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*Happy Thanksgiving!
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Happy New Year!*

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*T*he 2017 3D shoot season marked another banner year with 25 TBoT Shoots (23 in Texas and 2 in Oklahoma).

Big Thanks to the Host Clubs! Who spend countless hours setting up and taking down the course, supply and maintaining the water stations and concessions. We had a great time and look forward to the 2018 3D season.

The TBoT shoots would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of our TBoT Representatives: North Texas - Bud Murphy and Cori Coffey, South Texas - Glenn and Rhonda Buchhorn, West Texas - Wesley Adams and East Texas - Bobby Taylor. You guys are so awesome.

Thank You to Holly our Facebook Admin., and TBoT Officers: Melvin, Larry, Connie, Sandy, Pat, Matt and Larry, who work very hard during the Hill Country Shootout and continue work throughout the year behind the scenes to make TBoT run smoothly.

To all our TBoT members and participants who support our club by volunteering, donating and participating in our events - you are greatly appreciated! *See Y'all in 2018.*



Dear TBoT family,

We ask that you consider a donation to one of our own. Todd Smith (past TBoT Rep.) lost his house in a fire and his father. Please go to this Go Fund Me page if you can give him and his family a donation.

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“What Does Traditional Archery Mean to Me”

Memories

By Maryann Heffley

Traditions are an important way of preserving memories as you mature throughout your lifespan. It preserves the past to help mold the future. Traditional archery is just that to me, traditional memories. My first traditional memories are wonderful memories of my family being together and practicing shooting 3d targets, going to tournaments, and striving hard to win a TBOT buckle. One of my favorite traditional memories happened about two years ago. My mom, sister and I were practicing with our long bows and a rabbit hopped over in front of our target. We all shot at it, but I hit it! I pinned it to the ground and I was so proud! We took pictures and I couldn't wait to brag to my brothers about my first long bow kill! Somehow, I just felt more accomplished being able to shoot the rabbit with my traditional bow than with my gun through a scope.

Traditional archery is a way of preserving history. By preserving history, future generations will have stories to reflect upon and be able to preserve and protect the past. Traditional archery was evident from the very early part of human history and has played a vital role throughout time. Many different cultures have utilized the traditional bow to feed and protect themselves throughout history. When countries' militias first developed, they used archery as a means of defense. As they progressed their weaponry, the rifle was developed and people found it more proficient and faster. Technology has evolved; therefore, it is vital we continue to pass on the traditions of the longbow.

Our ancestors who inhabited North America long before us probably spent many hours and days trying to perfect their aim and skills, so when the time was right they could make the shot count. This is still true today.... PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE! Mechanics, form, weather, and even geometry play a role, but nothing like old fashioned practice! Traditional archery is a hobby to some, but a lifestyle to many. It is a steadily increasing sport to many people all around the world. It has played a major role in my life by encouraging me to set goals, understand what it means to practice, teach ethics and values and meet really wonderful people.

Families have all kinds of different traditions. They can be focused around holidays, religion, or sports, but the traditions of archery have made some of the best memories for my family. Being able to travel together as a family to 3D tournaments and compete together has made some of the best traditional memories for our family.



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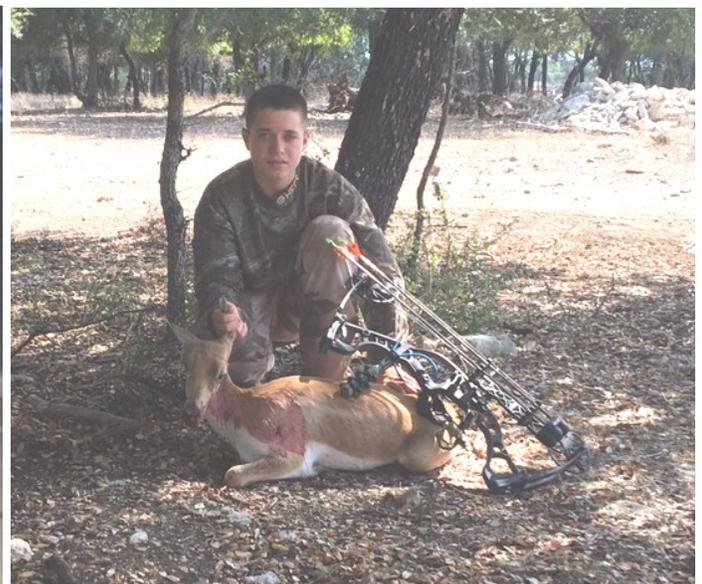
Determination

By Keaton Heffley



I began traditional archery at the age of eight. When I first gripped the wooden handle in my hand, I was hooked. I lived each day to be able to go shoot at targets and even a rabbit or two. Everyone I met through traditional archery would come up to me and want me to demonstrate my shooting skills. They would come up to me at bow shoots to see how good I really was and ask me to shoot at cans or other miscellaneous objects with my longbow. I would hit it every time and they would cheer in amazement as we watched the arrow soar. It was a really fun time of my childhood. I won lots of buckles and awards. I met lots of really great people that supported and encouraged me to keep shooting. I felt like I could do anything. As amazing as this time in my life was, it stopped. I seemed to fall into a bit of a slump. People tried to tell me this was normal or that they had been through it too, but nothing seemed to help. Lots of people have tried to help me along the way. They have all offered advice, tips, support, but nothing helps. In the meantime, I have picked up my compound bow and I am getting really good with it. I hope that I am able to return to my traditional equipment soon. I would like to be able to shoot all different types of weapons well, but to accomplish this it will take time, patience, and determination.

After having this experience with traditional archery, traditional archery means to me DETERMINATION because I am determined to conquer the longbow again. It has also taught me a great life lesson, although I am not enjoying the learning process. As much as I enjoyed shooting my longbow, I am anxious to be able to get back to it. I am positive I will be able to enjoy traditional archery again. In the meantime, I will continue to keep myself involved in anything to do with the outdoors.





TBoT with Ishi and Pink Feathers

By Carol “Pink Feathers” Lockhart

Old-timer TBoT members know who Old Ishi was...and now the “newbies” will learn a little history about him and Pink Feathers and their involvement in the Traditional Bowhunters of Texas. My husband, Dan Lockhart, used the nickname Ishi and gave me, Carol, the nickname Pink Feathers.

When we moved to Bryan 20 years ago this fall, Dan was trying to connect with traditional shooters and couldn't find much information. He had earned a master's degree in Computer Science from Texas

A&M in the 60's, but not many traditional shooters were really computer savvy in 1997. So, in frustration over the lack of information available online, Dan purchased the domain TEXASARCHERY.COM (no longer available) and started calling folks in order to get information out about shoots—and we discovered TBoT.

Most folks reading this would classify archery as mostly an outdoor experience, but for many years we may have spent more time on archery inside—sitting side by side at our two desktop computers. From 1998 to 2007, we met and made many wonderful friends by going to archery tournaments and a few hunts. I'll mention many of these folks as I give a little history lesson here (there's not enough room for all the names, so please don't feel hurt if I don't mention you.)

One of the first friendly faces of TBoT we met was Debbie Keeling. She was registering people and handing out flyers about shoots. I think she was also editing and sending the Newsletter at that time. So, we joined TBoT, and by early 2000 we were the ones producing the TBoT Newsletter. David Bailey was the president, and Sandy Horne was the secretary. I think that mailing newsletters still required licking a stamp! By the 2nd Quarter of 2000, mail was stamped with a postage meter, and the address label included the membership expiration date. Later that year we obtained a bulk mail permit, and the newsletter was available online at texasarchery.com.

In 2002 we started working with new officers, president Glenn Bryant, vice president Bill Decker, and secretary Peggy Casey. TBoT offered a t-shirt or cap to members whose photos or stories were published. I particularly appreciated Bill Decker's regular and timely contributions. In 2002 Old Ishi wrote the code and developed the TBoT website and included a detailed tutorial in the newsletter to help folks learn how to navigate the site. To save money, we tried to send the newsletter by email, but it was too large for the servers used by most... We also used the database to address the mailings—no more labels!

In 2003 the newsletter was available in color on the website; the Bryants sent in a recipe for venison jerky; we included “redneck humor,” references to a member named Dick Grande (smile if you remember!), and a profit and loss statement for 2002; plus Chuck Menton started his tenure as legislative chairman, keeping us informed of new and proposed laws and regulations.

In 2005, Glenn Bryant served his third term as president, and Roy “Peanut” Brown became vice-president. Through all those years (and more), Pat Handley faithfully served as range captain, always writing up a thank you for all those who helped. Old Ishi offered in the newsletter to send reminders by email for upcoming shoots and schedule changes, but I don't think anyone took him up on the offer. By now members could post their videos and photos on the website, and many took advantage of this feature. Chris Flynn volunteered to call members to notify or remind them of upcoming shoots. Later, Chris became your representative-at-large and wrote several informative articles on archery happenings around the state.



Recognize my form...I believe photo was taken in 1963, perhaps even 1962. That is 55 years ago!

2006 brought Morris Williams as president and Brenda Stein as secretary. Morris started the "President's Photo Pick," which appeared on the outside of the folded newsletter. Dan (Ishi) offered a forum for communication by members on tbot.org. He also did preliminary programming for members to pay dues by using PayPal; only one person responded, so it was never set up. As webmaster, Dan worked tirelessly to do everything he could to make the technical side of TBoT easier for the officers and membership. That year in the newsletter we included 70 "bad" email addresses so members could update their personal information; only 10 responded. In 2006 there were actually five newsletters, the last one mailed in January of 2007, to 532 members, 273 of whom had expired memberships. We worked with Brenda Stein to try to get people to pay their dues. (I wonder how that's going now...) In 2006 Denton County Archery Club went "all traditional." We included the Bowhunter's Prayer by Bill Wray in the newsletter; I plan to resubmit it for another issue.

2007 brought a purging of the database so we were not mailing to those whose dues were three years delinquent. I think it must have gotten some folks' attention. We received and published the first classified ad in several years and an interesting article on easy tick removal. Our lives changed considerably that year with my 97-year-old mom coming to live with us. I could not attend shoots, and we started looking for a new editor for the newsletter. The last issue that I edited was the 4th quarter of 2007, and I turned it over to Wes Adams. Unfortunately, at nearly the same time, my dear Dan contracted pneumonia with MRSA on the trip when we were returning my mom to Kansas. Dan was admitted to a small hospital in the town where we were married in 1961, was mediflighted to Oklahoma City and passed away less than a month later. Of course his death was a huge blow to me, and it really affected the archery community, too. Dan had trusted Christ as his Savior as a child and continued to serve Him all his life. I rejoice that he is in the presence of the Lord and look forward to seeing him in heaven. I knew nothing about running the website, so eventually it had to be shut down and TBoT hired someone to do what Dan had done "for fun" for about eight years. I am planning to submit the paper copies I have of the newsletter so they can eventually be digitized and posted on tbot.org. I hope this article has brought to your mind many good memories.

Dan and I had a great experience serving the Traditional Bowhunters of Texas, and I hope to continue going to shoots as long as possible. Dan often helped with set-up and take-down at the Hill Country Shootout, and I helped check the math on the scorecards. I am going to end this "history lesson" on a more positive note with more personal information about Old Ishi and Pink Feathers.

Dan grew up shooting bows, and in 1963 I started shooting, too. Then our four kids entered the scene, and I didn't shoot for 35 years. Dan continued to shoot a traditional bow, then a compound for a few years, and in about 1997 he bought us each a Great Plains recurve. I can't remember when, but at Vanderpool one year we bought Winterwind longbows from Dale Sanford. We both continued to enjoy shooting both recurves and our new longbows. At some point Dan started making all of our arrows, and I have a few of them left—but I'm reluctant to shoot them where there are lots of rocks! Then we bought 21st Century longbows from Milton Calloway, and that bow has been my bow of choice for over a decade. One time I went to the Midsummer Meltdown and accidentally took his bow. No wonder I was getting tired so fast! Then at the Texas State Longbow Championship in May I won the only door prize in a scorecard drawing - a beautiful new longbow by Michael Reid - 42# at 28" - exactly what I was already shooting, plus a dozen arrows by Jeff Murray at 10 Again Arrows. So look out! I actually intend to practice this year before the spring shoots...if my shoulder heals well from a planned surgery later this fall. Some of you know that I went hunting for the first time since Dan died. No luck, but lots of fun anyway!

I have thoroughly enjoyed looking back through the newsletters that I edited over the years. It brought back so many memories, and I am thankful to God for all my friends, both old and new, in the Traditional Bowhunters of Texas.

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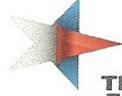


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Cubs Recurve or Longbow (9-11) • Mini Cubs Recurve or Longbow (8 and under)

Youth Championship Classes

Girl's Recurve (12-14) and (15-17) • Boy's Longbow (12-14) and (15-17)
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- There will be score card drawings and raffles for bows, hunts, stands, camo accessories and much, much more.
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- **Pre-register by March 10, 2018 and receive a free T-shirt.**
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For more information call: TBOT President Melvin Erickson 936-522-7143

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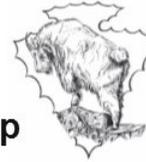
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April 14th & 15th, 2018

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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 _____

Name _____ T-shirt Size _____

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Registration received by March 10, 2018 will receive a free T-shirt. No rain outs. No refunds.

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Releasor: Primary Shooter
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Event Location: Vanderpool, Texas

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Releasor, being of lawful age, (or, in the case of a minor, through his/her parent or guardian) in consideration of being permitted to participate in various shooting disciplines and activities at the Releasees Facility, either as a member or guest, do for myself, my spouse, legal representatives, heirs, assigns and subrogors, hereby release, waive and forever discharge Releasees from any and all liability for any and all losses and damages of any time or kind and from any and all claims, suites, demands, actions or rights of sections, of whatever kind, wither in law or equity, arising from or by reason of death, personal injury know or unknown, or property damage resulting from any incident which may occur during Releasor's presence at the Releasees Facility, and/or participation in any activity, whether caused in whole or in part by the Releasees or any other person or thing at the host while Releasor is present. Releasor, and his/her participating family members or guest, parent or guardian in the event Releasor is a minor, agree to fully indemnify, defend and hold Releasees harmless for all Releasor's actions or omissions while at the host. There is no limit to this indemnity.

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Releasor fully and completely releases the Releasees of any of its related parties to and from all liability to Releasor and to anyone or any entity claiming by, through or under Releasor, by subrogation or otherwise, it being Releasor's intent to fully waive and release all subrogating rights.

Releasor agrees that this Release Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law and that if any portion hereof is held invalid, the balance hereof will continue in full force and effort.

RELEASOR HAS CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE AND UNDERSTANDS ALL OF ITS TERMS.
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THE FORM.

Releasor has executed this Release on the 14th-15th day of April 2018.

Releasor signature on this form acknowledges receipt of the document and covers all participants registered herewith, including family members, minors, and visitors.

Safety Guidelines for Shooters:

- Do not intentionally shoot arrows in the ground.
- Only point bow at intended targets.
- Never nock an arrow until the intended target is clear of other shooters.
- Stay on designated paths.
- Look for arrows only after competition is completed for the day.
- If returning to look for lost arrows, place a marker on your equipment in front of the target.
- Adults must supervise children at all times.

Releasor (Print Name) _____ Releasor Signature _____

Date _____

TBOT CLASSES

- 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
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- 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.

Nomination Ballot

TBoT Bylaws <http://tbot.org/constitution.html>

Meetings

There will be four (4) Executive meetings held each year. The EC will have the right to go into a closed door Executive Session if warranted by the situation. There will be one (1) annual meeting of the general membership, although the general membership is welcomed and encouraged to attend all meetings of the Executive Council. Meetings may be held in person, by phone or by TBOT web site chat room.

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 elections for the position of Legislative Representative, North and West Area Representatives will be conducted on odd years.

Your Input is very important! Please vote for candidate or write in your candidate.

Officers or Candidates Running for Office or Re-election:

Legislative Representative (Vacant) _____

G. Legislative Representative will be responsible for maintaining relations with the Texas Wildlife Department and reporting all actions within the State Legislature that may have an effect on bowhunting and all hunting and fishing.

West Texas Representative, Wesley Adams _____ **write in** _____

North Texas Representative, Bud Murphy _____ **write in** _____

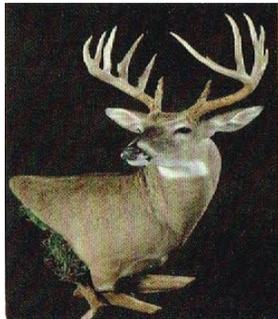
H. Representatives shall consist of one (1) representative from each designated geographical region. The representatives shall be elected by popular vote from the membership. Representatives should attend regional shoots in their area or assign a TBOT representative to attend. TBOT will provide the awards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

Member Name (Please Print):

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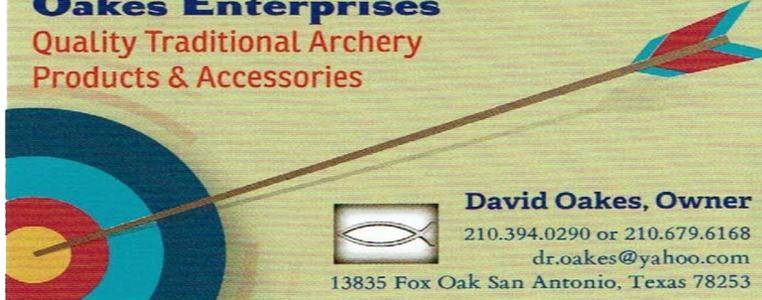


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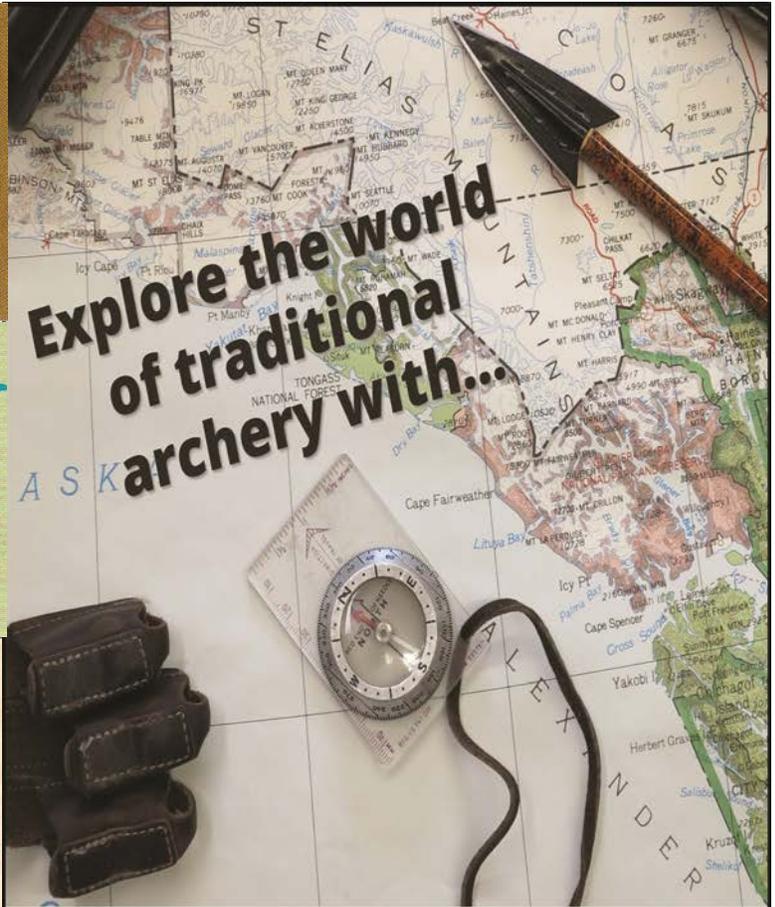


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Crystal Creek, TX Feral Hog Hunt

By Bob Morrison

Crispt November Fall hunt -

I had bowhunted cottontails and feral hogs for years each February at Maurice Chambers' ranch east of Sabinal, TX. Maurice had recently purchased a ranch 16 miles west of Brackettville, TX, north of U.S. Hwy. 90 and 30 miles from Del Rio. After the details from Maurice, I booked a week-end hunt.

The years had rolled by quickly since I'd done any hunting between Brackettville and Rocksprings, and my memory about the November weather there was hazy. Just in case the weather pulled an unexpected norther, I carried foul weather clothing, camo clothes, and my heavier sleeping bag. Of course, plenty of arrows. I had my pick-up truck tuned and ready for the 300-mi. plus drive.

I arrived at the gate in the late afternoon. I met Marvin, the hunt-master, who showed me the rustic, but modern, guest house. It had a well-equipped kitchen, beautiful lounge, and a large dining room. The living quarters were also modern.

As I finished unloading and settling down in the bedroom, Marvin knocked on the door and said he'd give me a wake-up call about 5 a.m. The night ended too soon.

Marvin had the coffee perking, sweet rolls on the table, and a big grin when I walked into the kitchen. "Ready to slay the dragon?" he asked as he looked up from his coffee. "Bright and bushy tailed!" I answered and poured a cup of coffee.

Marvin told me of several stands I could use and suggested the best one for the morning. I was all ears and eager to get on the stand. He also told me that after dropping me off at the stand, that he'd spread corn up and down the road where the stand was located.

"You won't have trouble hearing the hogs. When they come down the gravel road, there'll be squealing, grunting, fighting, and loud chomping as they scorf up the corn. Just be ready; if you see a hog that suits your fancy, be ready to shoot and fast because they don't mess around," he drawled.

"I'll be ready. I've hunted hogs at Sabinal for years. I'm tuned in to their noisy feeding."

Marvin spreads corn along the ranch roads twice a day. You might say he's the Pavlov of the Crystal Creek Ranch: when the corn feeder on his pick-up truck starts spinning, the hogs' salivary juices start flowing! You'll hear'em coming. Get ready to shoot. I wanted a shoat weighing between 40- to 50-lbs. for barbecuing.

I was ready but over anxious. A shoat fed to within thirteen steps from my blind and hesitated long enough for me to shoot. Evidently, I jerked the boat upon releasing the arrow. It hit the shoat in its left ham.

The hog squealed loudly. Hogs scattered in every direction into the thick underbrush. I thought I heard the shoat crash a few seconds later. I waited ten minutes and left the stand. I eased to where the shoat hesitated when I shot. No blood. Nothing.

Marvin picked me up at dark.

"Well, you did hit the hog. I'll put the dogs to work; they'll find your hog. Let's eat supper first. You can relax while the dogs and I find your hog."

"I'd like to go," I said.

"Naw, I'll have trouble keeping up with the dogs. I don't want to worry about a hunter tagging along. I'll get your hog," he answered sternly.

Two hours later, Marvin was hanging the hog on the skinning rack.

"Morrison, I had one helluva time dragging that heavy sucker in and around thorny thickets and through white-brush. He's bigger than a shoat, but he'll make lots of chili meat," Marvin grinned as he stood up and leaned against the skinning rack. I field-dressed, quartered the carcass, and iced it down in my ice-chest.

"Let's eat supper. Afterwards, we'll take it easy in the lounge recalling and swapping hunting stories. I'm sure you have some, Morrison, since you've hunted in Canada and New Jersey. I wouldn't think that small state next to New York would have deer and especially not bear! I've heard and read about bear hunting there," Maurice commented as he set his glass of ice-tea beside his dinner plate.

After breakfast the next morning, Marvin and his small, pert, red-headed wife waved good-bye and yelled, "Come back next year."

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Saturday, February 10, 2018.
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- **The Pink Alliance Charity Shoot,**
Sunday, February 11, 2018.
- **2018 BCAC Banquet.**
- **2018 The Deerman Shoot.**
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Buffalo Field Archery Club

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June 18, 2017 Results



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Mini Cubs (8-under)

Liam Camaille 65

Boy's Recurve (12-14)

Logan Adams 158

Boy's Longbow (12-14)

Xander Artes 100

Ladies Longbow Open

Julie Artes 180

Ladies Recurve Open

Nancy Williams 165

Judy gocowboys ns

Ladies Recurve Wood

Rebecca Stacey Gomez 221

Judy gocowboys ns

Men's Recurve Open

Bob Heard 241

Grady Holst 230

Brent Williams 220

Men's Recurve Wood

Oliver Klozcehalt 140

Roland Jenkins ns

Seniors 62+

Wesley Adams 180

Roland Jenkins ns

Selfbow

Francisco Artes 196

Gilbert Gomez 186

Dave Wedenfeld ns

Men's Longbow Wood

Thorin Stavinoha 193

Paul Kaminski 147

David Elsasser 136

Men's Longbow Open

Bobby Taylor 241

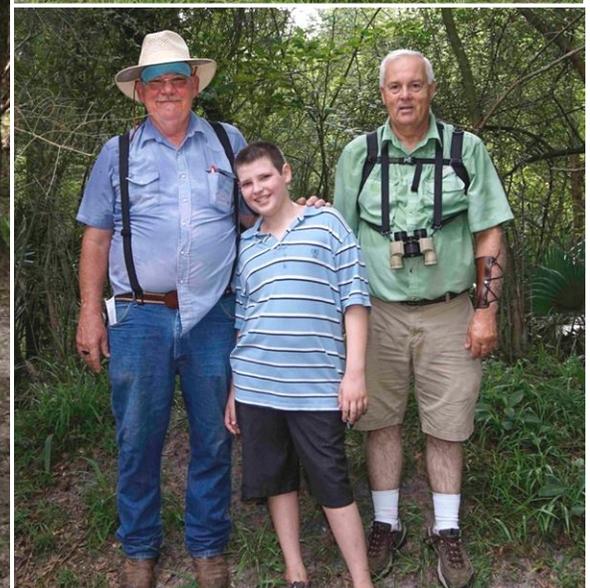
Keith Kaminski 219

Oliver Klozcehalt 190

Jim Franz 155

Jeromey Ardala ns

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Hill County Bowhunters • TBOT

June 24, 2017 Results

www.hillcountrybowhunters.com

Mini Cubs

Antonio Perez 193
Joey Perez 152

Boy's Recurve (12-14)

Vincent Perez 96

Ladies Recurve Open

Jeccica Lewis Porter 252
Judy gocowboys 246

Ladies Recurve Wood

Judy gocowboys 224

Ladies Selfbow

Judy gocowboys 212

Ladies Longbow Open

Jeccica Lewis Porter 276
Marijke 241
Anna Gonzales 232
Julie Artes 206

Men's Seniors

Tommy Avis 277
Lee Bryan 234
Gary Sadler 231
Dano William 229
Chuck Carpenter 225
Steve Horn 217

Men's Selfbow

Rusty Horn 264
Francisco Artes 208
Steve Horn 201
Justice Jones 197
Roland Jenkins ns

Men's Recurve Open

Rusty Horn 288
Roger Armendariz 278
Gary Sadler 273
Jerry Bischoffberger 259
David Bailey 248
Dano William 241
Ryan Owens 239
Clay Hammack 225
Sam Stephens 219
Chuck Carpenter 215
Cody Carpenter 196
Fred Woodward n/c
Reese Copeland n/c
Paul Liberato n/c
Darrell Smith n/c
Roland Jenkins ns

Men's Recurve Wood

David Bailey 264
Lee Bryan 248
Cody Carpenter 201
Steve Horn 185

Men's Longbow Open

Roger Armendariz 301
Clay Hammack 242
Paul Liberato 238
Thorin Stavinoha 237
Kenneth Woodrum 237
Robert Garcia 236
Jerry Bischoffberger 236
Gary Sadler 233
Larry Wentreck 222
Sam Stephens 220
Dano Williams 219
Paul Kimbol 206
Chuck Carpenter 204
Alan Ramos 201
Fred Woodward 191
Cody Carpenter 129
Dustin Robertson 48

Men's Longbow Wood.

Rusty Horn 299
Rob Flinn 293
Tommy Avis 280
David Bailey 245
Larry Wentreck 242
Robert Garcia 228
Francisco Artes 223
Thorin Stavinoha 191





Austin Archery Club TBOT

July 8, 2017 Results

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Mini Cubs (8 & under)

Greyson Gomez 131

Joey Perez 110

Cubs (9-11)

Andrew Hobbs 220

Antonio Perez 145

Emma Beard 115

Cade Kandrin 106

Girl's Longbow (12-14)

Ellie Black 196

Girl's Recurve (12-14)

Vicktoria Ramos 30

Boy's Recurve (12-14)

John Nava 163

Boy's Recurve (15-17)

Jacob Meloni 133

Boy's Longbow (15-17)

Milo Garcia 199

JD Carlton 139

Ladies Recurve Wood

Rebecca Stacey 195

Judy gocowboys 168

Ladies Recurve Open

Jessica Lewis-Porter 239

Judy gocowboys 185

Ladies Longbow Wood

Adelita Schule ns

Ladies Longbow Open

Jessica Lewis-Porter 222

Stephanie Polk 174

Kelley Garrett 170

Kim Wimberley 125

Ladies Selfbow

Rebecca Stacey 147

Melanie Black 141

Ellie Black 98

Kathy DeHass 63

Men's Seniors 62+

Ronny Hobbs 248

Buck Glenn 244

Paul Kimbo 230

Chuck Carpenter 222

Fred Woodward 220

Frank Smith 208

Roland Jenkins 168

Tom Hobbs ns

Marion McKibbin ns

Men's Longbow Wood

Troy Lensing 260

Robert Flinn 250

Thorin Stavinoha 210

Francisco Artes 206

Alan Ramos 200

David Elsasser 177

Merl Fulhs 168

John Corlton 150

Paul Kimbol ns

Men's Recurve Wood

Robert Flinn 240

Fred Richards 235

David Bailey 204

Roland Jenkins 161

James Bailey ns

Men's Selfbow

Gilbert Gomez 226

Robert Garcia 223

Francisco Artes 221

Thorin Stavinoha 197

Steve Shedd 150

Eric Beard 148

Ty DeHass 114

Marion McKibbin ns

Men's Longbow Open

Roger Armendariz 281

Jerry Bischoffberger 273

Brian Dannenfelser 263

Kenneth Woodrum 253

Buck Glenn 246

Larry Wentrcek 243

Paul Molter 242

Robert Garcia 239

Troy Lensing 219

Damon Polk 209

Brian Watts 198

Ray Owen 195

Cody Carpenter 192

Ron Meloni 191

Men's Longbow Open (cont)

Taylor Sparrow 190

Alan Rams 186

Mike Zant 142

Steve Shedd 141

Darrell Wimberley ns

Men's Recurve Open

Jerad Hernandez 273

Jerry Bischoffberger 254

Fred Richards 249

Brian Watts 233

David Bailey 230

Richard Boulton 230

Brian Dannenfelser 225

Chuck Carpenter 214

Ryan Owens 210

Kenneth Woodrum 210

Frank Smith 206

Byra Taylor Whisnunt 204

Cody Carpenter 190

Paul Molter 173

Bob Gilbert ns

Jess Hill ns

James Preston ns



Mid Summer Melt Down

Concho Valley Archery Association • TBOT



July 8-9, 2017 Results

Concho Valley Archery Association

Cubs

Bobby Seghers 248

Youth Recurve

Joseph Mosino 203

Ladies Longbow Open

Maureen Watts 122

Ladies Longbow Wood

Lisa Freeman 252

Sheryl Kanaga 239

Ladies Longbow Open

Lisa Freeman 249

Sheryl Kanaga 233

Kim Mosino 210

Kay Harbour 197

Men's Longbow Wood

Haden Hargus 249

Johnny Burkhalter 220

Bruce Heare 189

Butch Gleghorn ns

Men's Seniors

Randy Jones 265

Bert Bloodworth 229

Louis Huckaby 223

Bill Norman 199

Bob Caruthers 184

Mike Truitt 153

Ronnie Ray 115

Men's Longbow Open

Jerry Bischoffberger 274

Jerome Hargus 265

Randy Jones 223

Bob Caruthers 216

James Bell 179

Men's Recurve Open

Jerome Hargus 265

Jerry Bischoffberger 242

Mark Barta 234

James Bell 225

Louis Huckaby 218

Bert Bloodworth 184

Mark Masino 165

Steve Seghers 158

Men's Recurve Wood

Haden Hargus 239

Bert Bloodworth 212

David Adams 203

Mark Barta 181

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Mini Cubs (8-under)

Chas Carpenter 194

Joey Perez 175

Cubs (9-11)

Arterio Perez 218

William Smith 164

Grayson Haines 15

Girl's Longbow (12-14)

Abby Haines 176

Girl's Selfbow (12-14)

Ellie Black 157

Boy's Longbow (15-17)

JD Carlton 236

Ladies Seniors 62+

Jill Tate 91

Ladies Longbow Open

Heidi Wyatt 246

Ladies Longbow Wood

Jill Tate 160

Ladies Recurve Wood

Judy gocowboys 228

Codi Haines 152

Ladies Selfbow

Melanie Black 174

Ellie Black 170

Ladies Recurve Open

Brenda Stein 219

Nancy Williams 210

Elisa Caro 124

Sharon Fluitt 117

Judy gocowboys ns

Men's Seniors 62+

Fred Woodward 244

Paul Kimbol 233

Chuck Carpenter 228

Art McCall 227

Bert Bloodworth 225

Greg Ausbrook 217

Frank Smith 216

Bob Caruthers 204

Larry Dix 150

HE Carpenter ns

Steve Horn ns

Mike Grogan ns

Roland Jenkins ns

Sam Tate ns

Men's Selfbow

Steve Horn 233

Men's Recurve Wood

Daryl Knox 248

Jimmy Roberts 242

Bert Bloodworth 223

Micheal O'Brien 220

Sam Tate 220

Cody Carpenter 204

Todd Williams 192

Sean Smith 179

Roland Jenkins 170

Men's Recurve Open

Jerry Bischoffberger 275

Bryant Stein 272

Daryl Knox 260

Ryan Owens 260

Jerad Hernandez 258

Fred Richards 257

Brent Williams 247

Micheal O'Brien 246

Chuck Carpenter 246

Greg Husbrock 246

Ronnie Ladewig 245

Joel McMurtrey 233

Nelson Fluitt 225

Jimmy Roberts 213

Paul Molter 210

Jose Barrientos 208

Mike Carter 177

Josh Brown ns

Daryl Smith ns

Men's Longbow Open

Roger Armendiaz 283

Jerad Hernandez 280

Jason Barton 280

Jerry Bischoffberger 273

Bobby Taylor 260

Rob Flinn 256

Larry Wentrcek 249

Thorin Stavinoha 226

Frank Smith 213

Jose Barrientos 209

Paul Molter 206

John Carlton 205

Glenn Buchhorn 202

Cody Carpenter 185

Ray Owen 176

Bob Cartuthers ns

Men's Longbow Wood

Jeremiah Rivett 261

Thorin Stavinoha 240

Mario Gonzales 237

Fred Richards 233

Rob Flinn 223

Ronnie Ladewig 222

Merl Fuchs 213

Todd Williams 188

Larry Dix 183



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TBOT

August 19-20, 2017 Results

Mini Cubs

Dray Boatman 144
Mackenzie Boyd 114

Cubs

Stryker Garrett 212
Stryker Garrett 206
Brin Boatman 177
Alexander Palmer 177

Youth Recurve

Williams Palmer 172

Youth Selfbow

Avery Cearlock 128

Ladies Longbow Wood

Jada Garrett 258
Lela Pappan 207
Cori Coffey 172

Ladies Longbow Open

Jada Garrett 255
Lela Pappan 210
Kay Williams 209
Cori Coffey 191

Ladies Recurve Wood

Jada Garrett 251
Melinda McGuire 229
Debbie Branstine 228

Ladies Recurve Open

Jada Garrett 257
Kay Williams 226
Debbie Branstine 207
Shannon Wiebelt 179
Alex Doshier 150
Hailey Ericsson 110

Ladies Composite

Kay Williams 189

Men's Composite

David Tarrant 172
Ralph Rickstrew 96

Men's Selfbow

John Newer 213
Ray Felton 194
Bud Murphy 181
Mike Holcomb 169
Todd Fielder 168
Ronnie Haney 160
Charles Brown 126
Charles Holcomb 109

Men's Seniors

Ray Felton 225
Steve Garrett 220
Duke Miller 217
Mike Holcomb 184
Johnny Pappan 181

Men's Longbow Wood

John Newer 225
Victor Snider 223
Clay McGuire 216
Ray Felton 215
David Boatman 202
Mike Holcomb 195
David Tutt 174
David Tarrant ns
Robert Williams ns

Men's Longbow Open

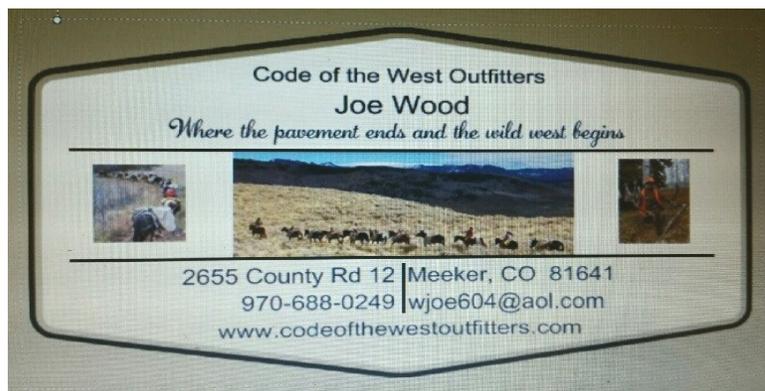
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Ray Felton 249
Nathan Schaufele 246
Buddy Winks 245
Frank Milledge 240
Kraig Luethan 237
Daniel Boatman 230
Mike Holcomb 207
Paul Merkey 193
Dave Heatwole 189
V.J. Maynard 183
Chris Andes 171
Charles Holcomb 154
Rickey Maddox 133
Brandon McAnley 121
Seth Lady 100
Ralph Rickstrew ns
Loren Wilson ns

Men's Recurve Wood

Ray Felton 224
John Newer 220
Matt Branstine 216
Robert Williams 203
Daniel Boatman 202

Men's Recurve Open

Nathan Schaufele 254
Buddy Winks 248
Matt Branstine 243
Steve Garrett 222
Kraig Louthan 221
Robert Wiebelt 220
John Newer 220
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Chris Andes 202
Jake Persall 202
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Eric Shelton 196
Bud Murphy 195
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Jake Grider 179
Paul Merkey 175
Randall Roach 160
Jason Palmer 151
Rickey Maddox 139
Jacob ns



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August 5, 2017 Results



Cubs

Xander Artes 169
Ramon Rodriguez 72

Girl's Longbow (12-14)

Ellie Black 116

Vicktoria Ramos 74

Girl's Longbow (15-17)

Ciera Garrett 115
Vicktoria Ramos 104

Boy's Recurve (15-17)

Milo Garcia 211

Boy's Longbow (15-17)

Milo Garcia 173
JD Carlton 171
Micheal Carlton 170

Ladies Selfbow

Jessica Lewis-Porter 215
Adelita Schule 149
Lisa Hocker 149
Rebecca Stacey Gomez 135
Kimberly Pauln 122
Kathy De Hass 106

Ladies Recurve Open

Judy gocowboys 185
Susane Wilkerson 109
Adelita Schule 104
Jade Perez 81
Tori Halasinski 76
Kim Taylor 66

Ladies Recurve Wood

Rebecca Stacey Gomez 188
Judy gocowboys 172

Ladies Longbow Open

Jessica Lewis-Porter 238
Anna Gonzales 202
Kelly Garrett 192
Nancy Williams 183
Stephanie Polk 169
Marijke Stevens 160
Julie Artes 120

Ladies Longbow Wood

Anna Gonzales 175
Melanie Black 140

Men's Selfbow

Rusty Horn 252
Phil Johnston 235
Joe Garrett 202
Gilbert Gomez 196
Steve Horn 191
Francisco Artes 190
John Carlton 166
Thorian Stavinoha 165
JD Carlton 157
Robert Garcia 154
Jim Anderson 143
Steve Shedd 143
Tyron De Hass 133
Jess Hill 133
Micheal Castro 68
Micheal Carlton ns

Men's Composite

Phil Johnston 219
Tyron De Hass 114

Men's Seniors 62+

Marly Wiley 236
Frank Smith 235
Churck Carpenter 224
Fred Woodward 203
Henry Sykes 200
Gary Sadler 197
Paul Kimbol 181
Roland Jenkins 176
Darryl Smith 168

Men's Longbow Wood

Rusty Horn 238
Rob Flinn 223
Troy Lensing 215
Thorian Stavinoha 215
Cody Carpenter 213
David Bailey 212
Alan Ramos 206
Ronnie Ladewig 199
Francisco Artes 197
Merl Fuchs 196
Ron Olive 189
Larry Wentrcek 186
Henry Sykes 183
Kenneth Woodrum 176
Damon Polk 149
David Elsasser 135
John Carlton 126

Men's Recurve Wood

Rob Flinn 223
Robert Garcia 223
Art McCall 213
Cody Carpenter 178
Fred Richards 170
Fred Woodward 167

Men's Longbow Open

Jerry Bischoffberger 266
David Bailey 235
Troy Lensing 232
J H Pope 228

Men's Longbow Open (cont)

Chuck Carpenter 223
Alan Ramos 207
Steve Horn 206
Thorian Stavinoha 203
Larry Wentrcek 201
Kenneth Woodrum 201
Jess Hill 190
Paul Molter 184
Bryon Whisnant 180
Josh Ladewig 178
Steve Shedd 171
Mike Zanti 159
Darryl Wimberly 152
Brian Watts 205
Fred Richards 196
Zach Hall 194
Justin Appelt 158
William Pool 154

Men's Recurve Open

Rusty Horn 275
Ronnie Ladewig 237
Zack Hall 237
Jerry Bischoffberger 230
Randy Miller 218
Cody Carpenter 216
Marty Wiley 215
Josh Ladewig 214
Brian Watts 211
Brent Williams 208
Ray Owen 207
Ron Olive 201
Paul Molter 198
Bryon Whisnant 197
Frank Smith 192
Gilbert Gomez 191
Roland Jenkins 190
Cory Elrier 169
William Pool 145
Paul Kimbol ns
Gary Sadler ns

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Bob Morrison with mourning dove shot during the late season, using home-made bird arrows. (Photo by Bob Morrison)

Thank You Bob Morrison!

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Mini Cubs

Henry Doyen 99

Youth Recurve

Joseph Mosino 125

Ladies Longbow Open

Sheryl Kanaga 209

Maureen Watts 131

Katie Doysen 120

Ladies Recurve Open

Lisa Freeman 205

Laura Burkhalter 182

Kim Mosino 145

Men's Composite

Jerry Bischoffberger 194

Men's Longbow Open

Haden Hargus 244

Jerome Hargus 237

Jerry Bischoffberger 218

Bert Bloodworth 206

Mike Truitt 149

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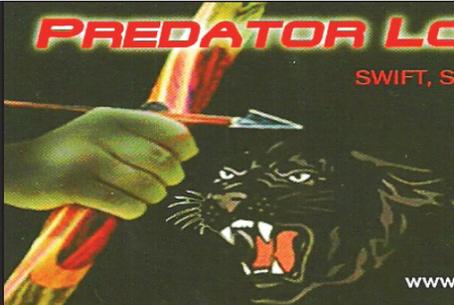
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Gearing Up For Fall Bowfishing

By Bob Morrison

With the end of a long hot summer, bow hunters begin to switch from bowfishing to gear up for deer season. They want to be in top shape to fill their deer tags. And, rightly so. Their hearts skip a beat or so when they see a deer cross the road in front of them or see the flash of a whitetail flag in the brush while checking their deer feeders.

But, it's not the time to lay aside the bowfishing gear. It's a time to take stock of your equipment and be ready for some excellent late summer and early Fall bowfishing.

Start with the bowfishing string. Clip off the first ten feet of the bowfishing string before tying on a fishing arrow; the string probably has plenty of wear and weak spots ... just "looking for a place to break" when tied into a large non-game fish. Also, for increasing the life of the string, wash it in warm soapy water, rinse in clean cold water, and stretch out in the back yard to dry.

If you use an arrow rest - other than the shelf of the bow - check or replace the rest. Years ago, I had driven several hundred miles to fish a West Texas oasis for carp. I guess I had shot five times at grubbing carp and missed. I couldn't figure why I was missing "gimme shots," until I checked the arrow rest. Yep, the Flipper Rest was slightly split, and the rest would-not support the weight of the arrow. Unfortunately, the small town nearby didn't have archery equipment, and I didn't have a spare rest in my fanny bag. So, I improvised with a masking tape and a strip from an aluminum can. Primitive, but it worked.

The third item to check is the fishing point. Check the barbs. If they're bent out of shape or weakened from constant use, either reshape the barbs or replace them. Replace them if there's any doubt about their sturdiness. Carry spare fishing points and plenty of ferrul cement to attach the points to the shafts.

Carry in your fanny bag plenty of nocks, nocking rings to go onto the string, several tubes of super glue, a file, polarized glasses, knife/whitstone, suntan lotion, pliers, insect repellent, side-cutting pliers, a good, wide-brim hat, sturdy fish stringer. In your vehicle have a well-equipped medicine kit, and if you're allergic to arthropod venom, have sting packs; also a small bottle of Adolph's Meat Tenderizer (If stung by wasp(s), make a paste and smear it on the sting site; leave 30 seconds to a minute, rinse, dry, and apply antiseptic.) If highly allergic to arthropod venoms, get immediate medical treatment. Drink plenty of water on a hot sunny day while bowfishing. Be aware of snakes.

Don't trespass. Always carry a current hunting/fishing license and your driver's license. Also, tell someone where you'll be bowfishing and when you expect to return.

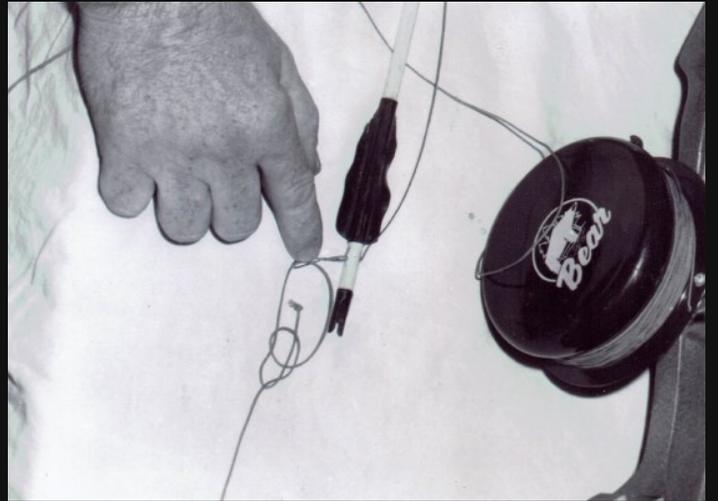
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Gear up for late summer bowfishing for non-game fishes. Shoot all you want but use all you shoot.



Gary Morrison, with a Bear '76'er, harpoons a spotted gar mingling with the carp in the backwaters of Lake Proctor, Proctor, TX.
(Photo by Bob Morrison)



Bowline knot: Easiest of all knots to tie and untie quickly; doesn't slip.
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Left to right at top: masking tape, 100-lb. test bowfishing line, insect repellent, bastard file, side-cutter pliers, polarized sun-glasses, pliers, suntan lotion, super glue. On pouch: nocks, pocket knife.
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Clockwise, at top: Stingaree, Bear single barb, Talon, Econo-pt., Magnum Striker. (Photo by Bob Morrison)



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