



# *The Silver Arrow Journal*

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## **The Presidents Podium-**

Most of the Board members were present at the last meeting, in addition Rose Taylor, Ray Gerdes, Jason Dean, Holly Dean, Randy Watkins, Lonnie Gordon and Barton Barrow were there.

With the new Board in place, John Carlsen recommended that we ask Paul Farina to fill his vacant slot as bowhunter chairman, Paul was reluctant, but since no one else would step up, he agreed. This now completes our board.

John Carlsen had a good idea for promoting the bowhunter league, that is that anyone who has never attended before can come and shoot for the first time free. We will issue free passes to all the local archery outlets which can be given out to the public. When they come to the range, we will verify that they have not been to the league before ( we have a list covering the last 3 years) and they can shoot once for free.

We discussed our ongoing relationship with County Parks and their concerns for “Master Planning”. We are moving forward with the two club shoots per month, see Range Captains Corner for more on that and the adopt a target program. We discussed moving the practice range from it’s current location to down in the North West corner of the property, so we could use the new South West sections without conflict or safety concerns.

**Hope to see you at the next meeting, Monday **March 8th** , at 6:30 pm, @ The Scheels store, upstairs classroom next to the Archery Department.**

## **Key Three Items of Business**

**Item #1 Bowhunter Bonanza Planning**

**Item #2 Getting the Web site up**

**Item #3 Club priorities and top 3 goals for this year**

## **We may also discuss:**

Paul Farina/Sportsman’s doing the “Becoming an outdoors woman @ elk show-archery

The sign for front gate

Saturdays shoot and work party

Club finances & budget for the next year

Mike Johnson’s to get some creative ideas for shirts

## The VP Voice

John was quiet this month, other than sending out the photo of a monster buck taken in the northern Sonoran desert in Mexico...

## The Secretary Says

### Financial-

The buckles have been ordered and cost \$700 this year, as we had quite a few left in stock.

The 3-D target order was made, but I don't have an exact figure on it yet, we anticipate it will be around \$3,000. If you would like to know more specifics about the Club's finances, please come to the meeting, we will discuss it in detail.

## Membership

Last month we missed posting two new members who joined in January, **Wayne & Sandra Thomas**. We also have three more new members to welcome, **Leo Roysdon, Paul Delsoldato and Paul D Mahoney. Welcome All!**

We are currently in the process of auditing and updating our membership list, if you have had a change of address or other information, please let us know! Also, we really need to update the E-mail list, so please send your e-mail to our new e-mail address at : [silverarrowbowmen@hotmail.com](mailto:silverarrowbowmen@hotmail.com)

## The Range Captain's Corner

### **Out on the Range**

The Lemmon Valley Range remains open to members and the general public every day, via the lower parking lot and walk over gate. There are 28 bail butts available for shooting. **Please leave the range clean!** Remember, **the old gate code has being changed**, if you are a current member and you did not get the code in the last newsletter, call either Dale Taylor, Paul Farina or Kelly Dean.

Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February Mike Johnson put on the Club Shoot. Ten people shot a 14 target/ 2 arrow field round, Mike said they all had a good time. The club shoot on the 27<sup>th</sup> was rained out. Mike and I were the only people at the range at shoot time. It was cold, raining and would not have been a pleasant time to shoot archery. We called it a day at 11 am. Shooting starts at 10 am every other Saturday of the month. We all need practice and what better way to do it than shooting with friends and fellow club members. Come out to the Lemmon Valley range and join us for the club shoots, **the next one is Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**.

On Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> Dave Taylor, Clinton Neer, Brandt Kennedy and I were at the range making carpet bales. Dave, Clinton and Brandt have volunteered to take over 3 of the targets on the walk around. We now have new carpet bale targets on the 25yd level, 45 yd walkup and the 55yd uphill., Clinton took the 25 yard, Brandt the 45 yard and Dave the 55 yard. They are still going to re-do the trails up to their targets. We have had three other people volunteer to

take over targets. These are the 45 yd downhill, 65 yard level and the 60 yard downhill. Things are looking up for us to have a top notch range. We still need other people to take over the upkeep and make carpet bales on the other targets on the walk around range. Step up to the plate like these other people have done and help your club. This is the only outside range in the Reno area. We need to maintain it or it will be gone and then where will we have archery shoots? Remember you can put up a sign at your target and advertise your company. A lot of people will see it.

Tip of the month:

Weigh your arrows. Make sure they are all within 2 grains of each other. Maybe you will find out why some arrows hit high and some low. If there is a difference check to make sure the points are all the same weight and everything on the shafts are the same ( nocks, fletching inserts, and the shafts themselves). It really helps consistency when all your equipment is matched and it is all the same weight... Dale

### Work party

Our next work party is scheduled for **March 13th** in conjunction with the club shoot, which it starts at **9 am**- Call **Dale Taylor** @673-4793 or **Dave Frickhoffer** @677-4088 or if you have any questions!

### The Web

The web site is still totally down and we are looking at completely re-doing it so that it can be functional again...

We do have a new and working e-mail address, it is: [silverarrowbowmen@hotmail.com](mailto:silverarrowbowmen@hotmail.com)  
If you will send us an e-mail, we can get you into our e-mail contact list and will be able to keep you advised of events and other information updates in this way...

### Hunting information

The Deadline for big game applications will be April 19<sup>th</sup> this year.

### Upcoming events

Any event marked **tentative** has not yet been confirmed with the clubs involved at this time and are based on last year's information:

Cabin Fever Shoot, Strait Arrow Bowmen, Redding Ca. March 14<sup>th</sup>  
Hell or High Water Shoot, Clear Creek Bowmen, Carson City, March 14<sup>th</sup>  
**NBEF/NDOW/SAB Bow Hunter Education Class, Verdi Library April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Appreciation Shoot, Carson Valley Archers, Sunrise pass, April 4<sup>th</sup>  
Walker River Rendezvous (unmarked 3-D), Yerington, April 18<sup>th</sup>  
**Bowhunter Bonanza, Silver Arrow Bowmen, Reno April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Western Classic Trail Shoot, Redding Ca., April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 1, & 2  
**Bowhunter League, Silver Arrow Bowmen, Every Wed evening @ 6pm, May 5<sup>th</sup>- July 7<sup>th</sup>**  
 Youth Shoot, Clear Creek Bowmen, Carson City, May 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Cancer Shoot, Clear Creek Bowmen, Carson City, May 9<sup>th</sup>  
 River Animal Madness, Fallon Bowmen, Fallon May 16<sup>th</sup> (tentative)  
 NBHA State Outdoor Field/Hunter Round, hosted by Las Vegas Archers, May 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 Bowhunter Classic, Elko Archers, Lamoile Camp, Elko June 5&6  
 NBHA Marked Yardage 3-D shoot, hosted in Ely-Secret Pass- June 12& 13  
 Father's Day Shoot, Carson Valley Archers, -Spooner Summit- June 19&20  
 Bowhunter Jamboree, Nevada Bowhunters Association, Eureka Nv, June 19&20  
 Bear Valley Shoot, Feather River Archery Club, Loyalton Ca. June 27<sup>th</sup> (tentative )  
**Bowhunter Finale' & Challenge, Silver Arrow Bowmen, Reno July 10<sup>th</sup>**  
 Traditional Shoot, Clear Creek Bowmen, Carson City, July 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Weds. Evening Shoot, Silver Arrow Bowmen, Wed @ 6pm, July 14<sup>th</sup> & July 21<sup>st</sup>**  
 Big Buck Warm Up, Carson Valley Archers, -Spooner Summit- July 17 & 18  
 Sage Brush Classic Traditional shoot, NBHA, Eureka Nv., July 24<sup>th</sup>  
 Police and Fire games- Silver Arrow Bowmen Range, Reno July 29,30, 31  
 Turkey Shoot, Clear Creek Bowmen, Carson City October 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Turkey Shoot, Carson Valley Archers- Sunrise Pass, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Turkey Shoot, Silver Arrow Bowmen, Reno, November 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Photos could go here*

### **The Pearl of the Rubies Goat Hunt-** by Owen Mercer

I have applied for a Mtn Goat tag on Pearl Peak in the Rubies since the beginning of time. They usually only issue 1 tag for Pearl. In 2008 with 15 preferential points in hand, I drew the tag. I did my homework, talking to the NDOW guys in Reno, Elko, and the Ruby Marshes. Everyone said go to the top of Pearl - the goats will be there. Easy for them to say. We only saw one nice Billy on the 1<sup>st</sup> scouting trip but did get a feel for the area. I saw about ten goats on the 2<sup>nd</sup> scouting trip and set up a base camp.

Opening morning I was working my way towards the peak when just past a 6 inch gap between two big rocks I could see the unmistakable white hair of a goat - range 38yds. I had to move around a little to see if it was a Billy or a Nanny - Billy looking right at me. I stepped back, drew, released, and realized immediately that a 6 in window at about 30yds was not big enough to get a 38yd shot through. At least not for me that day. A little later I surprised both me and a group of Nannies with kids at about 30yds. The old Nanny stared at me for a few seconds and then put her head down with the stiletto horns pointing menacingly at me and started heading straight for me. She stopped at about 20yds, looked me over again, then continued in my direction. At this point I'm starting to get a little concerned, but at maybe 10 - 12yds she casually turned and walked off over a rocky ridge. The next day I saw about 20 -25 goats. I passed up what I realized after it got out of range was a good Billy.

It is difficult to quickly identify a Mtn Goat as a male or female. The horns on mature animals are about the same length. The differences are the mass and the subtle curve. I did not



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