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First Bow Kills for 2012



Jeff Blystone Daily Double 10-7-12



Charlie Crockett 10 pt. buck



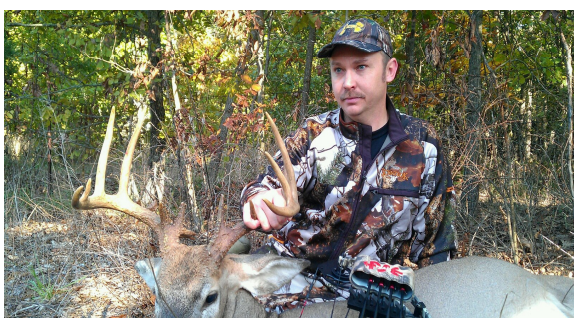
Tye Wilson with a nice turkey shot from 32 yards



Marvin Cobb with his October Deer



Hunter and Chris Berry's Bucks on 11-7-12



Mike Blair with his early season 14 point buck



Cole Duensing 10-3-12

MBH Club Directory

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CAPITOL CITY BOWBENDERS (MBH 1-31-12) United Sportsmen Club, Jefferson City, 28 target outdoor rg – 10 lane indoor rg follow Hwy 50 W to Truman Blvd., to outer rd W to Rainbow Dr., R for indoor rg. Outdoor, Pres., Larry Wilson 573-395-4523; Sec-Tres Ricky Spencer, 1601 Rt T, Jefferson City, MO 65109-573-584-4939. Indoor rg & Outdoor rg. 573-893-5939. Website: www.unitedsportsmenjeffcitymo.org

CARROLL COUNTY BOWHUNTERS (MBH 2-28-13) Carrollton, MO 64633.30 target 3Drg 1 mi W of courthouse on Hwy Eat Walnut Hills Pk. IBO rules; indoor; 202 W Washington, Pres Bob Brown 660-676-0253; Joe Pittman, VP 660-329-2216, carrollcountybowhunters@gmail.com; Bof R Bob Brown 660-6760253

CHEROKEE BOWHUNTERS (MBH 12/31/2012) President Janis Pruitt (417) 499-4570. Secretary/BofR Barbara Broyles (417) 439-7054 Range located on Fort Crowder Conservation area. 3 miles east of Junction 59 & 60, right on HH Highway 4 miles, right on Parrot Road 1 mile to range. Club website: cherokeebowhunters.org

COLUMBIA AREA ARCHERS (MBH 3-1-13) Columbia, MO – Outdoor rg located 1/3 mi E of 63 S on R WW at the Am.Legion Post 202. Club meets 1st Thurs of month at 6pm. Pres. J;oseph Pendergrass 573-368-1402 Sec Guy Lanphere, 4209A Defoe Dr, Columbia, MO 65203; 573-864-1679. www.columbiaareaarchers.com

CROSSROADS ARCHERY CLUB (MBH 4-14-2013) President BofR: David and Kaycia Woolsey. Shoots are 2nd Saturday each month. Range located at Ritter Springs Park near I-44. Park located on Farm Road 129/92. Details at www.crossroadsarchery.com or call (417) 438-7569 or (417) 825-6019.

East Fork Archery Rock'n Shots (MBH-NFAA 11-30-2013) Indoor Range located at 1401 County Road 1255 Huntsville, MO 65259. JOAD program available. Call Range for more information: (660) 277-3291. BofR: Chris Botkins

GREEN HILLS ARCHERS (MBH 3-2-13) Outdoor range at Pershing State Park, 7 miles west of Brookfield. Concessions on grounds. Shoots every 3rd Sunday March – August. (7am to 11am start with awards at 3pm) For additional information contact Greg Allen (660) 998-1024 or James McCollum (660) 412-2515.

INDIAN TRAIL ARCHERY (MBH –NFAA 1-31-12) Faron Teague, RT 4 Box 236-B, Salem, MO 65560. 573-729-9593. Carol Teague, Sec.

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St. Charles, MO – Indoor rg located at 301 Tecumseh (Hwy. 94 North), St. Charles, Mo 63301 (636) 723-9338. outdoor rg located at Benchrest Rifle Club. Visit our website www.stlbowhunters.com for directions & info. Pres. Curt Pike (636) 447-8001; VP Ray Bergfeld (636) 947-7399; Treas. Bill Miederhoff (314) 770-9145, Sec, Mike Niehoff (636) 949-9570.

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Pres Brad Campbell, PO Box 2486, Sedalia, MO 65302, 660-287-3884; VP Raymond Mahnesmith, Secretary Chris Bergman, 660-221-8227, Indoor rg at 400 W 2nd, Sedalia.

SUMMIT ARCHERY TEAM SHOOTERS (MBH-NFAA-12-1-12) Rg located 1164 Decker Rd. From I-44 Exit 253 E on 100 8/10mi, then L on Decker 3/10mi on R. Jeff Friedmann, BofR , 636-742-2531; Sec, Monica Friedmann

THREE RIVERS BOWHUNTERS (MBH 1-31-13) Marvin Cobb, 1848 County Rd. 1051, Montgomery City, MO 63361, 573-336-3543. One mile S of Hermann, MO on Hwy 19. For info call Scott Mistler 573-291-4699; Max Lawton 573-690-7909; Kip Borgmeyer 573-220-9606; or Marvin Cobb 573-336- 3543. Club provides 50% payback on 3D's.

THREE TRAILS ARCHERY CLUB (MBH-NFAA 1-1/13/13) Pres. Tom Merker, 605 Allendale Kae Rd. Greenwood, MO 64034; Rick Marlow, Sec. 816-540-5798

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EAST FORK ARCHERY (MBH-NFAA 11-1-12) Owned by Richard & Kathy Potter. Located at 1401 County Rd, 1255 Huntsville, MO. Call 660.651.3175 to reserve shooting time or obtain info. regarding membership, leagues & lessons.- Email: efa@cvalley.net

HILLTOP Archery (MBH 02/2013) 12043 12th St., Eagleville Mo 64442 (south side of square). Indoor 14 lane shooting facility and fully stocked retail store. Contact Kenny Martin (660) 953-0457 or visit www.hilltoparchery.com

INDIAN TRAIL ARCHERY-NFAA/MBH 1-31-12 Carol Teague 1521 Hwy 19 N Salem, MO 65560; 573-729-9593

LUCAS ARCHERY (MBH/NFAA) 4-30-13) 2531 Hwy DD, Moberly, MO 65270. Owner Gary Lucas 660-263-5188

POWDER HORN GUNS & SPORTING GOODS MBH-NFAA-11-1-12 Lee Brandkamp, 1915 Paris Rd, Columbia, MO 65201, 573-875-4867

SUMMIT ARCHERY CENTER (Exp.12-1-12) 1168 Decker Rd, Gray Summit, MO 63069. Owner: Jeff Friedmann (636) 742-2531)

WILD IDEA ARCHERY (MBH-NFAA 11-1-12) Joey McNish, BofR, 822 SteelSt, Seymour, MO 65746, 417-935-2348

A message from your President



It's election time! While the big one has come and gone, and you may or may not be happy with the results, you get a second chance. Sort of. MBH will be mailing out ballots to each household next week. Please take the time to fill it out and return it so that your vote can be counted. The gentlemen who have thrown their hat into the ring deserve to be recognized and for their commitment to MBH on your behalf. The ballots will be counted at the January BofR meeting and the new officers will be sworn in then.

Speaking of the January BofR meeting, last year's meeting was probably one of the most successful in recent years. We had a huge turnout of members as well as club representatives. There is always a lot to discuss and it takes time and preparation. Three of the big ticket items that need to be discussed are the State Championship shoots. The past few years the 3D has had to be voted on at the State Indoor. It would be very helpful to all if clubs that are interested in hosting the state 3D would bring the bid with them in January so that this can be resolved then. If your club has anything that they would like to see added to the agenda or talked about at the annual meeting, give me or Kathy a call or drop us a email.

While it is still only November, and most archers are still in the woods, many are sighting in their target bows too. The MBH/NFAA state shoot will be held next month at various locations around the state. This Vegas style tournament has become very popular. This will be Missouri's third year for this shoot. It seems to be gaining momentum. Don't miss an opportunity to get a Championship belt buckle.

From the looks of the pictures, this could be a very prosperous hunting season for most. Congratulations to those who have already been successful and good luck and be safe to those who are still chasing that wall hanger.

Steve

Financial Statement as of Sept. 30th, 2012

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
REVENUES		
*MBH Club Charters	0	170
Advertising/Release Calendar Posting	40	550
*MBH Membership Dues	245	9,097
NFAA Memberships	0	320
NFAA Course Approval/Club Dues	0	260
Tournament Fees/Registrations	0	10,780
Target Sales	0	3,354
Retail Sales	0	1,493
MDC Tournament Income	0	1,254
Misc Tournament Income (raffle, practice, etc.)	0	503
Petty Cash Deposit (after tournaments)	0	450
Game Pins	15	75
Misc Other Income	0	169
TOTAL REVENUES	\$300	\$28,475

EXPENSES		
NFAA Reimbursement	0	627
Accounting Fees	150	1,500
Occupancy Expense	150	1,500
Release Publication	200	4,774
Targets	0	5,308
Bank Fees	2	178
BofR Meeting Expense	0	164
Tournament Facility Rental	0	2,884
Tournament Worker Expense	0	2,258
Resale Items (Shirts, towels, patches, etc.)	0	1,230
Misc. Tournament Supplies	0	254
Office Supplies (Copier toner, paper, etc.)	0	220
Postage (mailing awards, etc)	0	276
Misc. Refunds	0	120
NFAA Director Expense	0	257
Petty Cash Withdrawal (for tournaments)	0	450
Ways & Means Budget-MBH Broch/Banners	0	383
State Champion Patches	0	352
Archery HOF Expense	0	370
Post Office Box Fee	48	48
Annual S.O.S. Registration	0	15
Annual—youth Fish Shoot Shirts	0	220
Annual Purchase- Leather Key Chains	0	639
Annual Purchase- Awards	0	3,907
Annual Purchase- Insurance	0	420
Annual MDC Conference	0	377
Annual Fax Service	0	85
Annual Internet Maintenance	0	400
Annual Conservation Federation Dues	0	270
Annual 4H Shooting Sports Donation	0	500
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$550	\$29,986

GENERAL ACCOUNT		
Beginning Balance		\$4806
Income		\$300
Expenses		\$550
Ending Balance		\$4,556
BOWHUNTER DEFENSE FUND		
Grand Total of All Accounts		\$5,556

NET MONTHLY INCOME -250

Jefferies Scholarship Fund		
	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Donations/Income	0	770
Scholarship Recipients	0	-500
Net \$	\$0	270
Jefferies Scholarship Fund		
Beginning Balance for the Month		\$10,821
Donations/Income		0
Scholarship Recipients		0
Ending Balance for the Month		\$10,821



LOOK FOR US ON FACEBOOK!

Learn more about what MBH members are doing. A place to share your news and information related to Archery! Login or Register at www.facebook.com, the just search for Missouri Bow Hunters.

Its Happening Fast

Right now as you read this, the rut is probably in full swing. It almost seems like it was yesterday we were in the heat of the summer and shooting 3D targets! It's an exciting time for a hunter and our chances at a big buck are better than ever. Personally, I had a great opportunity to take a nice doe on October 3rd. It was a really cool hunt in a number of ways. First off, this year I have been extremely busy between work and school and hunting days have been pretty hard to come by. Also, I was able to shoot this doe on the ground. This isn't the first time I have shot deer by still hunting, but I always enjoy a chance to be at eye level and with 20 or 25 yards of and successfully harvesting a deer. On top of all that, I shared my harvest with an older couple in my hometown and gave them the venison. It's a fantastic feeling to know that someone who really appreciates the meat can enjoy it. Remember to turn in a Large Game

report to Jeff Blystone when you kill something this fall! I got one of the new Large Game Pins and they look great! This was a very nice change that Jeff brought in. Not only is the hunting heating up, the indoor season has been slowly getting started. Our very own Richard and Kathy Potter had their annual Backwoods 450 tournament and it turned out wonderful! Great turn out and great food! Along with that, some of the big indoor events are opening their registration. The ISAA Pro-Am, Presley's, the Lancaster Classic, along with other tournaments are now open to register and some very good airline pricing has been surfacing lately. It might seem like Vegas or Indoor Nationals is a long time away, but the winter will fly, so get on those great deals and registration! Some other news in the archery world right now is the new products and bows being released

at this time of the year. Run by your local archery shops and check out the new gear! To finish as I say every fall, get someone knew out in the woods this year. Some people are not blessed enough to have someone that will introduce them to the outdoors. Becoming involved in the outdoors can totally change someone's live, especially in a good way. Good hunting my friends!

Aim Small and God Bless
Cole Duensing



LARGE & SMALL GAME COMMITTEE

Here is the update I promised about my Caribou Hunting Trip. I did not go (big bummer), my outfitter called 3 days before my departure and asked me to postpone until 2013. They said the Caribou migration was really strange this year due to warmer temperatures and dryer conditions the migration detoured around this outfitter's camps. What could I do but wait until next year and hope for a better migration. It was a very bid disappointment but hopefully next year will work out. So let's talk about this year's Missouri Archery Season. I have gotten a few deer reports for this year;

1. Charles Cashatt Jr., Excelsior Springs, 91 lb Doe, 7 yard shot on 9/15/12 in Clay Co., #71 all time.
2. Quenton Hellmann, 13 years old from Union, 90 lb Doe, taken on 9/17/12 in Franklin Co. 1st kill.
3. Charles Cashatt Jr., Excelsior Springs, 101 lb Doe, 8 yard shot on 9/18/12 in Clay Co., #72.
4. Charles Cashatt Jr., Excelsior Springs, 93 lb Doe, 21 yard shot on 9/21/12 in Clay Co., #73.
5. Jerry Decker, 69 years young from Lee's Summit, 97 lb. Doe, shot on 9/23/12 in Jackson Co., #45 in 47 years.
6. Cole Duensing, Clinton, 85 lb Doe, 20 yard shot on 10/3/12 while still hunting in Henry Co., #5 in 6 years.
7. Jeff Blystone, Independence, 81 lb Doe, 40 yard shot at 8:15am on 10/7/12 in Jackson Co., #22. Good day!
8. Jeff Blystone, Independence, 84 lb Doe, 16 yard shot at 8:35am on 10/7/12 in Jackson Co., #23 in 22 years.
9. Charlie Crockett, 67 years young from Kansas City, 151 lb 10 point Buck, Crossbow kill at 30 yards in Clay Co. on 10/9/12 at 6 pm. One of many in 50 plus years of hunting. 1st MBH report.
10. Charles Cashatt Jr., Excelsior Springs, 68 lb Button Buck, 29 yard shot on 10/11/12 in Clay Co., #74.
11. Dan Younger, Kansas City, 65 lb Button Buck, 20 yard shot at 7:30am on 10/20/12 in Jackson Co., 1st MBH Report.

These MBH members have all earned their new Large Game Pin. Fill out a report from your harvest and earn yours too!

Hunting Season Update. So far I have been sitting in trees for over 30 hours this season. I did harvest 2 does about 20 minutes apart on October 7th but have not had a chance at any good bucks yet. I have seen a few from afar but no shots. The turkeys are also kicking my butt! I get close but they have been seeing me in the tree before I can get a shot.

Happy Bow Hunting
Jeff Blystone
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December 15th or 16th, 2012

Email Address

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- ## NEW CUSTOM MEDALS!!

Actual Shooting dates & line times may vary by location. It is the **SHOOTERS RESPONSIBILITY** to contact the host location confirm available shooting times. Please make contact with your desired location, then enter your shooting day and time here:

Include 11th & Days 11-18

Guests (Non MBH/NFAA) may shoot, but all shooting styles will be combined for each gender/age division

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News From The Stump....

By : Kathy Potter
NFAA Director- Missouri
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Quiet chaos... It's the best way to describe this time of year. The competition circuit has gone dark! Flashy target rigs, bright colored shooter shirts and fat arrows have been hung up for safe keeping.

In their place... blacked out hunting bows turned up to peak draw weights, arrows dressed with their best broadheads, scent blockers and head to toe camo. There's electricity in the air, but not a sound is being made. Well at least until firearms season.

For many, hunting season is heating up as the temperatures cool down. However, it's a very different story if you live in an area impacted by CWD or Bluetongue. Cole Duensing wrote an excellent article explaining these diseases in last month's RELEASE. Check it out if you would like to know more.

NFAA Councilmen from across the nation met recently to finalize the agenda for the

2013 NFAA National Directors meeting. During the session, they also awarded NFAA National Indoor Championship host site to Louisville, KY for the next three years. I've received the 2013 meeting agenda details and will loading a summary on our MBH website. NFAA MEMBERS... I encourage you to thoughtfully review each item and send me your feedback. It's my job to represent the thoughts and beliefs of our Missouri NFAA members. In order to do the effectively, I need to hear from you.

If you are in college, have kids that are attending or plan to attend... scholarship applications are currently being accepted for the Easton/NFAA Joint Scholarship program! There is a wide variety of scholarship types for all ages and amounts range from \$500 to over \$20,000! You can access the application via the NFAA website at www.fieldarchery.org. The deadline is December 31st, 2012. Winners will be announced at the Vegas Shoot in February.

Hope everybody has a safe and prosperous archery hunting season! Please don't forget to take advantage of the MBH large and small game award program managed by Jeff Blystone. I saw one of the new large game pins proudly being worn by a Shooter recently and it looked awesome. Submitting a form is the only way to get one!!

If you interested in developing your shooting skills, growing your knowledge of the sport or just want to start thinking outside Missouri state boundaries... please consider becoming part of the NFAA family! Visit www.fieldarchery.org for details or reach out to me.

Until next month...God Bless!!

The University of Missouri Archery Team hosted the USIAC 3D Nationals in October

The University of Missouri Archery Team hosted the USIAC 3D Nationals in October at Prairie Grove Shotgun Sports in Columbia. There was a record turnout, with 19 schools represented and 106 competitors. Two MIZZOU shooters took home trophies this year, the first ever won by University team members. NFAA/MBH Member Kelsey Brandkamp and Thomas Gardner took home the Mixed Recurve Team championship title. Kelsey also brought home the Female Recurve championship trophy.

The scores were not the only impressive aspect of the weekend. This record-breaking USIAC 3D Nationals was pulled off with-

thanks to some incredible support. Team members helped to keep everything going smoothly, as well as set up and tear down the courses. Ralph and Mary Ann Gates, owners of Prairie Grove, provided the incredible location and first-rate food. Jim Sappington and Lee Brandkamp donated time and valuable knowledge as range officials, and also represented Missouri 4H Shooting Sports at this event. And let us not forget all the shooters, who not only represented each college or University by making the trip to Missouri, but helped to keep the mayhem under control as well! It was an incredible weekend filled with incredible people. And let us not forget all the shooters, who not only represented each college or University by making the trip to Missouri,

but helped to keep the mayhem under control as well! It was an incredible weekend filled with incredible people.

Pictured below in the black and gold shirts: Kelsey Brandkamp and Thomas Gardner.



NODAHO BOW HUNTERS, INC

Nodaho Bow Hunters, Inc. held their annual election of officers effective October 1. Those "in charge" for the 2012-2013 season are: Jesse Camacho, President; Chris Morrow, Vice President; Jerry Brookshier, Treasurer; Jeanette Brookshier, Secretary; Tim Randall, MBH B of R Representative and Max Medsker, Outdoor Range Captain. We also had indoor range clean-up recently following a summer of improvements - a new furnace (sure is quiet) and a new tin roof on the south side of the building. Some landscaping was also done to improve the look of the building and grounds.

I realized recently that I neglected to mention two Nodaho members who both took first place finishes in the 2012 MBH 3-D State tournament held this summer: Larry Mincy in the Men's Senior division and Stan Harmon, Jr. in the Men's Open division. Congratulations and good shooting guys!

Harvest is in full swing in our neck of the woods, so not too much happening on the archery scene until it is time to settle down for the indoor season. Our first league will start the week of Thanksgiving, so it's not too far off. I did hear from Tom "Big Bird" Ciak who bagged a 130# doe with his archery equipment on October 6 with an 11 yard shot - way to go!

Hope to see many of you when indoor season begins, and don't forget to "be safe" in the deer woods.

Jeanette Brookshier,
Secretary

St. Louis Bowhunters

Well here we are into the middle of bow season. There have already been some pretty impressive bow harvests already.

I haven't heard from our master bow hunter and Grand Slammer Frank Toliver yet this year. He will probably be contacting me any day now on what he has harvested this year. He will probably do that tomorrow after this goes out.

The tally board has not been put up for this year with wild game harvests over at the indoor range, so I don't know really what has been gotten yet. I will list them all out in the January writing in the Release if I get something.

The indoor range is looking really great, with the wall having been rebuilt and the floor refinished up front. We have just bought some new Spider Wire butts, but don't have them install in the wall yet. We all are anxious to shoot them.

We have some indoor shoots coming up in December, January, February, and March. Come on out and get some practice in. See the back of the Release for the dates. I think that the registrations are from 8:00 am until noon.

Our Indoor Bowhunting league is going well on Wednesday nights. Our Thursday night bowhunter league could stand a few more I think, but I am sure that it will pick up after bow season.

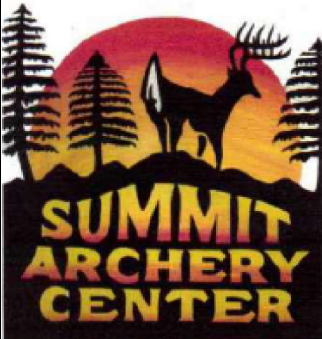
We now have open shooting on a few days through the week, and on weekends sometimes. The city of St. Charles has built a new round-about beside our range. People are adapting to it quite well. It looks real nice.

If you want to know anything else please check our Web site at www.stlbowhunters.com

Until next time happy hunting and be careful out there.

From all of us at St. Louis Bowhunters, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Bob Brumback



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THE DEATH OF FIELD ARCHERY - PART II

By CARL THIESSEN

I would like to apologize to the Cherokee Bowhunters. Until this year, this club has hosted 3 Field shoots a year. There weren't any listed in the calendar this year, so I didn't include them as having any.

When I first started shooting there were 3 Shooting Styles. Freestyle, Barebow and Bowhunter in Open and Amateur, male and female. (Freestyle and Barebow in Youth and Young Adult, male and female.) That totaled 12 Championship awards in the adult styles, and 8 for the kids for a total of 20. Then after releases started appearing, the finger shooters wanted to be separated and Freestyle Limited was added in 1973. Over the next 39 years we have been sliced and diced into so many shooting styles and divisions that it has become hard to keep track of. We have went from 20 Championship Awards in 1970, to a whopping 72 possible in 2012. Luckily for the NFAA budget, only 50 of those were awarded this year. (Missouri awarded 9 Championship Belt Buckles for just 31 shooters.) During my research for this article, I found a list of the agenda items to be considered at the 2013 NFAA Convention in February. Two of them are on this very subject. One from Arizona, to recognize FSBH in all 3 of the youth divisions, and the other from Washington, to recognize all shooting styles in the Master Senior division which currently only has FS, FSL and BB. If these 2 agenda items are approved it will add another 18 possible awards to the mix, for a total of 90. Maybe next, we should separate the CAMO bows from the WHITE LIMB bows; after all, those white limbs must give you an unfair advantage, right? GIVE ME A BREAK !!!!! The argument I hear the most is, "the NFAA doesn't have a place for me to shoot 'my' equipment or style". This seems to be the #1 argument used to get a new shooting style recognized by the NFAA. There is nothing that say's you must shoot a Compound bow, and 5 fixed pins in BHFS, or a scope and a long stabilizer in FS. You can shoot a Recurve or Longbow with 1 fixed pin if you want as long as your equipment, such as sights and/or stabilizers, fall within what is allowed for that style.

No wonder clubs won't host a field shot. Everyone got tired of going broke buying awards and the NFAA discusses this very thing at virtually every annual meeting. But the amount of shooting styles and divisions is only part of the problem facing the future of field archery. If you go to the NFAA website and look under history at the WAY BACK WHEN articles by Paul Davison, he says it very well. "SOMETHINGS GOT TO GIVE". To me the biggest mistake that the NFAA has made was in the early '70's, when they went to the currently used FLIGHT SYSTEM. All of you know how it works. Everyone is put in their shooting styles and after the competition, is over, if there are enough shooters, or the scores are extremely different, we draw a line somewhere on the results, and that becomes second flight. Then those in second flight get their "token" awards. The reason I call them token awards is because if 2 or 3 more people show up, the break would be in a different place, and the person who was first in that flight would now become last in the Championship flight. And with 2 or 3 less we have a different "winner" in second flight, or no second flight at all. So now most of the people who don't feel they can win, or at least finish 2nd or 3rd in the Championship flight, stopped going to the State, Sectional and National Tournaments. I say most because, there will always be those who want to experience going, at least once, and those who have been shooting for what seems like forever, like me, and are as obsessed with competing in Field Archery as I am.

Before the current Flight System, there was the Class System. The word Class sounds politically incorrect but get over it; it is only a word in this case and can be any word you want, so lets call it a different type of flight system. I know many of you say we shouldn't go backwards, but I say, why not? Most of the current field archers are not old enough to remember it so to them it would be brand new. Is what we are doing now working so great? At least hear me out. Only a few of you even remember how it worked so I will give you a brief explanation. You were put into "A", "B" or "C" flight, according to scores previously shot and recorded on your NFAA Handicap card. What is that you ask? Well, every year, when you join the NFAA you are sent a card that is 3.75"x8.5" and has columns on it for you to enter your field and/or hunter round scores. (Some States issued a substitute for this to their non-NFAA members, for use at non-NFAA sanctioned tournaments only.) You can shot those scores at your own club or at a tournament and have them verified by an official. Then when at a tournament you would show this card to the host and be put in with other shooters who shoot a similar range of scores, and you competed against them. If "B" flight was say at 520 points and under, and your previous scores were 510, 506 and 495, you would compete for awards in "B" flight. If you won in "B" against your peers, wouldn't you be more proud of that than the "token" you "might" get now? Once you shot 2 scores in "A" then you would be in "A" flight. That alone was a badge of pride. If you didn't have any scores on your handicap card, then you were automatically in "A" flight until you had a minimum of 2 scores. The Champion in each shooting style would still be the top scorer, so you could end up The Champion if you shot the top score in that style. I can hear my opponents now saying that it would be possible for three shooters to show up and 1 each be in A,B and C. Well yea, but only one can win the championship in that Style, the others would win metals as it is now. The only difference would be that they would both be Gold instead of Silver and Bronze. The cost of these medals is only \$5.00 each from the NFAA. The other argument is sandbagging. Well if you don't think that is a problem now with our current system, then you are living in Lala Land! Plus, it was easier to recognize, now much harder.

The next thing that would need to be done is to consolidate as many of the shooting styles as possible. At the 2012 NFAA National Field Championships there were 50 shooting styles/divisions represented; 21 that only had 1 or 2 shooters, 7 more that had 3 or 4. Merging some of them could be done and make a minimum of shooters angry, but if they truly love field archery, they will make the adjustment. I have mixed feelings about what to do with Master Senior and Senior because they made up over 46% of the shooters at this years Nationals, the Adult and Pro's only 45%. As long as they are offered I will compete in the Master Senior division. However, even though I can no longer beat the youngsters, if we had a preflighted system and eliminated the Senior divisions, I would be happy to compete wherever that would put me. I would rather end up in the bottom of "A" flight, where I have almost no chance of winning, than to not have Field Archery, because we let it die. I know a lot of Seniors are starting to steam about now, but if I am not willing to sacrifice, how can I ask anyone else to. I told you I would be stepping on some toes.

Questions, comments, slams or ideas, e-mail me - cwthiessen@hotmail.com (Please use the subject "Archery" so I will know it's not

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Are there Mountain Lions in Missouri? The answer is **yes** and there seem to be more every year. 22 confirmed reports of sightings, photos or other evidence in the last three years.

Shannon Co. leads with 5 confirmed. Two reports in September of 2012 by game cameras.

Reynolds Co. with 3 confirmed. In January of 2012 a private landowner caught a live male mountain lion in a large cage trap. The MDC Mountain Lion Response Team collected DNA samples and determined the animal was about two years old with no signs of having been held in captivity. It was released back into the wild after the samples were collected.

Grundy, Oregon, & Macon Counties with 2 reports each. The latest in April of 2012 by a game camera. The counties of **Wayne, Texas, Carter, Gasconade, St. Louis, Ray, Linn, & Platte** all had 1 confirmed report. The latest was in Wayne Co. in September of 2011. A photograph of a paw print in mud was taken by MDC staff and verified to be that of a mountain lion by the Mountain Lion Response Team.

The Department of Conservation wants to learn about mountain lions in Missouri and encourages you to report sightings. We have established a Mountain Lion Response Team (MLRT) and given special training to our wildlife damage biologists and selected staff to prepare them to deal with mountain lion incidents.

Tracks that are characteristic of a mountain lion should be photographed and then covered with a bucket. Photos, plaster casts of tracks and other physical evidence such as hair or scat should be sent to the Conservation Department so that experts can examine them.

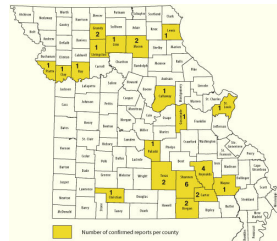
To contact the MLRT send an email to mountain.lion@mdc.mo.gov. Mail photos, video or physical evidence to any of the MLRT leaders below. *If you submit photos or physical evidence, we reserve the right to publish these photos on our website or in publications. The following are contacts for the MLRT:*

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Northside Archers

Well here we are right in the middle of bow season. Some of our club members are really trying to harvest game already.

The cooler days of autumn are with us now making for better movement of deer, and I got a non-resident deer tag again in Illinois this year for Doe only. I still think that it is outrageous what a person has to pay the State of Illinois to get a buck tag. I definitely think that we should reciprocate. I have harvested a doe, but my son-in-law got a good doe and a nice buck already. In Illinois where I hunt with my son-in-law and his brother there are a lot of deer. My son-in-law has now taken two deer already. Now gun season starts this weekend here in Missouri and next weekend in Illinois

After that the deer are mighty skittish. I will keep trying though, as season starts this weekend here in Missouri and next weekend in Illinois. After that the deer are mighty skittish. I will keep trying though, as long as the weather doesn't get too cold. I just cannot take that cold weather anymore.

I have reports of deer harvests from the club as of this writing. Rich Noble took a nice I think eight point buck already and I got a doe this year. Hopefully I will have some more reports later on

Our Tuesday night indoor 450 target league is going well, with some pretty impressive scores are being turned in. We only have two man teams this year, but that's okay, we have a lot of fun and a lot more shooters than last year.

It's good to see the range with a lot of shooters again. We were really sad to hear about Millie Foster. She was a great lady. She will be missed very much. We were also saddened to hear about Jim Lane. He was one of a kind. He was a real Gentleman's gentleman. I guess he and Millie are now up there shooting their bows where there is always sunshine, nice weather, and no wind.

We wish everyone a very, very, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. Hope you all get those new bows and arrows that are on your mind.

Bob Brumback

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2012

Dec 8-9 Nodaho Bow Hunters300 Indoor

Dec 16 NFAA Sanctioned MBH State Indoor....Multi Locations

2013

Jan 6 Hilltop Archery450 Vegas

Jan. 12-13 Nodaho Bow Hunters300 Round or Vegas

Jan. 20 California Shooters Club.....3-D Shoot

Jan 27 Owl Creek Archery.....3-D Shoot

Feb 3 Hilltop Archery.....Vegas 330

Feb 8-10 The Vegas Shoot..... Las Vegas, NV

Feb. 9-10 Nodaho Bow Hunters300 Round or Vegas

Feb 17 California Shooters Club.....3-D Shoot

Feb. 24 Marshall Bow Hunters.....3-D Shoot

Feb. 24 Owl Creek Archery.....3-D Shoot

March 10 California Shooters Club.....3-D Shoot

Mar 9-10 MBH State Indoor Championship.....Linn, MO

Mar 16 -17 NFAA National Indoor Championship.. Louisville, KY

March 24 Owl Creek Archery.....3-D Shoot

April 7 Marshall Bow Hunters.....3-D Shoot

April 14 Nodaho Bow Hunters3-D Shoot

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April 21 California Shooters Club.....3-D Shoot

May 12 Nodaho Bow Hunters3-D Shoot

June 2 Marshall Bow Hunters.....3-D Shoot

June 2 California Shooters Club (Colten Powell Memorial Shoot)

June 8 Nodaho Bow HuntersTraditional Only Shoot

June 9 Owl Creek Archery.....3-D Shoot

June 9 Nodaho Bow Hunters3-D Shoot

July 14 Nodaho Bow Hunters3-D Shoot

July 18-21 Marshall Bow Hunters (MOJAM).....3-D Shoot

Aug 4 Marshall Bow Hunters (27 Annual Bud Shoot).....3-D Shoot

Aug 10 Nodaho Bow HuntersNight Shoot

Aug 11 Nodaho Bow Hunters.....3-D Appreciation Shoot

Sept 8 Nodaho Bow Hunters3-D Shoot

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Dec 2 Hilltop Archery.....Indoor 360

Dec. 7-8 Nodaho Bow Hunters..... 300 Round or Vegas

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