

CONEJO QUIVER



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From the Desk of the President

Kurt Hoberg

Tournament Range

Work on the range has hit a bit of a lull. We've had some 'fun' with permitting and inspections related to the new gate for the Tournament Range. Per my last visit we finally have posts placed for the gate...and now are anxiously awaiting the gate to be installed.



We will be ordering bins soon and after that, targets.

We are also working to get donated lumber for the target stands and once we have the materials will be building them.

Look for progress pictures on our Facebook and WEB pages.

Tournament News

The 2016 Tournament season has started. The tournaments are coming fast and furious – here are the details:

May 21st – 22nd, Cotton Boll Classic being held in Tulare, CA.

Registration is open:

<http://calarchery.net/events/icalrepeat.detail/2016/05/21/26/-/cotton-boll-classic>

June 4th and 5th, California Senior Games Championships, held in Van Nuys (5th) and Woodley Park (6th). The 4th is a double-300 round held at the Easton Archery center in Van Nuys, and the 5th is a 900 round qualifier at Woodley Park in Van Nuys. Open to all archers over the age of 50. Registration is open. Note – to shoot both days costs \$65. Both Rose and I are registered, come shoot with us!

<http://www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org/images/sr-games/SG-2016-Flyer-Archery.pdf>

June 11th – 12th, 2016 State Outdoor Archery Championships, being held in Long Beach, CA. Registration is open.

<http://calarchery.net/events/icalrepeat.detail/2016/06/11/53/-/2016-california-state-outdoor-archery-championships>

JOAD / Adult Achievement Pin Program

Weeds, weeds, weeds! Did I mention weeds?

With a bit of moisture the weeds seem to sprout overnight. I wanted to extend my thanks to Mike Keena, Lee Glaser, and the rest of the Darkside Crew in spraying the weeds and working to clean up the JOAD range. The weeds should start dying soon so the area can be dragged.

Thanks to all who helped!

JOAD / Adult Achievement Pin Program

Due to inclement weather and my busy tournament and travel schedule, there haven't been any pins awarded this month. Next month will be different, I'm sure of it!

Open House

The CVA Open House held last month was an absolute success. We had nearly 200 waivers signed, which is a good indication of public attendance. We ran out of food, yet despite this everyone had a great time.

We had a large number of displays including flint knapping, historical bows, fletching, string making, shooting demos, and a truck tour of our facility. From what I hear the truck tour was big hit, with many attendees stating that they had no idea that we were here and had such a large and well-maintained facility.

As a bonus the Public Session, which was held at the same time, had one of its best and busiest days in memory.

Thanks to Joe Tichler and Bonnie Marshall for spearheading this event, and to all the volunteers that helped. I'm already looking forward to next year; it's going to be a lot of fun!

California Senior Games Championships 2016

Last month I wrote about one of my most liked tournaments, the California Senior Games. As CVA has so many talented archers in the over 50 years young age brackets, I'm including my overview in this month's Quiver again.

WARNING: If you are over 50 and I see you on the range, be ready to hear my sales pitch!!

I wanted to discuss the Senior Games Championships and how fun these shoots are. The Games are open to archers over 50 years of age and are held the first weekend in June.

June 4th is a double 300 round held at the Easton Van Nuys Archery Center, one of my all-time favorite venues. Shooting starts at 1pm in the afternoon and consists of two (2) 300 rounds, for a total of 60 arrows. The rounds are shot at 20 yards on a choice of a 40cm single target or a 40cm triple-spot.

June 5th is held at Woodley Park in Van Nuys and is a 900 round. Shooting starts at 9am and consists of 30 arrows at 60 yards, 30 arrows at 50 yards, and 30 arrows at 40 yards, for a total of 90 arrows. All distances are shot on a 122cm (large) FITA target face. The 900 round is the qualifier to shoot the 2017 National Games being held in Birmingham, AL.

All bow types are welcome. I've seen traditional gear, barebow, compound (pins and scopes), and FITA recurve bows being shot. Everyone shoots outer 10 ring...so you compound archers take note!

My wife and I have shot these events for the last two years and have enjoyed the shoots so much that we shot the National Senior Games in 2015, which were held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Not only did we meet a wonderful group of archers but also we both took home medals.

I'd really like to have CVA have a strong representation at these two tournaments as we have a number of extremely talented archers that meet the age qualification. If you are interested here are some links to get you started:

Senior Games Info: <http://www.californiaseniorgames.org/>

Games Overview: <http://www.pasadenaseniiorcenter.org/senior-games-sport-events>

Flyer: <http://www.pasadenaseniiorcenter.org/images/sr-games/SG-2016-Flyer-Archery.pdf>

Registration: <http://www.pasadenaseniiorcenter.org/senior-games-sport-events/41-events/senior-games/595-senior-games-registration>

Please let me know if you have questions and I'll be happy to chat.

CVA Elections

CVA Board Elections are almost upon us. We have three Board of Directors seats that will be opening, as well as the yearly elections for President, Vice President, and Club Secretary.

If you are interested in running for any of the open positions please let Bonnie Marshall or me know...and we will be happy to add your name list. You need to be Club member for one (1) year to be eligible.

See you on the range!

Your President,
Kurt

Remember, archery is easy. Shoot a 10, do it again!

From the Desk of the VP Bonnie Marshall



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March was a busy month at the range and looking back I can say how pleased I was to see so many of our members helping at the range. From beautification events over all of the range areas, to getting ready for, running and breaking down for the Pac Coast 3D tournament and then everything for the Open House, many of us were very busy and working hard. As true as it is that we did have people stepping up to help, we still had many times where we certainly could have used a lot more help. The old adage that 'many hands make light work' is never truer than at our club.

As I welcome every new member, I reiterate the importance of giving back time to the club. Our membership fees are minimal for what our range has to offer and as a non-profit organization we all need to do our part. I remind everyone that even if you can't be there for an entire event, your help can be an important part for even just an hour's time. Yes, sometimes it is hard work like putting up and taking down targets; but these are the times I speak of that our members are so important for making sure our events run smoothly. In turn the dollars raised help our range to stay the excellent club that we are. Remember that every event is either a promotion service or a fundraiser for the club. We need all of our members working towards that goal.

Remember also, don't wait to be asked. Every event has a need, whether it be before during or after each event and help can range from pasting targets to turning a shift in the kitchen or back canyon, running a raffle, helping out during the public sessions or at the 3D Range area, putting up or taking down targets, lane adoptions. If you have an hour and want to do something let me know or contact Keith Murphy, our Range Captain. We can always come up with something.

As I said the help during the Open House 2016 was a great! I would like to thank everyone who helped. Now I usually thank don't thank everyone by name because you

always take the risk of forgetting someone but I'm going to give it a try and also I want everyone to realize how many people it takes to put together an event like this.

- For relighting the fire to get this event going and doing a great job at helping to promote the event– Joe Tischler
- Kitchen servers – Debra Warren, Kevin Cloepfil, Emily Marshall, Jim Lowry
- Promotional sales and Photo Area monitor – Cathy Linson
- Shooting/Atlatl demonstrators – Shen Linson, Tara Grant, Wesley Richter, James Nauert, Emily Marshall
- Set up and follow up – Dan Dix, Jim Lowry, Keith Murphy, Ben Shirley, Tom Sheppard, Tom Swindell, John Heaney

Presentations:

- Curtis Hermann, Brent, Barbara and Connor Richter, Bill Feldt, Joe Tischler, John Downey. Terry Gieshewski, Bryan Tanger and Robert Luttrell
- Drivers – Mike Keena, Ben Shirley, Dan Dix
- Docents – Natalie Tietz, Sarah Dakin
- Speakers – Kurt and Rose Hoberg
- Coaches – JBD, Dave Dragan, Richard Carpenter, Cher Riggs, Ryan Vartio, Michael Koller. Mike Thomas, Lee Glaser

We had over 200 people attend the day and it was great exposure for the club. We already added 7 new members from that day also!

Thanks to you all and I hope that we will see more of you for our next event on May 13th and 14 – the Pacific Coast Traditional Challenge! Preparations have actually already started and we will need help to start loading in targets and kitchen prep, on Friday May 12th. Anyone interested in helping can contact Bob Bombardier at 805-495-2648. We are very proud of this event and usually have a pretty good draw as our reputation for this event has been a good one.

See you on the range!
Bonnie

Membership Corner - April 2016

I would like to thank Robert Luttrell who helped out with some last minute safety seminars this month at the Open House.

Anniversaries for this month are as follows:

- Richard Carpenter – 12 years – Thanks for all you do!!
- Carlos Parada – 6 years
- Dennis Kunkel and Tom Cayia– 5 years
- Ryan Fraizer and Paul Long – 4 years
- Steve Mahoney and Mike Koller – 3 years
- Larry Lindeman – 2 years
- Neil Goldberg – 1 year

LOST and FOUND

We have received many items up at the JOAD Range area that are looking for their home. Please ask if you have lost an item.

Recently found on the range a “men’s” brushed silver – Tungsten Carbide ring with a word etched on the inside – please contact Bonnie to identify and get back.

The Search for a Sharp Edge

A column for the “Conejo Quiver”

By Curtis Hermann April 13, 2016

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A knife catalog will have many pages displaying hundreds of choices of different styles and sizes of knives for the outdoorsman. If you have more than one catalog, you have multiplied the choices to a mind-boggling amount. So with so many knife possibilities to evaluate for the perfect knife, what should you consider before you lay down cash? Well let’s lay out some guidelines to help you.

Knives come in three basic styles; fixed blade, folder and multi-tool, knowing which style you want/need is your first decision so let’s describe each style.

Fixed blade, a single piece of metal in which the forward portion is the blade and the aft portion is a continuation of the same piece of steel. A separate piece of material attached to both sides of the aft portion to make a handle, carried in a belt sheath usually made of leather, Cordura (heavy nylon) or Kydex (hard plastic) material.

Folders commonly have one to three blades that fold into the handle of the knife. Smaller ones can be carried in one’s pocket and larger ones will usually have a belt sheath of the materials listed above or a metal clip that can hold it against a belt or on the inside of one’s pocket but clipped to the upper edge of the pocket. A must is that the blade has a lock on it in the

open position; you do not want a blade to fold over your fingers when in use! The upside of a folder for the hunter is that it is compact to carry; the downside is that it must be carefully cleaned in every nook-and-cranny after field dressing game as blood, fat, muscle and hair tends to find their way into every crack and crevice -leaving a biological hazard in your pocket. The non-hunting archer will still have plenty of string material, beeswax, glue, oil and other “stuff” from the toolbox floating around inside your folder. Also folders are not as good as fixed blades when it comes to twisting or prying to separate one piece of material from another (such as an Elk knee joint). Lastly the largest downside to a folder is they do not have a finger guard between the handle and a blade, outdoors people often work with slick liquid covered hands especially when field dressing, one must be particularly cautious when using a folder - that the holding hand does not slip up onto the blade.



The Multi-tool knife is essentially a pair of pliers that have incorporated knife blades, saw, scissors, file, screw drivers and a punch that fold into the handles, it is not a serious contender as an ideal hunting/fishing knife, yet every outdoorsman has several from miniatures to full size hard working tools. My favorite is the Leatherman Wave, a large, heavy tool with a leather belt sheath, but it is too heavy and bulky for everyday carry, so it sets in the door pocket of my pickup where it is handy to reach. I carry a miniature multi-tool in my archery toolbox and both items are always in my pickup. The Swiss Army knife is the original multi-tool and still popular with outdoorsmen today and nearly perfect for the archer, hiker or naturalist but the main cutting blade is a bit thin for the bowhunter. I carry one in the first aid kit where it excels as a makeshift scalpel.

So if you have read this far, I know there is a little voice in your head that is saying, "I'm never going to get away with having just one knife," that is as true as the day is long, consider yourself lucky if you end up with just one of each style. Should you become as afflicted as I, you will be in deep trouble; you do not want to know the size of my inventory that continues to grow with no control in sight.

Two more categories of knife I want to mention, they both fall into the fixed blade style and that is the survival knife and the replaceable blade scalpel designed for the hunter, I will bring them up again as we get near the end of the column.

A couple of general rules, a major consideration is how a knife feels in the hand, my hand is a medium-large and I can tell instantly if a knife feels good when I pick it up. If it is a large bulky handle or a tiny one that gets lost in my hand, I know they are to be used only in special circumstances and not as an everyday workhorse. So play around with it in your hand, the better it feels the less likely that it will end up in a drawer somewhere and not in your pocket.

A balanced knife also means less hand fatigue on large time consuming jobs, what is balance? Balance is that spot on a knife where it will balance on your index finger when laid across the first crease of the digit. On a folder with a three inch or longer blade it should be the width of one finger forward of the center of the handle when in the open position, for knives with blades shorter than 2 ½" balance is unimportant. On a fixed blade with a five inch blade I like a balance point the width of two fingers forward of the center point of the handle, less than 5" a width of one finger and a blade 6" or longer the balance point needs to be right where the handle

meets the blade, the larger the blade the more forward the balance point. Good balance means comfort, good control and less fatigue, all-important when working with a sharp implement!

Blade styles, again there are three that are useful for the average outdoorsman and that is clip point, drop point and skinner. All three come in modifications of each style and are sometimes difficult to decide which is which but you will get good at it in time. A popular fourth style you will often see today is a Tanto point, which is an abrupt angle at the forward end of the blade to the point, this is strong and is designed mostly for fighting, prying and twisting, but it is not good when finesse of movement is required, not usually what an archer or bowhunter is concerned with, so we will not concern ourselves with that. The length and shape of a knife blade influences its functionality, a Tanto point is not as useful to the archer or bowhunter as the other styles we are discussing.

A clip point is a long up sweeping curve to a narrow tip that can get into tight places and maneuver around small obstacles, great for fixing torn seams, whittling, or capeing out a trophy. I prefer a clip point for all around camp use and works well as a field knife, but care must be used not to poke holes in bladders or intestines when field dressing, finesse is a priority.

A drop point is just as it says, a slight angle from the top of the blade to a point that is somewhat wider than a clip point, usually near the center of the blade width. This style has become popular over the last decade as it does not require the finesse of a clip point and that can speed up fieldwork, but it is less versatile over all.

A skinner is usually a shorter blade with a long sweeping up curve to a point that can be a drop point or just in line with the top of the blade; this long sweeping curve gives more edge surface that makes skinning game go much easier and faster. Some skinning blades will have a notch cut in the blade near the point called a “gut hook” and the purpose of it is to be able to open the abdominal cavity without poking a hole in any organ that should not be poked, proper use of a gut hook when making openings in any portion of the hide can save the sharpness of the main blade - as most hunting knives become dull from slicing hair on the hide, not on cutting muscle or removing organs. I think a gut hook is visually an ugly blemish on a well-designed blade, but its practical usefulness is well documented, so I have several of them.

A good sheath holds a knife securely, but doesn't allow the sharpened edge to come into contact with the sheath as that can eventually dull the edge from the constant movement of the body. Sheaths are made of several different materials, obviously leather has been a great choice for hundreds of years, it is still beautiful, functional and the choice of many outdoorsmen, although it is not moisture resistant and the dyes in the leather can sometimes stain a non-stainless steel blade. Today you have choices of more modern materials – Cordura nylon is a tough lightweight choice (also not moisture resistant but dries quickly and does not stain blades) and plastics are now very common, when every ounce counts the more modern materials win, but when silence in a stalk is important leather wins hands down. Plastic sheaths can sometimes rattle and both plastic and Cordura make noise when in contact with dry brush during a stalk, my suggestion is to wrap them with 20' of para-cord to quiet them, the cord can come in handy for a thousand little jobs.

Handles also come in a large variety of materials and for the most part any of them work well but there some things to consider. Beautiful woods, slick plastics and aluminum or titanium all have one thing in common, they are slippery when wet. Hard etched plastic such as Kydex or a rubber plastic mix are far more secure in a wet or slimy hand, they usually come in black which is very difficult to see at night after you have set it down on the ground while you change the position of a carcass or reach for a back pack. Sometimes they come in colors, I have a folder in blaze orange rubberized plastic, which is very easy to see in the dark. These handles are very secure even when wet, they are not pretty but they are effective and the cushion of the rubber resists fatigue.

Steels and blade length, every new knife owner mulls this over in their heads, what is a good steel and how big a blade? There are literally dozens of good and exotic knife steels today and every knife maker has his favorite, about five good steels have risen to the top and I would like to discuss the three that are in the affordable price range of most archers. Good steels are harder to sharpen but keep a sharp edge longer; softer steels sharpen easy but dull quick.

In the old days you got an inexpensive knife from China that said stainless steel on the blade, which really meant that it was 420A* steel, which is the softest of the stainless steels, sharpened easy- dulled easy, but today most medium priced knives (\$35-\$100) are of 440 A steel (even if made in China) and 440A is a good steel that is a little difficult to sharpen and does not dull easily. My next steel is CM154 and it has a little less chrome in it than 440 and will stain, so it needs extra care (you can't leave it bloody for 3 days and expect it not to stain) but it does hold an edge better: it is my personal favorite. Last is 8Cr13MoV, which has pretty much risen to the top in the

affordable knife category; the Buck knives CVA gives out at the annual awards luncheon are made from this steel.

Blade length is also a much easier choice than most think up front, as hunting has progressed and experienced guides and hunters have spent hours, days and weeks skinning, capeing, butchering and doing camp chores or repairing saddles and tents they have come up with some good advice. They will tell you that for deer sized game and smaller a 3.25" to 4" blade length is nearly ideal and for larger game (elk, moose, the larger bears, etc) a 4.5" to 5.5" is as big as you need, anything larger is too heavy and too difficult to maneuver inside a closed space like a chest cavity. Most of my folders are either 3.25 or 3 3/8" and my two favorite large game knives have a blade length of 4 3/8" and are a skinning blade with a gut hook. Longer blades are fun to have around camp and can do some heavy-duty work but are too bulky and heavy on your belt (while putting in 9 miles a day) so save yourself a few ounces and pick a reasonable blade length, you will be glad in the long run.

Survival knives, there are a thousand of them on the market, many of them with Tanto points; also a few of them have a hollow handle with some survival gear inside which seems neat at first – at least until you realize that the blade has no tang into the handle, just a small nut holding the two parts together which means no prying or twisting without the handle and blade parting ways. I find them all somewhat amusing with the survival equipment available today. Let me explain, in the old days all equipment was pretty heavy so we learned to carry fewer items and make things in the field if need be, that required a knife that was large and strong enough to whack, slash, chop, pound and dig in order to build shelter, make dead falls, build a fire, etc. Right after WWII at the army surplus store was the military

KaBar knife with a large blade, good finger guards, leather non-slip handle and a butt cap that was a good hammer - at a price we could all afford, this was our survival (do-it-all knife) and we carried them on the outside of our hunting pack. Today you can carry enough light weight survival gear and food in a small enough package to get you out of most situations without burning 3,000 calories to make an inadequate shelter, therefore carrying a 2lb whack, slash, chop, pound tool is not so practical any more. A better investment is good compact raingear, compass and fire starting tools.

The new hunting scalpel by Havalon or ZBlade is being seen in the field more and more these days, this knife is essentially a plastic handle fitted with a scalpel and when it dulls you just remove the blade and replace it with a new one. I was extremely unsure about these little things that looked like they would break and leave a scalpel floating around inside the chest cavity (where my bare hands were busy,) but then the NBEF sent me a field dressing kit with 2 of them in it and a DVD where I watched a man field dress, skin, cape and butcher and de-bone an elk the size of a horse with one, very impressive to say the least, but you do have to think like a surgeon as you cannot pry and twist joints apart like a “good ole boy knife with an 1/8’ thick blade”. At 1.5oz it is a lightweight wonder that is no toy (even though it looks like one) and would be handy in any archers toolbox. I am excited to give it a try in the field. That being said I will still carry a real knife as back up.

Now I know there are those of you who still want a big knife and I agree that every outdoors person should have one, not to carry on your belt or in your pack but in your hunting vehicle, big knives are for big emergencies and these kind of emergencies generally tend to happen in camp or while in your vehicle. Let me give you an example, some years ago we were

camping with our RV group when a big rain hit us, I was watching the creek rise at a rapid pace and could see we were about to be flooded out in the next twenty minutes, Nancy and I warned the others, raised our awning and hooked up our trailer and pulled to higher ground, while the neighbors were trying to also break camp. About then a big wind hit and the neighbors awning was ripped from the ground, breaking both arms as it flew over the top of the motor home, they were in a panic with what to do. I reached in the back of the truck, pulled out the big knife and said cut it off, the wife in bare feet, in wind and rain climbed up on that motor home and thirty seconds later she had sliced that 14' awning and thrown it over the other side, in the process she dropped the knife and it landed in 4" of water and mud. I was able to retrieve it and clean it up but that wasn't so important as I had only paid \$7 for it at Harbor Freight and had it ended up in the swollen creek never to be seen again, well that would have been ok to, it was meant to do one job one time and if it got destroyed in the process it was not a financial loss. Big knives have a place in the arsenal and a job to do, but it is not an everyday knife and not meant for delicate work, just handle the big jobs and go back in the truck. I don't spend a lot of money on one that I may dig a big hole with or pound on with a rock.

I prefer a fixed blade to a folder but when every ounce counts and volume is an issue, I go with a good folder. I prefer beautiful wood handles but tend to carry rubberized handles on serious hunts. I prefer a clip point to a drop point for hiking and general outdoors, but carry a nice skinner when hunting. Hopefully these guidelines will help you choose a good knife that will enhance your outdoor adventure.

Till next month,
Curtis

** Stainless comes in 420 A, B, C & 440 A, B, & C, the better knife one is 440A (440C is ball bearing hard), 440A sharpens with a good lasting edge that doesn't require a professional to sharpen.*

Bow for sale

Doug Greenlee has asked that I list this bow in the newsletter, it is a 60" Groves Spitfire Magnum two piece take-down hunting recurve and 65#@28". The riser is black ebonite and hardwood with a simple 5/16" hex bolt holding the two pieces together. Center shot with a 5" sight window.

It comes with an attached 70's style Bear bow quiver. It also has a broad head cutout in the riser, this was popular for a time when speed was important and you could shoot a shorter-faster hunting arrow. A B-50 endless loop Dacron bowstring comes with it. This was Doug's personal hunting bow!

I have shot this bow, it is in good working order, limbs are straight with no-twist and casts a good arrow quietly, but was camouflaged and hunted a good many years - so some serious restoration will be needed for today's bowhunter. Asking \$150.

A little history, Harold Groves was a premiere custom bowyer in the 1970's-80's and to own a Spitfire Magnum was the dream of nearly every bowhunter of the time. A Groves Spitfire Magnum made the Broadhead World Flight Record of 542 yards with a hunting weight broadhead arrow (don't remember the draw weight), that distance to my knowledge has never been beaten. So from a collector's point of view - this is a steal, for someone who wants to use it on a daily basis, it is a reasonable investment. Without removing the camouflage I can't tell you that it will handle today's bowstring material but a Flemish style string would lengthen the bow's life span. Doug would truly like to see some young person who will use it in the field for many years become its new owner, I agree, it is a piece of history! I will keep it in my truck for the next month or so for you to view and shoot. My number is 805 986-3195 give me a call.

Curtis

CVA 3D RANGE

Bryan Tanger

Improvements/Updates/Modifications

Contrary to JOAD, the Roving Range, and the Tournament Range, we at CVA3D welcome all the new vegetation spawned by the recent rain; we prefer a naturally wild and un-manicured surrounding. Also, we benefit from the roots of these plants because they hold the soil in place, and prevent breakdown and erosion. At present, the soil is damp and easy to work with; giving us the opportunity to smartly reroute trails and modify shooting lanes to enhance the look & feel of the CVA3D. Please note, all modifications are done while maintaining our safety standards.

A new Bear on the southeast canyon hill presents a challenging shot and the shooting stake for the Large Boar (east canyon) has been relocated. As you make your way up the trail to pull your arrow from the new Bear, you will find the relocated shooting stake for the Large Boar. The Young Jake has been temporarily removed because of safety concerns when placing the new Bear. No worries, the Young Jake will soon have a new home. Also, a new Hare (not a rabbit) offers a fun shot and is located on the upper canyon trail. A revised map will be available soon. Thanks to member and corporate donations, replacement targets are on the way and target repair supplies are being provided. Please remember, no more than two arrows per target (one is best) – thank you.

Open House

Open House was tremendous! I arrived early to ensure everything was in-place, e.g. EZ-Up, table, printed maps. Then, the long wait began. Because



we're so isolated at the 3D range, Terry and I had no idea what was taking place up front. Did anybody show up? Did they forget about us? Will anyone bring us food? Water? Curious, Terry went up front to see what was going on and soon returned with good news - "There's a lot of people up there!" he shouted while sporting a fresh BBQ stain on his shirt. Without warning, groups of visitors began to arrive by the truck load! We stopped counting after the 10th group of visitors. Most did not want to leave and preferred to hangout, commenting on how quiet and beautiful it was. Some even came back with another group! We talked about the purpose and function of a 3D range, the design efforts, safety standards, and its challenges. We answered dozens of questions and squeezed-in a plug for donations. Mike Keena brought us lunch while Sara Dakin made sure we had water. When it was all over, we congratulated each other on a job well done and started planning for next phase of improvements.

Respectfully,

Bryan Tanger
CVA3D Chair





A young Jane Russell trying her hand at Archery



1926 Photo of the LA California Archery Club





You may have seen a very similar quiver at the Open House



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If you would like to donate any raffle prizes for the shoot, please bring them with you to Chamberlin.

We need raffle prizes for adults and kids.

Thank you for your support!

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Lunch Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Dinner Friday & Sunday

Tri-tip Dinner is Saturday Night \$100--\$110.00

Please properly clean Dinner with Pre-Registration, it helps us determine quantity

TBC TOURNAMENT RULES

- Traditional, Recurve, Longbows and
- Selfbows only
- 10-8-5 scoring on 3 arrows
- 1 score credit for each shooter
- No stabilizers, sights, elevated rests
- Shoot off itself
- No clichers
- If arrow lands on line, shooter gets higher score
- Minimum three shooters per target

No shooters ranging on range before Wednesday

Shooters have to leave by 11am Monday

*I can only be reached until March 31st! I leave 7 days early for the shoot. Contact
Vince Gryga at 310-548-0088, vincegryga@gmail.com or tbc@tbcarchery.com
Website: TBCarchery.com*

Notice: If we received your email address, we will be emailing you the registration form.
There will be no forms mailed out this year.

Who is this man?



(Authur Young of Pope and Young Fame)

More Pictures from the Pacific Coast 3D Adventure







Conejo Valley Archers



Annual Pacific Coast

25TH TRADITIONAL CHALLENGE

Vendor Sales

Raffles

2-Day 50 Targets 3-D Tournament

Note the date change due to Mother's Day conflict. No longer on May 7th or 8th
The new dates are:

Saturday, May 14th, 2016 - 30 Targets

Sunday May 15th, 2016 - 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 1st Arrow, in case of miss, 2nd arrow scores 5-4-3

* Tri-tip Lunch served on Saturday *

* Tri-tip and chicken served on Sunday *

* Snacks & Drinks served all day *

Saturday Schedule

7:00am - 8:30am

Tournament Registration

8:00am - 1:00pm

Start shooting right after

2:00pm - 4:00pm

\$5 Smoker Round (1 arrow)
Women's and Men's Division

Sunday Schedule

7:00am - 8:30am

Tournament Registration

2:00pm ->

Start shooting right after

Score Cards must be turned in
Awards & Raffle held soon after

* Raffle tickets sold, General Raffles *

* Food & Drinks Sold all day*

* Clouts - prices posted at clouts *

* Vendor Trade Show and Sales *

* Raffle tickets sold, General & Bow Raffles *

* Shots will include * Speed Round * Pop-up *

* Flying Mesquite * Steel Deer Silhouette *

* Vendor Trade Show and Sales *

Camping available - free inside our fenced area in designated locations.

Donations will be accepted, as we have prepaid camping fees to the county.

No Dogs allowed on range

Camping available (\$37 per night in the PARK) Full RV Hook-ups in adjacent county park. The "county park" charges a \$4.00 daily parking fee.

Free day parking inside our fenced range.

* Tournament Fees *

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 - \$30

Couples - \$35

*Family - \$40

Youth - \$15

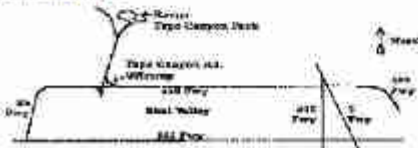
Seniors (60+) \$25

Cubs - \$10

To only about Saturday or Sunday with no awards delete \$5 from original fee.

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

Directions to Range



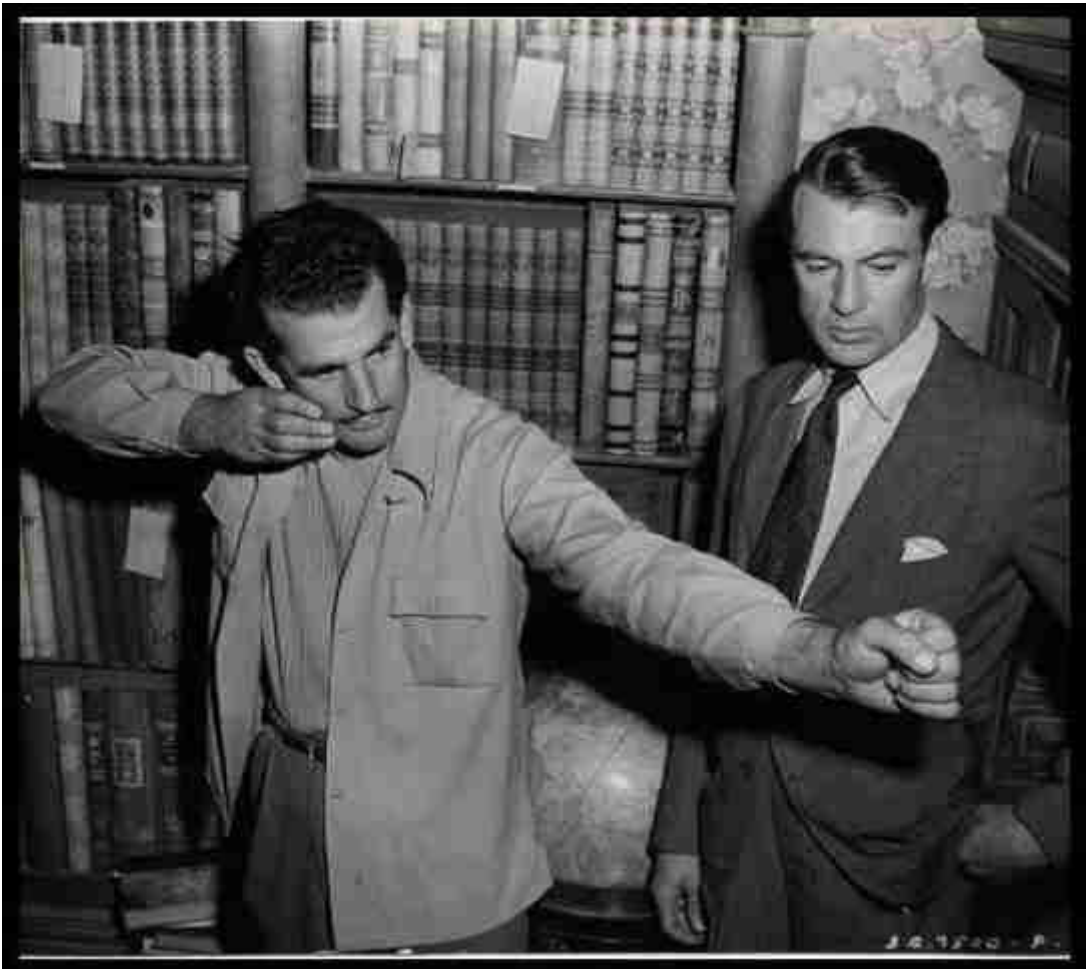
118 Freeway East or West to Simi Valley. Exit Tapo Canyon Road. North on Tapo Canyon Road, 3 miles to Tapo Canyon Park

More Information - Call:

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Celebrity Archers of the Month

Howard Hill instructing Garry Cooper
in the finer points of archery.



Tony Curtis

(Editor: - I love the bow hand technique & new glove)



Range Sightings



**Seen wandering around the range during
the Pacific Coast Tournament**

Do you have any great pictures shot around the range? Send them to johndowney@sbcglobal.net to have them included in the newsletter.

CVA March Club Shoot

We had a really nice turnout in March, with twenty-four Archers making the round for the Club Shoot.

Mr Presidente, Kurt Hoberg, shooting his trusty FITA Recurve, picked up the top handicapped score of 574 (445 scratch). Tyler Hines came in second with his 557, and also had the top scratch score (513) for the month. Terry Marvin came in third 3 points back (554, 489) and Keith Murphy (another 3 points back) picked up fourth with his 551 (510 scratch).



It should be noted that Jack Sampson (Young-Adult), had a very nice 505 scratch shooting the adult stakes.

Curtis Hermann once again picked up the top scratch and handicapped score for the Traditional crowd. It should also be noted that 14 of the 24 shooters for the month did it the “Traditional Way”, without the benefit of wheels, sights, or long stabilizers.

NAME	HSCORE	SCRATCH	DIVISION	STYLE
Kurt Hoberg	574	445	A	FITA
Tyler Hines	557	513	A	FS
Terry Marvin	554	489	A	FS
Keith Murphy	551	510	A	BHFS
Steve Price	544	463	GA	FS
Curtis Hermann	537	295	GA	TRAD
Thomas Hayes	535	378	Y	BHFS
Bob Bombardier	515	191	A	LB
James Stankovich	510	234	GA	LB
Jack Sampson	505	505	YA	FS
Robb Ramos	500	178	A	TRAD

John Brix	497	207	GA	LB
Mike Krasowski	496	388	A	BHFS
Rob Lind	494	220	GA	TRAD
Tom Sheppard	483	171	A	TRAD
Tom Swindell	464	204	GA	TRAD
Lois Price	462	462	GA	FS
Aidan Del Bosque	447	44	C	TRAD
Kale Hayes	430	430	C	BHFS
Sacha Del Bosque	420	86	Y	LB
Didier Beauvoiz	227	227	A	TRAD
Jeffrey Del Bosque	146	146	A	TRAD
Dylan Erickson	106	106	A	TRAD
Steve Erikson	101	101	A	TRAD

Stick them pointy ends into the target.
See you all around the range.

John Downey
Tournament Chairman

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CVA IN THE NEWS

Editor: Brent Richer reported the following ...

Brent Richter report that he and his family, as well as a number of other CVA archers shot the CBH State indoor at the new Easton Van Nuys Training Center.

The following archers placed 1st in their divisions

- Barbara Richter shot FSL, scored 375
- Wesley Richter shot longbow, scored 173

Other CVA archers who attended were

- Ameie Leviant
- H.Scott Leviant
- Brent Richter
- Connor Richter
- Tyler Hines
- Benjamin Chen



Griffith Park Archery Tournament - 1931

Archers are on point

(The Acorn also ran this article on our Open House)

TAKE AIM—
John Heaney of West Hills demonstrates how to shoot a long bow during the Conejo Valley Archers open house March 26 in Simi Valley.

Curtis Hermann, regional coordinator of the National Bowhunter Education Foundation, talks to Randy Stine of Simi Valley during the open house.

ConejoValley Archers hosts public archery sessions every Saturday at 4651 Tapo Canyon Road.

Visit www.cvarchers.com for more information.

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ADOPT A TARGET

“Adopt a Target” is for members to volunteer to help maintain one of the 28 shooting lanes on the Roving range.

It mostly consists of keeping the weeds and brush at bay and general clean-up on a selected lane. On most lanes this would require the person(s) to spend only about 30 – 45 minutes working on the lane maybe 2 or 3 times a year. This would allow me to focus on other project on the range, because if I have to clear all of the lanes (30 minutes x 28 lanes) it eats up my available time to do other things like working on bales, spraying weeds, putting up covers on the target, fire abatement, repairs, etc.



If you're not sure of what maintaining a lane would consist of feel free to give me a call with any questions you may have. If you are interested on a particular lane send me an email. It will be first come first serve so if you want a particular lane let me know ASAP. If you have adopted a lane already please take the time to maintain it. If you are no longer able to maintain it please let me know so we can show it as available.

Thanks,

Keith Murphy (CVA Roving Range Captain)

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Adopt a Target - Sign-Up Sheet

Target #	Distance	Adopter(s)
1	35 yrd fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Ben Shirley
2	30 yrd. field 32 yrd hunter	Rob Lind
3	20 yrd. field 19walk-up hunter	Robert Lutrell
4	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd hunter	Cher Riggs
5	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd. walk-up hunter	Norman Rice
6	25 yrd field 28 yrd. fan hunter	James, Nathan, & Joshua Colins
7	55 yrd field 53 yrd walk-up hunter	James, Nathan, & Joshua Colins
8	45 yrd walk-up field 44 yrd hunter	Terry Gieskewski
9	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	Ron Riley
10	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	
11	40 yrd field 40 yrd. Hunter	Steve Price
12	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	
13	45 yrd field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	Steve Mahoney
14	50 yrd. field 48 yrd walk-up hunter	John Van Beveren
15	45 yrd.walk-up field 44 yrd. hunter	Ruth Haskins
16	50 yrd. field 48 yrd. hunter	Julio Durado
17	20 yrd field 19 yrd. walk-up hunter	Clark Pentico
18	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd walk-up hunter	
19	55 yrd. field 53 yrd. walk-up hunter	
20	25 yrd. field 28 yrd. fan hunter	

21	35 yrd. fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	
22	30 yrd. field 32 yrd. fan hunter	
23	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd. hunter	
24	45 yrd. field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	Alan & Chris Murphy
25	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	
26	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	Jonathan & Diana Geiger
27	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	
28	40 yrd. field 40 yrd. hunter	Chuck Thurber
	20-40 yrd practice butts	
	20 yrd. practice butts by running pig	Lois Price



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