



# Sylvan Archers Newsletter for January 2018 Happy New Year!

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Next board meeting is Jan. 4th, 2018 Cabela's 7 PM

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

Happy New Year 2018. I can not believe how fast the year has gone. I am sorry that the newsletter has not been more on schedule, but I am trying to do it and be president and it was my busiest time of year for my work, so I was not able to get it out until now.

We recently lost two of our members, may they Rest in Peace, over the past couple of months so please see the tribute to them in the newsletter.

The board has been busy behind the scenes planning for next year and we have some fun stuff coming up. The club is hosting the OBH state tournament in June, stay tuned for dates and details. We are planning a steel target shoot, a safari shoot, Nottingham and our usual target shoots at the range. We will be doing summer lessons and are looking for more help with that this year. We are working out the dates and times for all of our activities, so stay tuned!

We have the sportsman show coming up in February and this is a signature event for the club. We really could use the help for this event. We need help with loading the trailer at the club, then help unloading it at the expo center. We also need some help during

the week, which entails getting the shooters set up with their equipment and help show them how to shoot. Please see the next page for more info on how you can help.

We are still looking for a publicity director, so if you like doing newsletters and are skilled at publisher or another form of publishing, please contact us.

Make sure to check out the website for updated shoot information. We hope to have that up in the next week or so. We will also have shoot brochures out sometime in February.

We have updated our membership application so it has a new look.

We also wanted to remind everyone to read the range rules as we have some members not following the rules. [RANGE RULES](#)

I hope you all have a safe and Happy New year.

Kim Bishop, MS

Club President

Check the website for membership information and events updates.

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for contributions to the newsletter

## *A Tribute to Raymond "Keola" Camacho & David Tilford*

**TODAY... TODAY IS A TOUGH DAY FOR ME. YOU SEE I LOST** two of my closest and dearest friends who died one week from one another. They each were unique individuals, as different as night and day. They both were skilled archers, board members over the years at Sylvan Archers, and my hunting partners. My heart is broken and it is extremely difficult for me to even talk about this, but I have been asked to write a tribute about their lives and they deserve it. Honestly, I break down when I think about it and my emotions overtake me. That's why it is tough for me.

How do you even begin a tribute to someone's life? I am not a professional writer, nor do I pretend to be one, but I looked up "tribute" and Webster's definition is:

**Tribute:** an act, statement, or gift that is intended to show gratitude, respect, or admiration.

WOW! I will attempt this tribute because my heart again tells me that they deserve this as my gift for their impact on my life.

### ***Raymond "Keola" Camacho***

**Born:** 1970

**Died:** September 30, 2017

**Cause of Death:** Drowning Shallow Water Blackout



### **My Tribute to Raymond "Keola" Camacho**

Keola passed away doing what he loved to do, snorkel spear fishing in the Pacific Ocean in Kailu Kona, Hawaii.

He was 47 years old. Apparently he blacked out during one of his dives and friends and first responders couldn't revive him. He was back at his roots as he was a chiseled Hawaiian with tons of tattoos and tough as nails. I used to tease him that he looked like a hardened criminal, but he had a heart of gold. Keola was a very giving person. He was always on the move, doing or building something, and it was always related to hunting. If any of you knew Keola, he literally loved hunting. He would have done it 24/7, if possible. Keola was employed at Archer's Afield Tigard as one of their lead sales people and bow technicians for years. He probably sold you one of their traditional or compound bows and outfitted it with the proper accessories. Additionally, if he liked you, he would guide you and show you excellent hunting areas, mostly on the properties I had gotten permission for us to hunt on.

Being a professional bow shop, Archers Afield referred a lot of people to Sylvan Archery Club. Naturally,

Keola spent a huge amount of time at Sylvan Archers. In fact, many people thought he had a permanent residency onsite. As a board member, Keola helped setup all the Broadhead League Shoots and 3-D Shoots over a period of 8-10 years. Additionally, he was solely responsible for the Hawaiian pig feed. The contributions of time and energy that Keola gave to Sylvan Archery Club were instrumental to help increase membership immensely. We all owe Keola a lot of gratitude for making Sylvan Archery Club what it is today. What a legacy he left.

**David Tilford**

**Born:** July 20, 1952

**Died:** September 24, 2017

**Cause of Death:** Undetermined Natural Causes



Memorial Service was held on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at the Riverside Baptist Church in Weiser, Idaho.

Burial was at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Weiser, Idaho. David was buried next to his baby sister, Gwendolyn. Susan Buffington (David's Sister) said that she "wrapped his urn in one of his hunting shirts and had it buried with his favorite elk tooth necklace and a picture of him and Sara, his dog, sitting on top of it."

The Blessing that was read at the committal service at the cemetery was:

At the rising of the sun and its going down,

We remember him.

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of the winter,

We remember him.

At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring,

We remember him.

At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn,

We remember him.

At the beginning of the year and when it ends,

We remember him.

As long we live, he too will live. He is part of us.

We remember him.

### **My Tribute to David Tilford**

Similar to Keola, David passed away doing what he loved, hunting in central Oregon during archery bow season. He died at the age of 65. Apparently he died of a heart attack as other hunters in the general area discovered him. David was also a board member of Sylvan Archery Club and served during the same period as Keola. A lot of people thought David and Keola were joined at the hip and they both were bow hunting crazed. David's passion and love for the outdoors couldn't be denied. He had a love of God, family and country. In addition to archery, David was a very skilled fly fisherman. David, like Keola, helped setup the Broadhead League and the 3-D Shoots. Keola and David worked hand in hand with one another as a team. David's contribution of his time and energy to Sylvan Archery Club was huge and his legacy should not be forgotten.

### **In Memory...**

I tragically lost two of my closest friends and hunting partners literally within a week of each other. I have had a hard time accepting that they are gone and at times find myself picking up the phone to talk to them and realizing that they are gone. However, their legacy is not gone. As one can clearly see, David's and Keola's finger prints are all over our club. Their contributions were huge and helped build and form Sylvan Archers to the outstanding status it enjoys today. Hopefully, I have given you an insight to each one of them and how their lives should never be forgotten.

Most Sincerely & Respectfully,

Darrell Rustrum, Past Trustee Board Member

## What's happening at our Archery shops...

### »» ARCHERS AFIELD »»

Join us in January for our Beginner Compound League or Animal League. The Animal League is a must for anyone looking to keep their archery skills sharp during the off season. We also offer a fun 6 week class especially for families wanting to learn how to shoot in a fun environment. Check out Family Archery with Bob, starting the 2nd week in January.

*We have also set the date for our NFAA Indoor Sectional Tournament so mark it on your calendars. it will be Feb. 23-25. You must shoot 2 out of the 3 days to be eligible for awards.*

JOAD is being held at Archers Afield Sundays 3-5 PM through March.

There will be a Barebow Challenge on Jan. 6-7th. Contact [Laurie Robinson](#) :503-928-2357 for more information on times. Or check our website: [Bare Bow Challenge](#)



SPORTSMAN SHOW INFORMATION  
AND CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

WHEN: SUNDAY Feb. 4th 1pm at the range

DUTY: Help load the trailer

Approx. time needed: 2 hours max.

WHEN: MONDAY Feb. 5th 1pm at the expo center

Duty: Help set up the booth

Approx. time needed: 1-4 hours max.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY Feb. 7-9, 11-8 pm

SATURDAY Feb. 10, 10-8 pm

SUNDAY Feb. 11, 10-6 pm

Duty: Help set up the shooters with equipment and show them basic shooting skills.

Approx. time needed: Between 2 and 4 hour shifts. You pick.

Remember you can earn dollars off of your membership for next year by helping out.

It is fun and you will get into the show for free and free parking for helping out.

Contact [Dave Osler](#) if you want to sign up for a shift:

503-913-3470 or Al Hanschar: 503-209-6713