

# ARROW

*San Francisco Archers*

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**Billy Talbot wins spot on Board.**

The board welcomes Billy Talbot into its circle after he won the election by two votes.

**Shirley Gilbert resigns.**

Our treasurer, Shirley Gilbert, has had to resign her position citing family concerns. She'll continue in her responsibilities until we can elect her replacement. We'll hold another general meeting



New Board member Billy Talbot

in February in which we'll begin the election process. We need nominations!!

## Notes from the Board Meeting

*The following are NOT the official minutes of the meeting. Only notes that the editor took. Some boring details and information related to money were left out, but this should not be construed as censorship or political omission. Give the editor a call if you want to see all of the notes.*

California Knappers  
Jim Langell is looking for anybody interesting in learning about flintnapping. Seek him out and see the

webpage at: [http://www.primitiveways.com/California\\_Knappers.com](http://www.primitiveways.com/California_Knappers.com)

The constitution committee passed out examples of the rewrite and asked board members to vote on them.

VP Lori Talo presented the following:

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The treasurer reported on progress to get credit card readers so that people don't have to pay cash or check to register for membership or entry fees.

People are still messing with the security cameras in the club house.

Outreach will begin again in February along with a new JOAD Program which will run every Saturday out on the 100-yard range.

## General Membership Meeting

Billy Talbot elected to board.

### Important Dates

Club shoot

1-14 of White is animal

15 - 28 While is field

Next Saturday work party for Cabin Fever

Lunch after setup

Jan 20 cabin fever

Cold, but no rain is forecast

Feb 3 - first outreach

Feb 24 - second outreach

Outreach Committee recruitment

Still need outreach director

## IMPORTANT NEWS for the upcoming General Meetings

1. A nomination board for the open treasurer's position will be posted inside the clubhouse after the official announcement at the February 9th General Meeting at 1pm. Voting will take place by secret ballot at the March 9th General Meeting at 1pm by members who are present.

2. In preparations of our upcoming "Range Inspection", we are working diligently to replace all worn & rotten bales throughout the red & white range, practice & kiddie range, 100yarder & shooting alley. The board will recommend the purchase of new bales at the February General Meeting.

## In Memory of Albert "Bert" Leroux

By: Andrew Pribor

Our dear friend Bert Leroux passed away on December Fourteenth. Bert picked up the sport of archery late in life but his enthusiasm for the sport showed in everything he did. He quickly became a talented "good shot", and the traditional English Longbow became his favorite form of shooting. He handcrafted beautiful & extremely well made traditional wood arrows, many of which are still coveted by traditional archers from all over. Bert was always willing to share his insights on shooting or arrow crafting to anyone who sought help on the matter. I (and many others) consider myself fortunate to have spent many days roving the archery range with Bert, most often times after first starting out with a hearty breakfast together at a favorite local joint. With Bert there was usually some sort of informal friendly wager going on, either on the next target or in some form of trick shot.

From our first sojourn down to Santa Ynez in 1995, to our trip to Montana and several other archery outings, Bert was a great road companion, comrade and trusted friend whom I could always confide in despite the difference in our age.



Through shooting with Bert and always trying to keep up with him, I was naturally forced to become a better archer. Some of my best memories of Bert were not from shooting together in competitions, but in sharing the sheer joy of walking in the woods and watching the flight of a well shot arrow. And just as

many shooting days began with a companionable breakfast, most often the long days of shooting or working at the range ended with an ice cold beer, sharing laughs, stories and the comradery found in the company of like minded archers.

Bert served many years on the San Francisco Archers Board of Directors as well as 2 years in the late 1990's as San Francisco Archers President. Bert frequently attended archery shoots throughout the state as well as travelled to many annual out of state Archery Rendezvous, making lasting friendships everywhere he went. Even though he had not been able to shoot much in the last 10 years, I still have many people from all over inquire about him when I travel to various archery shoots and events.

Bert was a well loved and respected man. His charismatic & energetic personality as well as his love of a good joke will be sorely missed and remembered fondly by those who knew him well. I'm not a religious man but if his spirit is out there somewhere I

would like to think that when my time comes, he will be there waiting with an ice cold beer and his ever friendly "Hey Ya!"

### President's Message:



Happy New Year! Wherever you are in life right now... I'm hoping you are taking the time to put that bow in your hand, warming up those tight muscles and practicing tighter groups. Most importantly, i hope you are enjoying the company & camaraderie of your fellow archers. And I know we're not ALL archers, yet archery has brought us together at some point. Whether you are a shooter, a teacher, a mentor, a supporter, or a family member... I'm wishing you all good health, hope and happiness this coming year.

Just one month into my term, I am inspired by so many of the members of our club who do all the little things that no one ever sees or stops to appreciate. Things that keep the club's heart beating & keeps things afloat & operating. A long and endless thread of kindness, generosity, selflessness and hard work. I spent the last month writing down the names of people i wanted to thank but I find myself seeing the beauty in the mystery of these members. Just plain old members giving what they got, expecting nothing in return, not wanting recognition... Maybe just some respect, a smile, a kind word. We are all lucky to have one another. I am humbled to be your leader and hope to serve you the best way I can. I thank each and every one of you for all the hard work & dedication you put in to the club and know... It is not one man's success, not the board's success... But the membership as a whole who has always kept this place a success.

Please... Aim, focus and follow through with you bow and in life.

Tricia Porter

## Vice Presidents Message – Lori Talo

Vice President's Message  
Lori S. Talo

Things have busy at the range. We have just completed our Ken Brown Memorial Cabin Fever Shoot. We have over 100 registered archers. A FANTASTIC time was had by all, and to top off the day, the 49ers WON. The scores are posted on our website (sfarchers.org).

As always, we would not have done it without the help from all our members, new and old alike. We had over 45 members helping out. (Please remember to sign the Work Party book to get credit.) Not only get we get the targets out and on the range quickly, we have enough members helping out to have several crews on the Red range re-baling. We got a lot of work done. I also would like to thank all of you who have been initiating and completing projects around the range. All these projects help to enhance the atmosphere and enjoyment of the range. Thank You, it's greatly appreciated.

Remember to come out to the range often and get involved. You will find that the Club and the camaraderie make for a lot of good times, fun shoot, and lots of laughs.

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## Report from the Range Captain:



BBBrrrrr!!! I arrived at 8 AM to find the Hammack's busily working on the deep cleaning of the kitchen and I never saw Rina stop 'till she left at 2PM. Another great effort and lots accomplished during the Jan 12<sup>th</sup> work party. While Josh Porter and Wild Bill and I rolled in the hay (bales), the grass got cut (Thanks to Tim Hammack and Tony Gonzales for diagnosing and repairing the mowers and Jack Rauch doing a Forest Gump).

The plumbing was fixed thanks to a professional who rendered professional help and advice. All the targets were replaced by a classy husband and wife team who looked like movie stars from Hollywood.

White Bridge 9 hand railing was permanently replaced with cable thanks to Dennis and Sean and Jack who also mowed the grass and put in overtime. More wood was split by John and a tag team of Ms Haulers who all did a great job.

Lamson was listening to dad!

The entire White Range was raked and stations 20 was rebaled and 27 was fully replaced and will last another 10 years.

The stairs were inventoried by Joel and family for Brian and Patrick for renovation. Brian is also responsible for the new sound system which works great and was used by Bart Simpson (I mean Trish the Prez) to address the crew.

Lori, Kin, Austin and I redid the non-skid surfaces of the White Bridges which one can step off but not slip off. Major save.

The Red Range is in dire need since the last storms and these stations will get our next attention.

Delicious cooking and sandwiches were brought by our members and enjoyed by all. I know I have thanked everyone for their work which is appreciated by one and all.

Hey! Where are those huge Filipino guys and Victor?

## Vice President of Hunting January Report

Hello Archers and Bow Hunters  
December has been a wet month but judging from all the muddy footprints on the practice range there is no stopping us. For 2013 there will be some New and old traditions we will see in our small corner of Bow Hunting. For Starters as Your VP of Hunting I would like bringing back the following.



1. The "Big Game Award"  
Plaque will be posted in the clubhouse. Name is placed on plaque for any member who legally takes game during archery season.
2. The Individual "Big Game Award" given to individual archer
  - a. "SFA Bow Hunter Pin"- Deer
  - b. "SFA Bow Hunter Pin" -Elk

c. "SFA Bow Hunter Pin"- Pig

d. "SFA Bow Hunter Pin" Bird

New for 2013 I will be proposing a Conservation Award.

1. The "Conservation Award". Given to any member who volunteers their time in preservation, protection, restoration of natural environment, natural ecosystems, vegetation, and wildlife, for any state agency, or Private wild life club. The Award would also be awarded to any member and, or, child who as Boy Scouts of America, Girls Scouts of the USA or any organization who participates in any conservation activity, building bird houses, planting trees, etc.

The logistics and design of awards will be published in the arrow in the months to come.

Hunter Safety / Home study Internet course

The Hunter safety course will be made available to our members who are interested in purchasing a hunting license. Hunter Safety is required in California and in many other states before you can purchase a license. This course is completed by taking an online study at your own pace pre-certification course followed by a four-hour review, practical, and written exam administered by a licensed California department of fish and wildlife hunter education instructor. The first step is taking the course online. Then you will have to pre-register with instructor to take the four- hour review, practical and written exam.

The review, practical and written exam are scheduled for the following Saturday's

January 26<sup>th</sup>

March 30<sup>th</sup>

May 4<sup>th</sup>

The online pre-certification leg of the course my taken from one of the three websites:

<http://www.hunter-ed.com/california>

<http://www.huntercourse.com/usa/california/default3.aspx>

<http://homestudy.ihea.com>

Fee is \$5 subject to change please contact instructor  
 Class is first come first serve. Please register early and make sure  
 you have completed, the pre-certification online before attending.  
 For registration please email Mark Boyle 650-477-0156:

[boyleman@gmail.com](mailto:boyleman@gmail.com)

For any other questions please contact Rudy Sandoval Jr  
[vphunting@sarchers.org](mailto:vphunting@sarchers.org)

Official VP of Hunting Report

For the month of December:

1. Department of fish and game have submitted a “ public  
 notice of intent to issue a permit for Mountain Lion Research  
 in California”. A copy of the Notice will be posted in the club  
 house for immediate download please go to [http://  
 www.dfg.ca.gov/news/pubnotice](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/news/pubnotice) .
2. Important news. A Copy of every article below will be posted  
 in clubhouse.
  - DFG Releases Necropsy Results of Mountain Lions  
 Shot in Half Moon Bay [http://  
 cdfgnews.wordpress.com/2012/12/21/dfg-releases-  
 necropsy-results-of-mountain-lions-shot-in-half-moon-  
 bay/](http://cdfgnews.wordpress.com/2012/12/21/dfg-releases-necropsy-results-of-mountain-lions-shot-in-half-moon-bay/)
  - 2012 Black Bear Hunting Season Closes [http://  
 cdfgnews.wordpress.com/2012/12/18/2012-black-  
 bear-hunting-season-closes-2/](http://cdfgnews.wordpress.com/2012/12/18/2012-black-bear-hunting-season-closes-2/). - Action required for  
 anyone holding tags successful or unsuccessful.
  - DFG Seeks Public Comment on Proposed Hunter  
 Education Instructor Incentive Program Regulations  
[http://cdfgnews.wordpress.com/2012/12/10/hunter-  
 education-regulations/](http://cdfgnews.wordpress.com/2012/12/10/hunter-education-regulations/)
  - California department of fish and game has changed  
 their name to California department of fish and wild  
 life starting January 1<sup>st</sup> 2013
3. No Club Harvest Report for December
4. No Special Hunts to Report

## *The Shape of Things to Come!*

Jan 26	Hunter Safety Course
Feb 3	Outreach
Feb 4	SFA Board Meeting
Feb 9	Work Party and General Membership Meeting
Feb 24	Outreach
Mar 3	Outreach
Mar 4	SFA Board Meeting
Mar 9	Work Party and General Membership Meeting
Mar 17	Outreach

## 2013 SAN FRANCISCO ARCHERS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL (rev. 12/2012)

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- For periodic updates including club shoots & tournaments, special events & club info.
- For electronic delivery of "The Arrow" newsletter. Mark Yes/No

Membership renewals are due as of January 1, 2013. If you do not renew by March 1, 2013, you will be removed from the membership roster. If your membership has lapsed for more than three (3) years, you must reapply for membership.

NOTE: Renewal fees are due for ALL new 2012 members who joined between January 1st through September 30th, 2012. New memberships received on or after October 1, 2012 have pre-paid for 2013 & no amount is due.

### **Please check the membership type and the amount paid.**

Single: \_\_\_\_\_ \$60 (\$30 Senior)

OR

Family: \_\_\_\_\_ \$70 (\$35 Senior)

Complete this form with payment & drop either at the Clubhouse grey box, or mail to:

San Francisco Archers, Inc., P.O. Box 1274, Pacifica, CA 94044

Any questions, please email Shirley Gilbert [treasurer@sfarchers.org](mailto:treasurer@sfarchers.org), or call 415.272.2723.

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