



Mt. MADONNA BOWMEN NEWSLETTER

Fall 2012

Presidents Message

The archery range is getting back into shape. A big effort was made to clean up the range for the Bug Shoot in July. We got help from a group of California Conservation Corps. Workers to help clean trails and set-up for the Bug Shoot. Work still remains to be completed on a couple of targets, shooting lanes and shooting positions disturbed by the Tan Oak tree removal. We had a successful Bug Shoot. Club shoots will restart in November. The first Zombie shoot was a success and we plan on making this an annual event. It is time to start thinking about renewing your membership. The annual Christmas Party will be at 6 PM December 15 at Predator's Archery

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Membership Renewal

Club members please note we're changing the way membership information is being kept. We're asking everyone to complete the "Mt. Madonna Bowmen Renewal" form found on the Membership page of the website <http://www.mountmadonnabowmen.com> and submit to us. If you've already paid for 2013, we still need you to complete/submit the form and mark the box yes for "Have you already paid for 2013 membership?" If you haven't renewed yet, complete the form and submit with your payment absolutely no later than February 1st, 2013 to remain a current member on the rosters. Please send any questions to Karen Stewart, MMB club Secretary, at ksstewart@gmail.com or call Curtis Campisi at Predator's, 408-842-7733. Karen Stewart

Mount Madonna Bowmen Web site

We encourage all members to visit the Mt. Madonna Bowmen Web site at <http://www.mountmadonnabowmen.com/> and the Mt. Madonna Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Mt-Madonna-Bowmen/451919288172852> on a regular basis to ensure that you have the current information regarding the club and our activities. If there's anything you'd like to see on the website, please drop an email to the club's webmaster, Karen Stewart at ksstewart@gmail.com. Karen Stewart

Range Status/Activities

We harnessed several sources to get the range in shape for archery, the Bug Shoot and the Zombie Shoot. Support from club members and volunteers from the California Conservation Corps. (CCC), made it happen. It was really helpful having gung-ho workers from the club and CCC with guidance and work from club members to clean all the trails and picnic area prior to the Bug Shoot. I want to thank all the workers who helped get the range back in shape. We still have several items that need to be fixed on the range and have documented them. I would like to see most of these issues

resolved before the end of November. Range issues are reviewed at our monthly club meeting and documented. We have the following range issues to fix: roofing material on targets 8, and 23, replace target 32 and 34 roof, place new bales on target 16, improve trail signage at several locations, and set shooting stakes on target 30 and 34. Rich Sandkuhle

Club Shoot Participation

Monthly club shoots will resume in November. Club shoots are the 2nd Sunday of the month and have been superseded by other shoots on the 2nd Sunday of the month recently. We will keep members posted by email on monthly club shoot status and post club shoots on the Mt. Madonna Bowmen Web site. Rich Sandkuhle

Bug Shoot

We had great support from members for the Bug Shoot in July. This was the smoothest running Bug Shoot we have had since I have been a club member. Having adequate help really made the shoot safe and enjoyable. Help with setup on Saturday by club members and CCC volunteers resulted in setup being completed for the most part by noon. Completion of setup this early was a 1st. We had great club member support for running of the Bug Shoot on Sunday. Sunday afternoon five CCC volunteers showed up and helped with take down and storage of targets and picnic area. I think it was fun for all of us. The turn-out of archers was lower this year than last year, and I suspect this was caused by the uncertainty of whether the range would be reopened in time for this shoot. We have had a follow up meeting to review what we did well and what areas need to be improved for next year. The use of seven shade canopies in the picnic area really helped. These canopies will be used for other club events at the range.

Zombie Shoot

A new shoot this year was the Zombie shoot. Several members lead by Curtis Campisi decided we needed another shoot to bring in revenues to replace revenue from not having the spring 3D shoots. The Zombie shoot was implemented where we used Zombie theme paper targets. There was a lot of interest in this shoot. One hundred shooters participated in the shoot and we expect more next year. Rich Sandkuhle

State 900 Round at MMB

We held a State 900 Round at MMB for the 1st time in September. The parking lot at the archery range was closed and we set up 10 FITA targets. Thirty four archers participated in the shoot on a beautiful day. Maybe we will have this shoot again next year. It is a money maker for the California Bowmen Hunters and State Archery Association. Rich Sandkuhle

Predator's Archery Winter Spot League

We are planning this league to go from 11/31/12 to 2/2/13 and the cost is \$40. Fees pay for awards and dinner at end of league. This shoot is open to all archers and shooting styles. A handicap system is being devised so even beginners have a chance to win an award. Rules, guidelines, and sign-up forms will be posted at Predator's and available on their website: www.predatorsarchery.com. The league will be canceled if we do not get ten paid shooters.

Questions can be directed to the League Organizer, Karen Stewart via email ksstewart@gmail.com or to Curtis Campisi at the shop 408-842-7733. Karen Stewart

Argentina, here we come!

Several members from local clubs are going to the WFAC (World Field Archery Championship) in Miramar, Argentina the end of October. The WFAC is a five day Field/Hunter/Animal style tournament. There are approximately 230 registered archers from around the world and 31 of those are from the United States. The following 10 archers from the Bay area shooting in the

championship include: from MMB; Curtis Campisi, Karen Stewart, Mike Pierce and Karen Keating, Redwood Boewmen archers; Doug Scott and Dawnell Scott, Kings Mountain archers; are Alan and Kelly Eagleton, and Ben Amentrot from Black Mountain. Karl Ball is also participating from this area. Let's wish them success in this event. Karen Stewart

CBH/SAA Legislative News

Hunters in California will no longer be able to use dogs to hunt bears and bobcats under one of several bills Gov. Jerry Brown announced signing Wednesday that relate to the state Department of Fish and Game.

Brown also signed AB2609, which was approved by lawmakers after the commission's former president, Dan Richards, posed for photos with a mountain lion he shot during a legal hunt in Idaho. Killing mountain lions is illegal in California. The bill by Assemblyman Ben Hueso, D-San Diego, ends the commission's tradition of appointing its most senior member as president. Instead, the president and vice president will be selected by a majority of the five commissioners and can serve no more than two consecutive years in those leadership posts.

Brown also approved SB1249 by Senator Lois Wolk, D-Davis, which lets the state Department of Fish and Game contract with nonprofit conservation groups to manage state-owned lands and charge fees for using more of its properties. Currently, the department charges fees at only 19 of its 711 properties, bringing in about \$2.5 million annually. The figure does not include money from hunting and fishing licenses that helps cover the department's management costs. Charging visitors to use other areas could raise up to \$2.2 million annually by also collecting money from birdwatchers, hikers and campers, according to supporters of the Wolk bill. For more details on the Legislative issues go to the CBH/SAA web site: www.cbhsaa.net and Check out News under the Resources heading

Calendar of Events 2012

Date	Activity	Location
10/16	PSE Day at Predators	Predators
10/27-11/3	IFAA World Field Archery Competition	Argentina
10/27	Bowhunters Unlimited BOO SHOOT	Stevens Creek
11/17	Bowhunters Unlimited Turkey Shoot	Steven Creek
11/ 18	Redwood Bowmen Turkey Shoot	Benecia, Ca
12/ 2	Fat Shafts Archery - California Archery Foundation Shoot, (300 round)	Benecia, Ca
12/6	MMB Club Meeting 6:00pm	Predators Archery
12/8	Bowhunters Unlimited Toys for Tots Shoot	Stevens Creek
12 9	Indoor 450 MTBA Regional	Predators Archery
12/15	Christmas Party	Predators Archery

For additional information check the following web sites: Mt. Madonna Bowmen web site

<http://www.mountmadonnabowmen.com/>, CBH/SAA: www.CBHSA.net, NFAA: www.nfaa-archery.org or contact
Predator Archery (408-842-7733)

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