



The Official Newsletter for
Southwest Bowhunters, Inc.

Sixth Edition

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The Broken Arrow

President's Message

Greetings club members,

Walk The Trails was a memorable event that included 86 archers in all categories.

Congratulations to all who placed in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in your respective field. The trails were very challenging as usual, thanks in part to Butch, Ebb, and Adam (aka: Khan), who really stepped up to help set up the courses. SWBH members that have contributed to our range maintenance efforts really took team spirit and time from their own schedules. Hats off to the many, but to Ed, Mike, and Kelvin for upgrading the outside lighting, a special Thank You. What a *huge* improvement! To ALL of the volunteers, thank you.



On March 7th and 8th, we have an open invitation from the Blythe Bowmen to join them at their tournament. Let's support them by attending. It's a great shoot and very entertaining at our campsite under the stars. Families are welcome, and there is a killer BBQ dinner on Saturday night!

Welcome to our new members! Please try to make it to our next monthly meeting on the first Sunday in March. The officers and existing members would love to meet you personally.

In closing, this past three months have seen much change and I hope that you, as a member, are comfortable with our direction and vision.

To Keith, Debbie and Zach, thank you for the preparation and work it took to make Walk The Trails successful. Oh, and Brian (aka: Gump), I heard your Tri-Tip was the Bomb!!

Sincerely,

Rick Bielke
Southwest Bowhunters, President

February Meeting Minutes

Date: Feb 2, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Type of Meeting: General

Meeting Facilitator: Rick Bielke

Attendees: Debbie Elliott, Rick Bielke, Adam (Khan) Foreman, Syd Murry, Keith Parsels, Ed Bernard, Mike Bernard, Allen Drapeau, Bob Kelly, Uschi House, Butch Lacey, Ebb Dierdorff, Zach Slette, Heather Redden, (two illegible names).

Officers

President:

Rick Bielke

Vice President:

Butch Lacey

Secretary/Webmaster:

Debbie Elliott

Treasurer:

Keith Parsels

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I. Call to order: Rick Bielke

II. **Approval of minutes from last meeting:** The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed. Debbie moved to accept the minutes; Butch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. **Treasurer's Report:** There is \$3,570.⁹⁵ in the treasury at this time.

IV. Open issues/Old Business:

- a) Butch announced that the ATV hasn't been serviced for a long time and should be serviced soon. He will look into it and report back at the next meeting.
- b) The Walk the Trails Tournament will be in two weeks, and we need to supplement the prizes for the raffle. Discussion followed. In years past we have spent up to \$500 from the treasury to buy archery related prizes from local sporting goods stores. Butch moved that we approve to spend up to \$500 for prizes; Rick seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- c) Work party: Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and energy to make the work party a success. The targets still have to be set up, and a little more trimming needs to be done on the river trails, but the majority of the work has been completed or is in progress.
- d) Website payment is coming due in April. Cost is \$380 for a one-year subscription or \$636 for two years (works out to \$313 per year). Debbie is willing to renew the subscription on her credit card and be reimbursed by the club at a later date. Question: Do we want to renew for one or two years? After some discussion, Rick moved that we renew for one year; seconded by Zach. Motion passed.

V. New business:

- a) Members of the club want another "fun shoot", much like the one we held in January. Keith said that he has been getting requests for a Field Round. It was decided that we will hold a Field Round on March 15th.
- b) Child Burn Survivors Golf Tournament will be held on Feb. 22nd at Desert Hills Golf Course. Money raised goes to the Child Burn Survivors in Yuma. Zach moved to donate \$100 to the cause; Rick seconded the motion. Motion passed
- c) Awards: do we want to continue giving out pins for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each category, or do we want to award trophies instead. Since we are so close to the Walk the Trails shoot this year, Rick brought up the possibility of trophies for next year. He will check on prices and get back to us next month.

VI. Adjournment:

Rick moved to adjourn the meeting; Debbie seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie Elliott, Secretary

“Walk The Trails” a Huge Success - Again!

Our biggest event every year is held at Adair Park Archery Range on the second weekend in February: Walk The Trails. This year, the event was held on February 15th & 16th, 2020.



This event recreates the excitement of hunting by requiring participants to look for game that is “hiding” in brush, under trees, in trees, or behind some sort of cover. Should a participant walk past the intended target, they are not allowed to backtrack to find a shooting lane but must try to make the shot from where the target animal is first spotted. This is a 60 3D target, three-trail event, consisting of two river-bottom trails and a canyon trail.



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Shooting began at daybreak

at daybreak Saturday until dusk and Sunday, shooting started at daybreak and ended at 12 noon. Saturday night dinner featured a fantastic tri-tip (Thank you Gump!!) with side dishes and desserts supplied by our club members.

As always, the concession stand was open for lunch both

Saturday and Sunday, serving hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, drinks and other snacks.



We had a total of 86 shooters this year, 47 of whom turned in their scorecards. Congratulations to the following archers:

Cub Female Freestyle:

- 1st Place: Autumn Scott - 168
- 2nd Place: Ella Harrison - 125
- 3rd Place: Emmaleigh Morga - 93

Cub Male Freestyle:

- 1st Place: Samuel Todd - 447
- 2nd Place: Jesen Millen - 138
- 3rd Place: Chaz Corlosio - 126



Cub Male Bowhunter Freestyle:

- 1st Place: Wyatt Goode - 402

Youth Female Barebow:

- 1st Place: Molly Sims - 249

Youth Female Freestyle:

- 1st Place: Parker Gwynn - 84

Youth Male Freestyle:

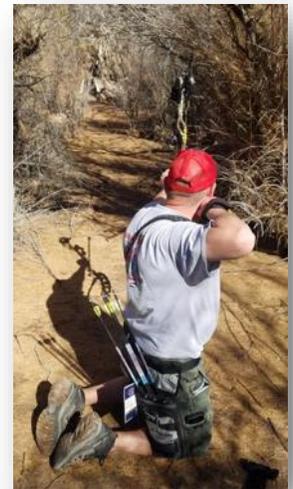
- 1st Place: Oliver Todd - 414
- 2nd Place: Austin Kessler - 306
- 3rd Place: Fernando Bedoya - 194

Adult Freestyle - Female:

- 1st Place: Crystal Todd - 406
- 2nd Place: Susie Forrest - 384
- 3rd Place: Charmaine Colosio - 146

Adult Freestyle - Male:

- 1st Place: Eric Todd - 558
- 2nd Place: Goonie Gill - 535
- 3rd Place: Mike Yerkey - 528



Adult Bowhunter Freestyle - Female:

- 1st Place: Lanette Branson - 506
- 2nd Place: Roxanne Grill - 458
- 3rd Place: JJennifer Lachcik - 437

Adult Bowhunter Freestyle - Male:

- 1st Place: Rick Branson - 529
- 2nd Place: Jim Grill - 528
- 3rd Place: Elisamuel Cuardado - 496

Senior Freestyle - Male:

- 1st Place: Mike Edwards - 541
- 2nd Place: Robert Kelley - 377
- 3rd Place: Syd Muzzy - 335

Senior Bowhunter Freestyle - Male:

- 1st Place: David Sullan - 489
- 2nd Place: Patrick Franklin 443
- 3rd Place: Ed Bernard - 439



Senior Traditional - Male:

- 1st Place: Frank Fleming - 277

Upcoming Events:

DATE CHANGE: Field Round - March 29, 2020 at Adair Park Range

Due to the recent rains, the Field Archery range is in no condition to host any shoots, so SWBH has moved the Field Round to March 29th.

The Field Round is a field archery round of 14 2D paper targets (two times around the course for a total of 28 targets), firing 4 arrows per target from WHITE-colored stakes. There are 3 scoring zones on each target. Each arrow scores either 3 points for the outer black ring, 4 for the middle white ring or 5 for the center black ring. There is a center X-ring to the inner 5-point zone.



Add up each arrow's score to give a total score out of a maximum 560.

Yardages are marked and are at 'even' (5 yards) distances up to 80 yards, with the shortest distances measured in feet.

Registration is \$10.00 and goes from 7:30am - 8:45am, with a shotgun start at 9:00am.

Blythe Bowmen's Annual 3D Tournament - March 7 - 8, 2020

Registration starts 7am Sat. Dry camping available. Water, Soda, burgers, hot dogs and chips for lunch. BBQ dinner Sat. from 5-6pm. Questions, call or text Kyra at (760) 258-6182.

Volunteers Always Needed

The Southwest Bowhunters Archery Range at Adair Shooting Park would not exist if it weren't for the efforts of our member volunteers. Range upkeep and improvements are made possible by the generosity of several of our club members and many local businesses who donate time, money, and materials.

Please consider volunteering to help maintain and improve our facility, and we can *ALWAYS* use help with setting up and running our tournaments. For more information on how you can help, call Rick at (928) 750-6279.

Reminder: Alcohol is not permitted on the range at any time. Your safety is paramount. Thank you for your cooperation!



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