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Santa Cruz Archers Newsletter March 2010

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March Calendar

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○ Meeting ● Work Party
□ Indoor ○ Outdoor
🗑 Stump

News Letter Contributions (ed.)

Please write about your archery experiences such that we can include them in the newsletter. If you are attending shoots at other clubs, or are involved in tournaments or other archery related activities, your accounts of the events will be of interest to other club members. The deadline is the end of the day, the Saturday before the club meeting. Send them to our editor or to sarchers@comcast.net.

President's message (Henry Bertram)

I noticed that club presidents include a "message" in the club newsletter regularly talking about the state of the club, who did what to whom, and other information of interest to club members. In order to be mistaken more regularly as the club president, I thought I would trough something here even though it's the end of February and I don't have much to say.

Elsewhere in this issue you will find some club history from Don MacAngus who is one of our life members. Don provides snippets of

club history from time to time which is greatly appreciated.

Scott Edwards, who Don refers to as "probably the last man standing" has been coming to our big 3D shoots ("In the Redwoods" and "Bad Boys" so come on down and meet him. Somewhere on our web site is a picture of him receiving a ribbon for placing in his class.

Beyond that, which actually has some value, here are random musings from El Presidente:

The club should consider hiring the Imagineering™ folks from WED enterprises (a Disney affiliate) to build a crowd-management facility for our winter indoor shoots. They could set up some sort of water ride to move people from the parking lot to the range and add line-management devices like they use at Disneyland and Disneyworld to keep the participants in order.

I bought one of those new compound bows camouflaged to look like the inside of a cluttered garage but I haven't been able to find it. Come to think of it, those clear plastic arrows in my cellophane quiver have been gone a while also.

When I was in the third grade, one of my friends had a bow. He had me put our family's mail down on the ground so he could demonstrate the bow and then shot an arrow through the mail. The hole was difficult for me to explain to my dad. I am sure that young archer is now either in prison or politics. As for my dad, he doesn't appreciate archery and isn't reading SCAN, I am probably safe with the secret for another couple of years.

February Meeting Minutes

(Lynn Rollins) 2/2/10 1931

Please sign the roster.

President's Report:

1. We had 10 shooters at SCA for the state indoor.
2. Anyone walking the range who sees Scotch Broom should pull it. Please get the roots.

3. NO VEHICLES on the range until it dries out. We're having erosion problems in newly graded areas.

4. The Parks & Rec intermediate class for the next 6 Thursdays is cancelled due to minimal participation.

1st VP's Report: No report.

2nd VP's Report: No report.

Secretary's Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: Club is solvent, no large expenditures eminent.

Outdoor Range Captain: No report.

Henry reports that John Thomas is moving to Arkansas, so we need a new outdoor range captain.

Publicity Chair: No report.

Membership Chair: We have 59 member families.

Newsletter Editor/Web Master: No report.

Keymaster/IndoorRange Captain/Gate Monitor:

1. Henry replaced the heavy chain at the range exit with a more manageable chain. Please lock the gate and chain if you use the exit. 2. The plywood on the outside of the side door to the indoor range keeps the rain water out. If you use the door, please put the plywood in front of the door when you are finished.

3. Arm guards and side quivers for weekend visitors need to be replaced.

Old Business

We need to begin preparation for the Stickbows in the Redwoods and 3D in the Redwoods shoots. We'll assess and repair animals at the first work party in March. We need volunteers and a raffle chair. Brian Tracy has previously been the Food Chair and said he wants to do it again. We need publicity and perhaps a range banner. The range is in really good shape right now.

We need someone to work on unmarked 3Ds with Mt. Madonna. Henry will send an email to ask for volunteers. If our club is going to participate in/host these events, we need volunteers.

Henry reports that our events are now

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listed on the NFAA web site and the CBH newsletter.

New Business

No new members this month.

Someone wants to use the indoor range for an IBO Hunter Training on March 12 & 13, Friday night and all day Saturday. This would mean that the range is not open to the public that Saturday. Scott moves that we allow the class. Approved with unanimous vote and 2 abstentions. Larry suggests that Henry negotiate the fee which will be a \$50 minimum.

We need to keep water from coming in the side door. Randy thinks it's seeping up from under the cement. We'll table the topic and investigate more. Maybe put in a French drain? Andy Sterbenz will take a look at the problem sometime when it's raining.

Henry wants a moveable target that is tall enough for adults for the indoor range. The target we have now is too short. He initially suggested a target with adjustable height, but we decided we can build a cart that holds 3 superbales that can be wheeled beside the wall when not needed, e.g. during club shoots.

Randy moves that we spend up to \$300 to purchase arm guards and side quivers to replace worn out items used by club members and for training new archers. Scott seconds. Unanimous. Henry will purchase the items.

We need new outdoor targets for the year. Henry will get them.

Randy reports that the roof is leaking. Henry will call Matt to discuss it.

Calendar

Indoor Friday 2/5 7:45 p.m.

Outdoor Sunday 2/14 9:00 a.m.

Indoor Friday 2/19 7:45 p.m.

Stump Shoot Saturday 2/27 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned @ 2015.

More club history (Don MacAngus)

I saw an obituary in the SC Sentinel the other day for "Don Stefani". He's passed away at the age of 91 and used to be in the restaurant business in Santa Cruz. I didn't know him myself but I remember when I was an archery club member, years ago, some of the old timers would mention guys that used to be members of the archery club in the early days, and once in awhile the name "Stefani" would be mentioned.

When I saw the obituary I contacted Scott Edwards, who is probably the "last man standing" from the early archery club days. Scott lives in Roseville now, is in his mid 70's, and has started shooting the bow again !! He sends me an email once in awhile to let me know how he's doing. Scott joined the club when he was a teenager, in the early '50's, back when the original SCA club members were active. I asked Scott if he knew Don Stefani.

Scott replied and said; "yes" he did, he knew him back then, and in fact there were three Stefani's, and all were involved in archery at one time or another. Don Stefani was the brother to Ron Stefani, and both were sons of Fred Stefani, the father. According to Scott, the reason the archery range is where it is today is due to the efforts of Fred Stefani. Scott says he has in his possession a topographical map showing the "proposed roving archery range" dated 1961, and says he'll bring it down one of these days and show it to me.

I do know the club almost folded in the '60's, reportedly due to internal disagreements between the old-time club members, and almost everyone walked away from the sport. One person, Maurice Anstiss, a club member, kept things going single-handedly. He kept the club charter current with the NFAA, out of his own funds, kept one 14 target unit

shootable, himself, so the range wouldn't be lost. Maurice knew that to keep the range, the club had to have insurance that protected the City, and to have NFAA insurance, the charter had to be current, and to have a charter, the range had to be an NFAA approved range. A 14 target unit met that requirement, so that's what Maurice did. Himself. Single handedly. Maurice was a great guy, I knew him, and I shot with him many times. Maurice always shot barebow, had a beautiful Hoyt recurve bow, and shot instinctive. He didn't stringwalk, but he shot quite well, and usually in the mid-400's on the field round. Larry Yien now is the proud owner of Maurice's bow.

Maurice Anstiss passed away in 1984, at the age of 79.

Cal Delaney, an archer than lived in Santa Cruz but was a member of the Salinas Bowmen, found the SC range one day, met Maurice Anstiss, and wanted to get the Santa Cruz club, and range, going again. He advertised in the newspaper that the SC Archers were scheduling a club meeting, and invited all previous members of the club to attend. Many showed up, and Cal successfully got things going again. Shortly after that is when I joined, February 1, 1973. The club had seven members at the time, and were planning the Open Shoot, the Animal Heyday. We pulled it off successfully.

When I joined the club, in 1973, Cal Delaney was president and he told me that the range had been "there" for many years but originally had been more up on top. When the golf course went it they bulldozed the bales and targets down into the canyon, with no prior notice to the archery club. The members rebuilt the range, down in the canyon, where it is now, and when completed scheduled the first club shoot on the "new" range. On the last work day before the club shoot Cal fell

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and broke his leg. Never-the-less he shot the club shoot, on crutches.

I shot with Cal many times, he was a great guy, a good family man, and a great shot with the bow. In the recurve days he shot a Root recurve, freestyle, and set range records with it. The clubs indoor range building is there because of Cal's efforts. A lot of people worked on the building, but the idea and the dream, was Cal's.

Cal passed away in 1997, at the age of 57.

Indoor Shoots

Beside the great camaraderie and a fun and challenging NFAA indoor round, there are goodies showing up at the indoor. Our thanks to the Gardners and Candace Douglas for the cookies, cake, dip and snacks that keep us going!

By the way, we do not discourage the practice of bringing goodies to the shoots. Staving off hunger is an important social activity. Eight of ten anthropologists surveyed agreed. Then again, we served seven layer dip during the survey; perhaps that biased the results.

| 2/5/2010 | Style | Score | X |
|------------------|------------|-------|----|
| Anders Ohlsson* | FS/A/M | 299 | 45 |
| Larry Yien | Trad-R/A/M | 229 | 8 |
| Candace Douglas* | FS/A/F | 295 | 32 |
| Jim Martinez | FS/A/M | 300 | 55 |
| Robert DeForge | BHFS/A/M | 291 | 20 |
| Niklas Ohlsson | BHFS/c/M | 205 | 2 |
| Karen Williams | FITA/A/F | 173 | 2 |
| Henry Bertram | FS/A/M | 280 | 4 |
| Bob Buie | BHFS/A/M | 286 | 19 |
| Robert Perry | FITA/A/M | 281 | 21 |
| Mark Woodhead | Trad-R/A/M | 220 | 4 |
| Ken Gardner | FS/A/M | 293 | 29 |
| Kay Gardner | FS/A/F | 295 | 34 |
| Patrick Mathews | FITA/A/M | 263 | 15 |
| Neil Splain | BHFS/A/M | 270 | 17 |
| Rebecca Rider | BHFS/L/A/F | 204 | 5 |

| 2/19/2010 | Style | Score | X |
|-----------------|------------|-------|----|
| Candace Douglas | FS/A/F | 286 | 25 |
| Jim Martinez | FS/A/M | DNF | 0 |
| Robert DeForge | BHFS/A/M | 265 | 19 |
| John Molea | BHFS/A/M | 252 | 6 |
| Cecili Lui | BHFS/A/F | 261 | 10 |
| Scott Covington | FS/A/M | 293 | 30 |
| Bob Buie | BHFS/A/M | 282 | 20 |
| Robert Perry | FITA/A/M | DNS | 0 |
| Henry Bertram | Trad-R/A/M | 188 | 1 |
| Ken Gardner | FS/A/M | 299 | 39 |
| Kay Gardner | FS/A/F | 292 | 26 |
| Rick Chace | FS/A/M | 287 | 25 |
| Neil Splain | BHFS/A/M | 270 | 15 |

Outdoor Shoot

It was a beautiful day but we had barely enough shooters to make it official ("it takes 3 baby"). The real problems started after the first half. I had to leave so I left Anders and Niklas to shoot on their own. There were some folks that wanted to shoot indoors so the Ohlsson's volunteered to stay with them and practice indoors. I was having a really bad day with my recurve anyway, it's a good thing I had to leave. Anders, on the other hand was shooting very well until he set his sight wrong on one of the targets and had a great group just above the target. Always bring your binoculars and check, he was heard to say.

| 2/14/2010 | Style | Field | Hntr | Total |
|----------------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| Anders Ohlsson | BHFS | 246 | DNF | 246 |
| Henry Bertram | Trad-R | 96 | DNF | 96 |
| Niklas Ohlsson | BHFS | 219 | DNF | 219 |

Stump Shoot

Rain, Rain, Rain.... I guess those trad folks aren't that tough after all, I was the only one there for the stump. Brian Bos was there practicing his FITA skills and had the fire going, greatly appreciated in winter. I had, however, planned ahead and invited Joseph, who just turned 13, and his mom out to shoot the stump. They arrived with Joseph's friend Andreas (forgive me if I confused his name or its spelling) and we shot indoors.

Here's the deal: If it's stump shoot day and it's raining, come and shoot indoors. I made some stump targets, we will just do it inside and stay dry. Heck, we could even shoot outdoors and get soaking wet.....it's good practice for shooting in the rain and who knows, it might be sunny when we finish.



Renowned traditional archer Mark Thomas is at full draw, threatening stumps near target seven. Mark Woodhead is looking on.