

Villages Archery Club

Meeting Minutes

Date: 3-14-11

1. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Dick Armstrong at 6:00 PM. Two (2) officers, thirty-five (35) members and two (2) guests attended this meeting.

2. In John Ferris' absence, Mike Kennedy read the Treasurer's Report.

- Last month's balance was \$2,017.89
- This month's balance is \$2,509.61 after adjustments for income (membership dues, sale of equipment and Tournament fees) and expenses (clinic lunch, Field House keys and miscellaneous materials)

3. Old Business

- There was nothing new to report regarding the shade cover for the shooting line at the archery range. While the request for the shade cover was approved and put out for bids, there was an article in The Daily Sun on 10 March saying that The Villages (the ACC) had rejected a request to install shade covers over some of the sports pools because it would set a precedent.
- The three (3) new target mats and eight (8) new cores that The Villages Recreation Department had ordered from American Whitetail were installed during the work party on 17 February 2011.
- An update on the status of the Club's Winter Handicap League could not be provided because Jeff Wiseman did not attend the meeting.
- John Gauger is the Range Meister for this month. The Range Meisters for the next five (5) months are:

✓ April	Charlie Vassil
✓ May	Mike Indian
✓ June	John Ferris
✓ July	Les Fox
✓ August	Dick Armstrong

4. New Business

- The Club's second Resident Clinic was held on Thursday, 22 February. Seventy-five (75) people attended this Clinic and twenty (20) of the participants elected to join the Club.
- Another Clinic is scheduled for after The Villages Outdoor Expo. The date of the Expo is still to be determined, however, it is believed that it will be Saturday, 21 May 2011. Stay tuned. There will be more info on the Outdoor Expo and the Clinic to follow it at the next meeting.
- Members were reminded that the next tournament will be on **Sunday, 20 March** when the Club hosts The Villages Senior Games Archery 900 Round Tournament. The competition begins at 9:00 AM

The range was judged to be in acceptable condition for the Tournament so no work party was required. Volunteers to manage the registration and the line were requested. Mary Ann Hartman and Lamar Hobbs volunteered to take care of registration and Ralph Goldsworthy agreed to run the line.

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4. New Business (continued)

- The next Tournament that the Club will host is scheduled for **Saturday, 2 April**. It too will be a 900 Round Invitational Tournament.

Volunteers to manage the registration and the line were again requested. Mary Ann Hartman volunteered to take care of registration and Wayne Maudlin agreed to assume Ralph Goldsworthy's usual role and run the line. Thanks Mary Ann and Wayne !

Yours truly was asked to remind members that a work party has been scheduled for **Thursday, 31 March** to prepare the range for this Tournament. An e-mail with this information was sent to all members on 29 March.

- Wally Krull was asked to give a report on the archery classes that he and other Club members presented at The Villages Charter School.

Wally reported that the first session has been completed and that it was a **TREMENDOUS** success. Seventeen (17) students participated in the session, which culminated in a tournament. Three medals (Gold, Silver and Bronze) were presented to the three boys and three girls with the highest scores. Planning for another session is already under way.

- Mary Ann Hartman was asked to give a report on the beginner's "Learn to Shoot" classes that she has organized for the new Club members.

Mary Ann informed the membership that the current session will end this week (the week of 14 March) and she thanked all of the Club members who helped her make the session a success.

- Dick Armstrong introduced the subject of having the Club use some of its' money to purchase new recurve bows similar to those that were purchased by The Villages for The Villages Charter School Archery program. A "spirited" discussion followed.

Mary Ann suggested that some of the bows that the Club purchases have draw weights between 20 and 25 lbs. This is a "lesson learned" from the beginner's sessions because she found that some of her students could not draw bows with higher draw weights.

It was suggested that some of the bows that the Club purchases be compound bows. The Mathews Genesis model was recommended. It was then proposed that the Club purchase four (4) recurves from Three Rivers Archery and two (2) Genesis compound bows. That proposal was then modified to the following.

- ~ 2 recurve bows with draw weights under 20 lbs.
- ~ 2 recurve bows with draw weights just over 30 lbs.
- ~ 2 Mathews Genesis compound bows

- Last month it was suggested that the Club place a Suggestion Box in the Field House at the range. Two suggestions were received.

- ~ That the Club should purchase an arrow cutoff saw to add to the tools that are available for member's use in the Field House.
- ~ That the Club ask The Villages (the Recreation Department ?) to install a "speed bump" where the sidewalk from the parking lot to the Field House crosses the golf cart path.

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- Members were reminded that the Monday Morning Shoots will start at 9:00 AM as of **21 March** (the usual start time during our “hot” season).

Members were also reminded that there is a “New Member Shoot” that is held each Tuesday. It is similar to the Monday Morning Shoot, but it is for the new members who are just getting started.

The start time for the “New Member Shoot” will also be moved to 9:00 AM as of **21 March**.

- Dick adjourned the meeting at 6:50 P.M.
- The next meeting will be held on April 11, 2011 at 6:00 PM at Tierra del Sol.

Respectively submitted,

Michael H. Kennedy
The Villages Archery Club Secretary

