

Nocks & Tips

from Robinhood Archery Club

June 2008

Bryce Lambley, an outdoor sports writer, had a wonderful article about Robinhood Archery Club and our 3-D Tournaments in the Fremont Tribune on June 7th! Thank him if you see him. The article included information and dates of our tournaments. He even said, "The unusually wet spring has made the Robinhood Archery Club's verdict to move their 3-D shoots to Camp Calvin Crest look like a crystal-ball kind of decision..." Even though the Camp is much higher, the weather that day apparently still kept many shooters away since the final tally was only 23 competitors. Hopefully the turnout for the John C. Fremont Days tournament will be significantly higher, or else we may have to look at other ways of raising funds.

The John C. Fremont Days 3-D will be Saturday and Sunday, July 12 & 13th. Volunteers will be needed for set up on Friday, July 11th and take down on Sunday, the 13th. Help will also be needed during the tournament with registration, food preparation, and the novelty games. Donations of food and prizes are needed. Please attend the next meeting on Tuesday, June 24th, to help with planning. If you cannot attend, please contact Gene Metschke, 690-4325, or Chris or Brad, 727-1842 to find out how you can contribute or donate items.

If you received this newsletter in the mail, would you send an active email address (if you have one) to me at chrisandbrad@att.net. The club is looking at ways to save money and reducing postage and publishing costs helps a lot. Thanks.

Vince Smith and Dave Strong are again teaching ten children at a beginner class at Monnich Park on Thursday nights and are utilizing the new target butts the club bought for Monnich Park. They are Morrell Outdoor Targets and Ed and Lee Altmanshofer have put in a lot of time making iron brackets to enclose them so they won't be stolen. These are excellent targets and should last a while as long as broad heads are not shot in them. I drive by Monnich Park on my way to work and there is almost always someone there shooting. And yet, I had a Fremont resident call this week asking if there was somewhere to sight in his bow. I guess we need to spread the word! I read that there are an estimated 400 bow hunters in Dodge County, yet our membership stands at about 60. How do we reach them? I'm open for suggestions as to how to get these people to join.

Newcomers to the sport are welcome also. Archery has a lot to offer. It is the safest sport according to insurance officials. A survey showed that 91% of archery injuries were joint- and muscle-type injuries, not wounds, from an injury rate of less than one incident per 1000 participants. Golf and fishing incident rates are twice that, and soccer, baseball, and basketball are 15 to 25 times that. Wonder what football is???

Archery is probably the sport with the longest history and has some legendary heroes. It is also great exercise. It's low impact, muscle-toning, and gets people outside. It can also be a great family activity. Brad and I are enjoying making the rounds of tournaments now that we're "empty nesters". We've even met Steve & Michelle at a couple tournaments for a good excuse to see each other. So guys, bring your wives and kids out too! There are some really nice people shooting archery tournaments! See you soon!

Note that the next club meeting will be held at Moller Park (by the baseball field) since the indoor range is not air conditioned. The meeting is at 7:00pm on Tuesday, June 24th.

Chris Johannesen, **President**

Important upcoming dates:

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| <u>June 24th</u> | <u>7:00pm Club Meeting at Moller Park Building</u> |
| June 28-29 | Field/Hunter/Animal Round at Lincoln Prairie Bowmen |
| July 4-5-6 | 3-D at Wymore |
| <u>July 12-13</u> | <u>John C. Fremont Days 3-D at Camp Calvin Crest</u> |
| July 13 | 900 Round at Grand Island |
| July 13 | 3-D at Ahamo |
| <u>July 16</u> | <u>Parks & Rec Playground Kids at Monnich Park all day</u> |
| July 26-27 | Archery Competitions for Cornhusker State Games at Lincoln
(Registration for the Cornhusker State Games must be completed by
<u>June 30th. There is a \$5 discount if completed by June 23rd and you can
save an extra \$2 per person by registering online at CornhuskerStateGames.com.)</u>) |
| July 27 | 3-D at Pottawattamie |
| <u>July 29 7:00pm Club Meeting</u> | |