



## **Mt. MADONNA BOWMEN NEWSLETTER**

### **Spring 2007**

#### **Presidents Message**

Now that spring has arrived archery activities are moving outdoors. We have many outdoor shoots scheduled. On Sunday April 15 we have a 3D unmarked club shoot. Starting May 11<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup> we have Friday night unmarked 3D shoots. Parking passes for 2007 are at Predator Archery. Work has started on the Bug Shoot. Rich Sandkuhle

#### **Membership**

We finally have 2007 parking passes for the archery range. It is time to renew membership. When you renew your membership at Predator Archery please make sure to update your address, phone number and email address. Emailing of the news letter save the club money. I look forward to seeing you at the range. Rich

#### **Range Maintenance**

Maintenance of the range is starting after winter recess. Mike Shout has taken charge of fixing bridges at target 17 and 28. If we have enough funds we plan on fixing several other bridges. We plan on installing a safety back stop on target 14. Several target bales will be replaced this spring and several new bow racks will be installed. The course is in pretty good shape except for some trail clearing and tree pruning. Hopefully we can get several target roofs fixed this spring. We plan to schedule a work party in May or June to clean trails and do necessary pruning for shooting lanes. Rich

#### **Club Shoots.**

Spring club shoots are set. In April we will have an unmarked 3D on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Club shoots in May and June will be Hunter/Field/Animal rounds. These shoots are on the second Sunday of each month except for April. Club shoots are a great opportunity to get out and learn new archery skills and improve you shooting. Take advantage of club shoots to learn from experienced archers. Get the kids out to have fun. Rich

#### **Bug Shoot**

Targets for Bug shoot have been repaired and will be returned this spring. Medal and buckle awards have been delivered. The To Do check list for the Bug Shoot

is being worked by club officers and key areas to be managed have been identified. Rich

### Regional Shoot

The regional unmarked 3D shoot at Mt. Madonna in March was a success. We had 27 shooters and everyone seemed to enjoy the shoot. The next regional shoot is a 900 round September 2<sup>nd</sup> at Black Mountain Archery Range. Rich

### Tips from the Master

A lot of times people ask me how to get their broad heads and their target tips to hit the same place. This is not very difficult but will take a bit of time to finish. The bow needs to be tuned with field points before starting.

We must first shoot a group of three arrows with target tips at about 20-30 yards. Leave those arrows in the target. Now shoot a group of three arrows with broad heads standing at the exact same place and shooting at the exact same spot. We now need to read the difference in the groups and determine how to adjust.

If the broad heads hit higher than the target points then the nocking point needs to be moved up.

If the broad heads hit lower than the target points then the nocking point needs to be moved down.

If the broad head hits left, then try one of the following (assuming right handed reverse for left)

- Increase bow poundage

- Increase broadhead weight

- Move arrow rest to right (1/32" at a time)

If the broad head hits right, then try one of the following (opposite for lefties)

- Decrease bow poundage

- Lighten broadhead weight

- Move arrow rest to the left (1/32' at a time)

If your results require two movements then always move the nocking point first then reshoot and adjust and reshoot until left or right only exist. Then do the spine adjustment using small adjustments at a time until the arrows hit the same place.

As a final thought, your broad heads will move a lot with just a minor movement so make all your adjustments small. Good Luck and Good Hunting!!!

Michael J. Pierce

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Remember Its only a game!!!

### Salinas Bowmen Belt Buckle Contest

For years, the Salinas Bowmen have been holding 2 great contests for its members. The Salinas Bowmen have graciously opened up "The Salinas Bowmen Belt Buckle Contest" and the "Bowhunter of the Year" contest" to the Mount Madonna Bowmen club members. Anyone wishing to participate and I encourage everyone to do so, may register and pay their fees to Curt Vavoda or to Curtis Campisi at Predator's Archery. For further information contact Curtis Campisi. Curtis