



Waltonian Archers Member Orientation

Who are the Waltonian Archers?

- The Waltonian Archers have been serving Linn County area archers since 1935.
- We promote all forms of archery including
- Target & Field archery, 3-D archery and Traditional archery.
- Our members range from the beginners to the experts and ages from kids to seniors.
- Our membership Meetings are held at 7pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at
- our clubhouse located at 3985 Wickiup Hill Road near Toddville.
- We are situated on 80 Acres of forest with 6 outdoor archery ranges.
- We have added our new "Smith Indoor Archery Facility" This is a
- 50' x 110' indoor archery range.

What are the objectives of the Club?

- To encourage the practice of archery by providing safe and proper instruction.
- To arrange formal and informal safe competition between archers.
- To aid in the understanding of wild life conservation relative to archery.
- To provide instruction in the safe hunting of game with bow and arrow.
- To promote archers as a social family activity

How much is membership?

- \$75 per membership. This covers a family unit of husband /wife or children that have not attained classification as adults.

What does membership provide?

- Access via your key to the grounds 24 / 7
- Access to the Smith Indoor Archery Facility 24/7.
Cost Adult Members \$5, Non-Member \$6 Youth \$3
- Camping and hunting (archery only) on the grounds
- Access to firewood
- \$2 off all adult shoots
- \$1 off adult League Fees and Open Shooting
- Shoot a 2nd different archery type Winter League for ½ price.
- Early sign up for leagues. (they do fill up)
- Free game feed every year
- Free Deer Slayer Shoot and outdoor shooting

What does membership require of you?

- All members must choose a committee to belong.
- You will be asked to help (but not required) with committee responsibilities.
- Your time and talents may reduce the cost of annual membership in the following year.



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What are some of the rules designed for your safety and the safety of your club members?

- The use of firearms on the property is not permitted
- Fires may be built in fireplaces or other designated areas.
- All fires must be extinguished before leaving Enders Field.
- Remove all of your trash before leaving
- Archery safety rules and NFAA safety rules shall be observed.
- The sale of alcoholic beverages is not permitted
- The sale or use of illegal drugs is not permitted
- No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the ranges except on scheduled workdays.
- Do not loan or copy club membership key

How do I keep up on Club activities?

- Monthly meetings are held at the clubhouse the third Wednesday of every month.
- There is an internet site with updates → www.waltonianarchers.net
- Our newsletter, The Shavings

What types of shoots are held?

- 3-D Shoots Indoor 3-D Cabin Fever 3-D
- Spring Strut 3-D Silver Broadhead 3-D (Oldest shoot in Iowa)
- The Rendezvous 3-D Foster Traditional 3-D The Deer Slayer 3-D
- Target & Field Indoor Vegas Round Indoor 300 Round
- Silver Broadhead Field Club Field Club 900 Round Clout Candlelight Shoot

What types of Leagues are offered?

- Winter Indoor Bowhunter Leagues
Sunday Nights, Monday Nights, Tuesday Nights, Sunday Afternoon Traditional and Thursday Night Target Leagues. 12 week league.
- Spring & Fall Indoor Leagues. 8 week league.
- Summer 3-D Bowhunter League 10 week league. (3-D's are shot by league shooters only)

What if I want to bring a friend to the club?

- Great! - You may bring that Guest 3 times. Any additional visit would require membership.

Can I hunt on the 80 acres?

- Yes - You must sign a waiver. Hunting is by bow and arrow only. Be respectful of other members.

Do you have electrical hookups for camping?

- Yes - There is a limited supply and an additional charge of \$5 a day. Camping is allowed in the Flats area south of the parking lot. Primitive camping is free.

What is a project or work weekend?

- Certain times are designated as work weekends to keep up grounds and facilities. Volunteering your time makes you eligible for membership dues reduction in the following year.

What do I need to do if I come out by myself to practice?

- Unlock and lock everything if you are the last one on the grounds.
- Turn on/off lights as need.
- Make sure the heat is turned back down.
- If you are shooting indoors you need to pay \$6 per adult or \$3 per child. Sign in and deposit your payment envelop in the pay slot in the range room.
- Be safe. Follow range rules. AND HAVE FUN.



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While shooting indoor or outdoor targets, what do I need to remember?

- DO NOT USE BROADHEADS - target points only unless defined as acceptable for a specific shoot.
- Draw arrow straight back. DO NOT draw back pointing up in the air.
- After you have completed shooting hang bow up and step back from line.
- Only go down range when everyone has agreed it is safe.

Did you know..... Waltonian Archers of Linn County History

- The Waltonian Archers of Linn County was formed in 1935.
- In 1956 some members loaned the club the money to purchase the existing land where we are today.
- All the trees on the property were planted by the members of the club.
- The creek used to run straight through the Flats area. Members moved the creek to its current location.
- The Silver Broadhead is the Oldest Shoot in the State of Iowa beginning in 1956 and held annually ever since.
- The Rendezvous shoot used to be attended by over 1500 shooters from all over the country and at times, from other countries.
- Archery manufacturers used to set up at this shoot to sell and advertise their equipment.
- Our homemade 3-D animals, made by members, were the reason everyone wanted to come to this shoot.
- Tom Jennings of Jennings Archery among other famous archery celebrities used to attend this shoot.
- Enders Field, our current club grounds was dedicated to Fred and Betty Enders. Fred helped start the club and helped most of the other archery clubs and organizations in the state get started. Fred Enders was known as the "Dean of Archery". It was Fred who shot the arrow into the arrowhead plaque on the wall in the clubhouse to dedicate the club grounds.
- Milt and Lanneta Smith are 2 members who sold an orchard they had to loan the club money to buy the club grounds.
- The new indoor archery range was dedicated in their name for their efforts years ago that enable all of us today to enjoy this wonderful 80 acres.
- You will see Milt and Lanneta at most of our membership meetings, helping out in the kitchen at shoots and Milt is right there with us on project days also.
- We have 3 Lifetime members. Milt and Lanneta Smith and Dave Mason.

