



# Sylvan Archers Newsletter for November!

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Next board meeting is December 1 at Cabela's Conference Center in Tualatin 7 PM

## President's News.....Kim Bishop

Summer is over, Hunting season is coming to an end and the holidays are upon us. We are still looking for a publicity person, so in the mean time I am going to revive the newsletter when I can. Back in June we had elections of new officers. Our By-laws say that we have to do elections in June for July 1 take over. We had enough members for a vote and you can see your elected board members on our club website. I am proud to be representing the club as your new President.

We have a lot going on and some great plans for the upcoming year. My goal is to work with each of the 3 archery shops and Cabela's, to help cross promote the sport of target archery and hunting in our community, with our club. We have some great instructors who do lessons for the club members and the community. We also have a great broad head league and a nice 3D course for those who want to sharpen their hunting skills. We have beautiful grounds that are kept up and maintained by Jack Rutz and Karl Okita and their team of volunteers. So make sure to thank them for their hard work next time you see them!

We are always looking for news fodder, tips and tricks, hunting stories, tournament stories etc., that we can put in the newsletter. So feel free to send me any ideas you have.

We hope to see you all at our meetings. Cabela's has a nice facility and it would be nice to have more input from members. If you can not make it, send me your concerns and I will take it to the board. We will be voting on our budgets next meeting and planning upcoming shoots and open houses and tournaments. We hope to see you there and we wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Bishop, Club President

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Check the website for membership information and events updates.

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for contributions to the newsletter

## It's all about Targets!.....

### **Oregon Barebow Challenge, Jan. 21-22, 2017, and a FITA indoors for the future**

Sylvan Archers is the host club and Archers Afield is the host venue (thank you, Archers Afield!) for the third year of the Oregon Barebow Challenge, the only USA Archery sanctioned barebow-only event in the country. Go to [sylvanarchers.org](http://sylvanarchers.org) for more info. This year for the first time, it will be a two-day tournament. If interest continues to be high (last year we sold out the 40 available spots and drew archers from as far away as Las Vegas), we'll explore possibly moving to a larger venue and possibly running the barebow tournament in conjunction with a FITA indoors state championship for all three USA Archery bow classes, perhaps with one day at 18 meters and one day at 25 meters. As far as I know, a FITA indoors state championship would be a first for Oregon. (How nice would it be for Sylvan members to have a state championship in the Portland area?) If this sounds interesting to you, talk to me (Laurie Robinson) -- we'd need a large crew of volunteers to make the larger venue work in 2018 and it's not too early to start planning now.

### **NFAA field sectionals and state field 2017 at Cascadian Bowmen (west of Eugene)**

2017 is Oregon's turn to host NFAA field sectionals. As is becoming more and more common, the hosting state is choosing to hold sectionals concurrently with state field. Our NFAA rep and OBH president, John Wainwright, has requested that we do this as well. Traditionally, Cascadian and Sylvan Archers have alternated in hosting state field, and 2017 is Sylvan's turn, but with the added load of sectionals, we at Sylvan are concerned that we don't have enough parking and camping to host the larger numbers of a combined tournament. Cascadian has graciously agreed to host both for 2017, and the dates they mentioned to me are June 25-26. If you have never shot the course there, it is a beauty, and beautifully maintained -- one of the best in the country.

### **USA Archery Field Nationals at Darrington, Wash., June 2-4, 2017**

Speaking of beautiful courses, USAA field nationals returns to the Northwest for the first time in many years, this time at Darrington. This is a rare and great opportunity to shoot the FITA field format (which follows World Archery rules) while mingling with many of the top archers in the country in a relatively small tournament (probably about 80 to 100 archers). Bow styles are Olympic-style recurve, barebow recurve, and compound, and this year each bow style was roughly equally represented in number of participants. In the spring, I will be offering a clinic at Sylvan in how to shoot a FITA field event, including tips on estimating distances. (The first day of the tournament is unmarked distances, which is easier than you think when you know the tricks.) FITA field is a great format, and the tournament days are not as grueling (for kids and everyone else) as our NFAA state field is. You shoot three arrows at 24 targets each day of the two days; adult distances are 5 to 50 meters for barebow, and 10 to 60 meters for compound and Olympic style recurve.

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Field Tournament Director for Sylvan

## Just for youth.....

Just a reminder that the JOAD/Adult Achievement program has gone indoors.

The program is held at [Archers Afield](#) every Sunday from 3-5 PM.

For more information visit their website or contact Brandon for more details.

For more information on our youth programs, community lessons, private lessons, getting certified as an instructor or to volunteer to help out, contact one of our instructor/Board members.

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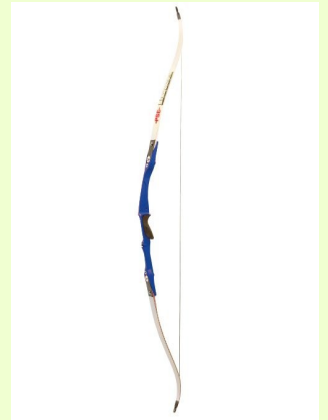
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Make sure to check out our Archery Partners for leagues, classes, Cosmic archery, discounts and more! We will be featuring some of the cool things they are doing in future newsletters. Each store/shop is doing unique things for their customers and it is always changing so make sure to check out their website and calendars for what it going on.



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