

THE ARROW

SUFFOLK ARCHERS AND BOWHUNTERS NEWS LETTER

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From the Editor

As we continue to move along, I am receiving more and more input from the various committees and members, making it a lot easier to "get the word out" to keep the membership informed and up to date on current club issues, news and events. I would like to thank all of you for the information and photos that you have submitted. Your material has helped enhance the quality of **The Arrow**, and in turn kept the membership informed and up to date. Please keep your articles, photos and comments, coming.

Now that Hunting Season is upon us, I am sure that the membership would appreciate your shared success stories and photos in the next issue. Just get them to me by the 3rd week in November, and I'll see that they are in the next issue.

I would also like to mention that several of our members provided commendable support during the recent 3 day Women's Outdoor Adventure event sponsored by NYSSEF. As always, the efforts and attitude displayed by our organization and it's members has impacted positively on our sport.

The Arrow is published on the 1st of August, October, December, February, April, and June. Input to be published MUST be submitted to the editor by the 20th of the month prior, or it WILL NOT be entered until the following issue. Please direct comments or suggestions regarding this publication to me at (516)735-6085, or Email BNCO55@aol.com.

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

Mike Jones

President's Message

Well, the air is crisp so hunting season is on its way! I don't know about you but I can't wait I have been getting my clothes ready, sharpening my broadheads, and of course practicing down at the range. The platform is always a great aid in helping me to get used to shooting from a treestand. Now in regards to treestand, we come to the most dangerous part of hunting. Remember **ALWAYS USE A FULL BODY HARNESS** when you are in a stand. Also, the most dangerous part of the treestand use is getting in and out of the stand. I started using an extra "linemans belt" going in and out of the stand. It is a pain in the butt sometimes, especially in the dark, but how much is your life worth? Today some companies have come up with a way that keeps you attached all the way up into your stand, and back down again without all the hassle. Summit and a couple of other companies are offering this system, and you might want to check it out. Remember, no matter what **always** keep **three contacts** on the tree when you are ascending or descending. That means two hands and a foot on the tree, or one hand and two feet, as you alternate as you go up and down. In addition, please check your equipment for heavy rust and/or any weak points on steps and stands.

Well good luck to everybody and be safe!

Jeff

The Board Room

From The Table:

A hearty Welcome to the following new members: **John Nadotti, John Berti, Edward Mott, Joseph Pipia, Partick McKendry. Kevin & Frances Levesque, and Thomas Geiger, Nicholas Pristina, Patrick McKendry, Kevin Droogan, and Helen Gully.**

“Thank You” **Shay Granov** for your generous donation of the awesome new barbeque grill.

The Treasurer’s Vault:

This will be my last season as your club treasurer. I have been given an opportunity to pursue an educational prize that I cannot pass up. In the future the club business address will change, but I will be available to assist any member during the interim.

It has been my pleasure to have served you as Treasurer for the past 6 years, and wish , your new Treasurer, all the best.

See you at the club,
Bill Lorusso

Future Club Events

- 10/4 Board Meeting Hicksville KofC 8:00 PM
- 10/11 General/Nominations Amityville 8:00 PM
- 11/8 Board Meeting Hicksville KofC 8:00 PM
- 12/6 Board Meeting Hicksville KofC 8:00 PM
- 12/13 Club Elections Amityville 8:00 PM

Club News

On the evening of September 14, 2006 the club held an informal dinner at Greenfield’s Restaurant in Melville. Although the attendance was a little “lighter” than anticipated, 22 members of the club and their guests attended. The enjoyable evening of conversation and dining on an unending flow of a variety of grilled meats, ended with several in attendance winning

raffles/door prizes. Feedback has indicated that everyone had a good time, and future club events of this nature to promote camaraderie among our “Brothers/Sisters of the Bow”, could be arranged.



Michelle Eichler presents Walter Quick with his trophy
Photo by Jim Calkins

Suffolk Archers was well represented at the 2006 **Muzzy Invitational**, with **Walter Quick** taking 1st Place 2nd Flight with the Long Bow and **Carl Moller** taking the Tony.

Great Finish To 2006 Field Shoots

This year's field shoots featured bright and sunny days. Compound and traditional archers enjoyed our regulation NFAA 28-target course. Our tournaments ended on August 6th with our club championship shoot. We are pleased to announce that our **Club Compound Champion** is **Danny Zingale** and our **Club Traditional Champion** is **John Lachky**. Next year we are considering the placement of paper

animal targets next to the field targets. This would provide an attractive incentive for our green stakes hunters and 3D archers, and hopefully increase our turnout. This and other innovations should make next summer at Suffolk Archers even bigger and better.

The Field Committee

Past President **TONY DIDIO** took 1st Place in the SMBHFSL Class at the Mid-Atlantic Indoor Championships back in March 2006, and Past Board Member/Secretary **JIMMY KING** was the winner of the SMBHFS Class at the recently held Outdoor State Championships. Congratulations guys!

Tony, who is also our NFAB Representative, advises that Smith Point Archery will be host to The Indoor Mid-Atlantic Championships on March 3&4 2007.

NYFAB INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP and **NYFAB "CLASSIC"** March 25, 2007 @ New York Chiropractic College - 2360 Route 89, Seneca Falls, N.Y. Shooting lines 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 1:30 PM. Tournament format is a 60 arrow NFAA 300 Round on the 40 cm Blue/White colored target face. NFAA "flight system" will be used for award purposes for the NYFAB Indoor Championship. The NYFAB "class system" will be used for award purposes for the NYFAB "Classic" tournament. To compete in the NYFAB Indoor Championship competitors **must** be NYFAB members **and** NFAA or NAA members. Competitors who register for the NYFAB Indoor Championship may compete in the NYFAB "Classic" upon payment of an additional registration fee and shooting an additional shooting line. The NYFAB "Classic" is open to **all** competitors.

Those of us who use archery tackle during the hunting season are familiar with the effects of a razor sharp broadhead on animal tissue. The keen edge of these "surgical" instruments on the business end of a well placed arrow makes quick work of even the largest of game animals, as recently witnessed by member **Charlie**

Rogers, who earlier this month was skilled enough to take a bison with his long bow. Names like Muzzy, Wasp, Stos, Magnus, Buck Blaster and a whole myriad of others are familiar to us all. These broadheads are the evolutionary culmination of a simple basic design. Those of you who attended our June meeting were duly impressed by our speaker who demonstrated his "Gobbler Guillotine" turkey broadheads.

I am pleased to announce that the speaker at our next meeting (Wed., Oct. 11) will be **Mr. Don Schmidt**. He is a local expert on **Paleolithic, stone arrow and spear points**. He will be bringing samples from his extensive collection. This will be a very interesting, informative and educational presentation that will amaze you.

Plan on attending this meeting. You will come away with a better understanding of the very ancient nature of the sport which we all love so dearly.

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

The Hunter's Pot

Backdraft Stew FDNY

1 lb. lean ground turkey 1 small onion chopped
1/2 tsp basil 1 tsp garlic powder
2 16 oz cans crushed tomatoes (with liquid)
1/2 Tbs black pepper 1/2 Tbs cayenne pepper
16 oz can creamed corn
4 cups cooked brown rice

Brown ground turkey with onion in 4 quart saucepan. Drain off excess fat. Add basil and garlic powder; add tomatoes with liquid, and both the black and cayenne pepper. Cover and simmer for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Add corn and brown rice; heat through.

(Serves 6-8)

Trading Post

2nd Notice FOUND – 1 "very charismatic" bow square, during clean-up following the Long Island Traditional. Mike Jones (516)735-6085 or bnc055@aol.com.

Big Buck Contest

This season C&B Archery & Island Wide Archery are sponsoring a Charity Big Buck Contest. ALL proceeds will go to St Judes Children's Hospital for Cancer Research. Any buck, 8 points or better, taken this season in NY, CT, NJ, or PA is eligible. Entry fee is a cancelled \$25 check made out to St Jude's Children's Hospital, processed prior to "Kill Date" on tag, to be presented at C&B or Island Wide prior to 10/31/06. Winner will receive a FREE FULL SHOULDER MOUNT done by Big Buck Taxidermy of Valley Stream.

FOR SALE: Martin Cougar R/H hunting bow 60-70lbs, draw 28-31 camo \$325.00,
Forge R/H hunting bow 55-65lbs, draw 28-30 \$325.00

2003 Hoyt UltraTec R/H target bow with cam and 1/2 system \$450.00
Tony DiDio (631)940-0501
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For Sale: Mathews Citation, 60-70 lbs 30-31" draw \$250.00
Nick Menrath (516)433-0150
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Suffolk Archers Logo Hats, Jackets, Zip-Poly, and Vests are still available. Orders are on a first come, first serve basis. Call or e-mail Bill Lorusso to order yours today.

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Tackle Tips

If you're hunting on Long Island or the Adirondaks, you may already be off and running. If you're a Catskill or Southern Tier hunter, you probably already packed and raring to go. Either way, be sure to check that equipment THOROUGHLY BEFORE EACH AND EVERY HUNT! Your scouting, practice, confidence, and a RAZOR SHARP BROADHEAD will serve you well "putting meat on the table." Don't

forget your camera! We would like to see a photo of your harvest in a future issue.

Happy **SAFE** and Successful Hunting,
Fletch