

# ARROW

*San Francisco Archers*

## President's Message

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2013 is already proving to be a year of **GROWTH** for SFA. The sport of archery is wildly becoming popular not only with our youth but with adults alike. I'm finding an increase in family memberships and enjoy seeing families discover the beauty of the sport together. We as members of this club and ambassadors of the sport have to do our part in nurturing and maintaining this growth in a healthy, positive environment. There

is no doubt that the future of the sport is solid and I will make sure the Board of Directors do everything we can to sustain the interest and manage the growth in an appropriate manner.

The beginner's **OUTREACH** program is very healthy and our Outreach Committee is 20 strong! Committee Members: Jesai Bancroft Connors, Sean Donahoe, Bea Gambony, Pat Heimsoth, Phil Hertz, Terry Lee, Karen Lee, Maria Liu, Tim Lum, Reagan Lum, Victor Maquinana, Drea Monticue, Estel Pereira, Jim Robison, Michael Samn, Rudy Sandoval, Kin Shew, Billy Talbot, Lori Talo and me.

A big THANKS to this committee for stepping up in all ways imaginable to keep the program alive. We have no lack of volunteers so the committee has decided to continue

having the program on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. With an effective shooting line and TWO 1.5 hour sessions, the instructor to student ratio is low and the shooting time is high. We have also incorporated a mandatory instructional video played at the beginning of each session taught by our recently retired Outreach Director, Jack Rauch. His knowledge and passion for archery continues to inspire more people. Please check out the updated outreach page on our website for complete details regarding our 2013 program:

<http://sfarchers.org/learn/archery-outreach-program/>

An exciting *NEW* program, **The Junior Olympic Development Program (JOAD) and Adult Archery Achievement Program (AAA)** begins Saturdays this March. This program is for those seeking more advanced archery instruction beyond what the Outreach program could provide. It also caters to intermediate & advanced archers who want to succeed and move forward to a competition level. SFA has over 10 USAA certified level II instructors for this program and a level I instructor's class is in the works. All proceeds of this program go directly back to the program and the club and our instructors are all volunteers who desire to promote the sport to all who want to learn. Please see the **FLYER** attached to this newsletter for complete information and registration or visit our website: <http://sfarchers.org/learn/joad-adult-archery-achievement-program/>

**MEMBERS:** Please mail in your renewal for 2013 if you haven't done so or drop it off at the clubhouse attached to a renewal slip. We are working on updating the roster and want to make sure we have accurate contact information and that you are receiving our newsletter. We encourage those who have internet access to option for an **electronic delivery of *The Arrow*** newsletter. You can always contact our editor at: [editor@sfarchers.org](mailto:editor@sfarchers.org) if you would like to be included in this service. For quick access to our current and

past newsletters, they are always readily available to view on our website at: <http://sfarchers.org/about-us/newsletters/>

**SECURITY** – Due to a recent vandalism incident inside our clubhouse, the member *all access key* has been changed. Members in good standing can obtain another key from Pat Heimsoth, Lori Talo or me. I ask that all members remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to Tim Lum, the head of security at [rangecaptain@sfarchers.org](mailto:rangecaptain@sfarchers.org) or any of our board members. I encourage all members to do their part to foster a safe, family friendly environment for fellow members and guests.

**OUTLOOK** - Archery season is in full swing for all archers and bow hunters. Our club will be buzzing with many activities including club sponsored events and tournaments, range maintenance and more. We are always looking for volunteers and will be aggressively recruiting our members to do their part. Our work parties may be scheduled only once a month but there is work to be done at the range daily and if you can't make it out to a regularly schedule work party, we'll be happy to give you a job or project that you can complete on your free time. Please check our calendar often for a complete schedule of events: <http://sfarchers.org/calendar/>

**RANGE** - On our February general meeting, it was passed unanimously by 38 members to place an order for 100 bales to replenish our depleting supply. Upon delivery, we will be readily equipped to handle more baling projects throughout the range. At the February work party, we had 2 awesome re-baling teams who knocked out five target stations in desperate need of replacement. The "Red" Team rebuilt targets #'s 1, 2, & 4 on the red. The "White" Team re-built targets #'s 10 & 8 on the white. "THANK YOU" to all the strong men who came together and accomplished this physical task. The noontime lunch bell did not stop them from completing the work at hand. In the next couple of months, we must focus on preparations for our upcoming

Traditional Rendezvous in April and range inspection in the Spring.

**MARCH GENERAL MEETING** - Our next *work party & general meeting* is scheduled for March 9<sup>th</sup>. Nominations are now open for the treasurer's position and we will be voting by private ballot at the March General Meeting at 1pm. Please come out & exercise your right to VOTE! Our club is filled with an abundance of talents and professionals so if you are interested and/or **qualified** for this position and would like to join our Board of Directors... please step up! The board is also scheduled to present recommendations to updating the current Constitution and Bylaws. This is step one in the process and more information will be provided in the March Newsletter.

And that's a wrap folks! ***It's time to go shoot my bow.*** Remember to aim, focus and follow through with you bow and in life.

Tricia Porter

### **Message from the Range Captain:**

This has been a month of great cooperation and bitter disappointment. First the good news. San Francisco Archers continues to have great work party responses from baling to target making to trail cleaning and a special thanks to John Talamontes for felling the dangerous tree next to the bridge on White #4. After waiting for SF



Parks, the Golf Course, Lawns and Trees, it was apparent that no one has the direct responsibility for our beloved range. John saw the problem and with an expert arborist's skill dropped the nuisance tree next to the bridge.

SF Archers will be ordering 100 new bales and will be bringing several shooting stations up to snuff. More members are learning the secrets of baling from Jim Robinson, Josh Porter and long time range masters.

Dennis Wuhl will be adding more cable railing to the bridges and Patrick and Brian will be improving the stairs and laying new treads. The Big Filipino guys, Albert and Mark have learned to replace the bales and we think we have the process streamlined for safety, speed and efficiency. The Feb 9<sup>th</sup> work party was a major success with 8 stations being replaced with new bales and a nice BBQ provided by Kin Shu and helpers. Good job!!

For the bad news, a metal cabinet purchased with SF Archers funds for the storage of teaching bows and equipment was vandalized by a long time member whose family has long been honored and respected for their contributions and service to the club. An ax used for the wood burning stove was used to strike the cabinet causing significant damage. Fortunately, because the cabinet had not yet been re-keyed for universal access by all club members, no valuable bows were being stored. The Pacifica PD was called and a criminal complaint was filed. The recording was viewed by the responding officers and has been submitted as evidence for follow-up investigation and prosecution. SF Archers will ensure that members and guests and their assets and personal safety continue to be the highest priority. Destructive, violent or criminal behavior will not be tolerated. Those members or guests deemed to be disruptive, violent, destructive or refuse to take safety instruction from anyone observing unsafe practices will be ejected from the grounds, and club membership will be reviewed by the Board. SF Archers will be moving to file a restraining order against the responsible party, barring him from the premises.

Herb Leong will be replacing the current grey market cheapo security camera system with a reliable user friendly system formerly used by Genentech.

## Vice president of Hunting Report

Hi Everyone!

I hope your January's harvest was plentiful. We hosted our first Hunter Safety education class for the year, which was very successful. We had 30 people in attendance and had many people demonstrate interest in Archery as a method of take. If you're considering taking hunter safety there are still two more classes scheduled on the last Saturday of March and the first Saturday in May.



More information can be found at our website [http://sfarchers.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/hunter\\_safety.pdf](http://sfarchers.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/hunter_safety.pdf).

In the past report I mentioned I would be bringing back the big game award please see the attached application below. Participation is free.

## News

California Department of Fish and Wildlife has the following clinics listed for the next couple of months that may be of interest to some.

February 16 –Predator hunting – So CA

February 23 – Wild Turkey –Kern Co

March 16-17-Wild Turkey-Butte Co

Please DFG website for more clinics <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/advanced/index.aspx>

## Harvest Report

Nothing to Report



## San Francisco Archers Big Game Award

The San Francisco big game award was started as an effort to promote bow hunting by honoring those who legally take game with a bow an arrow. Participation in the big game award is free to all SFA members in good standing. All you have to do is legally take game in any state with a bow an arrow. If you take big game with a bow an arrow your name will go on a plaque in the clubhouse and you will receive an SFA Bow Hunter Pin.

Please fill out application below or email [vphuntin@sfarchers.org](mailto:vphuntin@sfarchers.org) with all the below information.

### SFA Big Game Award Application

Name (First, Last)

Address

Phone #

Email

Method of Take

Type of Game

Date of Harvest

# *The Shape of Things to Come!*

Feb 24	Public Outreach
	Private group instruction
March 3	Public Outreach
March 4	SFA Board Meeting
March 9	Work Party
	General Membership Meeting
March 10	Club Shoot
March 14	Pi Day
March 17	Public Outreach
March 30	Hunter Safety Course
April 1	SFA Board Meeting

## 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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