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# The Release



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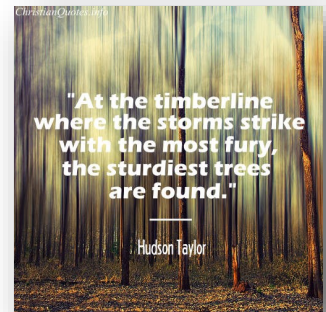
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## From the President



I do not want to get political, but between the pandemic and the protest/looting, we are living in some crazy/sad times. Whatever side of the fence you lean, this is not good for the country. Remember, just because your opinion may differ from someone else's; does not mean you can't be friends. A good friend is hard to come by so agreeing to disagree and remaining friends is possible and important.

I don't know about your area, but archery in the St. Louis area is **slowly** starting to come alive. Hopefully, you have been able to get out and fling some arrows at the range or a 3D shoot. We are still holding the State Outdoor Field Tournament, which is to be held in Blue Springs on July 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The registration form should be in this release and on the web. You can register either way. Remember this tournament requires both MBH and NFAA membership. I hope to see you there.

I am interested in how many of our members put in for the fall elk hunt. I know the odds against being drawn is probably higher than winning the lottery, but still, there is a chance. I for one decided to wait and see how this season goes.

Archery season is just 4 months away (how time flies). Now is a good time to get your equipment in good condition and start practicing. I would hate for someone to miss the buck of a lifetime because of lack of preparation.\*

Please share a copy of the Release to someone who may not have access to a computer or a possible new member.

## This Month's Issue:

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The **RELEASE** is published monthly and is viewable on the Missouri Bow Hunters Website, and on Facebook. MBH members can have it e-mailed to them by providing an e-mail address on their membership application.

**Annual MBH Membership Rates:**

Single—\$25.00

Family—\$30.00

Youth—\$12.50 (under 18)



Memberships can be renewed online at [WWW.mobowhunters.org](http://WWW.mobowhunters.org), or by filling out the attached form and mailing to: MBH Secretary, 16909 E 44th St S  
Independence, MO 64055

**Have any news, stories, or pictures to share in the RELEASE?**

Submit them to Kathy Russell at [gammyrussell@gmail.com](mailto:gammyrussell@gmail.com)

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**Missouri Bow Hunters Life Memberships**

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1967 Jim Schulz*	1994 Jerry Reynolds
1980 Earl Hoyt, Jr.*	2000 Gene Towne*
1981 Dick Wood	2006 Jack Davis
1984 Paul Poteet	2006 Dave Williams
1985 Jim Lewis*	
2005 Dr. Charles (Bert) Gray son (Honorary Life Member)*	

\*Deceased



## ***CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT***

The COVID – shortened 2020 session of the Missouri Legislature came to a close on Friday May 15 with a three-week sprint to pass about 50 pieces of legislation including a \$34 million state operating budget.

For Conservation is a good news bad news kinda result. The Conservation Federation of Missouri (CFM) fought all session to try and achieve positive outcomes for Missouri Conservation.

**Good News** – Passage of HB-1711 to allow shelf-stable meats like snack sticks to be processed for the children’s buddy backpack program from Share the Harvest deer meat donations by Missouri Hunters. This bill was passed as a “clean bill” with NO amendments added. Representatives Ross from Yukon and Dinkins from Annapolis, tried to add some bad feral hog amendments to the bill but Senator Bernskoetter was able to squash their attempts.

**Several bad bills were defeated** somewhat with the help of the COVID shortened session.

HJR-100 again sponsored by Representative Robert Ross would have made the Missouri Department of Conservation subject to the Joint Committee on Administration Rules. This would have allowed the legislature to write rules and regulations for MDC.

HB 1798 again sponsored by Rep. Ross from Yukon would have allowed feral hog hunting on private and public lands without a permit and would allow the use of artificial light to hunt hogs at night. This bill did pass out of committee and was added by Rep Ross as an amendment to several omnibus bills during the house floor debate however it was never passed by a roll call vote on the floor.

HB 1292 and HB-1795 were both bills that would have allowed the use of night vision, infrared, and thermal imaging devices to shoot feral hogs. These bills were sponsored by Rep. Chris Dinkins from Annapolis and Rep. Dirk Deaton from Neosho. MDC is concerned with the potential of more deer poaching if these devices are allowed for hog hunting. The MDC has already noticed an increase in poaching as the cost of these night devices has decreased. We expect all of the feral hog bills to return again next session. This is going to continue to be a major point of debate between landowners in Southern Missouri and the MDC.

HB-2528 sponsored by Rep. Randy Piezman from Troy would have required MDC to provide at least one warning to an individual or entity for the first two years after the effective date of any new administrative penalty imposed by the rule. That would be like saying you could still speed or use a drug for two years after a new law was made and only get a warning.

HB-2635 sponsored by Rep. Jeff Pogue from Salem would have required the state to sell the Eleven Point River State Park. CFM was successful in killing Pogue’s proposed amendment three times when he offered it in the full House of Representatives on other land conveyance legislation.

### **Bad News - BUDGET:**

One of the biggest fights in the Budget Conference Committee was over appropriations to the Conservation Department’s line item for the Share the Harvest Program budget. As you know, the Conservation Federation of Missouri manages the program that provides venison to those in need.

Rep. Robert Ross proposed numerous amendments to the State Budget during the House Committee mark-up. Although the Senate refused the House changes and went with the Governor’s recommendations, during the Conference Committee debate, Ross won out on this item.

The budget amps up the appropriations for this program to \$300,000 — but eliminates the federation’s direct involvement. However, Ross said the federation could contribute on its own.

Sen. Mike Cunningham decried the changes, noting while the department had \$150,000 to spend last year, the federation put in an additional \$450,000. Aside from venison, the program will now include feral hogs.

“I think this is the wrong direction to go during this time,” Cunningham, a Republican, said. Four other members of the Conference Committee agreed with Cunningham. However, in the end, the two Chairmen sided with Ross and made the changes.

During the Senate floor debate, Senate Appropriations Chairman Dan Hegeman, noted the Conservation Department’s budget was “the most contentious department bill throughout the process.” The Senate had to “work hard to strike a compromise” on this bill, he said.

**OTHER BUDGET CHANGES:**

Language was added to prohibit a MDC landowner registry.

Language to remove \$130,000.00 for salary for a USDA agent to aide in the removal of feral hogs, leaving \$120,000.00 in the line item for corn, cameras, and traps.

A line item was added by Rep. Scott Cupps, to add \$250,000 for control mechanisms for black vultures.

The Conference Committee did reverse Ross’ request to eliminate MDC’s advertising budget, and went with the Governor’s recommendations for full funding for MDC.

Language was added to the Capital Improvements budget bill to prohibit MDC from purchasing additional land during 2020.

Next Step – The Budget is now on the Governor’s desk for review. Parson may sign or line item veto items in the budget prior to the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2020.

Like I said good news, bad news year. There is currently strong consideration going on by the Conservation Commissioner’s on whether or not to bring litigation against the budget items passed by the legislature. The Conservation Commission was given sole authority over the MDC by a constitutional amendment passed by the voters back in 1936. When the legislature passes laws and budget guidelines for the MDC they are ignoring that Missouri Constitutional Amendment. The whole reason that was passed by Missouri citizens was to keep politics out of Missouri Conservation.

Happy Bow Hunt’in

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## ***MBH Outdoor Championship July 11th-12, 2020***

**MBH/NFAA Membership Required**



**IBH—Blue Springs, Mo; Landahl Park**



### Divisions

(Men and Women)

Pro

Freestyle

Freestyle Limited

Recurve FSL

Barebow

Bowhunter FS

Traditional

**Saturday: 28 Hunter Targets**

**Sunday: 14 Field & 14 Animal**

**9:00am Shotgun Start**

Cub, youth and young adult see registration form for Divisions

Registration can be either on line (MBH website) or thru the mail (Tobi Forbes, 16909 E. 44th ST S, Independence, MO 64055)

Fees

Adult \$35

Individual Child (cub/Youth/YA) \$25

Family (immediate household) \$85

The deadline for late registration: 7/6/2020

Late fees

Individual \$10



# 2020 Missouri Bow Hunters State Outdoor Championships July 11-12, 2020

Independence Bowhunters  
Landahl park  
Hwy 7 and Argo Rd  
Blue Springs, Mo

Register/Pay Online at  
[WWW.mobowhunters.org](http://WWW.mobowhunters.org)

or

Mail Registration Form to:  
Missouri Bow Hunters  
16909 E 44<sup>th</sup> St S  
Independence, Mo 64055

Please make all checks payable to MBH

**Fees Due upon Registration**

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email

## Shooting Fees

**\$35.00 18+ Family \$85.00**

**\$25.00 17 & younger**

Late fees -\$10.00 individual \$30.00 Family max

*\*fees do not include MBH Membership*

## MBH and NFAA Membership Required for Participation

PAY YOUR NFAA & MBH DUES TO

NFAA – 800 Archery Lane, Yankton, SD 57078 or [WWW.nfaausa.com](http://WWW.nfaausa.com)

USA MEMBERSHIPS ARE ACCEPTED – MUST BRING CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD

**No alcohol on ranges**

**Saturday: 28 Hunter Targets**

**9:00 am Shotgun Start**

**Sunday – 14 Field & 14 Animal**

Pre-registration thru July 6<sup>th</sup>

Hotels: (Approx 20 minutes away)

Days Inn – 1-800-329-1073

Courtyard by Marriott – 816-228-8100

LaQuinta Inn – 816-988-9980

**Please Select one (1) Age Division / One (1) Shooting Division**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult
<input type="checkbox"/>	Senior (ages 50-59)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Silver Senior (ages 60-69)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Master Senior (ages 70 and over)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Junior Age Divisions</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cub (ages 11 and under)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth (ages 12-14)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Young Adult (ages 15-17)

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Adult, Senior, Silver Senior & Master Senior Shooting Divisions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Barebow
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bowhunter Freestyle
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Freestyle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Freestyle Limited
<input type="checkbox"/>	Freestyle Limited Recurve

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Junior Shooting Divisions	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Bowhunter Freestyle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Freestyle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Freestyle Limited Recurve



## LARGE & SMALL GAME COMMITTEE

Did you see this!



### MDC Proposes a Black Bear Hunting Season!

There is a comment period open during June so the public can comment on the proposed season, methods, tags, and management units. Please go to the MDC website at <https://mdc.mo.gov/contact-engage/public-comment-opportunities/black-bear-management-missouri> to comment.

Remember last month when I said it would really suck if my Alberta Bear hunt got postponed, well it officially sucks! Can't go until next year dang it!

One more note for this month. I want to congratulate MBH member Gaylon Russell for completing his 5<sup>th</sup> MBH Small Game Award! Gaylon earned his first small game award back in 1990 and has accomplished that 30 point total 4 more times. How many of you knew that MBH has a Small Game award program? I'll go over the rules and awards in next month's Release.



Gaylon with a successful mole harvest.

Happy Bow Hunt'in, Jeff Blystone, 816-806-3575, [jandkbly@gmail.com](mailto:jandkbly@gmail.com)



# Calendar of Events

## 2020

**Feb 7-9** - The Vegas Shoot – Las Vegas, NV

**Feb 22-23** – NFAA Midwest Sectionals – KS, NE, MN

**Feb 28 –Mar 1-** Kansas City ShootOut – Raytown, MO

**Mar 7-8 - MBH State Indoor – Linn**

**Mar 20-21** – NFAA Indoor Nationals – Louisville, KY

# Club Directory

**ABI ARCHERY (NFAA/MBH 1-31-20)** BofR: Jeff Blystone, 2804 N Union School Road, Independence, MO 64058, 816-796-4033, [jandkbly@gmail.com](mailto:jandkbly@gmail.com); Secretary: Gregg Markowski; President: Lowell Swank. Range location: 285 NE 69 Hwy., Claycomo, MO 64119

**MISSOURI ROCK'N SHOTS (NFAA/MBH 01-24-21)** BofR: Kathy Potter, efa@cvalley.net. Range location: 1401 County Road 1255, Huntsville, MO 65259; JOAD program available, call range for more information: 660-651-3175

**INDEPENDENCE BOWHUNTERS (NFAA/MBH 4-30-20)** Indoor range location: 6423 Railroad St., Raytown, MO; leagues and practice at 20 yards. Outdoor range location: William Landahl Park, Argo Rd. & 7 Hwy., Blue Springs, MO. President: Jim Forbes, Secretary: Tobi Forbes, 816-645-2198, 16909 E. 44th St. S, Independence, MO 64055; BofR: Jim Forbes, 816-863-7128. [www.independencebowhunters.org](http://www.independencebowhunters.org)

**INDIAN TRAIL ARCHERY (MBH 3-31-20)** President/BofR: Faron Teague; 1521 N Hwy 19; Salem, MO 65560; 573-729-9593. Indoor range and outdoor Fita range located at 1521 N Hwy 19, Salem, MO 65560. Secretary: Sandy Radford.

**NOMO BOWHUNTERS ARCHERY ASSN. (MBH 01-31-21)** Moberly, MO. Outdoor range location: 1.8 miles east of Junction 24 and 63 on Hwy. 24 on south side of highway. Contact & BofR: Charlie Langreder, 1508 Secretariat Dr., Columbia, MO 65202, 573-864-7590; President: Larry Jackson, 660-998-1545; Secretary: Alan Eckhardt, 573-881-4199

**NORTHSIDE ARCHERS (MBH 8-31-20)** St. Louis, MO. Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every other month. Field range location: Creve Coeur Park, take Dorsett Rd., west from I-270 to Creve Coeur Park. Contact & BofR: Bob Brumback, 3260 Carlow Place, St. Ann, MO 63074, 314-427-2953; President Rich Noble; Secretary: Bob Brumback, [rbrumback6167@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rbrumback6167@sbcglobal.net)

**NORTHWEST MISSOURI ARCHERY CLUB (MBH/NFAA 4-30-20)** 3D range location: from Bethany, Mo. Take Hwy. 136 west 9 miles to Rt. EE, New Hampton, north 12 miles to Rt. M, west 3 miles to Emmett & Leah Seat Conservation Area. Watch for signs to archery range. President: Charles Fosdick, 205 S 23<sup>rd</sup> St, Bethany, MO 64424, 660-868-0475; Secretary: Teri Fosdick, 660-425-6155; BofR: Ed Criger.

**OZARKS TARGET ARCHERS (NFAA/MBH 11/05/20)** 5780 S Farm Rd 141; Springfield, MO 65810; 417-874-2910; President/BofR: Amy Francka [afrancka@springfieldmo.gov](mailto:afrancka@springfieldmo.gov); Indoor and outdoor field range.

**SUMMIT ARCHERY CENTER (MBH 8-31-20)** 1164 Decker Rd., Labadie, MO 63055; 636-742-2531. President: Chris Schmidt, Secretary: Jim Ford; BofR: Jeff Friedmann [jf4657@gmail.com](mailto:jf4657@gmail.com).

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[www.mobowhunters.org](http://www.mobowhunters.org)

### Membership Application

- ☐ Single \$25  
☐ Family \$30  
☐ Youth \$12.50 (under 18)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliated Club \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by \_\_\_\_\_

#### Family Members:

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Name 2: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Name 3: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Name 4: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

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Name 6: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Completed Form to:  
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