



President's Corner - Apr 2024

Hi All! It is amazing how quickly a month can fly by. Here we are in April already!

March 15th, 16th and 17th we hosted our Boy Scout troop for their second annual camp out. They had about 20 or so kids and even had some set up tents to sleep out on the flats. They did some service hours by taking the blocks out from under the tree tubes on the Orange range so the tubes could be lowered back to the ground for the summer. They also moved some piles on sticks in that same area to make it a little cleaner. They were rewarded by being able to shoot for a couple hours in the range and all seemed to have a great time.

March concluded with the Cabin Fever shoot on the 23rd and 24th. We had a really good turn out with somewhere around 35 archers shooting. There were targets set up indoors for those of us that have a hard time going outdoors to shoot and then the regular ones set up outdoors also. I had several people tell me how much they enjoyed the shoot.

On April 6th we had our annual Spring open house and had a great turn out for that also. We had 11 families come out and learn how to shoot and what the Waltonians are all about. We hope at least some of them will come join us this month. Thank you to all the members that showed up to help with the open house, in the kitchen and on the range. It was much appreciated!

April 13th we planted more trees! We had a beautiful day to be up on the blue range and planted 150 baby trees in the area up at the top. When you go up that way you won't be able to miss them as they all have white tubes and stakes by them. Thank you to all the people that came out to help with this adventure also. We had them all planted before lunch and all done with the process by about 3 in the afternoon. Now we just need to keep watering them and keep them alive so they can take root.

Coming up in April and May

April 20 - 21 - Spring Strut - 3D shoot so we can all have some fun outdoors. 7 AM to 2 PM Saturday and 7 AM to Noon Sunday.

May 4 - 5 - Annual Work weekend – 9 AM to 5 PM each day. If you know of a project that needs to be accomplished please let me know. Lunch will be provided for anyone that helps and your hours of volunteering will go towards a discount in your membership next year. Please come out and help us if you can.

May 18 – 19 – Silver Broadhead 3D – 40 targets outdoors – 7 AM to 2 PM Saturday and 7 AM to Noon Sunday. Oldest shoot in the State of Iowa.

May 18 – International Round – 9 AM start – this is a fun shoot as you shoot at NFAA black and white field targets set up at 20 to 65 yards on the flats. They are at 5 yard intervals and you shoot three arrows into each and move to the right to the next target. It is quite a challenge to say the least. (65 yards is a long way for my little bow!) J Come try it out, you never know how it will go until you try.

That's about all for now! Come on out and shoot with us this Spring!

Thanks

Mary Bisinger

President

Wapsi Warriors News

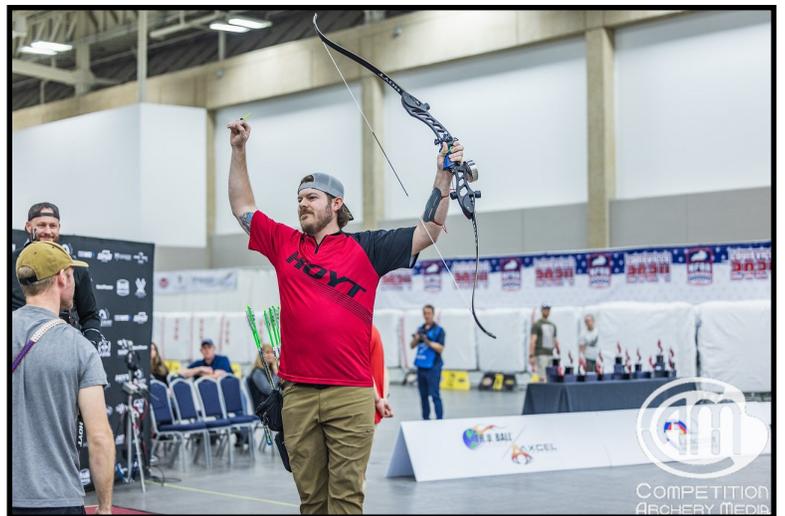
Mary Bisinger

The Wapsi Warriors is the youth club we have that meets regularly at the Waltonian Archers throughout the year. It is a JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development) club that is affiliated with USA Archery and has been meeting every Thursday (with some exceptions) since about 2010. We teach kids from 7 to 21 how to shoot archery and have had quite a lot of success over the years. We generally have a small group that is considered competitive archers that attend various local, state and national events throughout the year. A few notable former Wapsi Warriors have done quite well this year in different areas and so I wanted to share some of the highlights over the next couple months.



Zack Bisinger – Zach has enjoyed success in archery since his early days with the Alburnett NASP team and Wapsi Warriors but has recently switched from shooting a compound bow to shooting a Barebow Recurve and done very well. He started shooting competitively with the barebow in about November 2023 and placed 3rd at the Rushmore Rumble in early January. He then came back and won the ISAA Pro-Am a week later. He shot well enough at the USA Archery National Indoor that he was invited to the shoot off where the top 8 archers of each division shoot to see who would be crowned the National Champion.

His shooting was spot on in this shoot off and he came out with a National Championship for USAA. He then left from Des Moines (instead of shooting the NFAA indoor Nationals) for New Zealand. It was a once in a lifetime hunting opportunity where he shot not only a Red Stag but also a Fallow Deer. He will next be shooting the First Dakota Classic in Yankton on April 19th to the 21st.



Good Luck Zack!

We are very proud and know you can do well!

Above - Zach after the winning shot at the USAA Nationals. There is a short video of the shoot off on the USA Archery Facebook page

Left - Zach with his Red Stag in New Zealand

Shavings Editor Bob Schell, rschell5gmail.com Please keep The Shavings in mind if you hear of area shoots, have a story, news or a good joke you'd like to share. Pictures are always welcome. Bob

Waltonian Archers Event Calendar

April

Saturday 6th	1 PM - 5 PM	Open House
Saturday 13th	10 AM - 1 PM	Tree Planting, Blue Range
Saturday 20th	7 AM - 2 PM	Spring Strut 3D
Sunday 21th	7 AM - Noon	Spring Stut 3D

May

Sat 4th/Sun 5th	9 AM - 5 PM	Club work weekend
Saturday 18th	7 AM - 2 PM	Silver Broadhead 3D
Saturday 18th	Noon	International Round
Sunday 19th	7 AM - Noon	Silver Broadhead 3D

June

Sunday 2nd	Summer Outdoor League Starts. Info coming in May	
Saturday 8th	9 AM start	Outdoor 900 Round

For full schedule go to: <https://www.waltonianarchers.net/Shoots.htm>

Member meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month (no December meeting) at 7PM, Waltonian Archers Clubhouse

There is a \$5/member fee for Indoor Open Shooting. If you're shooting often, the club offers Unlimited Open Indoor Shooting for \$200/yr. Full list of prices and fees are posted at the club and on the webpage

Area Shoots/Events

Apr 20/21, 3D, Washington County Archers, Washington

Apr 27/28; 3D, Border Brigade Archery Club, Webster City

May 4/5; 3D Washington County Archers, Washington

May 4/5; 3D, Raccoon Ridge Archery, 2 man Best arrow team, Stuart

May 18/19; 3D, Davenport Valley Archers, 7AM—1 PM

May 25/26; Iowa Traditional Bowhunters Society 30th Annual Rendezvous, Pine Lake Archers, Eldora

July 20/21 Iowa State Games

ASA Qualifiers

April 20/21; Archery Paradise, Iowa City

May 11/12; Poweshiek Sportsmen Association, Montezuma

May 18/19, Flint River Archery Club, Sperry

May 25/26, Boondocks Archery, Argyle

If you're planning a vacation—here's a couple events coming up this summer.

Total Archery Challenge—multiple locations <https://totalarcherychallenge.com/>

Eastern Traditional Archery Rendezvous. July 25 - 28. Morris, PA <https://archeryfestivals.com/etar/>

37th Traditional Archery Nationals. June 7 - 9. Deer Creek Archers, Cloverdale, IN

NFAA 2024 Field Nationals and Target Nationals, Aug 22 - 25. Yankton SD



Around the Range

Archers from Royal Arrow Archers, Algona, joined us for the Cabin Fever 3D March 23. It was a great spring shoot! Perfect day - snow hadn't started melting too much, temp was good and sun was warm.



Our Open house, Apr 6 had a great attendance! Thanks to all that helped!

We charter a Scout Troop - they were out mid March for a campout, some archery and some range cleanup as a service project



We planted trees on the Blue Range this past weekend. Derecho recovery has been a long process. Thanks to all for your work to get us to this point!



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