

# ON TARGET

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## Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM meeting is being held at Shelldale Community Centre on January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

## Membership

Enclosed is a membership form for 2011. (As per normal, the lock on the gate will be changed early in the new year! )

Please fill in the appropriate information and send it in with the funds to make your membership valid for the 2011 year. With a membership at Royal City Bowmen you obtain the following things:

- A membership identification card (which should be visible)
- A key to our outdoor facility
- OAA membership with insurance

The more members we have, the better our club is able to provide for the members. (This includes: new targets, maintenance of club property, new structures, etc.)

If you have not joined, or you have a friend that is interested, please contact **Terry Sanmiya @ 519-822-6951** (294 Metcalfe St., Guelph, ON. N1E 4Z1 )

## Tournament dates

- March 13 (4<sup>th</sup> Annual Skins Game)
- May 22 (Spring Open 3D Shoot)
- May 29 (Traditional/Crossbow ONLY 3D Shoot)
- September 4 (Fall Open 3D Shoot)

## Broadheads

### **NO BROADHEADS ARE TO BE SHOT AT ANY 3D TARGETS OR PRACTICE BUTTS!**

We have now had TWO butts compromised on the practice range by broadheads becoming lodged inside. As expected, broadheads shot at 3D's shred the material on impact.

We continually strive to keep an excellent set of 3D targets on the course all year around and would like to keep this method of practice going for the benefit of you the club members.

Please do not take this away from your fellow archers and members.

The "Broadhead Pit" is designed for sighting in these types of arrow heads. Derelict foam targets are made available for use in the broadhead pit only

# Range Rules

Range rules have been posted in several places on our property. Please follow them to help us keep our club a safe and respectable facility.

- 1.No alcohol consumption on club property
- 2.No broadheads on marked range (practice butts)
- 3.No broadheads on range loops (3D targets or butts)
- 4.Broadheads utilized in SANDPIT area ONLY
- 5.Bows should be kept in control at all times
- 6.Crossbows should be cocked at shooting line/stake only
- 7.Dogs should be under control at all times
- 8.Membership cards should be carried on property
- 9.Lock gate if you are the last person leaving the property

*FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE RANGE RULES MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP*

## Big Buck Contest

Did you shoot a buck during the 2010 season? Let the executive know and you could win a trophy and have your name placed on the perpetual plaque. As a reminder, we have a 20 year history of friendly competition between hunters in the club to acknowledge the largest antler score according to standard scoring technique (FROW, Boone & Crockett, Pope & Young)

## Hunting

There is ABSOLUTLY NO HUNTING on club property.

## Tournament Facts

### SKINS SHOOT

This year will be the 4<sup>th</sup> annual skins game held at our club. It will be on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 10AM start.

The Skins shoots in 2010 were a tremendous success. There are plans to hold more in 2011, starting in March. If you are interested in helping to organize these events or you would like to learn more, please feel free to contact **Rick Roth 519-836-7306**.

### SPRING OPEN 3D SHOOT

*Sunday May 22, 10AM shot gun start.*

This is a perfect time for all the members to come out and try a little friendly competition. Registration starts at 8AM and the shoot will start at 10AM. Calvin Hume and the team will be looking after the barbeque. Sausages, hamburgers and pop will be available, they always taste better in the wild when you are shooting. If you do not want to compete, then maybe you would be interested in volunteering to help make our tournament a success. Contact **Calvin Hume 519-837-1409** for more information.

### TRADITIONAL/CROSSBOW SHOOT

*Sunday May 29, 10AM shot gun start.*

On this tournament day, traditional shooters will shoot together on one loop of the course and crossbow shooters on the opposite loop to keep things fair and fun, and then after lunch the same thing will happen but on the 2<sup>nd</sup> set of 20 targets. Registration starts at 8AM and shooting will start at 10AM.

## Spring Clean Up

*Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>* we will be getting together to do our general clean up of the range and course. Bring your lunch and refreshments and come out to support the club you call your own. Your help is greatly needed and accepted to help maintain a shootable facility. If the weather is not cooperating the rain date for this annual clean up will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Archer Accomplishments and News:

Long standing club member Nathan McPhee was the subject of a front page article in the November 20th, 2010 edition of the Guelph Mercury. Nathan's avid love of nature, coupled with a desire to honour the animals he harvests for food, was highlighted in this full feature article. Historically, hunting and gathering were mainstays in the approach to basic human survival... "Those people with those opinions (that hunting is wrong), they're all descendants of hunters," said McPhee. "It's kind of funny. I think that they wouldn't be here to complain if it wasn't for hunting and fishing." Also featured in the article was the Wild Game Dinner, which has been run annually for more than a decade. Its a huge social gathering which highlights the bounty of local foodstuffs available, whether it be plants, mushrooms or wild game. Scientists agree: Dr. Peter Purslow (Department of Food Sciences at the University of Guelph) points to several studies that show the health benefits of eating wild game. Nathan is also an accomplished taxidermist and enjoys every aspect of nature as enhanced by his passion for archery.

Take a look at the article → <http://news.guelphmercury.com/News/Local/article/724158>

### NOTE:

Did you know that our tournaments are one of the best attended? Could it be that with all the volunteers, we put on a fantastic experience for all levels of competitors AND there are 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards for all? Medallions for the adults and to always recognize the kids and their great efforts a trophy for them to take home and show off to their families. If it wasn't for the kids the sport would not continue to grow.

SO...come out and bring a friend or two, this will double our attendance and success rate as a club!!!

### New Ideas

The club is always looking for ideas from members to improve the facility or increase the membership. If there is something you would like to see worked at or if you have a project you would like to do, contact any member of the executive...we can make resources available to you.

This is YOUR club, so get out there and enjoy it!

Check out our webpage → [royalcitybowmen.org](http://royalcitybowmen.org)

### In conclusion

It really has been a good year. We continually get great reviews at our tournaments and membership remains strong; our 3D target inventory is in good shape, the property lease is stable and dues are very reasonable. The Executive is filled with hard working, dedicated individuals who enjoy what we do and we are effective.



**CONTINUE TO SHOOT STRAIGHT AND WE WILL SEE YOU ON THE RANGE!**

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