



Sylvan Archers Newsletter for January

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Next board meeting is February 2nd at Cabela's Conference Center in Tualatin

President's News.....Kim Bishop

Brrrrr..... It's cold outside! Happy New Year and I hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday!

We have a lot of good things happening with the club this year! First off I would like to welcome Dan Copeland to our board as the new publicity director! You will see a new look and feel to the newsletter and he will be working to keep up our Social Media as well, so members have several different ways to get information about what is going on at the club with regards to events, work parties etc.

Dan is married and has 3 children, Pro staff shooter for **High Country Archery** and 40 years of archery experience. Marketing and sales is his background.

So welcome aboard we are glad to have you.

The board has been busy getting all of the shoot dates together for the season. We have some Target and Field shoots we will be doing as well as some 3D shoots as well. We will be putting together our shoot brochure so stay tuned!

Our next big event is the Sportsman's show in February. It is our signature event and a great fund raiser and exposure for the club as well. We can use volunteers for set up and tear down as well as spending some time during the show, helping show people how to shoot and working with the kids. It is a lot of fun so make sure to contact **Al Hanschar** or a board member if you want to help out. It is also a great way to earn some hours towards a discount on your next year's membership! We will be put out a call to action for specific needs with regards to days and times and duties. If you have a specific day or time or duty you wish to help with, you can let us know now!

Have a great rest of the month and we look forward to seeing you at the Sportsman's show or on the range!

Kim Bishop, MS
Club President



Check the website for membership information and events updates.

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ARCHERS AFIELD

It's Target Time

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 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.

Laurie Robinson,

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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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Outfitter Spotlight

Getting the winter blues? Sometimes it's just best to go south for the winter. Well now you can. "Double Arrow Bowhunting" in Harwood Texas is our featured Outfitter of the month.

Located just a hour outside Austin, This ranch has some of the best exotic animal hunting you will ever encounter. Curtis Schram the owner and guide will make sure your hunt is the most memorable it can be. Pricing starting as low as \$2,400-\$3,000 for a full 3 day hunt. Accommodations are like your at your own home. No trophy fees and they will get your game to the processor and taxidermist after the hunt.

I am currently working on getting a club member discount. Visit their website at www.doublearrowbowhunting.com



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Once again it's almost that time of year. The Portland Sportsman show will be next month. As always we need volunteers to help make this a successful event once again. Please contact [AL Hanschar](#) @ 503-657-7224. We will need help loading up the trailer on Sunday the 5th at 1:00 at the Sylvan Range. Set up at the show will be on the 6th at 1:00pm. We also have many shift options at the show that need to be filled.

Remember that by volunteering for this event will get you a discount on your next years membership. We all should be chipping in as this club is part of all of us. Show your club spirit and come out and support us.

PS: There is a lot of work that goes into this event. We can not manage this with a handful of people.



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