

# THE ARROW

## SUFFOLK ARCHERS AND BOWHUNTERS NEWS LETTER

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### From the Editor

The Holidays have past, and the New Year finds the club off to a running start. Many ideas presented by both members and the board during the year past, have been researched, approved, and adopted. One of the new "User Friendly" changes to be enjoyed are FREE Field Shoots and REDUCED 3D fees for members.

As a result of the December Elections the Board has 2 new members, **Bob Schaefer** and **John Marra**, and **Scott Raso** has become our new Treasurer. Scott has recently taken on the role of new husband as well. Congratulations to the both of you **Scott and Lin!** I would also like to personally say Thank You to outgoing Treasurer **Bill Lorusso** and Board Member **Mike Rovnyak**, for their dedication and a job well done! For those unaware, Bill just recently returned from a mission of mercy in Ghana with a surgical team that performed 18 joint replacements during their 10 day adventure.

The 2007 Snowflake League kicked off on Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> and has drawn 50+ members out of hibernation, to date. Great weather, bagels, donuts, coffee, caribou stew; what more could you ask for? For those of you who missed the start, the league runs thru March 4<sup>th</sup> – COME ON DOWN and join in!!

Mike Jones

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The contents of this column may not be expressly supported by the elected officials of the club.

### President's Message

I am relaxing at home, pleasantly fatigued after the day spent outdoors at the Snow Flake League down at the club. It was a bright, sunshine drenched, brisk day that made me feel more than alive after a week of the routines of living. Walking the trails with friends, shooting the 3-D course is the best way I know to shake the cobwebs out. I urge all of our members to take advantage of this popular winter league. The breakfast and lunch alone is more than worth the price of admission.

While walking the trails it is obvious to see that the grounds are in need of maintenance. There are routine chores that need to be done and a major project that must be completed as well. All these things are necessary for the upkeep and continued improvement of Suffolk Archers.

As most of you know, new homes have been built on our northeast perimeter. This forced the club to rearrange some shooting positions. That was a major project completed last year. This year, we will be planting bushes to create the privacy barrier so desperately needed now. Major effort will be required to accomplish this task. As the club is maintained by you, the members, it is vital for every able bodied member to pitch in and devote a day to the club. With your participation we can accomplish the job at hand and make Suffolk Archers property the premier, woodland archery park that it continues to evolve into. Your club needs you now. I urge all of you to participate in this years work day activities.

Another issue that I would like to address is a change of staff on the Range Committee. After serving the club for 13 years as Range Captain, **Mike Rovnyak** is stepping down from his post due to work and family commitments. Mike has worked hard in

maintaining the grounds and he deserves our hearty thanks for all he has done. Tell him so when you see him at the club.

Taking Mike's place will be long time member, **Glen DiGiorgio**. Glen has always been a dedicated and active member of the club and has been involved with many of the recent improvements to the property. He is a man worthy of the position and I know he will serve this post and the club well. Please support Glen and the club by participating in this years work days.

Joe Lupo V P

## The Board Room

### Club Election Results:

President - **Jeff Milano**  
Vice President - **Joe Lupo**  
Secretary - **Pete O'Malley**  
Treasurer - **Scott Raso**  
Board - **Nick Menrath**  
Board - **Bob Watterson**  
Board - **Mike Jones**  
Board - **Bob Schaefer**  
Board - **John Marra**

Welcome to New Members: **Christopher Alaimo, Philip Johns, Gregg Nunziata, James Pierce, Daniel Pierce, Ernest Rueda, Mitchell Sher, Doug Slade, and Michael Maliszewski**. We are happy to have you join us. Enjoy the club and it's facilities.

### Outdoor Expo Huge Success for Club



Suffolk Archers Booth at Coliseum

Thanks to our new membership chairman **Bob Schaefer** picking up the ball on our short notice invitation to participate, the

event recruited several archers as new members to our club, as well as identified several genuinely interested candidates. Bob provided visitors to our booth who identified themselves as hunters, with BioTrak packaged with the following message:

Join Suffolk Archers  
A unique 20-acres forest in Western Suffolk County dedicated to archery.  
24/7/365 Access • Low Cost • Wonderful  
Call 516 873-8898 [www.suffolkarchers.com](http://www.suffolkarchers.com)

Many thanks to Membership Committee Chairman, Robert Schaefer and volunteering Club members Bill Tutthill, Joe Lupo, Doug Slade, Robert Abshire, and Robert Schnorr who teamed up with, to provide a whopping 47 man hours of booth duty at the show!

### From The Table:

Your Board continues to move ahead in planning, changing and improving our facility, as well as considering/evaluating suggestions and recommendations made by the membership. Many members have already observed the TEMPORARY enclosure at our Pavillion, pending design and approval of a permanent means of protection from the elements. There is now a source of heat (Thanks to **Carl Moller**), and fire extinguisher and First Aid kit at that location.

Future Guest Speakers and programs are being scheduled to continue last years well received agenda. Think bowfishing, club sponsored hunts, club involvement in wildlife management, and supporting community events.

### The Treasurer's Vault:

By now, all current members should have received our 2007 Dues Renewal Package. I thank all those who have responded to-date. For all those who have yet to respond, please keep the following in mind:

- Please print clearly, **especially your email address:**
- Please have all family members who will use the club grounds **sign and date the Waiver and Safety Rules:**

- For those who will volunteer their time for dues credit, **please select the dates and committees for which you will able to assist**; and
- Please fill out the details regarding **the other archery-related organizations you belong to** (we need this information for our insurance applications).

If you have any questions, or suggestions for improvement in this or any other SA Treasury function, please feel free to call me at (516) 449-8656. Thanks, in advance, for all your help.

See you at the club,  
Scott Raso

PS: Don't forget to complete the Deer Management application, if you are interested. We are working with a landholder who needs our help. There may be some kinks in administering this program the first year, but the plan is for this program to be as fair, inclusive and fun as possible.

### **E-Mail Just Makes Sense**

Currently SA has only a handful of **valid** email addresses for its members, which presents the club with a number of problems. One most recently encountered problem was the difficulty in communicating with members to muster volunteers to man our booth at the Hunting & Outdoor Expo when we received approval at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour.

Here is a partial list of the **benefits** that the membership could experience by having accurate member email data on file:

1. Electronic delivery of **This Document** in the future, enabling the current mailing costs to be redirected to other areas, ie range improvement or club activities
2. **Instant Notification** on club matters.
3. **Instant Cancellation/Change Notice.**

### 4. Meeting/Event Reminders.

5. **Invitations to Special Events** ie SA club meeting at C&B on March 5 at 8:00 P M

6. And yes, **Reaching Out** for help when a great opportunity occurs, as it did for the *Expo*.

For all the above reasons and more, we are asking that **ALL MEMBERS** send an email containing their FULL NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS, SNAIL MAIL ADDRESS, and TELEPHONE NUMBER right away to **info@suffolkarchers.com**

We will not spam you, so please add one of the following to your email as you wish:

1. OK to send me Suffolk Archers Information
2. OK to send me Archery Information

Even if you think that we already have your email address, please send the above information again. A recent check revealed that more than 30% of the email addresses were incorrect!

Bob Schaefer

### **APRIL IS ALMOST HERE, LET'S GET READY FOR \*FIELD ARCHERY!**

Ever wonder what the big white target butts throughout the Suffolk Archers course are for? That's right! They are for field archery. Did you know that Suffolk Archers has the only NFAA field archery location on Long Island with a full regulation 28 target course?

Each archer has his/her choice of shooting green stakes or white stakes. Green stakes archers shoot two arrows from two different positions at each target. These two distances are unknown and unposted. The shooting positions for green stakes can be placed anywhere from 7 yards to 45 yards. White stakes archers shoot from known distances from 7 yards to 80 yards. Archers can compete for trophies by shooting all 28 targets; or shoot 14 targets for fun.

Finally, an exciting new feature for 2007: ALL FIELD SHOOTS ARE FREE FOR MEMBERS OF SUFFOLK ARCHERS. Be

sure to check the upcoming schedule of shoots. We're looking forward to seeing you all at the field shoots this spring and summer.

\* *Our next Field Archery season begins in April, 2007.*

### The Field Committee

## Future Club Events

2/18	4th	Snowflake Shoot –Range	9:00 AM
2/25	5th	Snowflake Shoot –Range	9:00 AM
3/4	6th	Snowflake & BBQ–Range	9:00 AM
3/5		General Meeting/Shoot C&B	8:00 PM
3/14		Board Meeting Hicksville KofC	8:00PM
3/18		Workday #1 Suffolk Range	8:00 PM
3/25		Workday #2 Suffolk Range	8:00 AM
4/15		1 <sup>st</sup> Field Shoot-Suffolk Range	9:00AM
4/18		General Meeting Amityville	8:00 PM
4/29		Field Shoot – Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
5/6		Field Shoot – Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
5/9		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
5/20		Field Shoot – Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
6/3		Long Island Traditional – Range	9:00 AM
6/10		Field Shoot - Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
6/13		Board Meeting Hicksville KofC	8:00 PM
6/20		General Meeting/Shoot RANGE	6:00 PM
6/24		Field Shoot – Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
7/8		Field Shoot – Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
7/11		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
7/15		KNOCK-A-BLOCK – Range	9:00 AM
7/22		Field Shoot – Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
8/5		Field Championship - Range	9:00 AM
8/8		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
8/15		General Meeting Amityville	8:00 PM
8/19		3 <sup>rd</sup> Workday - Suffolk Range	8:00AM
8/26		3D Hunter Shoot- Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
9/9		Silver Arrow Shoot– Suffolk Range	9:00 AM
9/12		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
10/3		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
10/10		General Meeting Amityville	8:00 PM
11/14		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
12/5		Board Meeting Hicksville Kof C	8:00 PM
12/12		Gen Meeting/Elect Amityville	8:00PM

## Club News

This space is ALWAYS available for any announcements or news to be contributed by club members.



Club member **Mike Papsidaro** with his 10 pointer taken on 11/13/06 .

## Be our guest at the March 5<sup>th</sup> Suffolk Archers Club Meeting at C&B Archery...8-11 PM

Includes a brief presentation about the many advantages of club membership

**516 933-2697 or 516 873-8898**

This event is an official Suffolk Archers club meeting being held in cooperation with C&B Archery, which is donating the meeting room and range time at no cost. The shooting public is invited to join us at this meeting. Club business will be kept to a minimum and not be controversial.

This will be followed by a 30-minute presentation about the Club for the benefit of the non-members, and a 10-minute presentation about C&B Archery. Then its hero sandwiches and salads for all, followed by 95 minutes of paper and 3D shooting, plus fun and games. All FREE.

It would be nice to have as many Suffolk Archers members present as possible, to interface with visitors. *Let's show them how nice you are and how much fun it is to belong to Suffolk Archers.*

The hard part is knowing how many people to plan for and how much food to buy, so please let us know if you are coming, by emailing [Robert@RobertSchaefer.com](mailto:Robert@RobertSchaefer.com) before February 23<sup>rd</sup>. No email? Call 516 873-889

## The Hunter's Pot

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### Cajun Rub - Marion Loeffler

¼ cup Cooking oil      3 Tbs garlic powder  
6 tsp oregano      9 Tbs Hungarian paprika  
6 tsp tyme      1 ½ tsp salt  
1 ½ tsp white pepper      1 ½ tsp nutmeg  
1 ½ tsp cumin      1 1/2 tsp Cayenne Pepper

Rub surface of meat thoroughly with cooking oil. Combine mixture of all seasonings and rub it over all surfaces of meat. Place meat in shallow pan and roast as meat requires. Let cool 10 minutes before slicing and serving.

## What is a GEOCACHE ?



Club Member **Petros Gavrielides** with his Doe taken at Oxford, NY on 11/22/06 with rifle

## Trading Post

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**New Member Kevin Levesque Needs Traditional Tackle.** Looking to buy a right-handed 36-50lb recurve bow, in natural wood tones, plus a side quiver. Price range approximately \$300, with quiver price negotiable. Please bring any likely candidates to the next Snowflake League meet.

**Suffolk Archers** is looking to rent or borrow a small Bobcat or Backhoe in the very near future for a club project. Please contact the club Hotline with any prospects.

The club is also looking for discarded carpeting for another project. If you have any to contribute, please deposit ROLLED carpet along side of trailers.

**C&B Archery** is making way for continually incoming new stock. Get \$25 off on ALL 2006 Bows. Come on down and check out the new 2007 models, and while you're here, sign up for one of our Leagues.

**Suffolk Archers Logo** Hats, Jackets, Zip-Poly, and Vests are still available. Orders are on a first come, first serve basis. Call the club hotline to order yours today.

## Tackle Tips

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Now that the cold weather of winter has Finally arrived, many folks choose not to venture outdoors as much as they normally would. This is a perfect time to maintain your tackle, and perhaps try your hand at "building" some arrows, or make an accessory such as a quiver. Ask around, there are several club members who would only be too happy to guide you in getting started, and for those of you who are on the "shy" side, there are some very informative websites offering step by step instructions, photos, and diagrams to help you.

Stay safe, and shoot straight,  
Fletcher