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JASON SEALOCK FROM TWO RIVERS ARCHERY CLUB WITH HIS MULE DEER
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FLIGHT Deadline
The deadline for the Spring issue of FLIGHT will be April 15, 2020. Please submit articles of interest to the editor prior to that date. Send us your letters, stories or photos. This is your magazine and we encourage your contributions!

From the President

With bow season starting now is a good time to reflect on what the VBA has done for the bowhunters in the commonwealth of Virginia. Here are just a few examples of what we have done since 1941 !

1. 1949 – North River area (16 square miles) in Rockingham County was the first area opened to bowhunting in Virginia.
2. 1953 – “Big Levels” in Augusta County was opened to bowhunting.
3. 1956 – A statewide bowhunting season was enacted.
4. 1985 – A separate archery license for bowhunters was established, allowing two additional deer to be harvested.
5. 1994 – An additional week of bow season was added when the opening date of archery season moved from the second Saturday in October to the first Saturday in October.
6. 1994 – It was made legal to harvest turkey with a bow during the early archery season.
7. 2003 – It was made legal to harvest a black bear during the early archery season statewide.
8. 2005 – The VBA opposed the effort to legalize the use of crossbows in the regular archery season and in the process many valuable messages about hunting safety and ethics were reinforced with all involved.
9. 2007 – New “Urban Archery” regulations expanded the archery season by months in many locations and included harvest incentives such as “earn a buck.”
10. 2009 - Resumed responsibility to coordinate the After School Archery Program (ASAP) in Virginia.
11. 2010 – Supported a successful VDGIF plan to reintroduce elk to Virginia; Sponsored state-wide charity shoots to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital; Revitalized the International Bowhunter Education Program in Virginia in conjunction with the VDGIF and National Bowhunter Education Foundation.
12. 2011 – The VBA was opposed to add a Bear Hunting license on top of our big game license. We supported the following: to expand the urban archery season to a few cities that were excluded in 2002; expand the “Youth” hunting day to include Fairfax, Loudoun and Pr. William counties; to close the elk season in Buchanan, Dickenson and Wise counties to be made available for collection of biological
13. Specimens for disease testing; to remove the daily limit and make it unlimited to hunt in Fairfax, Loudoun and Pr. William counties to bring the herd under control; and, the unauthorized feeding of deer, bear and other wildlife.
- 2014 – We were in support of the following items: to make it legal to allow Sunday hunting on private land with written permission; combined the archery and crossbow license into one license; require the use of blaze orange during muzzleloading and bowhunting season; prohibit the hunting of deer or bear with the aid or assistance of dogs on Sundays and to allow persons holding an apprentice hunting license to hunt unsupervised if they have successfully completed a hunter education course.
14. 2018 opposed the Arrow Gun for use in the archery season. Went to

Richmond and fought it. We got the legislation the way we wanted it.

15. Opposed the 3 day early Bear season still opposing it!

16. Opposed the separation of the Bear Tag.

We are working harder now than ever to ensure your rights as a Bowhunter are protected. In saying Bowhunter that includes the Traditional bowhunters, the compound bowhunters, and the Crossbow bowhunters! We are all on the same team! Under my leadership I envision making the Association stronger and more accessible to all the bowhunters in the state of Virginia.

I believe it’s time we focus more on the hunting side of the Association!

Thanks for your support and happy hunting
Shannon Nesselrodt
VBA President



From the Executive Vice President

Hope everyone is having a great and fruitful hunting season and so you will not fall asleep in the tree stand I will keep this short. Starting next year the Flight magazine will become Biannually instead of Quarterly, with this change you will immediately see that the issues are larger because we are not leaving anything out that you would normally see. We hope that with this change we can cut down on the cost of the magazine by saving on postage and setup charges. We have set the Flight cut off dates to Nov 1st and April 15th for the two issues.

If you have been an expert hunter and have harvested an animal please sent me your pictures of success and if happens to be a disappointment and you have a tall tale to tell sent it to me so we can share it with everyone.

The one thing I do want to advise all of the BAREBOW RECURVE shooters is that we have passed a BBR shooting style for the Indoors, Open and Closed tournaments. I will have the Constitution and Bylaws changed shortly to reflect those changes and you can access that info from our website at www.vbarchers.com

Executive Vice President
Terry Ballowe



VBA Raffle Tickets

The VBA is raffling off a Parker Cross Bow(1st prize), Dual Mist Deerlure System (2nd prize) and 6 Carbon Express Arrows (3rd) prize. The tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. If you are interested contact your club representative for your tickets or you can get your tickets at the VBA state Closed or VBA Fall 3D Classic, the drawing will take place at the 25th VBA Banquet on March 28th 2020 and you can probably get your tickets at the banquet also.

From the Publicity Director

Our last sportsmen event this year was the 36th Annual Virginia Outdoor Sportsman Show (VOSS) in August. I would like to thank Ed Bickham from Kingsboro Bowmen and John, Kathy and Logan Weller from Manahoac Bowmen who helped at this event. The attendance for all three days was up from previous years. Many folks inquired about the VBA, our clubs, what we do for archers, bowhunters our archery educational programs and partner with the VDGIF. We referred many to Belvoir Bowhunters, Bowhunters of Rockingham, Dixie Bowmen, Kingsboro Bowmen, Pr. William Archers, Manahoac and Sherwood Archers. The VBA Packets and FLIGHTs were distributed, our Fundraising Crossbow Raffle tickets and promotional items were also sold. I had the honor to be introduced by Matt Knox to the new Executive Director, Ryan Brown. Mr. Brown appreciated and thanked us for what the VBA does for archers, bowhunters, and conservation and wildlife management in the Commonwealth.

The VBA was invited to help the Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation, American Heritage Girls Fall Camporee event on Saturday, October 19th, 2019. It was an awesome and quite a busy day. Seven groups with over 300 plus girls came through the archery range. The VBA Packets & FLIGHTs were included in the girls' take-home bags. Many Moms' inquired about the VBA, our website and go to the VDGIF website to take Hunting, NBEP/IBEP and Boating classes. The event would not have been a success without much dedication and time from Jerry & Mary Wenzel, Eugene Slagle, BBH folks, Jerry's JOAD/Goldminers and Eugene LOWC volunteers. Also, it was nice to work with Jill Delligatti, BBH Publicity Director, who helped solicit volunteers from BBH. Thanks again to all the volunteers!

At the VBA September's Quarterly meeting, two nominees were submitted for the Silver Arrow Award. Ricky Stark, a member of Pr. William Archers since 1969, has been shooting since he was nine and their Range Warden. Ricky is known nation-wide as a top barebow shooter, he puts on demonstrations for the 4-H Clubs, local schools and county libraries to promote the sport of archery to kids and youths. He has also helped qualify shooters for the Fairfax County Park Urban Hunting.

Second is John Hoffman, a member of NORVA for more than 40 years and Belvoir Bowhunters for over 15 years. John has managed NORVA's 3-D range for almost 30 years, the most challenging course in the Commonwealth. John was inducted into the Order of the Golden Deer, a very prestigious award, and the first to be awarded a lifetime NORVA member. He has won numerous VBA State Championship awards in 3-D and Field archery and holds the Fall 3-D State record in MHC and MCBH classes. John has helped many new members of NORVA and BBH to get involved in archery, especially youths.

Over the past year, we have discussed the cost of the FLIGHT issues and going 100% electronically. At the VBA September meeting, it was announced that FLIGHT would be published twice a year. The deadline for the Fall issue is due NLT November 1st and will include club ads for the VBA State Indoors, Spring 3-D, VBA Annual Awards Banquet, Trophy Room pics, articles and other ads. The Spring issue is due NLT April 15th and will have club ads for the VBA State Open, Fall, 3-D, Closed, articles and other ads. If we decide to publish an interim news bulletins, then they will be sent electronically to the clubs.

As a result of the Chronic Wasting Disease (CW) that was discovered in Culpeper County in 2018, the VDGIF will be taking samples for CWD in Culpeper, Madison, Orange and Shenandoah counties on Saturday, November 16th only. They will have three stations in Shenandoah and 10 in the DMA2 areas of Culpeper, Madison or Orange counties.



Remember to refer to Page 6 of the VDIGF Hunting & Trapping Regulations "What's New for 2019-2020", especially in the counties or the surrounding counties where you hunt.

The Hunting & Trapping Regulations in Virginia is published every two years, July 1st thru June 30th. Currently, there are no Bills proposed in the Virginia Generally Assembly Legislation. In 2020-2021, we will probably see some Bills proposed by the House & Senate Agriculture Committees.

Our VBA 25th Annual Awards Banquet will be on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at the Am Vets-Post 7, 1340 North Liberty Street Harrisonburg, VA 22802. The flyer is in FLIGHT and on our website. Also, don't forget to mail your VBA Big Game Award application(s) to Marie Bell, NLT March 01, 2020.

Please be safe while bowhunting during the 2019-2020 Hunting season. Take a kid/youth or someone who has never bowhunted. Have a wonderful Holiday with your family and friends!

Yours in Archery - Irene Stocksdale 

AGENDA ITEMS

AGENDA ITEMS VOTED ON AT SEPT. MEETING

(1) By-law addition, Art.13, Shooting styles, add Section 13.8, Barebow recurve. Under VBA Rounds, Rules and Styles, add to 6. Shooting Styles, F Barebow Recurve. (1) Follow World Archery rules for Equipment, (2) No class breakdown or divisions in this style for age or sex, except under 18. Effective date, January 2020

Justification: Fast growing style of shooting and needs to be recognized at state level. Submitted by Two Rivers Archery Club.

Agenda Item was tabled at June meeting, brought back up at Sept meeting and voted on. **Passed** 21 yes, 5 no, 2 abstained. Effective Jan. 2020.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR JANUARY MEETING;

1. Delete Art.7,NBEP Director and replace with Article 7, Parliamentarian . It shall be the duty of the Parliamentarian to assist the President in following Robert's Rules of Order during meetings of the Board of Directors. It shall also be his duty to interpret the Constitution and By-laws of the association and to make any changes as voted on and directed by the Board of Directors. He shall make available an updated electronic copy of the Constitution and By-laws to all member clubs and Delegates in January of each year.

Also, in Table of Contents, change Art.7, NBEP Director to Parliamentarian,Sect.4.5.Elected/Appointed Officers, para. B, (pg.3of 37) Change NBEP Director to Parliamentarian. Effective date, Jan. 2020.

Justification; Since the VDGIF has taken on the role of training instructors and giving these courses, the need for an NBEP Director is no longer necessary and there is a need to formalize the office of Parliamentarian.

2. Add line 23 to Indoor Shooting Rules, pg.30-31 Sect. J to read; No lighted nocks allowed.
3. Add line 15 to Shooting Rules, pg.27-28; No lighted nocks allowed.

Justification; After complaints from 2019 State Indoor about distractions to other archers and also follow NFAA rules, we would like this added to Shooting Rules. Effective, Jan. 2020.

VBA 2019 Fall 3-D Classic

Hosted by New River Archers



2019 Fall 3D Classic Champions


2019 Fall 3D Classic Winners



VBA 2019 3-D Fall Classic (August 17-18, 2019)

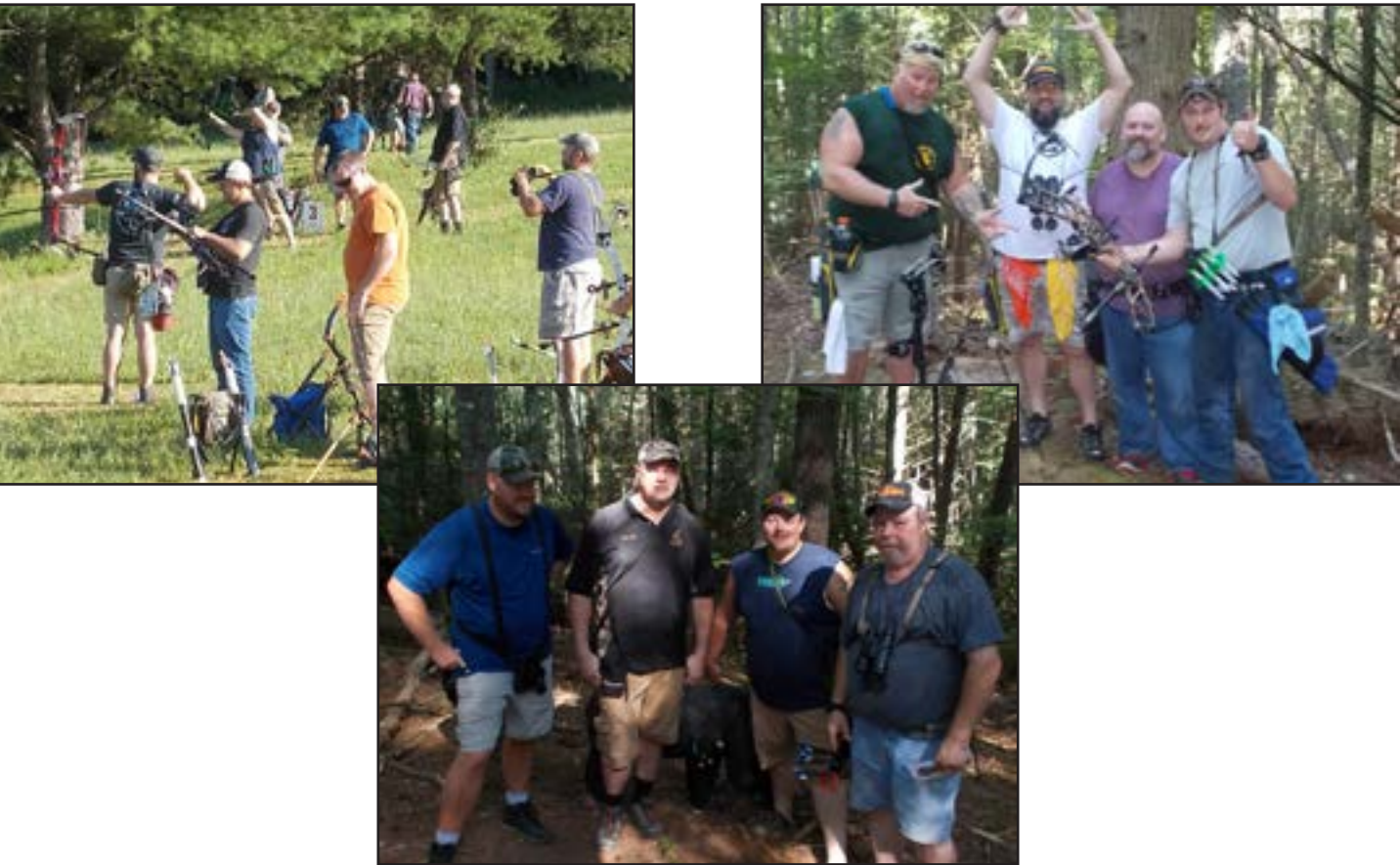
HOST: New River Bowhunters


| | | | DAY 1 | DAY 2 | | Total Score | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| IBO Style | Shooter Name | Rank | Day 1 Score | Day 1 11's | Day 2 Score | Day 2 11's | Total Score | Total 11s |
| AHC (Adult - Advanced Hunter Class) | | | | | | | | |
| | John McKenzie | SC | 203 | 6 | 232 | 7 | 435 | 13 |
| | John Thomas - INC | | 0 | 0 | 251 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| FHC (Adult - Female Hunter Class) | | | | | | | | |
| | Anne Le Clercq | SC | 187 | 2 | 195 | 1 | 382 | 3 |
| FTRD (Adult - Female Traditional) | | | | | | | | |
| | Cay McManus | SC | 222 | 5 | 221 | 4 | 443 | 9 |
| | Robin Vogel | 2nd | 201 | 3 | 204 | 2 | 405 | 5 |
| | Jessica Craig - INC | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| HC (Adult - Hunter Class) | | | | | | | | |
| | Danny Korbin | SC | 254 | 11 | 254 | 10 | 508 | 21 |
| | Paul Whitlock | 2nd | 191 | 0 | 179 | 2 | 370 | 2 |
| HF (Adult - Hunter Fingers) | | | | | | | | |
| | Tony Hall | SC | 201 | 3 | 201 | 2 | 402 | 5 |
| MBO (Adult - Male Bowhunter Open) | | | | | | | | |
| | Travis Casey - INC | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MBR (Adult - Male Bowhunter Release) | | | | | | | | |
| | Russell Whitlock | SC | 216 | 7 | 236 | 8 | 452 | 15 |
| | Travis Stewart | 2nd | 210 | 3 | 234 | 7 | 444 | 10 |
| | Willy Whitlock | 3rd | 202 | 2 | 216 | 3 | 418 | 5 |
| | Kemper Coleman - INC | | 186 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Mike Coleman - INC | | 174 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Eric Bane - INC | | 250 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RU (Adult - Recurve Un-Aided) | | | | | | | | |
| | Russell Newton | SC | 184 | 3 | 160 | 2 | 344 | 5 |
| TRD (Adult - Traditional) | | | | | | | | |
| | Dale Wade | SC | 173 | 4 | 189 | 3 | 362 | 7 |
| | Jeff McManus | 2nd | 151 | 2 | 143 | 0 | 294 | 2 |
| MSR (Senior - Men's Senior Class) | | | | | | | | |
| | David Smith | SC | 222 | 4 | 232 | 7 | 454 | 11 |
| | Clarence Roten - INC | | 257 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Johnny Viers - INC | | 252 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Terry Call - INC | | 0 | 0 | 258 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| | Charlie Vipperman - INC | | 0 | 0 | 232 | 9 | 0 | 0 |



VBA 2019 3-D Fall Classic (August 17-18, 2019)
HOST: New River Bowhunters


| | | | DAY 1 | | DAY 2 | | Total Score | |
|--|---------------------|------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| IBO Style | Shooter Name | Rank | Day 1 Score | Day 1 11's | Day 2 Score | Day 2 11's | Total Score | Total 11s |
| SHC (Senior - Senior Hunter) | | | | | | | | |
| | Arthur Sommers | SC | 239 | 7 | 242 | 9 | 481 | 16 |
| | Tom Korbin | 2nd | 228 | 6 | 221 | 3 | 449 | 9 |
| STRD (Masters - Senior Traditional) | | | | | | | | |
| | Paul Vogel | SC | 222 | 2 | 223 | 4 | 445 | 6 |
| SMC (Senior Masters - Senior Master Class) | | | | | | | | |
| | Alan Hines | SC | 238 | 11 | 48 | 2 | 286 | 13 |
| MK50 (Known Distance - Male) | | | | | | | | |
| | Allen Reedy | SC | 254 | 11 | 256 | 13 | 510 | 24 |
| | Robbie Moore | 2nd | 253 | 11 | 253 | 9 | 506 | 20 |
| | Nathan Wolfe | 3rd | 247 | 10 | 234 | 7 | 481 | 17 |
| | Rick Williams | | 220 | 4 | 228 | 4 | 448 | 8 |
| | T. J. Clemmons | | 197 | 3 | 183 | 2 | 380 | 5 |
| | Brian Moore - INC | | 0 | 0 | 192 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| | Jeff Icenhour - INC | | 0 | 0 | 214 | 7 | 0 | 0 |





VBA FALL 3-D CLASSIC RECORDS
2019

Using IBO Format Starting in 2014
Combined Score for Placement and Records



| Style | Name | Year | 1st Round/11s | 2nd Round/11s | Record Score/11's |
|-----------|--------------------|------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| FBH | Chelsea Neville | 2014 | 155/1 | 186/3 | 241/4 |
| CUB | Camden Neville | 2014 | 242/7 | 242/8 | 484/15 |
| YH | Hunter Soldal | 2014 | 182/3 | 199/2 | 381/5 |
| YMR 13-14 | Nicholas D'Imperio | 2017 | 257/11 | 261/13 | 518/24 |
| YMR 15-17 | Nicholas D'Imperio | 2018 | 250/8 | 207/4 | 457/12 |
| YTRAD | Marlee Grant | 2018 | 141/1 | 114/0 | 255/1 |
| BBO | Charlie Cashion | 2018 | 191/1 | 169/2 | 360/3 |
| AHC | Jon Robertson | 2014 | 239/6 | 237/6 | 476/12 |
| FBO | Kayla Layton | 2014 | 212/2 | 240/8 | 452/10 |
| FBR | Amber Conley | 2014 | 161/0 | 149/1 | 310/1 |
| FHC | April Phillips | 2016 | 236/7 | 240/10 | 457/8 |
| HF | Tony Hall | 2019 | 201/3 | 201/2 | 402/5 |
| FTRAD | Jenifer Stoner | 2017 | 212/3 | 252/10 | 464/13 |
| HC | Carl Frantz | 2015 | 265/16 | 247/9 | 512/25 |
| MBF | Bakari Dale | 2015 | 168/2 | 176/0 | 344/2 |
| MBO | Eric Roberson | 2014 | 251/9 | 254/14 | 505/23 |
| MBR | Lindy Fullerton | 2015 | 244/9 | 240/7 | 484/16 |
| RU | Denny Cline | 2015 | 231/4 | 223/3 | 454/7 |
| LB | Bob Hahn | 2016 | 176/0 | 154/2 | 330/2 |
| SHC | Wayne Rasnake | 2016 | 247/7 | 241/6 | 488/13 |
| TRD | Paul Vogel | 2014 | 225/0 | 205/5 | 430/5 |
| MSR | Robert D'Imperio | 2017 | 234/7 | 232/5 | 466/12 |
| MHC | John Hoffman | 2016 | 249/8 | 217/7 | 466/15 |
| FSR | Jonell Frantz | 2016 | 239/8 | 237/7 | 476/15 |
| MCBH | John Hoffman | 2015 | 211/4 | 227/4 | 438/8 |
| STRAD | Paul Vogel | 2015 | 252/10 | 244/8 | 496/18 |
| SFHC | Melinda Wilson | 2016 | 252/10 | 241/8 | 493/18 |
| SMC | Alan Hines | 2019 | 238/11 | 48/2 | 286/13 |
| FK45 | Christina Tremblay | 2018 | 241/7 | 239/7 | 480/14 |
| MK50 | Randy Patterson | 2017 | 263/15 | 258/14 | 521/29 |

2019 VBA State Closed

Host: Massanutten Archery Club



2019 VBA STATE CLOSED CHAMPIONS



2019 VBA STATE CLOSED WINNERS



VBA 2019 State Closed (August 31 - September 01, 2019)

HOST: Massanutten Archery Club (MAC)

| VBA Style | Class | Shooter Name | Rank | Field Score | Field Xs | Hunter Score | Hunter Xs | Animal Score | Total Score | Total Xs |
|--|-------|--------------------------|------|-------------|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| AFFS/R (Adult Female Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | AA | Christina Tremblay | SC | 538 | 52 | 271 | 26 | 290 | 1099 | 78 |
| | | Melissa Miller | 2nd | 502 | 31 | 253 | 13 | 279 | 1034 | 44 |
| AFTRAD (Adult Female Traditional) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | AA | Cay McManus | SC | 473 | 17 | 231 | 6 | 245 | 949 | 23 |
| | INC | Jessica Craig - INC | | 248 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 248 | 2 |
| AMBB (Adult Male Barebow) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | AA | Rick Stark | SC | 470 | 21 | 241 | 6 | 274 | 985 | 27 |
| | INC | Russel Newton - INC | | 260 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 260 | 2 |
| AMBHFS/R (Adult Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | AA | Eddie Mitchell | SC | 539 | 53 | 268 | 25 | 285 | 1092 | 78 |
| | A | Joe Kibler | 1st | 507 | 30 | 235 | 6 | 279 | 1021 | 36 |
| | | Danny Korbini | 2nd | 496 | 22 | 249 | 12 | 268 | 1013 | 34 |
| | INC | Shannon Nesselrodt - INC | | 469 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 469 | 20 |
| AMFS/R (Adult Male Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | AA | Charlie Wright | SC | 546 | 65 | 279 | 34 | 285 | 1110 | 99 |
| | | Roman Bond | 2nd | 529 | 52 | 274 | 29 | 286 | 1089 | 81 |
| | | Chris Carter | 3rd | 534 | 37 | 267 | 27 | 284 | 1085 | 64 |
| | B | Dylan Bond | 1st | 445 | 10 | 221 | 4 | 263 | 929 | 14 |
| | INC | Allen Reedy - INC | | 527 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 284 | 811 | 32 |
| | | Blake Perry - INC | | 540 | 47 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 540 | 47 |
| SFFS/R (Senior Female Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | A | Brenda Bond | SC | 496 | 27 | 254 | 13 | 280 | 1030 | 40 |
| SMBHFS/R (Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | AA | Vance Cave | SC | 528 | 36 | 261 | 19 | 280 | 1069 | 55 |
| | A | Tom Korbini | 1st | 494 | 23 | 245 | 14 | 278 | 1017 | 37 |
| | B | Uwe Jacobs | 1st | 471 | 12 | 238 | 9 | 274 | 983 | 21 |
| SMFS/F (Senior Male Freestyle / Fingers) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | B | Tony Hall | SC | 358 | 4 | 208 | 3 | 240 | 806 | 7 |



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HOST: Massanutten Archery Club (MAC)

| VBA Style | Class | Shooter Name | Rank | Field Score | Field Xs | Hunter Score | Hunter Xs | Animal Score | Total Score | Total Xs |
|--|-------|------------------|------|-------------|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| SMFS/R (Senior Male Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| AA | | Tom Lynch | SC | 537 | 56 | 276 | 30 | 288 | 1101 | 86 |
| | | Daryl McKenzie | 2nd | 541 | 54 | 272 | 28 | 286 | 1099 | 82 |
| | | David Estep | 3rd | 538 | 40 | 271 | 25 | 284 | 1093 | 65 |
| A | | Robert Kenley | 1st | 518 | 35 | 266 | 26 | 283 | 1067 | 61 |
| SSFTRAD (Silver Senior Female Traditional) | | | | | | | | | | |
| AA | | Robin Vogel | SC | 453 | 12 | 228 | 4 | 241 | 922 | 16 |
| SSMBB (Silver Senior Male Barebow) | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | | John Mason | SC | 422 | 10 | 209 | 2 | 251 | 882 | 12 |
| SSMBHFS/R (Silver Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| AA | | Ronald Layman | SC | 521 | 39 | 264 | 18 | 285 | 1070 | 57 |
| A | | Billy Buckholder | 1st | 513 | 25 | 259 | 18 | 283 | 1055 | 43 |
| SSMFS/R (Silver Senior Male Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | | Doug Bradford | SC | 513 | 31 | 261 | 19 | 284 | 1058 | 50 |
| B | | Kevin Brown | 1st | 472 | 18 | 256 | 15 | 262 | 990 | 33 |
| SSMTRAD (Silver Senior Male Traditional) | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | | Paul Vogel | SC | 410 | 3 | 223 | 7 | 232 | 865 | 10 |
| | | Terry Ballowe | 2nd | 386 | 4 | 204 | 5 | 242 | 832 | 9 |
| B | | Rob Pecora | 1st | 321 | 1 | 182 | 4 | 232 | 735 | 5 |
| MSMBB (Master Senior Male Barebow) | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | | Howard Farris | SC | 444 | 8 | 231 | 4 | 268 | 943 | 12 |
| B | | Denny Cline | 1st | 373 | 3 | 220 | 6 | 264 | 857 | 9 |
| MSMBHFS/R (Master Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | | Harry Kibler | SC | 485 | 18 | 248 | 14 | 260 | 993 | 32 |
| MSMFS/R (Master Senior Male Freestyle / Release) | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | | Lowell Hertzlar | SC | 521 | 37 | 262 | 17 | 283 | 1066 | 54 |

1980 to 2019 VBA State Closed Records

5/4/3 targets used since 1978
1992 – only score posted was 28 Field
1993 -only scores posted were 28 F & 28 H.
1999-First day called because of storm. (NORVA)
**Beginning in 2008, Records reflect 28 F, 14 H & 14 A w/SPOTS until the format changes.
Records not using spots on animal targets.

| Style | Name | Year | Field | Hunter | Animal | Aggre. |
|-----------|---------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|
| AMFS/R | Brad Baker Jr. | 2009/11 | 552 | 566 | | 1118 Tied Yrs |
| AFFS/R | Cristina Tremblay | 2019 | 538/52 | 271/26 | 290 | 1099/78 |
| AMFS/F | Ronnie Lewis | 1988/90 | | | | 1054#Tied Yrs |
| AFFS/F | Debra Barker | 1990 | | | | 1035# |
| AMBHFS/R | Jeremy Dean | 2011 | 548 | 287 | 273 | 1108 |
| AFBHFS/R | Stacy Pruitt | 2004 | 527 | 548 | | 1075# |
| AMBHFS/F | Danny Alger | 1987 | 517 | 534 | | 1051# |
| AFBHFS/F | Irene Stocksdale | 1995 | | | | 960# |
| AMBB | Denny Cline | 1983 | 521 | 528 | | 1049# |
| AFBB | Cay McManus | 1996 | 495 | 532 | | 1027# |
| AMBH | John Mason | 1998 | 493 | 529 | | 1022# |
| AFBH | Gloria Smith | 1988 | 463 | 506 | | 969# |
| AMTRAD | Adam Phillips | 216 | 456/5 | 231/4 | 247 | 934** |
| AFTRAD | Jenifer Stoner | 2012 | 471 | 245 | 262 | 978 |
| YAMFS/R | Brandon Armstrong | 2008 | 540 | 272 | 286 | 1098** |
| YAFFS/R | Denya Pecora | 1995 | | | | 1009# |
| YAMFS/F | James Moore, Jr | 1988 | 494 | 524 | | 1016# |
| YAFFS/F | Angela Gordon | 1982 | 363 | 364 | | 727# |
| YAMBHFS/R | Travis Dillon | 2008 | 524 | 261 | 281 | 1066** |
| YAMBHFS/F | John Coggin | 1991 | | | | 1004# |
| YAFBHFS/F | Kimberly Dobbins | 2004 | 238 | 342 | | 580# |
| FAFBHFS/R | Cory Mullins | 2013 | 329 | 186 | 249 | 764 |
| YAMBB | Todd Davis | 1982 | 417 | 450 | | 867# |
| YAFBB | Vickie Younger | 1990 | | | | 547# |
| YAMBH | Donald Tynes | 1990 | | | | 970# |
| YAMTRAD | Zach Stoner | 2011 | 150 | 155 | 143 | 448** |
| YMFS/R | Lucas Kenley | 2010 | 536 | 553 | | 1089** |
| YFFS/R | Jessica McGee | 1991 | | | | 1046 |
| YMFS/F | Keith Faris | 1982 | 513 | 521 | | 1034# |
| YFFS/F | Sara Lavenhar | 2006 | 277 | 301 | | 578# |
| YMBHFS/R | Chris King | 2015 | 531/33 | 273/16 | 279 | 1083/49** |
| YFBHFS/R | Cory Mullins | 2012 | 439 | 230 | 266 | 935 |
| YMBHFS/F | Nick Willard | 1994 | | | | 810# |
| YFBHFS/F | Shaie Hofmann | 1991 | | | | 685# |
| YMBB | Tad Davis | 1981 | | | | 973# |
| YFBB | Angela Gordon | 1980 | 137 | 226 | | 363# |
| YMBH | Matthew Hiedlebaugh | 1990 | | | | 866# |
| YMTRAD | Sean Ernst | 1998 | 152 | 167 | | 319# |
| CMFS/R | Lucas Kenley | 2008 | 549 | 271 | 289 | 1109** |
| CFFS/R | Amy Withers | 1988 | 500 | 519 | | 1019# |
| CMFS/F | Logan Weller | 2010 | 479 | 517 | | 996** |
| CFFS/F | Jessica Cash | 2005 | | | | 913# |
| CMBHFS/R | Corbin Durham | 2014 | 517/33 | 252/18 | 272 | 1041/51** |
| CFBHFS/R | Cory Mullins | 2008 | 511 | 245 | 281 | 1037** |
| CMBHF/F | Tad Hartsel | 1990 | | | | 1031# |
| CFBHFS/F | Beth Pecora | 1995 | | | | 998# |
| CMBB | Bryan Lester | 1980 | 465 | 481 | | 946# |

| Style | Name | Year | Field | Hunter | Animal | Aggre. |
|-----------|--------------------|------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| CFBB | Hope Wymer | 2006 | 409 | 358 | | 767# |
| CMBH | Anthony Shifflett | 1989 | | | | 1016# |
| CFBH | Denya Pecora | 1989 | | | | 797# |
| CMTRAD | Sebastian Torres | 2008 | 268 | 135 | 196 | 599** |
| PWMTRAD | Ethan Mullins | 2010 | 318 | 356 | | 674** |
| SMFS/R | Tom Lynch | 2018 | 545/44 | 276/35 | 291 | 1112/79 |
| SFFS/R | Brenda Bond | 2018 | 515/35 | 268/27 | 286 | 1069/62** |
| SMFS/F | Richard Merkel | 1996 | 491 | 516 | | 1007# |
| SMBHFS/R | Vance Cave | 2015 | 536/49 | 273/27 | 285 | 1094/76** |
| SMBHFS/F | Richard Merkel | 1995 | | | | 1084# |
| SFBHFS/F | Jane Mabe | 1991 | | | | 855# |
| SMBB | Dennis Cline | 2011 | 479 | 280 | 234 | 993** |
| SMBH | Howard Faris | 2005 | | | | 981# |
| SMTRAD | Bob Baublitz | 2005 | | | | 912# |
| SFTRAD | Cay McManus | 2015 | 440/10 | 209/14 | 251 | 900/24** |
| SSMFS/R | Carlos (CD) Miller | 2016 | 436/51 | 269/19 | 284 | 1089/70** |
| SSFFS/R | Catherine Corris | 2015 | 451/10 | 229/5 | 267 | 947/15** |
| SSMBB | John Mason | 2019 | 422/10 | 209/2 | 251 | 882/12** |
| SSMBHFS/R | Paul Vogel | 2017 | 533/40 | 259/16 | 281 | 1073/56** |
| SSFTRAD | Robin Vogel | 2019 | 453/12 | 228/4 | 241 | 922/16** |
| SSMBHFS/F | David Dobbins | 2016 | 327/6 | 146/2 | 232 | 705/8** |
| SSMTRAD | Paul Vogel | 2016 | 427/7 | 207/0 | 252 | 886/7** |
| MSMTRAD | Mike Hand | 2017 | 429/9 | 201/1 | 218 | 848/10** |
| MSMBB | Dennis Cline | 2012 | 483 | 247 | 269 | 999** |
| MSMBHFS/R | Harry Kibler | 2013 | 513 | 254 | 281 | 1048** |
| MSMFS/F | Jerry Wenzel | 2013 | 471 | 242 | 272 | 985** |
| MSMFS/R | Lowell Hertzler | 2016 | 524/31 | 261/25 | 286 | 1071/56** |
| MSFFS/R | Cathy Corris | 2017 | 495/24 | 229/7 | 273 | 997/31** |



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Congratulations to the 2019 VBA Double & Triple Crown Winners

CRITERIA:
Double Crown. Any person who, within the same calendar year and competing in the same style & division, wins the championship at the Spring and Fall 3-D Classics, shall be recognized as a VBA Double Crown Champion.

Triple Crown. Any person who, within the same calendar year and competing in the same style & division, wins the championship at the State Indoor, Open and Closed Tournaments shall be recognized as a VBA Triple Crown Champion.

2019 Double Crown Winners: VBA 3-D Spring & Fall Classic (Marked/Unmarked)

| | Name | Styles/Division | Club |
|---|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Arthur Sommers | SHC | Massanutten |
| 2 | Paul Vogel | STRAD | Belvoir Bowhunters |

2019 Triple Crown Winners: VBA State Indoors, Field Open, & Field Closed

| | Name | Styles/Division | Club |
|---|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | Christina Tremblay | AFFS/R | Belvoir Bowhunters |
| 2 | Rick Stark | AMBB | Prince William Archers |
| 3 | Tony Hall | SMFS/F | New River |
| 4 | Tom Lynch | SMFS/R | Prince William Archers |
| 5 | Robin Vogel | SSFTRAD | Belvoir Bowhunters |
| 6 | Doug Bradford | SSMFS/R | Belvoir Bowhunters |
| 7 | Paul Vogel | SSMTRAD | Belvoir Bowhunters |
| 8 | Howard Farris | MSMBB | Shenandoah County Archery Club |

The awards for these accomplishments shall be presented at the Virginia Bowhunters Association Twenty Fifth ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET Saturday, March 28, 2020 at the Am Vets – Post 7 1340 North Liberty Street, Harrisonburg, Va. 22802. Please come out to support your fellow archers.



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VBA Field Vice President: Congratulations to all the 2019 VBA State Champions

2019 VBA Indoor State Champions:

PWFBHFS/R (PeeWee Female Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Aubrey Shull
CFBHFS/R (Cub Female Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Mackenzie Shull
CMBB (Cub Male Barebow) Raylan Dishman
CMBHFS/R (Cub Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Joe Parker
CMTRAD (Cub Male Traditional) Keishi Ruiz
YFBHFS/R (Youth Female Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Haley Berry
YMBHFS/R (Youth Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Andrew B. Fair
YMFS/R (Youth Male Freestyle / Release) Jacob Perdue
YAFBB (Young Adult Female Barebow) Vivian Vickers
YAFBHFS/R (Young Adult Female Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Ella Moss
YAMFS/F (Young Adult Male Freestyle / Fingers) Wyatt Davidson
YAMFS/R (Young Adult Male Freestyle / Release) Justin Dove
YAMTRAD (Young Adult Male Traditional) Dheeraj Indela
AFBB (Adult Female Barebow) Cay McManus
AFBHFS/R (Adult Female Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) A Regina Stroop
AFFS/R (Adult Female Freestyle / Release) Christina Tremblay
AFTRAD (Adult Female Traditional) Paula Schasberger
AMBB (Adult Male Barebow) Rick Stark
AMBHFS/R (Adult Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Darryll Diehl
AMFS/F (Adult Male Freestyle / Fingers) Charles Fridline
AMFS/R (Adult Male Freestyle / Release) Isaac Mack
AMTRAD (Adult Male Traditional) Robert Jennings
SFBB (Senior Female Barebow) Beth Stauffer
SFFS/R (Senior Female Freestyle / Release) Nadine Mohler
SFTRAD (Senior Female Traditional) Jenifer Stoner
SMBHFS/R (Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Vance Cave
SMFS/F (Senior Male Freestyle / Fingers) Tony Hall
SMFS/R (Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Tom Lynch
SMTRAD (Senior Male Traditional) Jeff Moore
SSFTRAD (Silver Senior Female Traditional) Robin Vogel
SSMBB (Silver Senior Male Barebow) Steve Moore
SSMBHFS/R (Silver Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Ronald Layman
SSMFS/F (Silver Senior Male Freestyle / Fingers) Jim Little
SSMFS/R (Silver Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Doug Bradford
SSMTRAD (Silver Senior Male Traditional) Paul Vogel
MSFFS/R (Master Senior Female Freestyle / Release) Mary Wenzel
MSMBB (Master Senior Male Barebow) Howard Faris
MSMBH (Master Senior Male Bowhunter) Joe Walsh
MSMBHFS/F (Master Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Fingers) David Dobbins
MSMBHFS/R (Master Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) William Etheridge
MSMFS/R (Master Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Lowell Hertzler
MSMTRAD (Master Senior Male Traditional) Dan Brewer

2019 VBA Field Open State Champions:

CMBHFS/R (Cub Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Jack Raber
YAMFS/R (Young Adult Male Freestyle / Release) Tanner Davis
AFBB (Adult Female Barebow) Cay McManus
AFFS/R (Adult Female Freestyle / Release) Christina Tremblay
AFTRAD (Adult Female Traditional) Jessica Craig
AMBB (Adult Male Barebow) Rick Stark
AMBHFS/R (Adult Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Roger Raber
AMFS/R (Adult Male Freestyle / Release) Roman Bond
AMTRAD (Adult Male Traditional) Allen Spangler
SFFS/R (Senior Female Freestyle / Release) Brenda Bond
SMFS/F (Senior Male Freestyle / Fingers) Tony Hall

SMFS/R (Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Tom Lynch
SMTRAD (Senior Male Traditional) Michael Light
SSFTRAD (Silver Senior Female Traditional) Robin Vogel
SSMBB (Silver Senior Male Barebow) John Mason
SSMFS/R (Silver Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Doug Bradford
SSMTRAD (Silver Senior Male Traditional) Paul Vogel
MSMBB (Master Senior Male Barebow) Howard Faris
MSMBHFS/R (Master Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Harry Gene Kibler
MSMFS/R (Master Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Marvin Huffman

2019 VBA Field Close State Champions:

AFFS/R (Adult Female Freestyle / Release) Christina Tremblay
AFTRAD (Adult Female Traditional) Cay McManus
AMBB (Adult Male Barebow) Rick Stark
AMBHFS/R (Adult Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Eddie Mitchell
AMFS/R (Adult Male Freestyle / Release) Charlie Wright
SFFS/R (Senior Female Freestyle / Release) Brenda Bond
SMBHFS/R (Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Vance Cave
SMFS/F (Senior Male Freestyle / Fingers) Tony Hall
SMFS/R (Senior Male Freestyle / Release) Tom Lynch
SSFTRAD (Silver Senior Female Traditional) Robin Vogel
SSMBB (Silver Senior Male Barebow) A John Mason
SSMBHFS/R (Silver Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Ronald Layman
SSMFS/R (Silver Senior Male Freestyle / Release) A Doug Bradford
SSMTRAD (Silver Senior Male Traditional) Paul Vogel
MSMBB (Master Senior Male Barebow) Howard Farris
MSMBHFS/R (Master Senior Male Bowhunter Freestyle / Release) Harry Kibler
MSMFS/R (Master Senior Male Freestyle / Release) A Lowell Hertzlar

2019 VBA Spring 3-D Classic State Champions:

AHC (Adult - Advanced Hunter Class) Donald Hanger
BBO (Adult - Beginner Bowhunter) Christopher Moore
FBO (Adult - Female Bowhunter Open) Regina Stroop
FTRD (Adult - Female Traditional) Jenifer Stoner
HC (Adult - Hunter Class) Jeremy y Spiker
HF (Adult - Hunter Fingers) Bakari Dale
LB (Adult - Longbow) Ryan Johnson
MBO (Adult - Male Bowhunter Open) Jeremy Price
MBR (Adult - Male Bowhunter Release) Willy Whitlock
TRD (Adult - Traditional) Pete Darby
FK45 (Adult - Female Known Distance) Christina Tremblay
MK50 (Adult - Male Known Distance) Randy Patterson
FSR (Senior - Female Seniors) Sarah Ingram
MSR (Senior - Men’s Senior Class) Charles Ingram
SHC (Senior - Senior Hunter) Arthur Sommers
MCBH (Masters - Masters Class) Danny Alger
STRD (Masters - Senior Traditional) Paul Vogel
SMC (Senior Masters - Senior Master Class) Lowell Hertzler

2019 VBA Fall 3-D Classic State Champions:

AHC (Adult - Advanced Hunter Class) John McKenzie
FHC (Adult - Female Hunter Class) Anne Le Clercq
FTRD (Adult - Female Traditional) Cay McManus
HC (Adult - Hunter Class) Danny Korbin
HF (Adult - Hunter Fingers) Tony Hall
MBR (Adult - Male Bowhunter Release) Russell Whitlock
RU (Adult - Recurve Un-Aided) Russell Newton
TRD (Adult - Traditional) Dale Wade
MSR (Senior - Men’s Senior Class) David Smith
SHC (Senior - Senior Hunter) Arthur Sommers
STRD (Masters - Senior Traditional) Paul Vogel
SMC (Senior Masters - Senior Master Class) Alan Hines
MK50 (Known Distance - Male) Allen Reedy



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2020
Event Schedule



February 22 & 23 VBA Indoor Championship
(Wilcox Indoor Range)

March 22 3D Shoot

April 26 3D Shoot

May 31 NC/VA ASA Qualifier (3D)

August 22 & 23 VBA Fall 3D Classic

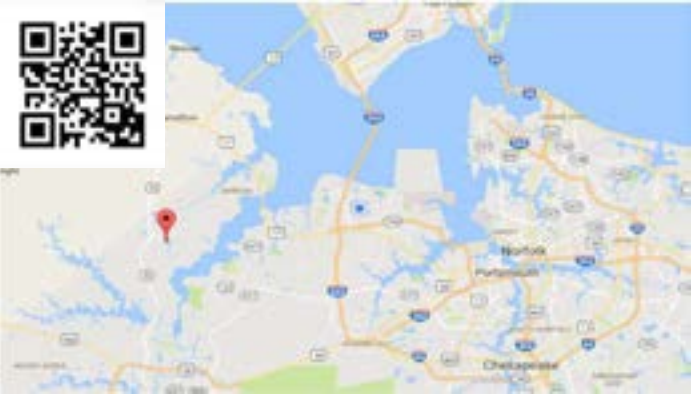
September 27 Hunter for the Hungry Charity 3D Shoot
**All Shooter Fees Donated

3D Shoots: Casual Registration - 8-11am

Contact Ed Bickham: 757-434-3046 or Chris Holloman: 757-542-5150

Range Location:

401 Kings Highway, Suffolk, Va 23432

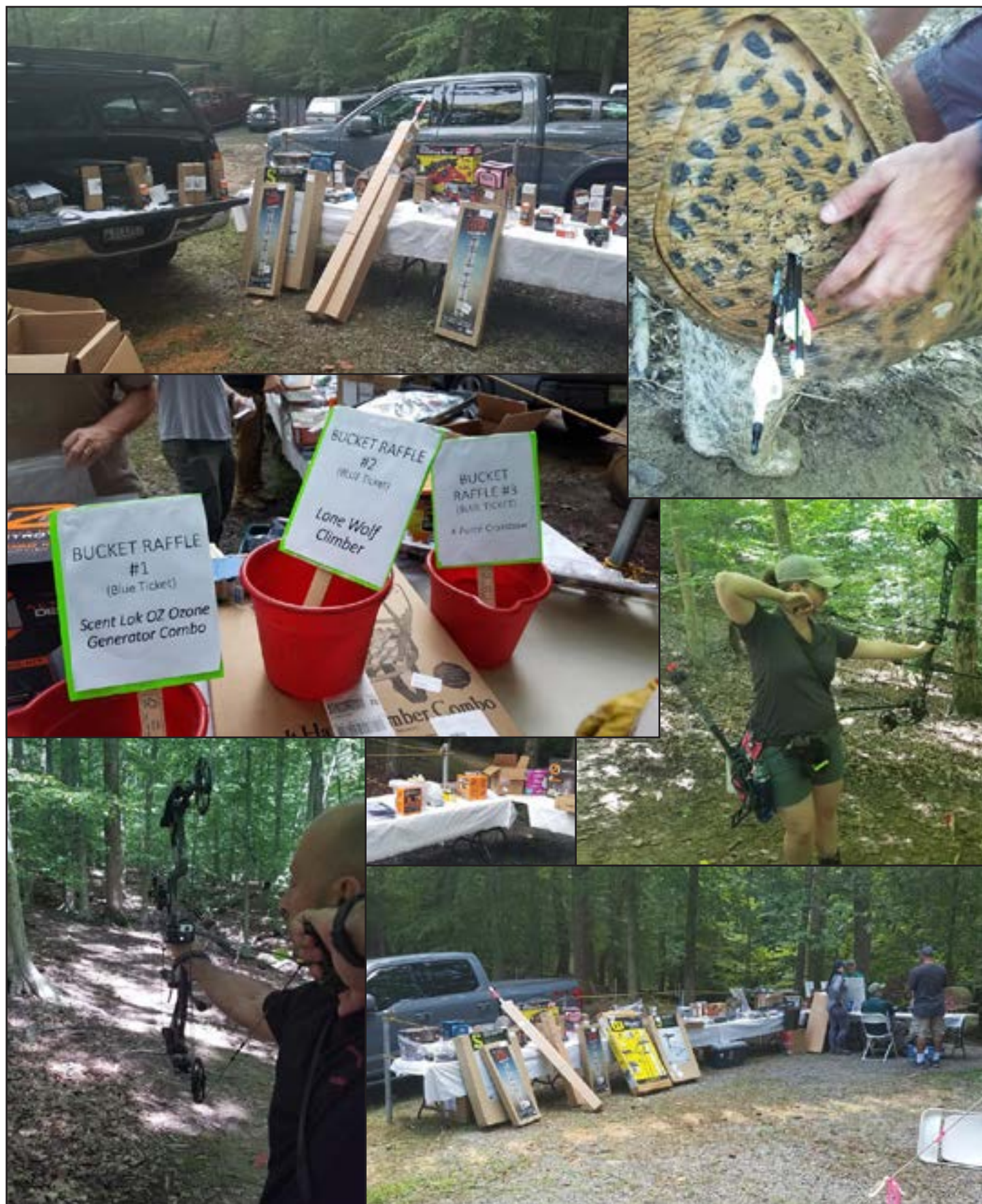


Website: <https://kingsborobowmen.wixsite.com/kbva>

Facebook: KingsboroArchery

The Belvoir Bowhunters

Hunters for the Hungry Benefit Shoot



Better To Be Lucky Than Good

By Dave Burpee

You know the old saying: "It is better to be lucky than good." My recent antelope hunt is proof positive about the accuracy of that saying.

Fellow VBA members Bob Seltzer (Belvoir/NORVA), Dan Van Gundy (Belvoir/NORVA), Bo Slaughter(Dixie) and I (Belvoir/NORVA), along with friend and former VBA member Jack Denbow (Loudoun Bowhunters when that club was with the VBA), left Virginia on August 17 in two vehicles. Two-and-a-half days and about 2,000 miles later we arrived at the Werner Ranch, which is about 40 minutes due north of Douglas, Wyoming. We were joined by John Peeler (former Belvoir/NORVA VBA member) who drove in from Lawton, Oklahoma. Bob set this trip up several years ago to be a bi-annual event on odd years. He has been about a dozen times. This was my fourth trip. The previous three were successful, with one animal qualifying for Pope and Young. However, each year is different and in hunting there are no guarantees.....

This was a five-day hunt so none of us were in a hurry to take an animal. We did not want to target yearlings or barely mature bucks, but the first fully mature buck that came into range was in danger.

We were using longbows and recurves with wooden arrows so the action needed to be up close and personal. To accomplish this, the method of hunting was focused on wooden blinds set near watering holes. Hopefully animals would come to drink and do so within range of traditional archery – which for us tops out at about 25 yards.

Antelope typically are VERY wary when coming to water. Bucks will let does and fawns water while they stand far off and observe. Bucks also slowly feed towards water while continually watching the waterhole for any sign of unusual movement or a predator. This presents challenges to the hunter because, even though the hunter is in a blind, the antelope's eyesight is fantastic and movement within the blind can be spotted, even from a distance.

After a great breakfast, we were taken to our blinds. We had our lunches and reading material as we would not be picked up unless we got an animal or it got dark, whichever came first. I was dropped off at my blind about 7 AM and spent a few minutes getting set up. At the end of that process I sat in my chair, exhaled and looked out the window to my right. There, eight yards away and looking right at me, was a doe. Ten minutes in the blind and busted! I was sure she and her fawns would bolt, but they did not – just turned and walked away from the water feeding naturally.

I felt fortunate ("lucky") they did not dash off and thus did not alert a HUGE antelope that I noticed feeding about 300 yards away. I watched him for almost an hour, but he was not interested in water. I figured, "OK, feed now and water later. I've got time."

I had been watching that buck for some time when I decided to look out a window to my left. And, lucky me, there was another nice buck about 200 yards away just cresting the top of a hill. My luck continued to compound as this buck disobeyed all antelope rules about approaching a water hole. No feeding. No stops to observe. Just a steady walk straight to the water and immediately began to drink – 15 yards from me. I counted my blessings, nocked an arrow that was tipped with a 145-grain Eclipse broadhead, slowly drew back my Great Northern Lil' Creep longbow – and missed! The arrow was centered on the



Dave Burpee

sweet spot but unfortunately too high and over the back by an inch.

Here fate (luck) intervened again. An antelope that is missed low will run like the wind 110% of the time. An antelope missed high will VERY occasionally not run as he mistakes the sound of the feathers passing as a bird or an insect. I'm not sure why mine did not run, but he didn't. He took three quick steps to his left and froze. It also probably helped that my arrow fairly silently buried in mud. He stood there for a few minutes assessing what had just happened and finally decided that everything was OK. He turned, returned to almost his same hoof prints to continue drinking and presented me with another broadside shot. I counted my blessings, quit kicking myself for the miss and this time put an arrow in the right place. My five-day hunt was done in the first hour. Considering the circumstances, it does not get better – or luckier – than that.

The buck was nicer than I thought when viewed from the blind. It scored 5/8" short of Pope and Young and had a nice body. I spent the rest of the week hanging around the ranch, reading, and helping others with their antelope.

After very little activity at his water hole, John shot his "speed goat" on the second evening when a group of seven bucks came running in to chase off a young buck that was already watering. John's buck netted 66" and was also taken with a Great Northern Lil' Creep longbow and a homemade wood arrow topped with a 145-grain Eclipse



John Peeler

broadhead.

Bo also connected on the second day of the hunt. He arrowed his first ever antelope with a 7- yard quartering away shot using a Bear magnesium handle takedown bow and homemade Douglas fir arrow with 160-grain Ace Standard broadhead.

Late on day three, Dan connected on his 69 4/8" Pope and Young animal using a Great Northern Lil' Creep longbow and handmade wooden arrow. His antelope lay down and the following morning was still in the same spot. Dan was able to put a killing shot on the



Bo Slaughter

antelope without having to follow him.

Bob and Jack did not get traffic at their waterholes and so did not take an antelope, proving once again that luck can be both positive and negative.

Naturally all this hunting was enhanced by friendship and stories shared over meals and while relaxing in the evening. Our hosts and owners/operators Connie and JJ Werner are the best as is their guide and helper Mark Woolard, Connie's brother-in-law. We all had a wonderful time and are already looking forward to the 2021 hunt.



Dan Van Gundy



Virginia Bowhunters Association Twenty Fifth ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday, March 28, 2020

Am Vets – Post 7

1340 North Liberty Street, Harrisonburg, Va. 22802

Social Hour: 4:30 p.m. Dinner: 5:30 p.m.

Awards Ceremony: 6:30 p.m.

Menu: Fried Chicken & Pulled Pork BBQ

**Tossed Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Marconi & Cheese, Bake Beans
Rolls, Coffee, Iced Tea, Water & Assorted Desserts**

Tickets are \$25.00 per Adult and Kids **12 and under is FREE**

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**RSVP to Marie Bell, Executive State Secretary, 1223 Jeanette Avenue,
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mariebell77@hotmail.com

The RSVP deadline is March 21, 2020

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Cay McManus - Staunton River

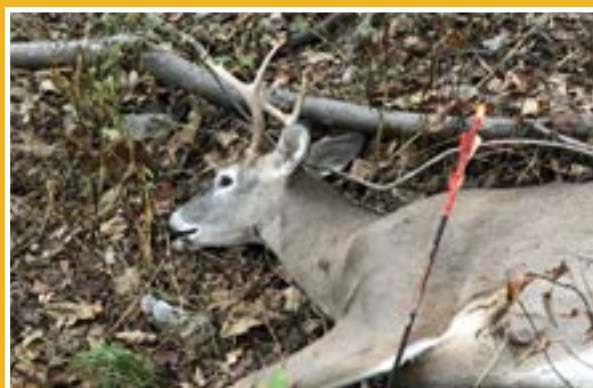


Allen Smith - BOR

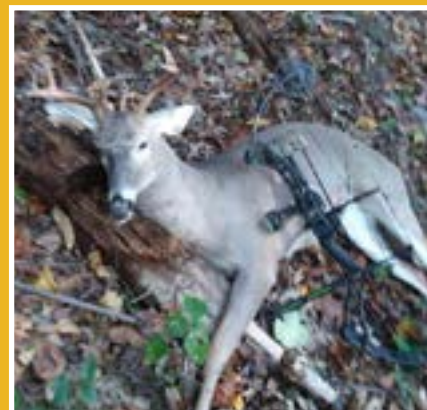


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Frank Emswiler - BOR
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Robert Yager - BOR



Steve Strobe - BOR



Brian Benson - Massanufften





Brandon Houff - BOR



Matt Smith - BOR

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Robert Garber - BOR



Charlie Wright - Two Rivers



Chris Heater - Two Rivers



Conner Heater - Two Rivers



Dalton Jenkins - Massanuffen



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John Boyd, Tree



Greg Liskey - BOR



Jay Sealock - Two Rivers

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Joey Giordano



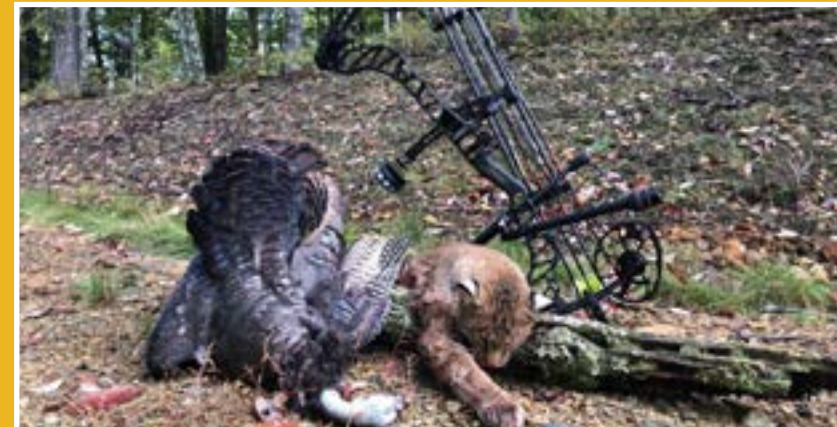
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Stacy Knighten - BOR



John Rice - Buggs Island



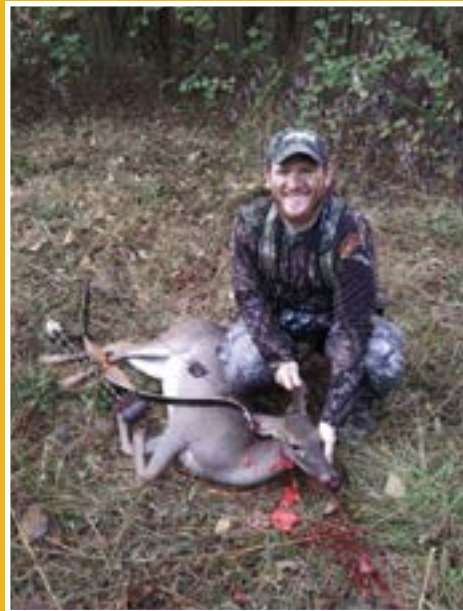
C. J. Taylor - BOR, Bobcat and Turkey the same day



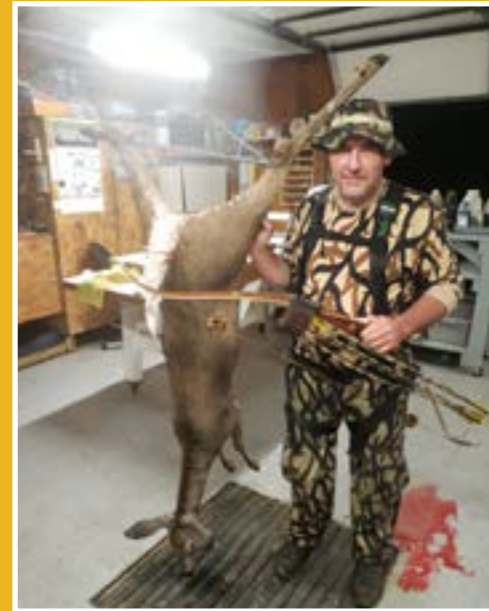
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Lowell Hertzler - BOR



Jeremy Dean - BOR



Kirby Gillespi - BOR



Vance Cave - Two Rivers



Game Management

By Matt Knox, Deer Project Coordinator

2019 Virginia Deer Season Forecast



Bachelor groups of bucks travel together throughout the summer months. In early September when they shed their velvet antlers, these bachelor groups will break-up and the fall rut is on the horizon. Photo by Dr. Leonard Lee Roe, III

2018 Virginia Deer Season Review

During the past deer season 191,947 deer were reported killed by deer hunters in Virginia (Figure 1). This total included 96,442 antlered bucks, 12,543 button bucks, and 82,962 does (43% females). Archery (including crossbows) accounted for 14% of the deer kill; muzzleloaders, 23%; and firearms, 63%. For the first time since crossbows became legal for all deer hunters in fall 2005, the number of deer taken with crossbows exceeded the number taken with traditional bows. Approximately 161,800 deer (85%) were checked using the Department's electronic telephone and online checking through the Go Outdoors Virginia system. The harvest numbers above do not include deer taken on out-of-season deer kill permits, or those deer hit and killed by vehicles. Deer hunters, who would like to know the annual deer kill totals by county dating back to 1947, including the county-specific 2018 totals, can find them on the Department's website at <http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/deer/harvest/>

What's New for Fall 2019

There are many new deer regulation changes for fall 2019 including:

- It is now illegal to use unmanned aerial vehicles, commonly referred to as drones, for the purposes of hunting.
- Archery deer hunting on Coalfields PALS lands in southwest Virginia is now full season either-sex deer hunting.
- The firearms deer season on private lands in western Amherst, Bedford, and western Nelson counties has been extended from two to four weeks in length.
- Full season either-sex deer hunting has been established during both the early and late muzzleloading seasons on private lands in Botetourt, Rockingham (east of Routes 613 and 731) and Wythe counties.
- Earn A Buck (EAB) has been initiated on private lands in Albemarle, Culpeper, Floyd, Franklin, Grayson, Hanover, Henrico, James City, Pulaski, Shenandoah, and York counties and EAB on private lands in Clarke, Frederick, and Warren counties was changed from 1:1 to 2:1.
- The deer bag limit on private lands west of the Blue Ridge Mountains has been increased to two deer per day. Only one deer per day may be taken on National Forest lands, Department-owned lands, and Department-managed lands west of the Blue Ridge Mountains and on National Forest lands in Amherst, Bedford, and Nelson counties east of the Blue Ridge Mountains.
- Only one elk per day may be taken statewide.
- The Antler Point Restriction has been dropped in Rockingham.

and Shenandoah counties to reduce chronic wasting disease (CWD) transmission risks.

- Apprentice license holders are now included in the Youth Antlerless Deer Regulation.
- The Youth and Apprentice Antlerless Deer Regulation is now effective statewide and includes Buchanan, Dickenson, and Wise counties.
- Firearms either-sex deer hunting days have been increased in Augusta (private lands), Campbell (west of Norfolk Southern Railroad), Charles City, New Kent, Page (private lands), Pittsylvania (west of Norfolk Southern Railroad), Powhatan, and Smyth (private lands) counties.
- A firearms either-sex deer hunting day (the last day) has been initiated on National Forest and Department-owned lands in Alleghany, Amherst, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Botetourt, Frederick, Grayson, Highland, Nelson, Page, Roanoke, Rockbridge,

Rockingham, Russell, Shenandoah, Smyth, Tazewell, Warren, and Washington counties.

- A new deer feeding regulation was adopted that will prohibit deer feeding year-round in any county designated by the Department within 25 miles of a confirmed detection of CWD. Deer feeding is now prohibited year-round in Albemarle, Buchanan, Clarke, Culpeper, Dickenson, Fauquier, Frederick, Greene, Loudoun, Louisa, Madison, Orange, Page, Rappahannock, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Warren, and Wise counties (towns and cities within included).
- Lastly, a new regulation prohibits the importation of whole deer carcasses and certain high-risk carcass parts (e.g. head and spinal cord) from anywhere outside of Virginia.

Hemorrhagic Disease (HD)

Good news, it has been fairly quiet with regards to HD across most of

Virginia for two consecutive years, both fall 2017 and fall 2018. This is encouraging news because in 2012, 2014, and 2016 several areas in Virginia were hit hard by HD. Based on past experience, HD has the potential to have a major impact on deer herds in eastern Virginia and the best predictor for HD activity continues to be summer drought. For more information on HD go to <https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlifediseases/hd/>

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)

Bad news on two fronts. First, in the CWD area in and around western Frederick County the number and distribution of CWD positives continues to grow and spread. Clinically sick deer (e.g., starving, staggering, with neurological symptoms) are now being found and reported. To date, three clinical CWD deer have been found. CWD has also been found east of I-81 for the first time, and CWD is beginning to move south and become

established in northern Shenandoah County. Due to the shifting CWD surveillance needs in the state, the Department will only be conducting mandatory sampling of hunter-killed deer from Shenandoah County this fall, and only on the first Saturday of the firearms season (November 16th). Samples will continue to be obtained throughout the four-county disease management area (DMA 1; Clarke, Frederick, Shenandoah, and Warren counties) from processors, taxidermists, road-killed deer, and deer dropped off by hunters at self-serve refrigerator drop points any day of the season.

Second, CWD was discovered for the first time in another area of the state: Culpeper County. Using a pilot statewide taxidermist project, the Department found CWD in a Culpeper County deer killed by a hunter in November 2018. To address this situation, a new CWD disease management area (DMA 2) that includes all of Culpeper, Madison, and Orange counties has been established. This will mean major changes within these three counties. Deer hunters will no longer be allowed to transport whole deer carcasses out of this area, deer feeding will be prohibited year-round, and mandatory testing will be initiated on the first Saturday of the firearms deer season (November 16th). It goes without saying the Department will be relying on deer hunters for help.

Remember to report deer that appear sick with the following symptoms (starving, staggering, with obvious neurological symptoms) to your District Wildlife Biologist. For more information on CWD go to <https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlifediseases/cwd/>

Tidewater Forecast

Deer herds and deer kill numbers are down from a decade ago but are stable to very slightly increasing over the past five years across most of the Tidewater Region. In Tidewater, if HD is not a big player in fall 2019, stable to slightly increasing deer herds are expected. Continued high human population growth rates, crop damage, and deer-vehicle collisions remain important deer management issues in Tidewater.

SOUTHERN PIEDMONT FORECAST

HD hit the southeastern half of the Southern Piedmont like a sledgehammer in fall 2014. Hence, deer populations are down over the last decade but increasing and recovering over the last five years. Although there have been ups and downs, overall the deer kill and deer populations in the Southern Piedmont has been relatively stable for the last three decades.

Just like in Tidewater, HD can play a major role in the Southern Piedmont. As long as there is not another big HD event in this area in fall 2019, deer herds over most of this region should be stable or up slightly.

NORTHERN PIEDMONT FORECAST

This is the one region where the Department continues to maintain long-term very liberal deer seasons. The female deer kill has been fairly high in this region for over a decade. Over most of this area, especially in NOVA, the Department continues to try and reduce the deer population. The good news is that the deer kill over the region has been stable to slightly declining over the last decade. Stable to declining deer herds are desired moving forward. Continued very high human population growth rates and deer-vehicle collisions remain important deer management issues in the Northern Piedmont. HD can also play a role here.

WEST OF THE BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS

Deer management in western Virginia remains the tale of two different deer management situations. Deer herds on private lands over most of western Virginia have been fairly stable over the past two decades (with the exception of Alleghany, Bath, Bland, and Highland counties). With the exception of CWD in the northern Shenandoah Valley, the biggest challenge in deer management in western Virginia over the past 20 plus years has been the decline in the number of public land deer hunters and the decline in the public land deer kill in the mountains. To address the decline

in the western public land deer kill, the number of either-sex deer hunting days on western public lands has been reduced significantly over the past decade to very conservative levels. These changes have been successful in reducing the female deer kill, but the western public land deer management situation has not shown any improvement to date.

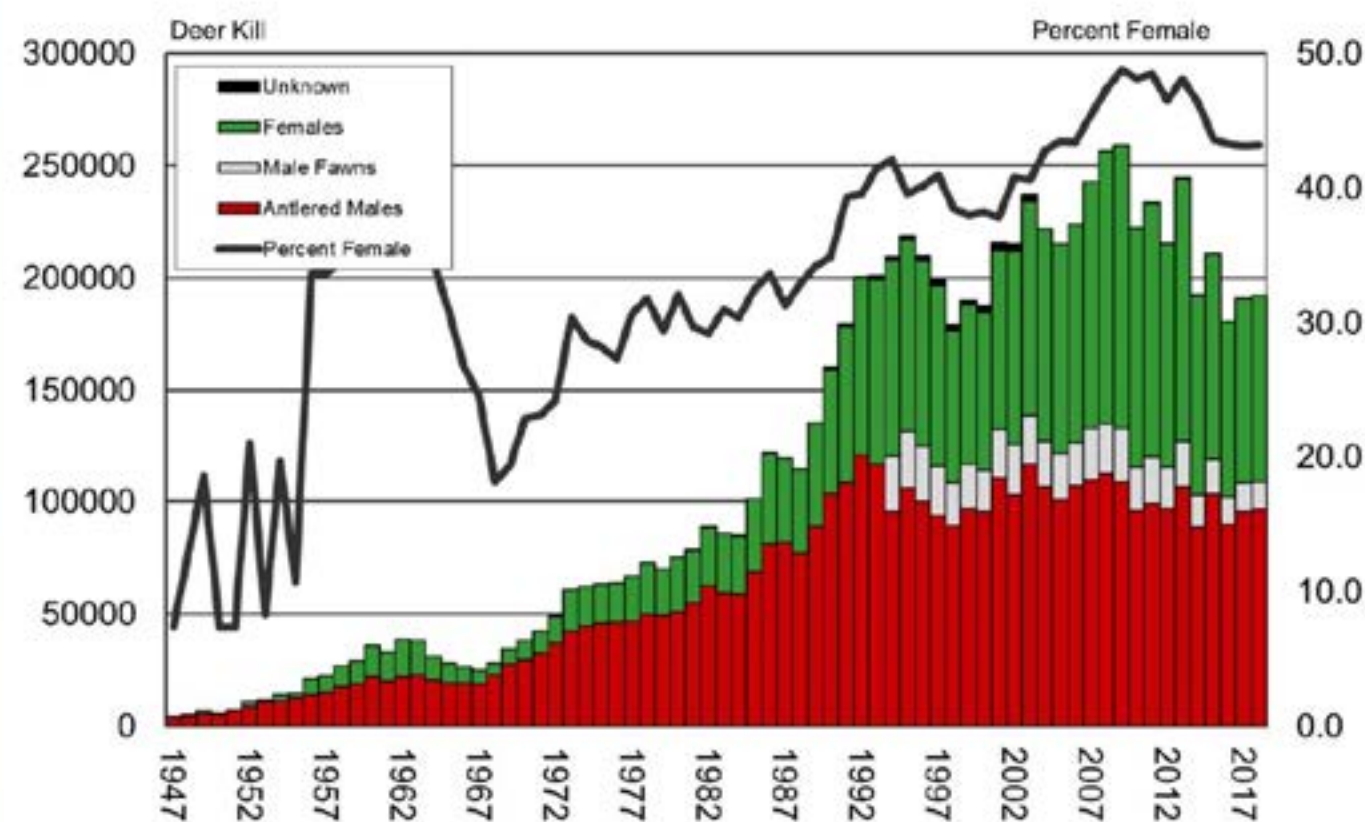
Relative Deer Abundance Map

The best way to compare deer populations in Virginia is based on the antlered buck deer kill per square mile of estimated deer habitat. Figure 2 shows the relative differences among counties in the kill of antlered bucks per square mile of habitat on private land averaged over the past three hunting seasons. The current deer population "status" is indicated by the base color of the county. The deer population management "goal" or "objective" is indicated by the color in the up or down arrow. Counties without an arrow are currently within their desired deer population range. This map indicates both the current relative densities of deer on private lands in counties across Virginia and the Department's current deer population management objective. This is the best map of "where" deer are in Virginia and at "what" deer population level the Department's Deer Management Plan indicates is appropriate for that area.

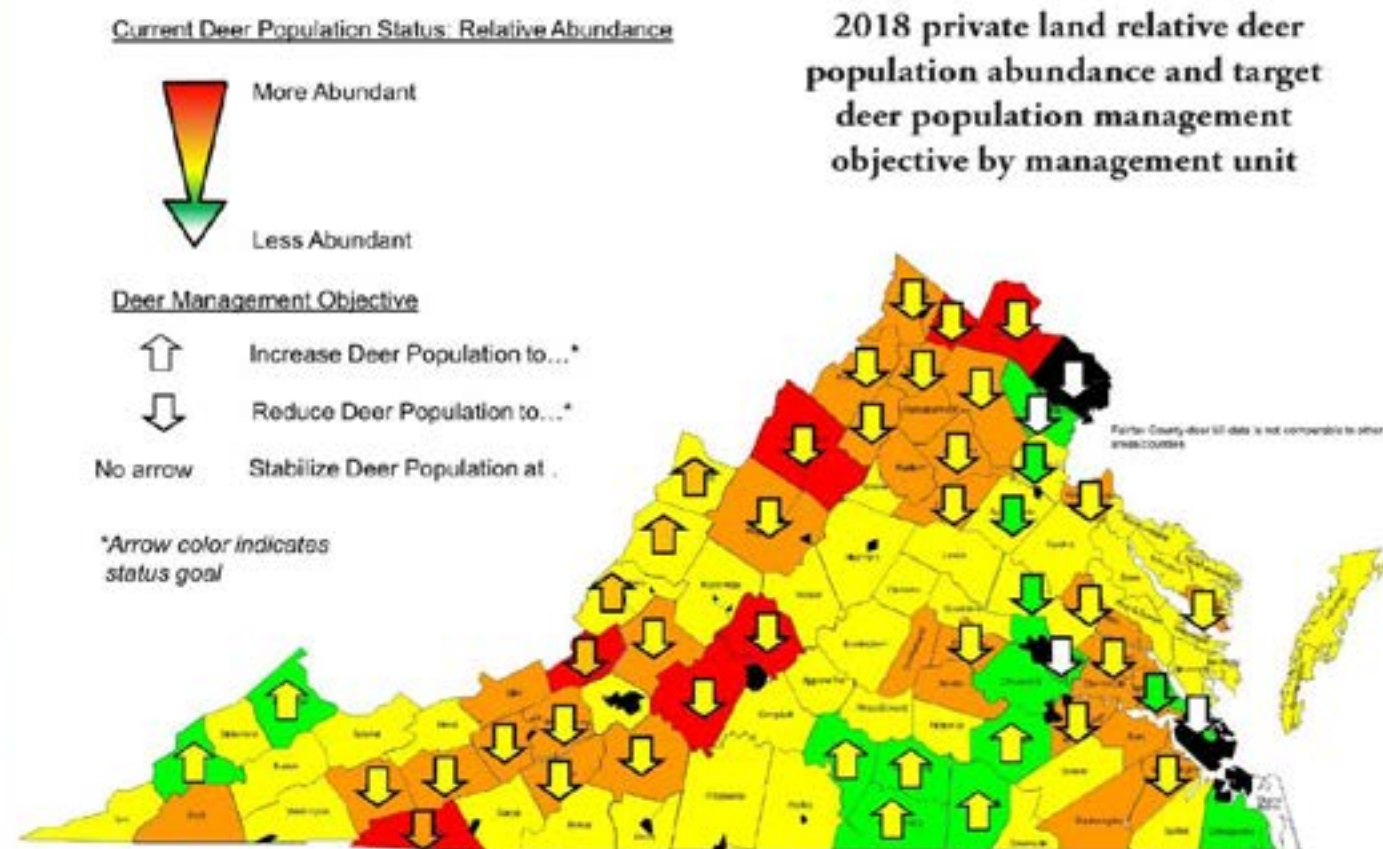
TOP ISSUE: Declining Number of Licensed Deer Hunters

A major limiting factor that cannot be overlooked in deer management in Virginia continues to be the steady decline in the number of licensed deer hunters. From just under 300,000 licensed deer hunters in the early 1990's to an estimated 185,000 in fall 2018, the Department has lost nearly 40% of its licensed deer hunters over the past 25 years; and the rate of this decline appears to be increasing. In the last decade Virginia has lost ~57,900 (24%) and just last fall ~8,600 (4.5%). What used to be a fairly stable ~1.2% annual decline has evolved into an average four percent annual decline over the past five deer seasons.

However, the relationship between



Virginia deer kill 1947 to present



the number of licensed deer hunters and the actual number of deer hunters going afield each fall is problematic because numerous groups of persons are exempt from purchasing a hunting license in Virginia and the number and participation trend of these license exempt hunters is unknown. Anecdotal evidence indicates that the number of license exempt deer hunters has increased significantly over the same time frame that the number of licensed deer hunter numbers has declined.

The decline in licensed deer hunters represents the biggest statewide deer management issue in Virginia. This decline in deer hunter licenses will have a significant negative effect on the Department's finances and at some point in the future may have a negative effect on the Department's ability to manage deer populations through recreational deer hunting over much of the Commonwealth.

Summary

So, what is the forecast for the fall 2019 deer season? A major increase or decrease in the statewide deer kill

total from the past couple of years is not expected. The good news for deer hunters is that over much of Virginia, deer population numbers should be very similar to previous years and probably even up in those areas recovering from recent HD events. However, due to the continuing decline in the number of licensed deer hunters noted above, I expect the statewide deer kill total in fall 2019 will be down.

Lastly, past experience indicates that the ups and downs in annual deer kill totals are in part attributable to food conditions and/or HD outbreaks. In years of poor mast (acorn) crops, the deer kill typically goes up and in years of good mast crops, the deer kill typically goes down.

Persons interested in more information on Virginia's deer management program can find the Department's deer management plan at <http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/deer/management-plan/>

Please support the Virginia Hunters for the Hungry program, do not feed the deer, and, most importantly, be safe.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Matt Knox, a regular contributor to Whitetail Times, is the deer project co-leader with Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. He holds degrees in zoology and wildlife management from the University of Georgia. The Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies named Matt Knox the 2016 Wildlife Biologist of the Year. "Matt has made significant contributions to important regional and national deer management initiatives," SEAFWA President Gordon Myers said. This high honor as Biologist of the Year Awards are presented to two biologist of state wildlife agencies, one each in the categories of wildlife and fisheries, who in the opinion of the SEAFWA Awards Committee have made outstanding contributions towards wildlife/fisheries conservation. In 2019 Matt was recognized again for his dedication and commitment to whitetailed deer management, when he was presented with the Southeast Deer Study Management Career Achievement Award. The VDHA and Whitetail Times is proud to congratulate Matt Knox for these most notable awards for wildlife biologist at the very highest level. Readers can contact Knox via email at Matt.Knox@dgif.virginia.gov with questions and comments.

Prince William Archers Brentsville, VA

VBA Board of Directors

Re: Nomination for the Silver Arrow Award

Prince William Archers would like to nominate Ricky Stark for the Silver Arrow Award. Ricky has been a member of Prince William Archers since 1969. He has been shooting since the age of nine. Over the years, he has participated in numerous club, state and national tournaments. He is known nationwide as a top bare bow shooter. Ricky is always willing to help other archers with their form, equipment and anything else they may need help with. He has been known to loan his competitors equipment so they could finish a round.

As the Range Warden for Prince William Archers, he maintains the range, keeping compliant with the regulations. He gets the range ready for all tournaments and many times does this without help. He makes sure there are targets for all indoor and outdoor shoots. He often puts on demonstrations for the 4-H Clubs of America, the local schools and even the county library to help promote the sport of archery to the kids. He has worked to qualify shooters for the Fairfax County Park Urban Hunting since its inception.

As one of the most valued members of Prince William Archers and a valued community promoter of the sport of Archery, he is deserving of this award.

Thank you

The Members of Prince William Archers.

To: The Board of Directors, Virginia Bowhunters Association
Subject: Nomination of John Hoffman for the Silver Arrow Award



The Northern Virginia Archers take great pleasure in nominating **John Hoffman** for the Silver Arrow Award. John has been a continuous member of NORVA for more than 40 years as well as Belvoir Bowhunters for over 15 years. He joined the VBA on August 30, 1988 and has been a loyal member for over 30 years.

John managed NORVA's 3-D range for about 30 years. In the early years he performed almost all of the work by himself. John set up the most challenging course in the state and frequently changed layout and distances in order to keep the course fresh. During his tenure he moved the course from the front of the property to its current location. He also developed an alternate course through the adjacent field course range which can be used for State shoots with unknown yardage. Overall, John dedicated thousands of hours as the 3-D captain and made the 3-D course the pride of NORVA.

Although John has passed on the 3-D captain role, he stays active in all club affairs, attending almost every work party and membership meeting at NORVA or performing maintenance on his own and prepares food for many work parties.

To honor John's decades of contribution in support of the club, NORVA inducted him into the Order of the Golden Deer, a prestigious award which is only given out every 3 years, and made him the first lifetime NORVA member. John's expertise and knowledge are highly valued by the leadership and his constructive input is always appreciated.

John didn't hold a formal position at Belvoir Bowhunters, but he has donated countless hours to the club, improving the 3-D range by building bridges or cooking at shoots and the annual wild game dinner.

John is an accomplished and competitive archer who attends as many shoots within and outside of the VBA as time allows. He has won multiple VBA State championships both in 3-D and Field archery and holds the Fall 3-D State records in the MHC and MCBH classes.

Since his youth, John has hunted with bow and rifle, lately also with crossbow. Early on he taught himself how to butcher wild game and turned it into an art. In his best days he processed over 200 deer per season - on the side. His wild game dishes and especially his deer jerky are highly sought after. John shares his experience and knowledge with new hunters to maximize their chances of success and to keep them motivated.

John has helped countless new members at NORVA and Belvoir Bowhunters to get started with the sport of archery. He routinely approaches members who are struggling at the practice range with equipment or form to offer his advice or take them out on one of the courses. He takes great pleasure when his instructions show immediate improvements. Over the years he has gotten hundreds of members properly started, many who might of otherwise lost interest.

In summary, NORVA, Belvoir Bowhunters and by extension the VBA would not be where they are today without John's thousands of hours of outstanding support to these organizations. John is most deserving of the honor of the VBA Silver Arrow Award!


Joe Wolfe
President, NORVA


John McKenzie
Vice President, NORVA


Clint Snider
Secretary/Treasurer, NORVA


Ann Jean
NORVA Webmaster


Martha Brubaker
NORVA Member



You Can't Pray a Bullet Back Into a Gun



Hunters must be completely confident of their game animal target and beyond. Treestand hunters should always use a full body safety harness when climbing or hunting from an elevated stand. Photo provided by the VDGIF

I wish this article was mandatory reading for every deer hunter in Virginia each and every year. In fact, this entire article is about wishes.

For the past two decades, when I write my annual deer season forecast and annual letter to the 900-plus Deer Management Assistance Cooperators across Virginia, I always end with something to the effect:

Lastly, and most importantly, one last point that I think should be the number one priority is SAFETY. I am sure you have heard it all before, but hunting safety cannot be overemphasized. No deer that ever walked across the commonwealth is worth someone getting injured or killed over. For

example, if you allow hunting from tree stands, consider having a rule requiring a safety belt. Make all of your hunters hold a valid hunter safety card, regardless of their age. We have an excellent hunter safety staff and program; take advantage of it. Be safe.

Then, after every season, everyone wants to know how many deer were harvested and if the deer kill was a new "record," as though high deer kill numbers and records indicate a successful deer season. It may hurt some feelings, but I really don't care what the deer kill number is—last year, this year, or next year. Every year I have the same wish for what I would consider the "perfect" deer season, and it is based on a number: The number zero. It is a wish that no one will get

hurt or killed while deer hunting in Virginia. Will we ever accomplish it? No, but zero deer hunting-related accidents and fatalities have to be our number one deer hunting goal. Again, no deer that ever walked across the commonwealth is worth someone getting injured or killed over.

Data collected across the United States over the past several decades clearly show that feeling safe is the most important consideration for deer hunters going afield, followed closely by seeing deer sign, seeing deer, the challenge of the hunt, and being close to nature.

This helps me reconcile the fact that I tend to be obsessive about safety. I have



used a climbing tree stand for decades, but I also have always used a safety harness because I believe in gravity. I cannot see gravity, but I believe in it. And if you were to see me walking into or out of the deer woods, I would have on hunter orange—regardless of the season. If it is dark I will have on a head lamp, and I might be singing or whistling a tune. Hunting purists will tell you that I am scaring the deer. But it is not the deer I am concerned about.

I have been lucky. I have never been involved in a hunting accident, but I have a brother-in-law who shot his brother during a deer drive in New York about 20 years ago. The injured man survived, but only by the grace of God, good doctors, and time.

Every year, dozens of Virginia deer hunters are injured in deer hunting accidents. It is the most discouraging part of my job, because absolutely none of it has to happen.

Four years ago, the very worst happened: A non-hunter was shot and killed by a deer hunter. On November 17, 2009, in Franklin County, while walking with two other students work-

ing in the field on a biology class project, Ferrum College senior Jessica “Jess” Goode was shot and killed by a deer hunter who thought he was shooting at a deer. The bullet that killed Jess Goode also hit one of her fellow students, Regis Boudinot, in the arm and hand.

I had lived in fear of this type of accident for nearly twenty years, and it literally made me physically ill the afternoon it happened. It still evokes a very strong emotion in me to this day. I do not think it will ever go away. Why? On a daily basis I am asked to represent Virginia’s deer hunters. As a deer hunter, I readily acknowledge that we all accept some level of risk when we go afield. Hopefully, that risk is miniscule. Some of us do everything we can to minimize it. Climbing 10 to 20 feet in the air and hanging off the side of a tree, sitting with a loaded gun, has safety implications. Jess Goode and the public do not accept—and should not have to accept—a risk related to deer hunting. In my opinion, it was the “worst case” deer hunting accident and fatality scenario.

I have never met the shooter and will never have the chance to meet Jess Goode, but I have spent a lot of time thinking about Jess and her family, about the shooter and his family, and about what he did. Of

Young hunters learn by example; be a role model. Teach our youth about hunter safety and how blaze orange will save lives. Photo provided by VDGIF



Fatal hunting accidents are never forgotten by all those connected. This picture is the last known photo of Jessica “Jess” Goode taken the day before she was tragically killed in a deer hunting accident. Photo provided by the Goode Family

course, my first reaction like most deer hunters was shock and anger. Since that time, I have come to realize that he made a mistake. He made a very, very poor decision - a decision that he will have to live with. I do not need to talk to him. I have seen him on the news and realize that this hunting accident has changed his life and his family’s life forever, and not for the better. Today, I would not wish his situation upon my worst enemy.

So how do you avoid a deer hunting accident? Actually, I think it is very simple. First, follow the NRA’s gun safety rules:

- Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction. This is the primary rule of gun safety. A safe direction means that the gun is pointed so that even if it were to go off it would not cause injury or damage. The key to this rule is to control where the muzzle or front end of the barrel is pointed at all times. Common sense dictates the safest direction, depending on each circumstance.
- Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

- Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.
- Know your target and what is beyond. Be absolutely sure you have identified your target beyond any doubt. Equally important, be aware of the area beyond your target. This means observing your prospective area of fire before you shoot.
- Never fire in a direction in which there are people or any other potential for mishap. Think first. Shoot second.

Second, do not be a game violator or associate with game violators. I have never seen the study, but I am one hundred percent convinced that the odds of being involved in a serious deer hunting accident increase exponentially in cases where the deer hunters are violating game laws (e.g., hunting out of season, trespassing, hunting over bait, hunting without a license).

Why? These persons have already consciously decided to violate game laws, why should they follow basic gun safety rules? To break the game laws and then follow

the NRA’s gun safety rules is illogical. On the day Jess Goode was killed, for example, the shooter was trespassing, carrying a concealed weapon without a permit, and hunting without a license. As I wrote this article, one of our conservation police officers in the next office was writing a hunting accident report about a deer hunter who shot his hunting companion while standing in an illegal bait pile. Hunting with, or around, game violators can get you killed.

The deer hunter who shot Jess Goode was convicted of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced to eight years in jail, with seven years suspended. He will be on probation for three years after he is released. As part of the plea agreement, the Goode family requested that he speak at Department hunter safety courses for five years after his release.

The bottom line is simple. When you go deer hunting and pull the trigger on a gun, you have made a decision that you are going to live with for the rest of your life. If you have followed a few, very simple safety rules, you will never have to give this decision a second thought. However, if you violate these safety rules, you may go to prison, and, I guess you will spend a good part of the rest of your life lying awake at night, wishing you could pray that bullet back into the gun.

The bad news is that you cannot pray a bullet back into a gun. Like many deer hunters, including the person who shot and killed Jess Goode, I have tried and failed. Please, be safe.

EDITOR’S NOTE: Matt Knox, a regular contributor to Whitetail Times, is the deer project coordinator for the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Knox did his graduate study at the University of Georgia and is an avid deer hunter. His column this month is a reprint from Virginia Wildlife, November 2012. Whitetail Times does not make a practice of reprinting articles; however, this story needed to be read by all of our readers. The author welcomes questions and comments from our readers via e-mail at Matt.Knox@dgif.virginia.gov.

This Article was previously published in Whitetail Times.



VBA State Indoor Sectional Championship

Hosted by

The Belvoir Bowhunters

"Excellence in Archery & Bowhunting"



To enter Fort Belvoir, all **non-DoD** affiliated passengers of every vehicle must undergo a personal background check using the person's social security number. Allow up to one hour (usually faster) for this process. All must have a state/federal issued picture ID. **NEW DIRECTIONS:** Enter Fort Belvoir using Lieber Gate off US Route 1 (Richmond Hwy). (This is NE of the old entry point at Tulley Gate & on the opposite side of Route 1.) Proceed to the gate & process thru base security. After through the gate, turn left on Gunston Rd. Continue past the gas station & turn right at the next light onto 16th Street. Turn left on Theote Road. Proceed approx. ¼ mile to where the road splits; stay to the right. Turn right on Warren Road. Proceed about ½ mile & turn right at the bottom of the hill. The archery range is in the white building (Bldg 778) on the right.

Fort Belvoir Outdoor Recreation
Indoor Archery Range
10155 Johnston Rd, Bldg. 778
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060
FEB 22-23, 2020

To register and MAIL-IN payment, mail to Kevin Brown at 6041 Bonnie Bern Court, Burke VA 22015. Call (571) 241-4457 or email navigator79@verizon.net Mail-ins must be received by 19 Feb 2020; make check to Belvoir Bowhunters. To register VIA CREDIT CARD, contact Larry Readal at LREADAL@GMAIL.COM or 757.469.8700

In-person Registration:
FRI 6 - 8 PM, 21 FEB
SAT 7 - 11 AM, 22 FEB

| ROUNDS | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
| Opening Ceremony: 8 AM | 1 st Round: 8 AM |
| 1 st Round: 9 AM | 2 nd Round: 11 AM |
| 2 nd Round: 12 PM | 3 rd Round: 2 PM |
| 3 rd Round: 3 PM | |

VBA membership required to receive awards
Fees: \$20.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for youth (under 18); \$50.00 maximum per family
Fill out completely – please print clearly and only form per person

STATE INDOOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGISTRATION

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

VBA # _____ HOME CLUB _____

EMAIL _____

Circle those that apply:

Division: Peewee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Silver Senior Master Senior

Gender: M F Style: BB BBR BH BHFS/R BHFS/F FS/R FS/F TRAD Don't Know

Round Preference: SAT: 1ST 2ND 3RD SUN: 1ST 2ND 3RD (3rd Round As Needed)

Guest are non VBA Members or without a VBA Card. Cubs and Pee Wees Shoot at 10 Yards – Indoors Only, Events are Shotgun Starts



2020 VBA State Indoor Sectional CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Bowhunters of Rockingham

February 22 & 23, 2020



Registration: Friday 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. for 1st & 2nd round
Until noon for 3rd round

PreRegistration: (Recommended)
By mail: Must be received by 2/19/2020
To: Lowell Hertzler
2895 Cedar Hill Drive
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

| Shooting schedule: | | Saturday | Sunday |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|--------|
| 1 st round | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon | 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | |
| 2 nd round | 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m. | 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | |
| 3 rd round | 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. | 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | |
| Shoot one or both days (1 or 2 rounds and take your best score) (Two rounds may be shot the same day space permitting) | | | |

Shooting fee: \$20 per archer for the first two family members, \$5:00 ea. for each additional youth (under 18) or younger archers, with a maximum of \$50 per family. Make checks payable to Bowhunters of Rockingham. (VBA Membership required to receive awards. Non Members are WELCOME to shoot as guests).

Lodging: Closest motels are near I-81, Exit 247, US Rt. 33, in Harrisonburg

Directions to BOR Range: From I-81, Exit 247, take US Rt. 33 east
Rt. 33 east 3.7 miles to light at Indian Trail Road (Rt. 620)
Left on Indian Trail Road 1.3 miles to Longbow Road (Rt. 684)
Right on Longbow Road .8 miles to BOR (Follow signs to BOR)

Fill out form completely – Please print clearly – Only one person per form

VBA State Sectional Championship Registration

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

VBA #: _____ Home Club: _____

Circle selections that apply:

Division: PeeWee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior SilverSenior MasterSenior Guest

Shooting Style: FS FS/F BHFS BHFS/F BH BB Trad BBR

Gender: M F Round Preference: 1st 2nd 3rd

For information call Lowell Hertzler 540-271-1811 or e-mail BLHertzler@Verizon.net



2019 VBA State
Indoor Championship
Hosted by Kingsboro Bowmen



February 22 & 23, 2020

Registration

Online: <https://kingsborobowmen.wixsite.com/kbva>
Saturday: 8:00am – 11am

| | Saturday | Sunday |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Shooting Schedule | 1 st Round: 9am-12pm 2 nd Round: 12pm-3pm | 1 st Round: 9am-12pm 2 nd Round: 12pm-3pm |

Shoot one or both days (1 or 2 rounds and take best score).
Two Round may be shot the same day, space permitting
3rd Round may be added if needed

Shooter Fee: \$20 per archer for first two family members, \$5.00 each for each additional youth (under 18) , with maximum of \$50 per family.

Lodging: Numerous lodging facilities are near Mercury Blvd and I-64 in Hampton

Tournament Location Wilcox Bait and Tackle
9501 Jefferson Ave, Newport News VA 23605

For More Information Tricia Holloman – 757-542-5150
Chris Holloman – 757-542-5150; kbava1979@gmail.com
Call/Email

| PRE-REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) Email to: kbava1979@gmail.com | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|--|
| NAME: | | Mail to Ed Bickham | | | | | | | |
| ADDRESS: | | 6353 Godwin Blvd | | | | | | | |
| CITY-ZIP: | | Suffolk, VA 23432 | | | | | | | |
| VBA# | CLUB: | Phone#: | | Email: | | | | | |
| One form per archer, Circle as applies: Birthday for YA, Youth, Cub, Peewee: | | | | | | | | | |
| (Age Range) Division: | (70+) Master Senior | (60-69) Silver Senior | (50-59) Senior | (18+) Adult | (15-17) Young Adult | (12-14) Youth | (8-11) Cub | (7&Under) PeeWee | |
| Sex: | Male | Female | Birthday: | | | | | | |
| Style: | F/S R | FS/F | BH | BHFS/R | BHFS/F | BB | TRAD | Guest | |
| Rounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Saturday: | 1 - (9am) | | 2 - (12pm) | | | | | | |
| Sunday: | 2 - (9am) | | 3 - (12pm) | | | | | | |

Website: <https://kingsborobowmen.wixsite.com/kbva> Facebook: Kingsboro Archery

2020 VBA STATE INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Sherwood Archers
February 22 & 23

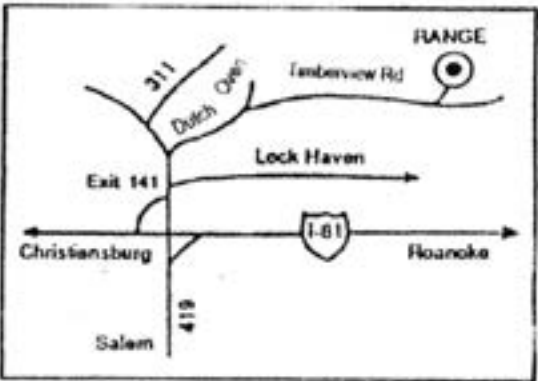
www.sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com
email: swarcher11@gmail.com



- New Time Schedule!**
- >>> Shotgun start 9:00am or 1:00pm both days.
 - >>> Must register no later than 30 minutes prior to start time.
(No Friday night registration)
 - >>> Must be a VBA member for awards. Please bring your VBA card.
 - >>> Shoot one or both days (1 or 2 rounds) and take your best score.
 - >>> Shooting fee is \$20 per adult, \$5 for 1st 2 youth, maximum \$50 per family.

Snacks and Lunch available:

Places to Stay
La Quinta Inn (3 miles) 540-562-2717 Exit 141
Bay Mount Inn (3 miles) 540-795-2114 Exit 141
Holiday Inn Express (3 miles) 540-562-3229 Exit 141



Mail in Pre-registration; Make checks payable to:

Sherwood Archers
c/o Auvray Shumate, Treasurer
1558 Innsbrooke Dr.
Salem, VA 24153 Phone: 540-389-3369 or 540-520-2135
Robbie Whittaker Trn. Chrm.: 540-597-8151
Club: 540-366-3701

Registration for VBA State Indoor Championship
Please print clearly

Name _____ VBA # _____

Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____

Your Home Club _____

Circle those that apply

Division: PeeWee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Silver Sr. Master Sr. Guest

Gender: Male Female Style: FS/R FS/F BHFS/R BHFS/F BH BB BBR TRAD

Round Preference: Sat.: 9:00am 1:00pm Sun: 9:00am 1:00pm Paid: _____



2020 VBA SPRING 3D CLASSIC
(Marked Distance)

Hosted by Bowhunters of Rockingham
April 4 & 5, 2020



Registration:
Friday 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday
7:00 - 8:00 a.m. for Morning round
Until 12:00 noon for Afternoon round

PreRegistration: (Recommended)
By mail: Must be received by 4/1/2020
To: Lowell Hertzler
2895 Cedar Hill Drive
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Shooting schedule: **Saturday and Sunday**
Shotgun start: 1st round 9:00 a.m.
2nd round 1:00 p.m.

Shoot one or both days (1 or 2 rounds and take your best score)
(Two rounds may be shot the same day space permitting)
Twenty five targets each round, marked distance, IBO rules and classes.

Shooting fee: \$20 per archer for the first two family members, with a maximum of \$40 per family.
Make checks payable to Bowhunters of Rockingham.

Lodging: Closest motels are near I-81, Exit 247, US Rt. 33, in Harrisonburg

Directions to BOR Range: From I-81, Exit 247, take US Rt. 33 east
Rt. 33 east 3.7 miles to light at Indian Trail Road (Rt. 620)
Left on Indian Trail Road 1.3 miles to Longbow Road (Rt. 684)
Right on Longbow Road .8 miles to BOR (Follow signs to BOR)

Primitive camping available at the Bowhunters of Rockingham – Party with us!

Fill out form completely – Please print clearly – Only one person per form

VBA State Sectional Championship Registration

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

VBA #: _____ Home Club: _____

Circle selections that apply:

Age <8 9-12 13-14 15-17 18+ 50+ 60+ 70+

Class (List your IBO Class or describe your equipment if you do not know) _____

Gender: M F **Round Preference:** Sat a.m. Sat p.m. Sun a.m. Sun p.m.

For information call Lowell Hertzler - 540-271-1811 or e-mail - BLHertzler@Verizon.net

2020 VBA STATE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Sherwood Archers

www.sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com



May 16th & 17th
Registration Times: Sat. 7-8am Shotgun start 9:00

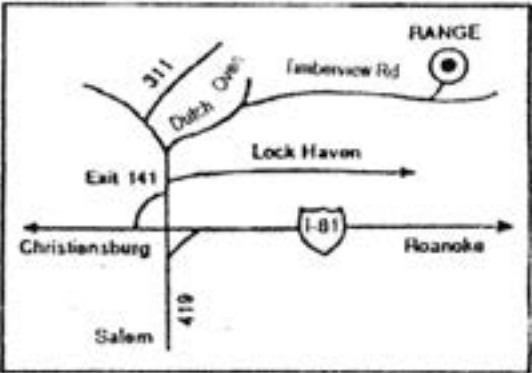
Registration Fees: \$20.00 per adult, \$5 each for 1st two youth with a \$50 maximum per family.

28 Field targets 1st Day and 1/2 Hunter-1/2 Animal 2nd Day
MUST Shoot both days for awards.

Breakfast and Lunch served daily. Dinner Sat. evening TBA

Places to Stay

La Quinta Inn (3 miles) 540-562-2717 Exit 141
Baymont Inn (3miles) 540-795-2114 Exit 141
Holiday Inn Express (3 miles) 54-562-3229 Exit 141
Primitive Camping at Sherwood w/bathrooms



Make checks to:

Sherwood Archers

c/o Auvray Shumate, Treasurer

1558 Innbrooke Dr.

Salem, VA 24153 540-389-3369

Rob Whittaker Trn. Chrm.: 540-597-8151

Club: 540-366-3701

Registration for VBA State Championship

Please print clearly

Name _____ VBA # _____

Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____

Home Club _____ Average Score _____

Circle those that apply:

Division: PeeWee Cub Youth Young Adult Adult Senior Silver Sr. Master Sr.

Gender: M F **Style:** FS/R FS/F BHFS/R BHFS/F BH BB BBR TRAD

Class: AA A B C

Sherwood Archers

Invites you to join us for our

Annual Dogwood Tournament

May 02 & 03, 2020

Come get your 2 scores needed for an average.

Casual Registration: 8:00 to Noon both days

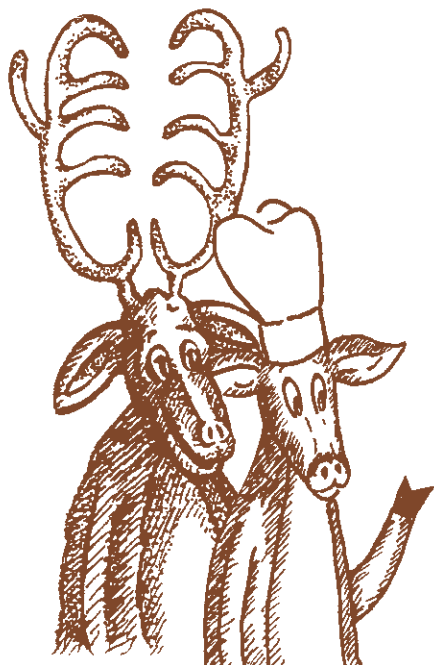
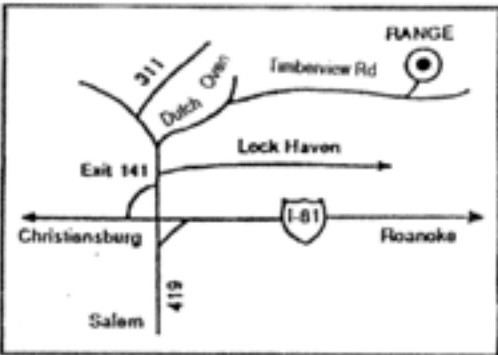
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\$10.00 Single and \$25.00 Family (3 or more). \$5 & \$15 for second round.

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Call Robbie @ 540-597-8151 for more information.
Club number: 540-366-3701 sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com
swarcher11@gmail.com



Wally and Winnie's Venison Roast

Ingredients

- 1 venison roast (3 to 4 pounds)
- 10 whole garlic cloves, peeled
- 2 teaspoons dried rosemary, crushed
- 1-1/2 teaspoons onion powder, divided
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 7 medium carrots, quartered
- 5 small onions, quartered
- 1 tablespoon beef bouillon granules
- 1 teaspoon browning sauce, optional
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 3 tablespoons cold water

Directions

- Cut 10 deep slits in roast; place a garlic clove in each slit. Combine the rosemary, 1 teaspoon onion powder, garlic powder and thyme; rub over entire roast. Cover; refrigerate for 2 hours.
- Add 1/2 in. water to a roasting pan. Place the roast, carrots and onions in pan. Cover and bake at 325° for 2-1/2 to 3 hours or meat is tender. Remove meat and vegetables to a serving platter; keep warm.
- Strain drippings into a measuring cup. In a large saucepan, combine

3 cups drippings, bouillon, browning sauce and remaining onion powder. Combine cornstarch and cold water until smooth; stir into drippings. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Serve with roast.

Sherwood Archers

Will be hosting a Huge Event to Benefit

Ronald Mc Donald House of Roanoke

In the Spring

Lots of different events including 3D, Outdoor and Indoor.

Raffles, Door Prizes and Awards and more.

Proceeds will be going to support the Ronald McDonald House of Roanoke.

They provide a free place for families of very sick children to stay while the child is being treated in the hospital. They are financed only by donations.

We don't have all the details yet, so watch for info and fliers in your emails and club news.

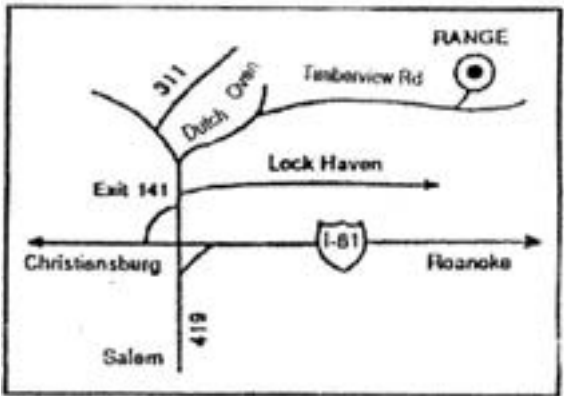
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STATE CLOSED 2020 @ TRAC

LaborDay Weekend

Buffet Breakfast on Saturday
& Sunday morning. Food will be served
during the competition.

LOTS OF EVENTS ON SATURDAY

- A Special Dinner will be served on
Saturday late afternoon.
- Novelty and/or Coon Shoot
Saturday after Tournament.

CONTACT FOR MORE INFO:

Rob Pecora 540.364.3936
Maxie & Joyce Cameron 540.635.8128
or email
rmpecora@gmail.com

Raffle prizes will be drawn on Sunday
following awards ceremony.

MOTELS

Hampton Inn 540.635.1882
Cool Harbor 540.635.2191
Shenandoah Motel 540.635.3181
Quality Inn 540.635.3161

Primitive Camping at Range



REGISTRATION FORM

VBA Membership required to receive awards. Must shoot both days.
Fees: \$20 per person/\$50 max per family
Fill out this form completely. Please print clearly. Only one person per form.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

VBA#: _____ Home Club: _____ Average: _____

Division: PEEWEE - CUB - YOUTH - YOUNG ADULT - ADULT - SENIOR - SILVER SENIOR - MASTER SENIOR - GUEST Gender: M F

Style: FS FS/F BHFS BH BB BBR TRAD Class: AA A B C

Must have 2 previous scores, otherwise, shoot AA. 2-4 scores = best score. 5 or 6 scores = avg of best 2

7 or more = avg of 3 highest of last 7

For Preregistration : Joyce Cameron, 3313 Harmony Hollow Rd., Front Royal, VA 22630

2020 VBA Calendar of Events

VBA Meetings

January 18 & 19 Quarterly Meeting
March 28 VBA Awards Banquet
March 29 Quarterly Meeting
June 6 & 7 Quarterly Meeting
September 19 Scheduling Meeting
September 20 Quarterly Meeting

VBA State Championship Shoots

February 22 & 23 VBA Indoors
April 4 & 5 VBA Spring 3D Classic (Marked)
May 16 & 17 VBA State Open
August 22 & 23 VBA Fall 3D Classic (Unmarked)
September 5 & 6 VBA Closed



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vbarchers.com



Conservation Scholarship

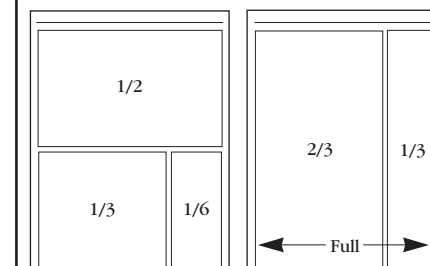
Just a reminder that the VBA has a \$500.00 Conservation Scholarship Available each year [providing funds are available]. Written request for the scholarship must be submitted to the VBA President by March 1st for approval by the directors. VBA members and their immediate family members are eligible. Scholarship can be used at any institute of higher learning for Forestry or Wildlife Conservation/Law Enforcement.

— *flight* —

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1/2 page • 7 1/2" x 5" • \$60
2/3 page • 5" x 10" • \$70
Full page • 7 1/2" x 10" • \$100

(Price is based on
camera-ready art.)



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If you have had a change of address and are not receiving your *Flight* newsletter, please fill in the following information and send to

Marie Bell, Executive State Secretary
1223 Jeanette Ave
Vinton, VA 24179



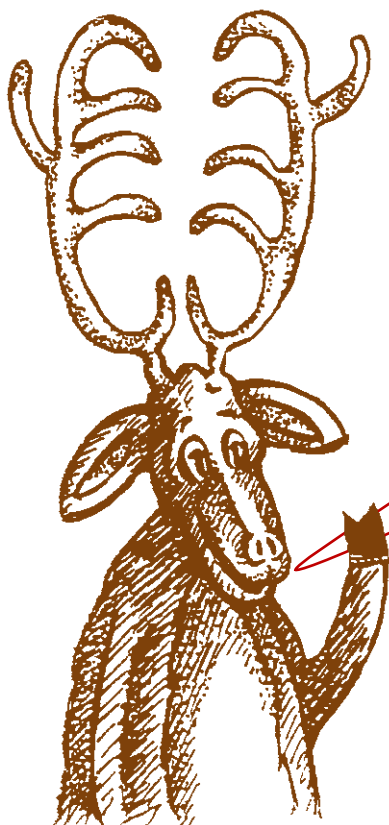
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falling from the
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ORDER OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER

NOMINATIONS DUE IN MARCH

The VBA Order of the Golden Feather was created to honor those persons who have given unselfishly of their time and talents toward the betterment of archery and archers. Recipients are persons who possess the virtues of sportsmanship, character, morals, integrity and friendship. As a reflection of the substance for membership, only 86 people have been elected to the Order in the past 78 years.

To be qualified, a candidate must be member in good standing of the VBA at the time of nomination, must have a minimum of ten successive years' membership in the VBA and must be sponsored by three VBA members of good standing or by a VBA Club.

This article is a reminder that candidates must be submitted to the Board of Directors at the March meeting for this year. Nominations must be in writing and be signed by sponsoring individuals or a Club officer. Successful nominees have always performed duties or had an impact outside their immediate club.

Details can be found in Article 16 of the VBA By-Laws.