



THE ARROW



SUFFOLK ARCHERS AND BOWHUNTERS NEWS LETTER

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From the Editor

The months of May, June and July have introduced members to multiple “New” as well as “Revived” events. At the end of May, 9 of our members were introduced to the sport of Bowfishing. The group traveled to Saratoga Lake, NY via plane, auto and RV, to learn and practice the skills of the sport. In spite of Mother Nature’s intervention, all declared the experience an exciting success, vowing to seek future bowfishing opportunities.

The LI Traditional, as usual, was an outstanding event. In spite of the brutally hot weather, 70 plus shooters participated. Thank all of you who worked so hard to prepare and set up the course, making “The Traditional” such a memorable event.

At the June “Outdoor” Meeting at our facility, Rob Schaefer provided instruction in arrow building to those interested, while others ate, and some just waited for our quick General Meeting to come and go. At the fall of darkness 30 of our members were part of our **Raccoon Shoot Revival**. The well planned course provided a SAFE and interesting activity for our members. An overwhelming number of shooters expressed their satisfaction with the event, and requested more such shoots in the future.

The **Knock-A-Block Shoot** held on July 13th drew 34 shooters. The results of the shoot, as well as those of the LI Traditional are posted in the Club News section. At this point, I feel the need to make a comment. While walking the course prior to the shoot, I was taken aback by my surroundings. My thoughts initially were that the KAB crew did one heck of a job here. Then reality set in. This place of OURS has never looked this good in years! The hard work of ALL our members, shoot committees, range crews, and Board, have cumulatively made this happen.

Last, but not least, I feel the need to report the unparalleled success of our 1st Annual Family Picnic/BBQ and Turkey Shoot. Both events arose from the fresh, new ideas presented by our membership. The events were held in conjunction with one and other due to time constraints this year, but the Turkey Shoot will be held prior to the spring Turkey Season in the future and the Picnic/BBQ approximately the same time as this year. The direction and guidance provided by Jeff Milano and Jack Di Girolamo, added to the hard work and time donated by their volunteers, made the event a memorable one for both young and old.

Suffolk Archers activities will by no means slow down during months of August and September. First on the agenda will be another SA first, The Hunter’s Rendezvous on August 17th. Don’t miss this great chance to learn, or just “brush up”. Then, in rapid succession will come our well known Hunter’s Shoot, the famous Silver Arrow, then its off to the woods.

Stay Safe,
Mike Jones *Editor-in-Chief*

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REMINDER: SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH IS THE THIRD WORK DAY @ THE RANGE

The Board Room

A Reminder for all members who have committed themselves for work credit to reduce their annual dues. As we move along, the opportunity for those who have opted to work for a reduction in dues is rapidly diminishing. Remember, failure to meet your pledged commitment will result in a reassessment and penalty. The following dates to meet your obligation are still available:

Date	Event	Contact	Telephone
8/10/08	Work Day	Joe Lupo	(516) 933-6920
8/17/08	Hunters Rendezvous	Jack D.	(516) 781-6710
8/24/08	Hunter Shoot	Jeff Milano	(516) 398-0741
9/7/08	Silver Arrow	Jack D.	(516) 781-6710
12/7/08	Work Day	Joe Lupo	(516) 933-6920

Club News

The **MEMBERS of Suffok Archers** greet and welcome all of you who have joined with us, and have become our brothers and sisters of the Arrow. Enjoy **YOUR** club, participate, and take an active role in **OUR** events and activities throughout the year at our one of a kind, unparalleled archery park. We now introduce you to your fellow members:

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| Zia Amin | Joe Klotz |
| Mike Anderson | Robert H. Koch |
| Stephan Ansbros | Eric Lawler |
| Brian Barbaccia | Giovanni Malinconico |
| Evan Brosowsky | Richard Martinez |
| Hollyanne E. Bruno | Christin Moynahan |
| Franklin Bujans | James Moynahan |
| Joesph Castellano | Tony A. Pellot |
| Patrick G. DeCarolis | Wayne Pique |
| Jack Denley | Tomer Regev |
| Thomas Flynn | David Roberts |
| Hank Fontana | Ian Thomas Rogers |
| Thomas Gonder | Alex S. Romano |
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| Michael Thomas Green | Gene Stanco |
| Chino Gregg | Yair Tapia |
| Michael Houze | Daniel Tapia, Jr. |
| Christopher Jones | Daniel Tapia, Sr. |
| John Jordon | Bruno Tymczyszyn |
| George Jounakos | Jarema Uzieblo |
| Daniel Kashatelyan | Charles Williams, Jr. |
| Rick Kiely | Mark Youngquist |

LI TRADITIONAL RESULTS

Long Bow
1st Place - Bob Kommel

Recurve
1st Place - Kecin Covas
2nd Place - Liza Wolsky

Youth
1st Place - James Messina
2nd Place - Kenneth Shanley
3rd Place - Daniel O'Brien

MEMBERS HELPING OUT

For those of you who attended the L.I. Traditional shoot and were "bitten" by the Iron Rattler, you can thank **Sonny Pristina**. Sonny lent his artistic talents and gave us a brand new target to eat up our arrows. Members also had an opportunity to "donate" a few arrows at the Turkey Shoot in July because Sonny gave us a nice new **Titanium Turkey** to test our skills. **Thanks Sonny!**

THE HUNT

Now is the time for all of us to be checking our equipment, especially broadheads. If they are dull, sharpen or replace them. If you are lucky enough to be part of the club's Taghkonac Hunt (currently there is only one opening left), get together with your cabin mates, and start working out the final details such as food, equipment and transportation. For those "first timers", I'm sure that your buddies have already let you in on the excellent hunting opportunities available on the adjacent farm acquired by the State.

The season is closer than you think. The calendar reads Hunter Rendezvous, Hunter Shoot, Silver Arrow, then into the woods. I am currently looking for a volunteer co-chairman and 1 or 2 members to help our well seasoned and knowledgeable core Bowhunting Committee prepare for the **Silver Arrow Shoot**.

Bob Watterson



Greetings from Lake Lonely

BOWFISHING ADVENTURE

The culmination of the Bowfishing Seminar at Suffolk Archers' March meeting was "live" bowfishing on May 31 and June 1, 2008. Nine members harvested zero carp but had a ton of fun trying. The three outrageous rain squalls that blew across Saratoga Springs' Lake Lonely did little to dampen the spirits of newbie bowfishermen Chris Abela, Frank Christy and his two sons, Mike Garrity, David John, Mike Jones, Rob Schaefer and Tom Volz, but it did cool down the fishing.

Usually found in the shallows this time of the year, the sudden and powerful squalls chilled the water and sent the carp to deeper, warmer water. So, even with three boats, six guides and nine "fish-hunters," no carp were taken. But it was a blast that all agreed they would like to do again.

If you've never tried bowfishing, it's hard to imagine the thrill of standing on a platform mounted above the bow of a small boat in the dark of night, moving across a lake with an ac generator strapped to the stern sending electricity to a half dozen halogen work lights that illuminate the underwater scene. We saw small turtles and giant snapping turtles, and many species of small, medium and large fish, including big bass, but no carp. We know the carp are in Lake Lonely however, because the following week at Mike Barbers Spring Fling Bow Fishing Tournament over 3,300 pounds of carp were harvested, including one over 40 pounds.

Many thanks to Mike Barber, our guest lecturer in March and the host of the Lake Lonely Suffolk Archers Bowfishing Experience. He saw to it that

we were properly equipped, wonderfully guided, and well fed. The only thing he could not control was the weather.

Visit <http://www.nybowfishing.com> for more info.

BOWFISHING SCORE:

**BODY COUNT: CARP 9, SUFFOLK ARCHERS 0
FUN: SUFFOLK ARCHERS 10**

The Hunters Lair

Our 1st annual Turkey Shoot is behind us. All the shooters have told me they had a great time. Congratulations to our winners, Chris Abela (traditional) and Brian Boyle (compound). I would like to thank all the members that showed up to set up and take down the course and a special thanks to TONY "The Arrowsmith" MORRA and Sonny "The Brush" Perstina for their help to make this event happen.

On August 17, we will be having our 1st BOW HUNTER RENDEZVOUS. Some members have asked me what a rendezvous is: it means "popular meeting place." It will be educational to the new bow hunter, along with providing refresher information to the long time bow hunter. We will be having some of our local pro shops attending to help you with your equipment. NY BOW HUNTERS will there to tell you what's going on in and around our great state. DEC will also have a presence. Bring your hunting bow and arrows (please, no broad heads) to check your arrow speed and weight, and bring your questions!

I have been asked about the so called BOW HUNTER EXPERT and will he attend. The answer is NO. I believe that the word "EXPERT" does not belong in the bow hunting committee. ACCOMPLISHED, EXPERIENCED, professionals will be there — our volunteers have over 350 years of combined experience. For proof, come see the wall of their accomplishments.

I believe that people who want to bow hunt are afraid to ask questions, are intimidated by our bow hunters, and don't know where to start. Hopefully we will be able to put some of these fears to rest with this informative event.

We are still looking for experienced bow hunters to assist with this event. All of you accomplished bow hunters, bring down your trophies and hang them on the Suffolk Archers Wall of Honor. (Don't worry — we won't make you give up your secret spots!)

This event is the culmination of months of hard work by your Club Officials and the bow hunting committee, to make this event a success, but you, the members, make it happen — without your input, this event doesn't happen!!! We still need help, so if you need to do your work days or just want to volunteer contact me. I NEVER SAY NO!!!! Hope to see you all at the range August 17th!

Jack Di Girolamo, SA Bow Hunters Committee

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E-mail Jack at jackdee@aol.com

Featured Photo

Anthony Blasi with his 250 lb bear taken on 6/1/08 in Quebec with his Matthews Q2.



WANTED: Your pictures, whether they are of that once-in-a-lifetime harvest, or simply feature club members enjoying an afternoon outdoors. Send your digital photos to jsgoekner@yahoo.com. Photos will be selected at random based upon the Editors' discretion.

The Hunters' Pot



Always a crowd pleaser at Suffolk Archers events for years, this recipe was volunteered from the recipe files of Robert Schnorr.

SAUERKRAUT

Ingredients:

4 slices bacon cut into ½" pcs.
2 lg. onions diced
2 apples peeled & diced
2# bag of sauerkraut, drain the liquid & discard
2 T caraway seeds
2 T dark brown sugar
2 t. salt
10 juniper berries
2 lg. bay leaves
1 small potato, peeled & grated
1 bottle of beer, dark if you have it.

Cooking Instructions:

Use a 4 qt. pot. Render bacon till crisp, remove bacon & reserve in bacon fat. Lightly brown onions & apples; remove w/slotted spoon & reserve. Place sauerkraut into pot with caraway seeds, brown sugar, salt, juniper berries, & bay leaves. Stir & cook on medium till moisture evaporates & kraut starts to brown. Add onions & apples, grated potato, and ½ the bottle of beer. You will not need the whole bottle so it is a good idea to take a few sips to insure its quality. Simmer on low setting for 1 hour, checking for liquid. Add beer as necessary. There should be ¼ to ½" of liquid when done. Taste & adjust ingredients. Remove bay leaves prior to serving. And garnish w/bacon. **NOTE: Do not forget the bacon!**

Tackle Tips

Now is the time to be getting real serious about practicing and getting in shape for the fall season! Check all of your equipment and replace or repair worn or damaged items. For items related to safety-THERE IS NO OPTION! There is still time yet to prepare yourself to meet the rigors of the hunt. If nothing else, start walking on a regular basis.

**Stay safe and shoot straight,
Fletcher Stringman**

The Trading Post

NEW BRIEFCASE AVAILABLE WITH EMBROIDERED FULL COLOR SUFFOLK ARCHERS LOGO



Durable 14 ounce canvas with reinforced corners. Has exterior slash pocket, interior file dividers on both sides plus organizer pockets for pens, pencils, pads, cell phones, GPS, maps, licenses. Even has a tab with a clip for securing your keys. Detachable padded shoulder strap. Brown leatherette trim. 17-1/2" wide x 13-1/2" high. Full zipper closure plus zipper on mesh inside pocket. Full-color Suffolk Archers logo embroidered on front.

FOR SALE

Loggy Bayou Tree Stand - mint with climbing aid, full instructions, fleece lined footrest, backrest and rifle rest. **PSE Stingray Compound Bow** - 32" axle to axle, 29' draw, 60-70 lbs, PLUS extra 40-50 lb limbs. \$400 for BOTH, or make offer.

CONTACT Mike Green (631) 234-6466.

Custom 68" John McCoullough "Tsunami" longbow, 56#@28" - \$350/Negotiable.

CONTACT David John (516) 428-1232



Discounts for SA Members

Courtesy of NY & LI Farm Bureau,

SA members can now enjoy the discounts at the following establishments: Atlantis Marine World, Splish Splash Water Park, Talmage Farm Agway, The Long Island Perennial Farm, Great Peconic Bay Oyster Co., BEJAY Auto Parts, Another Pest Control Corp, Eastern Dental, Dun Rite Appliances & Electronics, Barry Block Landscape Design & Contracting Inc., The Harbor Front Inn, Duck Walk Vineyards, Martha Clara Vineyards, Osprey's Dominion Vineyard, Pindar Vineyards, LLC, and more!

For details & complete list, visit <http://www.lifb.com> Membership Info->Member Discounts.

1st Annual SA BBQ



I just wanted to say thank you to all of our members, families and friends who braved the

heat, and made our 1st Annual BBQ another Suffolk Archers success. I offer A BIG Thank You to our dedicated members Mike Armstrong, Dave Goeckner, Richard Martinez, Stu Parker, Robert Schnorr and Chris Jones, who endured the additional heat of the kitchen as well as what Mother Nature provided us. I extend a Special Thank You to Mike Anderson for his delicious chicken, Artie Stein for preparing all of the "sides" and helping with the smoked chicken and roast pork, Susan Mora for preparing the sausage and peppers, and my wife Yuya for preparing the sausage and penne.

Jeff Milano

SA Members enjoyed a wonderful day at the range with their families.



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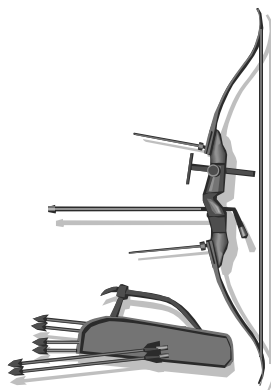
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The Arrow

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Don't miss the upcoming Hunters Rendezvous Sunday Aug. 17th!



Educational for the new bow hunter.

Refresher information for long time bow hunter.

Local pro shops will be on hand to assist with your equipment.

NY BOW HUNTERS & DEC representatives will be present.

Bring your hunting bow and arrows to check your arrow speed and weight (no broadheads) — **BRING YOUR QUESTIONS!**

TO VOLUNTEER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact Jack Di Girolamo, SA Bow Hunters Committee
(516) 781-6710 Home (516) 754-3549

Hunter 3-D Shoot

Sun. August 24th

Open to the public & SA Members

Traditional OR Compound Bows

8:00am Registration • 9am Shoot Begins

Silver Arrow

Sun. Sept. 7th

Open to the public & SA Members

Traditional OR Compound Bows < 80lb.

8:00am Registration • 9am Shoot Begins



Mark your calendars and check out these great events!

For more information, call (516) 873-8898

