



February 2009

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

San Francisco Archers would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members: Arthur Almquist, Dave Bucini, Mike Chester, Gianni Donati, Rob Hensel, Brandon House, Gino and Laura Quinn, and Mark Simpkins.



KEN BROWN MEMORIAL (CABIN FEVER) SHOOT – JANUARY 17, 2010

Picture if you will – it's a dark, gray Sunday morning. A steady rain is falling and the temperatures are cool, somewhere in the 50s. Most people would decide it's the perfect weather to stay home, possibly under the covers for a couple more hours. Or, for those early risers, a morning to sit in the warm kitchen or living room with a nice cup of strong coffee and possibly a good book to read.

But, not archers...or at least not 75 archers and 15 or so SFA 'crew' workers (kitchen,

registration, take down, etc.). What do they do? They get up, put on their weather proof shoes, pants, jackets and hats and head to the archery range for the San Francisco Archers' annual Cabin Fever (now dedicated to Ken Brown) tournament!

Despite the rain, oh and did I mention the occasional wind gusts? Anyway, despite the rain it was a fun shoot! As the old Irish saying goes 'there is no such thing as bad weather, just inappropriate clothing'. Luckily, archers are a hardy bunch and came prepared to stay warm and dry while they trudged through the mud from target to target.



There were a few mishaps, slips in the mud, the usual broken and/or lost arrows. And the occasional cussing, lots of laughter, the many yeahs (it's a bullseye/kill!), and words of encouragement heard around the range. The usual animal targets were there, including a beaver behind a log (building a dam, I suppose), Fred the Catalina goat, Cindy our cinnamon bear, a rare north American lion, the even rarer Pacifica Leopard, a few wayward antelopes....



Our mammoth, however, did not make an appearance – apparently he was on vacation in Costa Rica, where it was warmer and sunny....



For those who were there, you could see the enjoyment in the archers' faces – to not only be out doing what they love (archery) but also to be spending the day with good friends **And also a BIG thanks to the SFA club members who braved the cold and wet and worked Registration, Kitchen, set-up and take down! Without them, there would have been no shoot.**

– *Bea Gambony, Primitive (feral) archer*

MY FATHER, KEN BROWN

From a very young age my father instilled a love and respect of the outdoors in me, along with many other things. The difference between right and wrong was black and white, with no gray areas. If something was worth doing, then do it right, or don't bother. I could go on and on.

The love and respect for the sport of archery was the most profound. My father said, to preserve our sport, all styles must be supported. You can not have one survive without the others, no matter what your preference may be; whether it be traditional, target competition, bowhunting, etc.

Then one day in February 2008, he was gone. Though there is a void now in my life, I am proud to see his name in remembrance, as one of the important shoots that supports the San Francisco Archery Club.

People from everywhere come to participate in this shoot. This supports the club and the many facets of archery that are necessary for our sport to shine. The hard work of the many members of our club who show up and give of themselves is astounding. This, along with the preservation of archery would make him so proud.

– *Joy Padilla*



OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR 2010

The Outreach Program for 2010 will begin on Sunday, February 7. This popular community program is offered on the first and third Sunday of each month from 9 A.M. until noon. San Francisco Archers provides the archery equipment and basic safety and archery instruction. Experienced archers volunteer to oversee the program and provide continuous feedback for novice archers. Participants are encouraged to arrive early as they will have a better selection of equipment and more time to shoot. Groups of five or more people who want to shoot together might want to make separate arrangements for a less congested time. As of this writing, there is no charge for the Outreach Program but a “suggested” donation of \$5 is asked of each participant. All labor for the program is volunteered but the cost of targets and the purchasing and repairing of equipment is significant so a modest fee may be charged in the near future. San Francisco Archers is a non profit organization and the goal is to promote archery, not make a profit.



San Francisco Archers is a very active club with many activities and these activities along with holidays have an impact on the Outreach Program. There will be no Outreach activities on the following dates: April 4, Easter, April 18, SF Archers Traditional Shoot, July 4, Independence Day, and August 1, One Million B.C. Shoot. Events may necessitate other cancellations so it is best to keep an eye on our website and on the bulletin board at the range.

The archery equipment for the Outreach Program is purchased through donations and by money from SF Archers. At present, we have ninety nine assorted bows and over three hundred arrows. Gold Tip Arrows provides us with high quality carbon arrows at a reduced price (for which we are eternally thankful) and the Archery in the Schools Program sells us Genesis and Mini Genesis bows at a reduced rate. Without their generosity this program probably could not survive.

San Francisco Archers has extended the Outreach Program to include private groups (birthday parties) and civic organizations such as 4H, church groups, scouting organizations, and etc.; donations or fees to be arranged.



During the past year over 800 people have taken advantage of the Outreach Program and it would not have been possible without the help of the following people: Bea Gambony, Estel

Pereira, Gerry and Terry Lee, Andrea Monticue, Don Shopes, Charlie Heimsoth, and Phil Hertz. Many SF Archers have donated time to this program and thanks to you all. If you are an experienced archer and wish to help this year you need only show up on an Outreach morning.

“The Lord loveth a cheerful giver. He also accepteth from a grrouch” (Catherine Hall)

It has been over a decade since the Outreach Program was started during Jim Robison’s presidency. Thanks to the initial hard work of Harri Jalovaara, the whole Hamack family, Bill Poggi, and many others it has become a success and something of which to be proud.

For more information or to make arrangements please contact Jack Rauch at jncr2@aol.com

– *Jack Rauch*

Flight of the Arrow

THINGS I LIKE ABOUT ARCHERY

I think being a member of the S.F Archers is fun; These are some of the things I like about the range:

I like the junior beaver course. I like to try the short target shots on the grownup course when my mother and brother go around it. I like to hike around the course. I also like meeting the people down at the archery range. I obey the rules and regulations.

By: Kathy Heinz Age 8. September 1956
(before the club house was built)

PUBLICATIONS NOTICE

If you have any articles or calendar events that you would like to see published in the club newsletter, please try to submit them to editor@sfarchers.com by the 10th!

– *Candice Lew*

Note: Thank you to Terry Lee (Ken Brown Memorial Shoot) and Jack Rauch (Outreach) for the great photos for this issue.



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CALENDAR

February

Monday 2/1 Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
Sunday 2/7 SFA Outreach Program Opens, 9:00 AM-noon
Saturday 2/13 Work Party, 9:00 AM-noon
Sunday 2/21 SFA Outreach Program, 9:00 AM-noon

March

Monday 3/1 Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
Sunday 3/7 SFA Outreach Program, 9:00 AM-noon
 NCFAA Indoor Regional Northwoods
Saturday 3/13 Work Party 9:00 AM-noon
Sunday 3/14 Club 3-D Combo Shoot
Sunday 3/21 SFA Outreach Program, 9:00 AM-noon

Pacific Traditional Rendezvous

Sunday, April 18th, 2010

Registration starts 7 a.m.

Shoot begins 9 a.m.

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NO Binoculars,
NO Funny
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Family	\$35
Youth	\$12
Cub	\$5

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CLUB TROPHY

5 ARCHERS per team including at least 2 longbows.

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