



# Newsletter of the Royal City Bowmen November 2012



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## Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM meeting will be held at Shelldale Community Centre on January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. This meeting has been very well attended and this is where the new Executive will be elected. If you cannot make this meeting and would like to attend in the future, keep yourself in the loop with these newsletter or feel free to contact the executive!

## Membership

Enclosed is a membership form for 2013. (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 2013 year. *Membership rates will remain the same as last 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

**NOTE: *Your membership is good from January to December of the current year***

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 )

**MEMBERSHIP CARDS *MUST BE CARRIED VISIBLY WHILE ON CLUB PROPERTY***

## Tournament Dates:

- March 10 (6<sup>th</sup> Annual Skins Game)
- May 19 (Spring Open 3D Shoot)
- May 26 (Traditional/Crossbow ONLY 3D Shoot)
- September 1 (Fall Open 3D Shoot)

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

Broadheads compromise butts on the practice range and 3D targets by becoming lodged inside. As expected, broadheads shot at our targets 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, and can be purchased for \$5.00 Each, if you want one of your own to take home and use at your leisure.

# 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 and visible 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 big buck during the 2012 season? Let Calvin Hume know 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 6<sup>th</sup> annual skins game held at our club. It will be on *March 10<sup>th</sup>, 10AM start.*

The Skins shoot in 2012 was a tremendous success. 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 19, 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.

→If you do not want to compete, then maybe you would like to come out and watch the tournament live!

→Or maybe you would be interested in volunteering to help make our tournament a success.

### TRADITIONAL/CROSSBOW SHOOT

*Sunday May 26, 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. 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.

### FALL OPEN 3D SHOOT

Same idea as the Spring. This shoot will be held on *Sunday, September 1, 10AM Shot gun start*

### Spring Clean Up 9:30AM Start

*Saturday May 4<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, accepted and appreciated to help maintain a presentable and shootable facility. If the weather is not cooperating the rain date for this annual clean up will be held on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Club News:**

Your club is in the planning stages of purchasing several new targets. We would like your opinion on which types of new animal targets you would like to see implemented at our 3D tournaments only. Would you prefer to see North American animals? OR would you rather see more Exotic animals at upcoming tournaments? The Executive values your opinions! So feel free to email our president, Rick Roth (rickroth@hotmail.com) with your thoughts! We look forward to hearing from you!

### **More Club News!**

Your club has purchased 40 Styrofoam block targets. These targets are not free. They are \$5.00 each. If you have taken one home please let the executive know and pay your dues. Once you have purchased one of the blocks, it is now yours to take. The purpose for this purchase was to allow club members to have a reliable backstop to practice their shots with their broadheads.

### **Using Club Facilities:**

Other than honing in on our archery skills, Royal City Bowman also allows fishing. However, if you choose to fish you are required to have a fishing licence. Dogs are also welcome on club property, but we ask you to keep control of your dog at all times, as well as, pick up after your dog and take their mess home with you. Please do not toss the waste bags in or around our garbage cans. These garbage cans do not get dumped frequently enough for this type of waste. Thanks for your cooperation!

### **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.

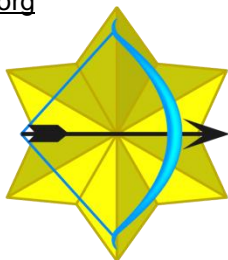
SO...come out and bring a friend or two, this will double our attendance and success rate as a club!!! But please remember and respect our rule of 3 visits as a non-member before we ask you to sign up as a Royal City Bowman member! Thank You, Executive.

### **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 for approval and 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)



**HOPE TO SEE YOU ON THE RANGE!**

