shouldn't get above 50 by morning. The hunter suggested that I wait until morning to track the doe since it was a gut shot.



Cougar claimed doe before Bob Morrison found her. She was shot late on the evening of December 21, 1961, a few miles north of Wheelock, TX. (photo by Bob Morrison)

At daylight, I stood over the spot where the doe had wheeled to dodge the arrow. A scanty blood trail led from there toward the seasonal creek. Time and time again I lost the spotty blood trail among the fallen leaves. I marked the last blood and started circling, finally finding a trail of tiny flecks of blood every five to ten yards.

Approximately 150 yards from the treestand lay the doe.

"Well, look who came to dinner - a cougar!" I whispered quietly and looking around cautiously into the yaupon thickets. The was partially covered with leaves. The right ham was partially eaten.

I tagged the doe and quickly field-dressed her and dragged her to camp. Rather uneasy, I watched my back-trail ... didn't want a surprise challenge from the big cat.

Several hunters at camp mentioned seeing a cougar in the area. The fish monger in camp had taken a running shot with his 30-06 rifle at a cougar running across an open field near the camp earlier in the deer season. Missed, of course. But, the appearance of the cougar made for good campfire B.S. (biodegradable substance).

That was my first encounter with a cougar while bowhunting for deer. It wasn't until the 2012 bow season that I saw a second cougar. I was in a treestand on the side of a mountain near Evant, Texas, when a young cougar ran by my deer corn feeder. A red fox squirrel I was feeding on the corn, when it dashed up the mountain toward a cluster of red oaks. Less than a minute later, the young cat appeared and disappeared up the mountain. Later that year, a gun hunter killed a young cougar near Morgan Mill, Texas. This small town is about 75 miles north of Eva nt.

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