

# Conejo Quiver



[info@cvarchers.com](mailto:info@cvarchers.com)  
[www.cvarchers.com](http://www.cvarchers.com)

Monthly Newsletter

**July 2014**

## From the Prez

To all CVA members,

The Dry and Dusty was a lot of fun. All the volunteers came out in force and made quick work of the event. A special thanks goes out to John Downey and Keith Murphy for stepping in and filling in on some key items to make the shoot the success it was.



During the summer months, there are a few key reminders for everyone at the range.

- Do not shoot broadheads into the bales. If you are planning to shoot broadheads, do it in the back canyon with your own target, by the swinging tire shot.
- No hunting on the range. Some people are tempted to shoot critters as they stand under the target when you are at full draw, but don't do it. It is against our lease and you put the whole club at risk.
- Watch out for rattlesnakes. They like to come out and sun themselves. If you see a rattlesnake, please leave it alone if it is not bothering anyone. They play an important role in our environment keeping the rodent population in check. If they are in a dangerous location (i.e. under the target or bin, on a trail during a shoot, etc...) please be careful, use your best judgment to make the situation safe for yourself and others. Keep in mind that this is the snake's natural environment and in most cases, the snake can be left alone.
- Stay hydrated. During the summer months try to shoot before it gets too hot and make sure you drink liquids. There are several new water fountains on the range for your convince.

So go out there be safe and have fun.

Clark Pentico  
CVA President

From the Desk of the Vice Prez

Kurt Hoberg

Congratulations to our Adult Achievement Pin program award earners this month! Great job and fine shooting! The program is growing as you can see with the new names added to the leader board this month.



- Barbara Richter – 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Basic Compound (Fingers)
- Brianna Erickson – 1st, 2nd, and 3rd pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Brandon Newcomer – 1st and 2nd pins, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Cher Riggs – 3rd pin, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Fred French – 3rd and 4th pin, shooting Barebow
- Julio Dorado – 1st, 2nd, and 3rd pins, shooting Compound (Release)
- Rose Hoberg – 4th pin, shooting Olympic Recurve
- Tyler Hines – 1st and 2nd pin, shooting Compound (Release)

The JOAD pin program is starting to take off, with several new signups this month. We have our 'early program adopter' listed below, who has already earned his first two pins. Congratulations Connor! For those youth archers who are interested in participating in the JOAD pin program please see me during our Saturday Public Sessions.

- Connor Blackwell – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> pins, shooting Compound (Release)

For reference, here are the particulars of the pin programs for those interested in participating.

- JOAD Pin Program. This program is for youth archers to earn pins for shooting a specific score at 18M distance. The cost is \$10 per year to join and the pins and lanyards are \$3 each

USA Archery membership is required by the third pin earned – see <http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Archery/Membership/Membership-Benefits> for membership options. We shoot for score during CVA's weekly 300 round held Saturday mornings at 11am, so if you are interested please contact me for more information.

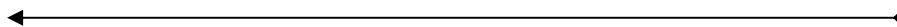
- **Adult Pin Program.** This program works like the youth program, only it is specifically offered to adults. Adults need to be a current USA Archery member to join the program. The cost is the same as the JOAD program for enrollment / pins / lanyards.

As mentioned last month I'll be reaching out soon via E-Mail to our certified coaches to ask that you complete USA Archery's Safe Sport training requirement. Included in my e-mail will be the specifics on how to complete this free USA Archery mandatory training program and request that you provide CVA a copy of your completed certificate. It should be noted that this certification is a requirement to retain your coaching or instructor training and is free of charge. As CVA is dedicated to providing a safe environment for all archers who participate in our sport, we will be asking for adherence to this USA Archery required training. Feel free to contact me with questions or comments. See you on the range!

Your VP,

Kurt

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



## CVA Youth Archer Miles Gould Takes California State Outdoor Tournament by Storm!



From his father's company picnic to setting a State record, Miles Gould has come a long way in archery in a short time. He was introduced to the sport in 2012 and is an active competitor and CVA club member.

During this year's California State Outdoor tournament held in El Dorado Park in Long Beach, Miles set a new State record in the Bowman Compound Male division at 30M distance. Miles beat the old record set in 2009 of 355 with a 356. A perfect score at 30M is a 360, so his performance was nearly perfect. "I didn't know about State Records until the tournament awards ceremony, it's really cool," said Miles, who lives in Santa Rosa Valley and goes to Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School.

Shooting to this level takes dedication and hard work. Miles shoots 100 arrows a day and makes up any missed practices. Miles has been training with two-time world champion archery coach John Norberg for the past year, working with his coach once per week. "I really like working with John as he is serious but sometimes I get distracted he doesn't really get mad." Miles said. "I also like his crazy stories about how he gets hurt at work."

Miles enjoys the sport of archery as he finds competition very fun, and always loves (like all of us archers) shooting that perfect end of 30 points for three arrows. “Practicing isn’t as fun, although shooting at the range is fun, but the backyard is boring,” Miles admitted.

Miles is an inspiration for his friends, as they think his participation in the sport is unique. He knows of three friends that have picked up a bow because of him. He mentioned he would like to lead by example in the sport so more of his friends might become interested in participating. Miles would like his dad to shoot with him sometime though he also thinks that would be “kinda weird...”

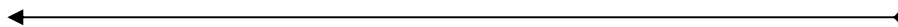
Like most youth his age Miles is plugged into popular media and movies, many of which include the sport of archery. “I don’t like how quickly in the movies the bows are drawn,” he mentioned.

Miles shoots a Hoyt Freestyle Compound bow, 30 lbs. with 70% let-off. His release is a Carter Evolution Plus back tension release. For arrows he shoots PSA Radial X Weave Pro 100s with Blazer vanes. He is looking to get some Easton A/C/G’s as his next arrow of choice.

Miles’ current goals are short term. His next competition is the USA Archery National Target Championships held in Ohio in July 2014. He hopes to shoot a 1400 or better for the tournament, with a score of 700 for each day of the two day competition. With how Miles has been performing, those numbers are defiantly within his ability to achieve.

Congratulations Miles on your new State Record! Your dedication and hard work are inspirational and CVA is rooting for you!

By Kurt Hoberg, CVA Vice President



# **Odocoileus hemionus**

**By Curtis Hermann**

Unless you are a recent biology student you may have a little trouble pronouncing the title of this month's column, I've been trying to get it right for thirty years and I'm still unsure of my efforts. Anyway it is a general term that is involved with the dreams of many of our members as fall inches closer and your field point or target point dreams of becoming a broadhead. If you are having as much trouble with the pronunciation as I do - you can just say "mule deer," which is a term we can all relate to.

Even though our club seems to be made up of hunters and non-hunters as two separate groups, my experience tells a slightly different story. There are many members who start archery as a target sport with no interest in the hunting aspect, but archery and nature have a comradery that goes back thousands of years and that pull begins to work on one's soul over time. Eventually the pull becomes strong and I get a call asking about my next bowhunter education class.

Even if the urge to hunt never comes your way we almost all have some interest in the critters that call our range home, one of those is the several Mule Deer that enjoy the security of our back canyon, the acorns (mast) of our oak trees and they also cross our area at both the east and west ends to partake in the exotics that reside in the nursery next door. They tend to water and bed north of the back canyon. When we first arrived the back canyon was a favorite fawning area but our 3-D range put an end to that activity.

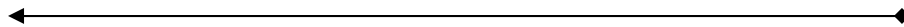
Deer seem to be deer to most of us, they all look alike but you might be surprised to find that there are six subspecies of Mule Deer in California. I am not going to go into detail on these as it is a bit much to take in but there is some general information you may find interesting.

The deer on our range are a subspecies known as California Mule Deer (*Odocoileus hemionus Californicus*) and are deer that reside year around in a small area without a winter migration, except for those on the high western Sierra slopes that must come down to avoid winter. If you were to harvest one of these local deer west of the 5 freeway and have it recorded in the California Bowman Hunters Record book, you would then refer to it as a Pacific Coast hybrid. The California Mule Deer and the Columbia Black tail deer overlap their areas in central Santa Barbara County and often interbreed making it difficult to decipher just which species they are. The Black tail will have a full length black tail and the California Mule Deer will have a black tipped tail.

Primarily deer are browsing animals. They prefer twigs (about the thickness of a match stick), buds, and leaves of shrubs and trees. Deer will graze on grasses in the spring and fall, weeds and other herbaceous plants, they also like ornamental plants, vegetable gardens, grain fields and orchards (just ask the nursery next door). Even sage is a primary source of nutrition for the Mule Deer. Deer are not generally considered to be scavengers but they have been known to take in protein and fats when they have an opportunity, I have an 8mm film of one taking a BLT sandwich from my daughter's hands and eating not only the sandwich but the paper plate as well!

A Mule Deer's hearing is its keenest sense. Air movement governs its sense of smell (as every hunter knows). Deer have very large eyes placed in the far corners of the skull that gives them a range of view of approximately 270 degrees (almost every direction except directly behind), they have many cones in their eyes to detect movement but few that detect color. So they have trouble discerning color or stationary objects but are very quick to see and decipher movement, they understand body language better than you might think.

The male deer grows antlers and sheds them annually from pedicels (two little bumps above the eyes on the top of the skull). Growing antlers are covered with a velvet like skin, at this time they are filled with blood and nerves and are sensitive and easily injured,







Hi All CVA members,

Since we have changed up the target order/locations on the roving range I have decided to start fresh with the “Adopt A Target” list.

“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.

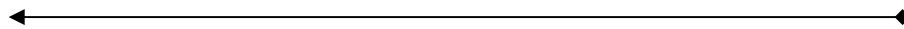
If you are interested on a particular lane send me an email. It will be first come first serve so if you want a particular lane let me know ASAP.

Thanks,

Keith Murphy (CVA Range Captain)

klmurphy1@sbcglobal.net

805 558-9312



# Adopt a Target Sign-Up Sheet

Target #	Distance	Adoptor(s)
1	35 yrd fan field 36 yrd fan hunter	Gary Magness
2	30 yrd. field 32 yrd hunter	Rob Lind
3	20 yrd. field 19walk-up hunter	Robert Luttrell
4	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd hunter	
5	80 yrd. walk-up field 70 yrd. walk-up hunter	Norman Rice
6	25 yrd field 28 yrd. fan hunter	
7	55 yrd field 53 yrd walk-up hunter	
8	45 yrd walk-up field 44 yrd hunter	Terry Gieskewski
9	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	
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	
14	50 yrd. field 48 yrd walk-up hunter	
15	45 yrd.walk-up field 44 yrd. hunter	
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	Jim Niehoff
22	30 yrd. field 32 yrd. fan hunter	Jim Niehoff
23	35 ft. walk-up field 11 yrd. hunter	Sharron Jacobs Casey Nolte
24	45 yrd. field 23 yrd. walk-up hunter	
25	65 yrd. field 64 yrd. walk-up hunter	Kit Raquel
26	60 yrd field 58 yrd. walk-up	Jonathan & Diana Geiger
27	15 yrd. field 15 yrd. walk-up hunter	Chuck Thurber
28	40 yrd. field 40 yrd. hunter	Chuck Thurber
	20-40 yrd practice butts	
	20 yrd. practice butts by running pig	Kris Ogle

Sixteen folks made the round for the June Club Shoot. After the scores were tallied, Jack Sampson landed at the top with a 562 (462 scratch). He was in turn followed by Jim Niehoff with a 556 (459 scratch) and Keith Murphy with a 553 (502 scratch).

Top "Traditional" Score (Recurve or Longbow) went to Rob Lind with a 517. Rob also picked up the top handicapped score with a 259.

We have three more shoots left in this club year (July, August and September). There is still time for a number of folks to get in the required five shoots to qualify for a Range Record Trophy. Every year a number of trophies that could be awarded go unclaimed.

Also, it should be no surprise that is getting quite warm out on the range. Please make sure that you drink plenty of water or Gatorade (or similar) while making the rounds, and keep an eye out for rattlesnakes.

See you around the range  
John Downey, Tournament Chairman

<b>NAME</b>	<b>HSCORE</b>	<b>SCRATCH</b>	<b>DIVISION</b>	<b>STYLE</b>
Jack Sampson	562	462	Y	FS
Jim Niehoff	556	459	GA	BHFS
Keith Murphy	553	502	A	BHFS
Luke Sekerka	551	497	A	BHFS
Rick Gabbie	551	487	A	FS
Norman Rice	549	494	GA	BHFS
Jonathan Geiger	549	303	A	FITA
Norman Rice	546	497	GA	FS
Steve Price	536	463	GA	FS
Rob Lind	517	259	GA	TRAD
Steve Erikson	492	130	A	TRAD
Robb Ramos	490	189	A	TRAD
Joe Cavaleri	485	203	A	TRAD
Didier Beauvoiz	481	219	A	TRAD
John Brix	471	209	GA	TRAD
Bob Bombardier	460	131	A	LB

Club Trophy (Best Five Handicapped Scores in the same Style)  
Rick Gabbie is at the top of the leader board right now with a 551.4 average. He was by Keith Murphy with a 547.8 and Norm 'Ironman' Rice with a 539.6.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>HSCORE AVG</b>	<b>STYLE</b>
Rick Gabbie	551.4	FS
Keith Murphy	547.8	BHFS
Norman Rice	539.6	FS
Luke Sekerka	533.4	BHFS
Randy Estrella	533.2	FS

## Calendar of Events

July 19th Riverside Archers 20 unmarked 1 arrow 3-D

July 27th Lodi Bowen Bowhunter Challenge 28 unmarked 2 3-D

### **July 27th CVA Club Shoot**

Aug 2nd 3rd Cherry Valley Bowhunters Big Bear 3D shoot 60 unmarked 1 arrow.

Aug 8th Mojave Archers, State Capitol, 28 targets 2 arrows

### **Aug 24th CVA Club Shoot**

Sept 6th 7th Oranco Bowmen CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round

Sept 7th Verdugo Hills CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round

Sept 14th San Diego Archers CBH/SAA State Target-900 Round

### **Sept 28th CVA Club Shoot**



**805.581.1671**

2150 Agate Court • Simi Valley, CA 93065



Conejo Valley Archers  
P.O. Box 3982  
Thousand Oaks, CA

*Remember Time  
change , next club  
meeting will start at  
11:00 AM*

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

