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From the President

On a somber note, I am sure most of you have heard about the tragic accident concerning Kurt Surber. MBH and the archery world has lost a fellow member and brother. He will be sorely missed, and I for one will miss the great times I had shooting with him both indoors and outdoors.

Hopefully, everyone has not gone crazy with the stay at home and social distancing rules. I pray, we as a country can get back to normal soon, though I am afraid what we once called normal, may be thing of the past. I continue to make it a habit to get out of the house and to take hikes thru conservation grounds. It looks like the St. Louis area is slowly starting to open up and I will be able to hit the outdoor ranges.

Spring turkey season is in full swing. If you have been lucky enough to bag one of these elusive birds, please let Jeff Blystone know by filling out a large game report. If you have a really good turkey hunting story to tell, send it to either me or the secretary and we will see it gets in the release.

As of this letter, we will still have the State Outdoor on the calendar, which is to be held in Blue Springs. Also, we should start to see club 3D tournaments opening up. It will be good to get back out on the ranges whether 3D or field.

Hang in there everyone, it will get better.

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

This Month 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, or by filling out the attached form and mailing to: MBH Secretary, 16909 E 44th St S
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Have any news, stories, or pictures to share in the RELEASE?

Submit them to Kathy Russell at gammyrussell@gmail.com

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CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

It was a shock to hear about longtime MBH member Kurt Surber's tragic accidental death while unloading his boat to go fishing at Stockton Lake on April 23rd. Kurt was a great guy, fun to be around and talk to as well as an amazing Father, Husband, and Christen. I worked with Kurt on the Conservation Federation of Missouri's Board of Directors and he served as the Co-Chairman on the Archery Committee with me. Kurt will be sorely missed by us all. God has gained another Archery Angel!

This pandemic crap is putting a big damper on the archery community. The Indoor NFAA Nationals were cancelled and lots of 3D and Outdoor shoots have been cancelled. Non-resident spring hunts for turkey and bear have already been cancelled in several states and parts of Canada. As I write this on April 25th I am still hopeful that MBH member Tim Donnelly and I still get to travel to Northern Alberta at the end of May for our Spring Bear Hunt at South Peace Outfitters. We booked this hunt over a year ago at the 2019 Pope and Young Convention in Omaha. I've been looking forward to this trip a long time and if it gets cancelled that will suck big time! I have been shooting quite a bit by myself so I'll be ready if we do get to go. Hang in there everyone, this too will pass.

So far Turkey season for me has only produced a few mushrooms but I still got 2 weeks left to hunt.



Happy Bow Hunt'in
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In Memory of **Kurt Surber**

June 12, 1958 - April 22, 2020

*Written with Love
By Diane Miller, CEO
Archery Hall of Fame & Museum*

I had no time to say goodbye
when God came and took my hand,
He led me up a stairway
to that beautiful Promiseland

I can hear the robins singing
as I watch all animals roam free
I am in a special place now
this is where I want to be

Don't feel bad, & please don't cry
for this was meant to be,
For now, remember the good times
and only smile when thinking of me

Now I have a lot of friends to find
and so much catching up to do,
Until we meet again some day
I am always there with you.





LARGE & SMALL GAME COMMITTEE

The only turkey kill I've seen from a member so far is once again Jim Brinkmann gets his first bird of the season on the third day. Wednesday April 22 Jim used his Dad's box call to get this Gobbler close for the shot. Congratulations on another Thunder Chicken Kill Jim!



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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; 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

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 1st 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

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 23rd 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; 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.

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