

CONEJO QUIVER



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Monthly Newsletter

**April 2013**

## **From the Prez**

### **To all CVA member's**



As the club grows in size we are putting policies and procedures in place to make sure the organization is safe, supports archery and streamlines the efficiency of the club. As we develop the system, there will be some adjustments that will need to be made, but these changes are in the best interest of CVA. Things that we have already done include the reworking of the JOAD program (18m line, a timer between shooting lines etc...), electronics newsletter, more signs, updated bulletin boards, etc.... Some of the items coming down the line include an update of the by-laws, coaching policies, open house, etc... If you want to become more involved in developing the club, please contact me and I will make sure we use your talents. Hopefully, you will like the changes we are making, but as with any change, there will be some compromises. Please bear with us as we experience these growing pains.

I would like to thank all the volunteers that have been out on the range clearing trails in preparation for the 22nd Annual Pacific Coast Traditional Challenge. If you want to help please contact Bob and I am sure he can find something where you can add value to the event and to the club.

I have received several calls in the last month about the gate being left open. If you go through the gate close it unless there is a special reason to keep it open (JOAD on Saturday morning, tournament, club meeting, etc...). If you find it open and there is not a reason for it to be open, please close it. We want to avoid non-members, entering into the property and getting into mischief (by accident or by intent).

There have been a few reports of people jumping going to the park and jumping the fence. If you see this happen, contact the camp host and they will take appropriate actions. These people are trespassing and should not be on the range. They might be the source of vandalism that has been found on the filed course. Please, protect your club.

Enjoy the range and if you have time, shoot a few arrows for me.

Clark Pentico  
CVA President

From The Desk of the Vice Prez,

Hello Everyone,

I missed last month's Quiver because of Family matters, but I'm back. First thing is to remind everyone that spring is here and the weather has brought out the snakes early!!! We caught 2 really nice gopher snakes at JOAD last weekend and we all know that where there are gopher snakes there are also rattlers!!!! So be aware and look where you are stepping and walking! Also try not to kill a rattle snake if you can, they really help keep the rabbit and ground squirrel population down. Also I have seen and heard the Bobcat up in the JOAD canyon; I think she has cubs although I haven't seen them yet. So be aware and leave them alone!



Next on the list, is it has been brought to the Boards attention about concern with Coaches giving Private Lessons or group Lessons at the Range. Now even though this practice has been going on for as long as I have been involved with CVA (16 Years) the concern and lack of some sort of guidelines to go by the Board has decided to come up with a Written Protocol to address the matter. I have written and proposed to the Board a draft which will be finalized and ready to present at the next General Membership Meeting Sunday April 28th. We hope that it will answer and clear up any and all questions and concerns about who can give and conduct private instruction of students on CVA property.

This will include a method of approval by the Board for anyone wishing to conduct lessons. Also how Coaches collect fees for their services by Club and Non-Club Members and how the Club can benefit from this. So if you would like voice your opinions and concerns or just hear what we are proposing come to the meeting. Or you can always call me or email me or any other Executive Board Member with your thoughts and suggestions!

We are already seeing big crowds at JOAD and I expect this trend will continue through the summer months. The next installment of the Hunger Games is due out later this year and I'm already hearing the kids talking about it! So our Sport is still very popular and will continue to be so and we have to embrace this in every way we can. All the Coaches at JOAD are still planning to offer the NTS Classes during the Saturday Sessions and we have been taking applications. Hopefully we can get the first classes off the ground in May sometime. We have a few things to work out concerning non-member participation but I'm confident that we can resolve the issue in everyone's best interest.

That's about it for now, but if any member has questions or concerns about anything that is going on with the Club you need to know that all of your Board members are always available to listen and address your concerns. So don't be afraid to contact us (we don't bite!). The only way we can help and continue to grow is by communicating with each other.

Lastly I would like to thank all of you who offered your condolences on my Fathers passing. It was very much appreciated and once again proved to me that our Archery "Family" is very supportive and truly it meant a lot to me that you all were so supportive during a very difficult time.

Hope to see you all around the Range; don't forget the upcoming CVA Traditional Tournament!!!

All My Best,  
Coach Dave

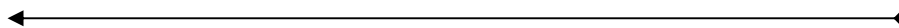




Today I do have a Smithwick “Citation” built in that shop that is identical to the one in the picture of Tom tillering a “Citation” that I have provided for this column.

The day that I purchased that “Super Diablo” Tom called me into the back of the shop to show me what he had been working on, there was a great deal of excitement in his voice as he introduced me to another man, this man was Sherwood Schoch a business man that was helping Tom with creating a new company that would be called “Jennings Compound Bow Corporation.” The object that Tom was working on he called a “compound bow” that had been invented by a Hollis Wilber Allen and sent to Tom to make into a viable new archery product. I did not know at this time that most archery company’s had already turned down Mr. Allen and his invention, that only Tom had gotten excited about it. I can say that I was not impressed by this device but I was careful to not be negative, wished him the best with his new endeavor and never gave compounds another thought for several years. My time to do the “archery dance with the compound was still a-ways down road”.

1971/72- S&J Archery was now a vacant building and “Jennings Compound Bow Corporation” (known to us as “Jennings Archery”) occupied a large metal building an arrows flight from “Magic Mountain” near the intersection of the 5 freeway and state highway 126. One corner of this large factory was reserved for a small pro-shop and it is here where bowhunters would congregate and talk bows and hunting, bows now meant “compound bows” and those of us still shooting re-curves or longbows were thought of as a lost generation. Tom’s beautiful custom recurve bows (the Ultra & the Citation) were now a part of history. Tom’s willingness to think of “what could be” had turned the world of archery into an entirely new dimension and all those archery companies who had turned away Hollis Wilber Allen’s invention were now scrambling to purchase a license to manufacture this amazing new device (I still have a hard time calling it a bow) that was changing archery forever.



Jennings Archery would lead the world in craftsmanship and innovation of the compound bow for another fifteen or so years when legal complications would require it to merge with a licensed company in order to stay in business. That company is Bear Archery, still a leading manufacturer of compound bows. This change took Jennings Archery away from California to the state of Florida where he remained as consultant and engineer and in marketing for some years before retiring in Puerto Rico, eventually returning to family in Columbia, Missouri where he passed away on Feb. 25, 2013.

Tom Jennings was honored in 1999 with his induction to the Archery Hall of Fame, his books on how to build a custom recurve bow can still be found occasionally in an archery store or catalog.

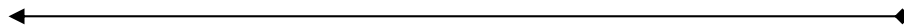
A cheerful, positive outlook on life and his constant willingness to help his fellow archer will always be the trademark by which I will remember him. The small shop owner who became one of the biggest names in the business remained to every archer a friend and fellow archer.

I'm not sure just why it was Tom's passing that has caused me to reflect so much on the past but it did make me realize that all archers need to know about our pioneers and to realize that those relationships that you have today will become the history of tomorrow. Next year will begin my fiftieth year in California archery and I can say that I have made many friends over the years that were just friends without a thought that they were becoming a part of archery history. I began to make a list of names and was well over twenty strong that had garnered recognition when I also thought of so many who had done so much for so many with so little recognition but were every bit as important to archery as those names we recognize.

I hope this column helps you to recognize the value of your archery friendships, that you too are a very important part of this little world of ours and that the memories you make today is the history of tomorrow. We are a blessed lot, a special people, enjoy every moment.

Curtis

### **Tom Jennings tillering a custom recurve**







## Villars Custom Bows Atlatl Workshops

Learn to make atlatls and darts - the primitive weapon system that pre-dates archery!

We supply an atlatl blank, a hand straightened dart shaft, feathers, and materials to make a complete set. You make your own atlatl and dart! Materials for additional atlatls and darts will be available for sale on the day of the workshop.

One day workshop consists of step-by-step hands on instruction and covers the following topics:

- Roughing out the atlatl with hand tools
- Spur styles/launch methods
- Dart shaft straightening (all dart techniques apply to primitive arrows as well)
- Dart fletching, feather binding
- Point hafting, foreshafts
- Shaft materials, including gathering and drying

Class is designed to allow time to learn to throw with the atlatl and dart, including a practice ISAC (International Standard Accuracy Competition).

This workshop is perfect for mature young people over ten, provided they supply adult supervision (each participant pays fee. Example: Father and two sons = three participants). Scout troops welcome!

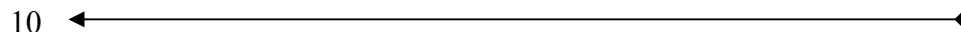
An excellent introduction into primitive skills and working with your hands, this workshop can lead to interests in other primitive skills, such as bow making, arrow making, flintknapping, fire starting, etc.

**Workshop price is \$135/participant. Payment is due in advance.**

If you would like us to contact you about upcoming workshops, please provide us with your phone number and email address.

Email Ken: [ken@villarscustombows.com](mailto:ken@villarscustombows.com)

or call (760) 242-3086



**Villars Custom Bows**  
Presents  
Bow-making Workshops

If you've ever wanted to make your own custom wooden bow, now is your chance to learn how!

We supply a glued-up bow blank (bamboo backed ipe), and in the course of a weekend workshop, show you how to make it into a shoot-able longbow.

Workshop consists of step-by-step hands on instruction and covers the following topics:

Profiling the bow with hand tools

Refining and maintaining thickness taper

Floor tillering the bow to prepare it to be braced

Roughing in string nocks

Introduction to string making

Adjusting the braced shape

Tillering the bow to full draw at target weight

Workshop price is \$350, and includes glued up longbow blank. We need a deposit so we can glue up your bow in time for the class.

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**Ken will be vendor at CVA Pacific Coast Traditional Shoot. He is ready for all of you questions.**





Saturday was the best day for us all, what with a hunt, a slingshot tournament and a roaring fire that was going. We all had a blast from start to finish. So many great memories were made, that it made one gigantic experience. All of us together like that made it feel like family.

While sitting around that fire. Drinks were passed around. There was even a portable generator with a TV for those who wanted to watch a movie. All of us like that brought some of closer

As each hunter brought their game back to camp we all celebrated, took pics and rejoiced no one got hurt. To see and learn the proper skinning process was fascinating the owners of that ranch made it look effortlessly, another great thing about Big Horn Ranch. By the end of the night everyone was proud and happy. This was the night we still cant stop talking about.

Once again there was never lack of food, Lee Mainwall prepared an amazing beef stew and Lee G, brought trip tip... We had a to laugh as we were really roughing it. We invited the owners of the Ranch to join us, it was then where it became memorable, the bonding between everyone one, the stories that were told along with jokes and laughter. So many different people united as one, we wished that night had never ended and like I said before definitely looking forward to the next.

Luz Garces











# May Club Shoot

We had a nice turnout in March for the club shoot with 18 archers making the round and turning in score cards.

Keith Murphy had the top scratch (516) and handicapped (555) score this month. He was closely followed by Luke Sekerka with a 549. Fellow Golden Agers Chuck Thurber and Norman Rice snuck in with identical scratch scores of 545.

The top traditional handicapped (LB & Recurve) score went to Rob Lind (513), while Garry Magness picked up the top traditional scratch score (285).

**Special Note:** Roughly twenty-five percent of the archers on the course this month came from the Bartel Family (Angie, Eli, Todd, Grant) which recently joined CVA. It is always nice to see new members out on the range.

NAME	HSCORE	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
Keith Murphy	555	516	A	BHFS
Luke Sekerka	549	483	A	BHFS
Chuck Thurber	545	431	GA	FS
Norman Rice	545	468	GA	BHFS
Clark Pentico	544	510	A	FS
Rob Lind	513	214	A	TRAD
Tom Swindell	511	221	GA	TRAD
Garry Magness	508	285	A	LB
Doritina Pentico	490	407	YA	FS
Curtis Hermann	487	257	GA	TRAD
John Brix	484	233	GA	TRAD
Robert Luttrell	484	171	A	LB
Eli Bartel	470	200	C	BHFS
Joe Bittner	465	177	A	TRAD
Randy Estrella	456	456	A	FS
Grant Bartel	391	159	Y	BHFS
Angie Bartel	82	82	A	TRAD
Todd Bartel	47	47	A	TRAD

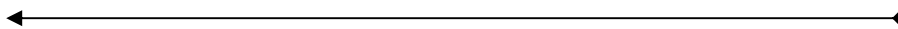




# FOR SALE

**Hoyt 50-60 LBS** compound bow  
Limited Edition Red White and Blue flag design  
Only one year in production  
New String and Cables + extra String in Cables in package  
Bow is in very good shape \$600.00  
if interested please call **Steve Price (805) 433-2996**

Nikon Binoculars  
10 X 56 6 °  
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## Your CVA Officers

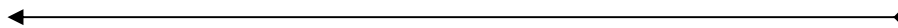
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### Maintenance

This is a gentle reminder to those that have adopted a lane or lanes.. As it has been raining the weeds have been growing. Please help to ensure lanes are wide enough for four shooters. As always, thank you for your commitment to making our range a safe and fun place for everyone.

**Attention!                      Attention!                      Attention!**

**On May 3-5 all Conejo Valley Archery ranges will be closed to member shooting. This includes the JOAD area, the 3D range, the roving range, and all practice areas. This is due to safety concerns for all of the volunteers setting up the range and participants of our large fund raiser, The Traditional Challenge! All are encouraged to come out and help us put on a fun and profitable shoot.**





# Conejo Valley Archers Annual Pacific Coast 22<sup>ND</sup> TRADITIONAL CHALLENGE

*Vendor Sales*

*\$Money Shoots*

**2-Day 50 Targets 3-D Tournament**

**Saturday, May 4, 2013 – 30 Targets**

**Sunday May 5, 2013 - 20 Targets**

Separate Longbow, Recurve, Selfbow & Senior (60+) Divisions (no clickers)

\* *NFAA Rules Apply (Quivers OK!)* \*

\* *No Compounds, No Sights* \*

\* *Unmarked Yardage* \*

10-8-6 Scoring on 1<sup>st</sup> Arrow, in case of miss, 2<sup>nd</sup> arrow scores 5-4-3

\* *Lunch & Dinner served on Saturday* \*

\* *Breakfast & Lunch served on Sunday* \*

\* *Snacks & Drinks served all day* \*

### Saturday Schedule

7:00am – 8:30am Tournament Registration  
8:00am – 1:00pm Start shooting right after  
1:00pm – 5pm \$5 Smoker Round (1 arrow)  
Women's and Men's Division

\* *Raffle tickets sold, General & Bow Raffles* \*

\* *Food & Drinks Sold all day* \*

\* *Clouts – prices posted at clouts* \*

\* *Vendor Trade Show and Sales* \*

### Sunday Schedule

7:00am– 8:30am Tournament Registration  
Start shooting right after  
2:00pm → Score Cards must be turned in  
Awards & Raffle held soon after

\* *Raffle tickets sold, General & Bow Raffles* \*

\* *Shots will include \* Speed Round \* Running Pig \* \* Pop-up Pig \* Steel Deer Silhouette* \*

\* *Vendor Trade Show and Sales* \*

### **\$\$ MONEY SHOOT - Team Rules \$\$**

\$15 per shooter - Teams consist of (1) Recurve and (1) Longbow or Primitive shooter.

Best Individual Score on each target for both days will be used to determine the total score. Club gets \$3.00 per person of fee paid. Balance will payout at 75% for 1st and 25% for 2nd.

### **RV Camping (\$37 per night)**

Full RV Hook-ups in adjacent county park. Tent Camping \$5.00 per night, Trailer Camping or Camper Shell with no hookup \$10 per night. Must check out by 6:00 pm or pay for an additional night. A daily parking fee of \$4.00 will apply on Sunday after 11:00 am, unless the vehicle is parked in the archery fenced area. If you park inside the "county park" at any time you must pay a daily parking fee. Free day parking inside our fenced range.

### **\* Tournament Fees \***

For non CBH, NFAA or NAA members please add \$5 to the fees listed below (unless a member of an out of state archery organization)

Adults - \$25      Couples - \$35  
Family - \$40      Youth - \$15  
Seniors (60+) \$25      Cubs - \$10

For only shoot Saturday or Sunday with no awards delete \$5 from original fee.

(Includes husband, wife and kids under 18 years old).

### **Directions to Range**



118 Freeway East or West to Simi Valley. Exit Tapo Canyon Road. North on Tapo Canyon Road, 3 miles to Tapo Canyon Park

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*Remember with the  
time change next club  
meeting will start at  
11:00 AM*

**Reminder:** Range Beautification Days  
are the 1st Saturday of even months

