

TARGET TALK

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Key Dates in 2013 for Redwood Bowmen

September	8 Club Shoot
	13 Club meeting
	14 Work Party
October	11 Club meeting
	12 Work Party
	13 Club Shoot
November	8 Club meeting
	9 Work Party
	10 Club Shoot
	17 Turkey Shoot

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Welcome

New Members

Paul Thelan Family

Christopher Bybee



East Bay Regional Parks Archery classes:

Attendance for the East Bay Regional Parks Introduction to Archery classes remains strong. To date, we have provided instruction to 208 students. This activity continues to be a great money making project for the club.

Your assistance with these classes is a huge contribution to the success of the program as well as the success of Redwood Bowmen. Please keep the following dates on your calendar and continue to support this great activity.

Class schedule:

Sept 28	1:30-3:30
Oct 12	10:00 to noon
Oct 12	1:30-3:30
Oct 19	1:30-3:30
Nov 2	1:30-3:30
Nov 9	1:30-3:30

The club needs your support for this activity. The EBRPD classes are the major source of income for the club bringing in 3 times more than the two specialty shoots together. The past several classes have had only a few volunteers—all Redwood Bowmen members benefit from the proceeds from these classes, so please set time aside on these dates, come to the range and help.

Target Talk is the voice of Redwood Bowmen membership. If you have a special topic, please send me information – where did you compete, how did you place? Hunting trips planned, hunting successes?

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Mark your Calendar—Redwood Bowmen Holiday/Awards Dinner

Saturday December 7, 7:00pm Cattlemen's Restaurant Livermore, CA

All selections include a Baked Potato, Seasonal Vegetables, All-You-Can-Eat Salad, Sourdough Bread, Ranch Style Beans, Coffee or Tea.

Entree

TERIYAKI CHICKEN

A TENDER FULL CHICKEN BREAST MARINATED IN CATTLEMENS OWN
HOMEMADE TERIYAKI SAUCE.

TOP SIRLOIN STEAK

A FLAVORFUL HARRIS RANCH 10 OZ SIRLOIN STEAK, AGED TO PERFECTION, AND
HAND-CUT ON THE PREMISES.

ATLANTIC SALMON

10 OZ. FILLET OF SALMON GRILLED TO PERFECTION
SERVED WITH A SIDE OF CREAMY DILL SAUCE AND FRESH LEMON

PESTO SPINACH & CHEESE RAVIOLI

10 JUMBO SPINACH AND RICOTTA CHEESE RAVIOLIS, SERVED WITH OUR
HOMEMADE PESTO SAUCE

Dessert

NEW YORK CHEESECAKE

A MAGIC SILKEN SMOOTH FILLING DELICATELY FOLDED ONTO A TRADITIONAL GRAHAM CRACKER CRUST.

CHOCOLATE OUTLAW CAKE

LAYERS OF DENSE CHOCOLATE CAKE AND CHOCOLATE MOUSSE FILLING TOPPED WITH RICH CHOCOLATE ICING
AND CHOCOLATE CHIPS.

EACH OF THE ABOVE SELECTIONS ARE **\$25.99** PLUS TAX AND GRATUITY.

Please let Laurie or Dawnel know how many will be attending. Payment info in next Target Talk.



Redwood Bowmen – Out and About

National Senior Games in Cleveland Ohio

Doug and I spent a week in Cleveland for the National Senior Games. This event was held over 5 days with the recurve archers shooting first two days, a day off and then the compound archer. The weather was so strange—mostly hot and humid, but for our second day of shooting it was really cold in the morning. The clothing vendor made some money that day—people were layering any kind of shirt they could get their hands on. Then sunburn in the afternoon. This is an event where the young one—those 50-65 were outnumbered by those more senior. Doug's age group had 15 archers, while mine had 7. I made into the championship target in fourth place, made up enough points to take third place, but I suppose since I was at the Senior Games, I can only say I had a "senior moment", lost many of the points I had regained and gave the bronze medal back. Oh well, it was fun.

Cleveland is the home of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and about an hour away is the Football Hall of Fame. Both were interesting places to visit. Black Mountain will be hosting the 2014 qualifier in the April/May time frame, so all you Seniors, get ready to qualify. The 2015 Games will be held in Minneapolis.

I will have more information in the coming months for the California (Bay Area) qualifier as Karen Keating, President of Black Mountain Bowmen and I have agreed to co-chair the event.

State 900 at Black Mountain

We won't know the results for some time now but Redwood Bowmen members Tom Palsa, Ken Closser, Cookie Foster, John Baslee, Doug Scott and Dawnel Scott participated. Pete Johnson a well-known face around Redwood Bowmen was also there.

I had the honor of shooting with John Baslee at this event. As anyone who has met John can tell you, John is a wonderful man. You can't imagine how surprised I was to find out that in all his years of shooting archery, this was the first time he had competed in a 900 round.



Remember to volunteer

Each and every member has a stake in the club's future. Every member's contribution, however large or small, is needed to make Redwood Bowmen the premier archery club of the Bay Area.

Club Shoot

There were 17 archers at the July Club shoot.



High Scores:

FSMA	John Casella	529
BHFS Male Adult	Morgan Anderson	492
BHFS Female Sr.	Cookie Foster	483
BBRCT	Steve Williams	283
FSYM	Henry Hodell	356

Sharing a concern...(The views expressed below are strictly my own.)

Mt. Madonna Bug Shoot, 335 archers; State Field at King's Mountain, so many archers that they ran out of food; State Archers of California—registration closes well before deadline; Redwood Bowmen Western Round-Up, 142 archers. Does anyone have a concern with this?

Interest in archery is at an all-time high—our EBRPD classes are proof of the interest. Yet we did not see a significant increase in the number of participants at the Western Round-Up.

I have to ask—Why? We have a beautiful range, the targets were in good repair, our entry fees are still some of the lowest around, we advertised. Why were we not overrun with participants? The weather may have been a factor, but not to the point that one event had 2 ½ times as many participants. What are the other clubs doing that we are not?

We rely heavily on the income from the Western Round-Up and the Turkey Shoot to maintain the club's treasury. We need to identify areas where we can improve our function and get better attendance.

Do we need to give better awards? I've noticed that other clubs are now giving medals where in past years, they were giving ribbons. Many archers asked about Mulligans—these are pure profit for the club, so something to consider.

What other ideas are there to improve our attendance at these shoots? Please share them with me. I am truly interested in understanding why our attendance is so low.

--Dawnel

Instructing Visually Impaired Archers

Palomo Archery in Palo Alto hosted an event on August 31 featuring Janice Walth, a visually impaired archer. Janice and her husband Courtney shared their instructing methods when working with visually impaired archers. Watching her shoot is truly inspiring.

We met early before our students arrived to learn the techniques and then we broke into pairs and practiced. One person would close their eyes, as though blind, while the other instructed. I learned a great deal from this exercise—it is amazing how much we rely on our vision.

Seven patients from the VA hospital in Menlo Park came to Palomo Archery around 9am. Only one individual, Sean, was visually impaired, two others were in wheel chairs Ray was 92 years young and a former spy in the Vietnam War. Paula was 94 and unfortunately I was not stationed close to her but quite the lady trying archery for the first time. One individual could not shoot because of a medical apparatus on his left arm. During a break from shooting, a representative from the VA asked Sean if before today, he thought he would be able to shoot archery. He answered "No". When asked how he felt, he said "I feel like I'm my old self again".

How fantastic is that? Being able to contribute to someone's well-being made me very proud to be part of the team working with these people. Archery is a great sport.

If you would like to read more about visually impaired archers, please visit <http://www.seenolimits.org>.

Upcoming archery events



September 14	Bowhunters Unlimited - Wounded Warrior Shoot
Sept 28-29	Trad Archers of CA – Rancho Neblina Trad Rendvs
October 6	Predators Archery – Arrows in the Vineyard
October 6	Bad Boys of Branciforte – Santa Cruz Archers
October 13	MTBA Regional Field Hunter – Mt. Madonna
October 13	NCCFA Regional Outdoor SF Archers
October 20	Black Mountain – Flea Market Shoot
October 26	Bowhunters Unlimited – Boo Shoot
October 27	Diablo Bowmen – Boo Shoot
October 27	Yahi Bowmen – Nick Cuppini Fall Fling
November 3	Awesome Stickbow – Maya Archers
November 16	Bowhunters Unlimited – Turkey Shoot
November 17	Redwood Bowmen – Turkey Shoot
November 24	Northwoods Bowmen – Toys for Tots
December 7	Bowhunters Unlimited – Toys for Tots