

Sylvan Archers Newsletter 2019

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A big thank you to volunteers.

This past year, there was an outpouring of our membership to complete numerous projects which are essential to the operation, maintenance and improvement of the Sylvan property and club. Some tasks help keep Sylvan Archers running on a day to day basis like various jobs for general grounds keeping while others were major improvements for the betterment of our members, club and all those who visit during various events.

One of our major accomplishments this past year was the building of our new covered shooting line for the practice range. This was a major undertaking by our membership and was only made possible by members contributing their time and energy for its construction. Whether it was the removal of the existing landscape, helping with the new construction and materials or completing the finishing work, volunteers put forth the herculean effort to complete this improvement.



Various other well needed improvements were also finished this year to help maintain the grounds. These maintenance duties may not be readily noticeable or stand out as major upgrades but for those utilizing the facility on a regular basis it's a welcome comfort to know we have a well-maintained club and course. Members not only helped report any damage or issues they noticed while on the property but also supported the club with their time when they could for the repairs.

There was also a large contingent of our members volunteering for the diverse events hosted at the club and off grounds this last year. We have a huge hit with our annual Sportsman Show appearance, broadhead and 3D leagues, the Sherwood Nottingham shoot, the State Field Championships and an assortment of safari and 3D shoots throughout the year. Let us also not forget all those who give their time in organizing, staffing and running all the ancillary jobs that support these events.

Sylvan Archers operation relies in large part to the continued generosity and support of our membership in volunteering their time and efforts. Sylvan Archers and all its members gives a big thank you to all the volunteers that make our club a spectacular success year after year.

For a schedule of upcoming volunteer opportunities please visit our [calendar](#).



Sylvan's Indoor JOAD/Adult Achievement program

Sylvan's Indoor JOAD/Adult Achievement program meets Sunday afternoons from 3-5pm at Archers Afield (in their 24 hour range). This is a great opportunity to get some coaching while earning achievement pins through USA Archery. Indoor JOAD/AA runs through the end of March. A Google Calendar with a listing of all the Sundays we meet can be found at the following link: [Calendar](#)

To learn more about the JOAD and Adult Achievement Programs please visit USA Archery at [USA Archery](#).



Oregon Barebow Challenge

On January 5th and 6th Sylvan Archers once again hosted the Oregon Barebow Challenge. This annual shoot was started to promote barebow archery and limits the equipment to recurve bows (as well as longbows and horsebows) without sights or stabilizers.

This year we had 32 archers all assembling at Archers Afield to shoot an 18m double Fita round each day.

Saturday went as expected but I received a message letting me know there had been a water leak in one of the shops above Archers. The fire department turned off the water but there would be some clean up efforts going on Sunday morning. I let them know barebow archers are a hardy lot and wouldn't have a problem dealing.

Sunday morning held one more surprise. The overnight windstorm had knocked out the power in the back half (where the shooting lanes are) of the shop. After a one hour delay there was still no power so a vote was held and the group unanimously decided to go ahead and shoot in the dark (as I said, we are a hardy group). The power remained off for the first 9 ends. Once the power returned, we finished the shoot with 11 archers having fared better in the dark and 17 doing better once the lights came back on.



At the end of the shoot the winners were announced. The high score of the shoot was scored by Loretta Czekala with a final score of 1023 to win the women's side. The top male shooter was Pete Miles with a final score of 1004.

The other top finishers were (women) Wendy Mckee in second and Pam Layng in third. On the men's side, James Benson was second and Rob Jokinen finished third.

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Special thanks goes out to Archers Afield for providing the venue and allowing us to continue despite the issues at the shop. Also, thanks go out to the vendors who provided door prizes which includes Yost Archery Products for donating one of their pro tabs and Rossing Archery Products for their generous donation of 2 custom leather quivers and 2 custom arm guards.

Finally I want to thank Rob Jokinen and James Benson for helping me with the planning, organizing and running of the tournament. Rob also volunteered to handle the marketing and soliciting vendors for door prizes. James donated his time and talent to make the hand blown glass cups awarded to the top scorers.

Final scores

Mike

Sylvan Archers is looking for 2 volunteers for a Trustee position. The following is a description of the position;

Sylvan Archers endeavors to maintain 5 Trustees within the club. Trustees have a very important role within the club in helping to review and approve various financial proposals, from the Board of Governors, to purchase capital assets or develop the Sylva Property. They also insure that the balances within the trust and bank accounts are maintained and have a minimum balance. The Trustees finally work with the Treasurer in the preparation of a statement of all the capital assets, funds disbursements and banking information. This statement is presented in the April club meeting.

Trustees are voted on each year and serve a three-year term which can be up to 2 non consecutive terms.

If you or someone you know would like to volunteer and serve as a Sylvan Archers Trustee, please forward a resume along with a short paragraph or two on how you can help as a Trustee. We will post all qualified applicants in the March newsletter and vote during the June club meeting.

Please send all applications to: [Sue Lauber, President Sylvan Archers](#)



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