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CEDAR RIVER BOWMEN

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NEWSLETTER | FEBRUARY 2015

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By: Tom Daniels, President



Welcome to Cedar River Bowmen 2015. We have a lot of fun activities planned this year including a benefit shoot and we are hosting Train to Hunt. This year's benefit shoot is for the Wounded Warriors Project. Check out Train to Hunt at traintohunt.com.

There have been a couple of events that have already taken place this year. We had a booth set up at the Sportsman's Show. There were lots of

visitors to the booth. Thanks to the volunteers who spent time at the booth talking about archery and our club to all the visitors. We have also had our first shoot of the year, the Super Bowl Safari. We had 155 shooters come out to enjoy our club and participate in the event.

Our Club Membership is growing and will continue to do so throughout the year. I want to take a moment to remind all members, new and old, that we need to be mindful of the club property and the security of club property. The first gate, when entering the property, must be closed and locked upon entry and exit of the property. The second gate (the club gate) may remain open as long as there is someone on the property. The club gate must be closed and locked when the last person leaves. Please do not assume that someone else is still on the property or that someone else will close and lock the gate. When leaving the club, take a drive around the property, check to see if things are secure and if you are the last person there, LOCK IT UP.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the club.
Tom Daniels | 253.334.5571

BOARD MEETING REMINDER

Thursday, March 12 | 6:00pm
Krain Corner Restaurant

All CRB members are welcome!
Come see how you can contribute to your club! Guest comments and feedback are welcome.
















WINTER INDOOR ARCHERY AT CRB

Tuesdays in the Clubhouse
6:00pm Potluck Social
6:45pm Shooting Begins

Come join us for some indoor archery at the club! A great time is had by all who show up!

Come join us! This is an Open House event, if you have family or friends that want to try shooting or just watch, bring them along.

2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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|  Membership Chairman Mike Stefanick |  Bowhunting Chairman Dave Garrison |  Trustee Derrell Keegan |

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE - FEBRUARY 2015

By: Mike Stefanick, Membership Chairman

Welcome new and renewing members. I want to thank everyone for helping make the renewal process a success. Many responded with pre-payment which I was able to get processed early and have for your pick-up at the key exchange on Saturday. If you prepaid and were not able to attend, I've sent your renewal packet via the mail.

If you have not taken a few minutes to look over the packet information, please do so soon. There is background info in the Welcome letter and the calendar has our activity, work party and shoot schedule. Use it to make plans, come to a shoot, especially plan to help at work parties, and save time to join fellow club members at CRB sponsored activities.

During 2015 the CRB Membership Recruitment Program will continue. You can get a dues reduction for bringing friends, families or even strangers to CRB. For every two new members you recruit you can earn a 25% reduction in your dues in 2016; the "catch" is that you and your recruits must rejoin on or before the Saturday of the Superbowl Safari Key Exchange Shoot. In 2016, that will be on Saturday, February 6th.

If you have not renewed your membership yet, please do so soon. Don't fall victim to procrastination and "putting off." You know you enjoy shooting and you are already planning your hunting for next season, so renew early in the year and get your shooting and archery skills in tip top shape for hunting season. Don't put it off, do it now. Go to the website, use your Visa card and pay, then download a membership form, fill it out, sign the Assumption of Risk, send it to me and I'll get you a membership card and key to you pronto.

RAY WHITE AWARD

By: Dave Garrison, Bowhunting Chairman

All successful hunters please remember to fill out a Ray White Game Award application!

If you had a successful hunt this season, be sure to submit an application, as you will be recognized at the annual banquet. A copy of the Ray White Award application is included in this newsletter. So far, I have not received any applications and I know we have several members who took animals last year, including some very nice bulls. We give a gift certificate for each successful hunter. We also have a biggest deer and biggest elk plaque on the wall in the club house that has the name of the hunter.

Please send me a photo with your application and send a story to the new Puffs editor. These can be sent to me by mail (address on the form) or by email to bowhunterdave@comcast.net. The story and additional pictures can be sent to Sarah St. George at sarahst.george@outlook.com

WDFW Seeks Public Comments on Proposed 2015-17

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
600 Capitol Way N, Olympia, WA 98501-1091
<http://wdfw.wa.gov/>
Contact: Wildlife Program, (360) 902-2515

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is seeking public input on proposed recommendations for the 2015-17 hunting seasons.

Through Feb. 24, WDFW will accept written comments from the public to help finalize proposed hunting rules and regulations for 2015-17 hunting seasons. To review and comment on the proposals, visit the department's website at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/regulations/seasonsetting/>.

The hunting season proposals, which were developed after extensive public involvement, are also based on the objectives and strategies contained in the new 2015-21 Game Management Plan, said Mick Cope, WDFW game manager. The plan is available on the department's website at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/01676/>

"We appreciate the input we've received over the past months and encourage everyone interested in the 2015-17 hunting seasons to review and comment on the proposed rules before final action is taken," Cope said.

The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission, which sets policy for WDFW, will also take public comment on the proposed recommendations at its March 20-21 meeting at the Civic Center in Moses Lake. Final commission action is scheduled to take place at the April 9-10 meeting.

Have An Idea for a Puffs Article?

We are always looking for articles and topics for the Puffs Newsletter. Please send any hunt photos, recipes, and article ideas to Sarah St. George, Puffs Editor at sarahst.george@outlook.com

SPORTSMAN SHOW A SUCCESS

By: Sarah St. George



It was another great year with the CRB booth at the Sportsman's Show. We were able to promote our Club to potential new members and spread the word about this year's shoots. Thanks for those of you who came out to help!

BEGINNER'S ARCHERY PROGRAM

Do you have instructional skills, love to talk about archery? If so, you may be who we are looking for. Currently, Cedar River Bowmen is looking for someone to manage our Beginners Archery Program as well as people to assist. If you are interested. Please contact me and we can talk about the details.

Thank you.
Tom Daniels
253 334 5571
roscoedaniels@msn.com

Blast from the Past

By: Sarah St. George

Each month we will be celebrating the history of Cedar River Bowmen. This ad was published in the September 1968 Puffs of Smoke newsletter.

BOWHUNTERS
SEPT 15
Annual Bowhunters
Breakfast & Animal Round
Cedar River Bowmen Range
Breakfast 75¢ Shoot 75¢
Men use legal hunting tackle
Women may use target equipment
Awards to third place
Breakfast 7-10 Shoot 10:30

CEDAR RIVER BOWMEN RAY WHITE BIG GAME AWARD

Animal killed _____ Sex _____ Weight _____ (field dressed)

If Deer or Elk, number of points per antler: Right _____ Left _____

Date killed _____ Where killed (area & state) _____

At what distance was the animal hit? _____

How far did the animal travel after it was hit? _____

Draw weight of bow _____ lbs.

Was the animal dispatched in any other way than with an arrow? YES NO

If yes, explain:

How many seasons have you hunted with a bow? _____

Have you previously received a big game award from the Cedar River Bowmen? _____

Fair Chase Affidavit

I, _____, by my signature do swear and affirm that the above animal was killed by myself with a legal bow and arrow under the rules of Fair Chase and the game laws of the state or territory in which I hunted. That no aid was used in the form of tranquilizers, poison, or firearms. I understand that any attempt to falsify this application will result in the immediate revocation of my membership.

Please print:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Witness _____

Address _____

Witness _____

Address _____

For You Hunters

Successful hunters should be sure to fill out this Ray White Award form because there are awards for largest bull etc. These awards are given out at the annual Banquet.

Please mail the completed form to:

Dave Garrison
17317 SE Lake Moneysmith Road
Auburn, WA 98092

Cedar River Bowmen present:

Boar's Head 3D Shoot

2 Days, Saturday March 21 & Sunday March 22, 2015

30 regular targets each day across 3 different courses.
"10 Optional Extreme Targets", \$5.00 Buy in with a 60% payout.
No rangefinders or laser sights! Binoculars are OK.
We offer Free, primitive camping on site.
Awards will be presented in all classes.

Saturday: 7:30am to 4:00pm, Sunday: 7:00am to 3:00pm
Awards: Sunday 3:00pm

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| Adults: (ages 18 and older)..... | \$15.00 & \$20.00 |
| Young Adult: (ages 15-17)..... | \$12.00 & \$16.00 |
| Youth: (ages 12- 14)..... | \$10.00 & \$12.00 |
| Cubs: (ages 8-11)..... | \$5.00 & \$7.00 |
| PeeWee:..... | Free |
| Family Maximum:..... | \$45.00 |

Directions:

From the North: Southbound on SR 169 to Enumclaw Franklin Road and turn left.
From the South: Northbound on SR 169 to Enumclaw Franklin Rd and turn right.
Go about 1 mile to the CRB gate on right. Go through the gate and follow the road up the small hill and to the right.
Our club in a short distance beyond the second gate.

GPS Coordinates: N-41 / 16.004, W - 121 / 58.684

The following address will get you within 1/4 mile of the range: 38000 Enumclaw Franklin Rd SE, Enumclaw, WA 98022

For more information visit our Website @ www.cedarriverbowmen.org

MEETING MINUTES - JANUARY 2015

CRB BOARD MEETING JANUARY 8, 2015 AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Attendance:

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| Patrick Seiver | Derrell Keegan |
| Mike Wallace | Galen Mauden |
| Zach Graves | Jim Walker |
| BJ Brewster | Sarah St. George |
| Jeff Keen | Mike Garrett |
| Richard Lemon | Diane Daniels |
| Mike Stefanick | Dave Garrison |
| Tom Daniels | (Arrived late) |

Meeting called to order at 6:45 pm.

Quorum is not present at time the meeting is called to order.

Secretary's report - Diane

Distributed to board Dec 13

Treasurer's report – Roxanne

Distributed to board.

* Mike to check on the location of the registration seed money.

* Tom moved \$15,000 to the land acquisition fund.

* Wants everyone to think about how much we want to leave in the generator fund and where the balance should go.

Range Master report – Patrick

Signs need to be checked/replaced. May want to invest in metal signs.

Assistant Field – Clint - absent

Assistant Animal – Al - absent

Bow hunter report - Dave - absent

Membership – Mike S

* In years past, we have offered a reduction in dues if purchased at the Sportsmans Show. Do we want to offer this again this year? Motion was made to offer again, seconded and passed.

* Beginner program open on the calendar. Otherwise, complete and ready to go.

* Paid for po box for 2015.

* Mike has a new set of locks to go for this year.

Tournament report – Mike G

* Super Bowl Safari coming up. Tom will check with Chris and Ray to see who is setting this up.

* Need to check on awards inventory for 2015.

Dave Garrison arrived. Quorum is now present. (Went back and voted on Show discount)

Puffs – Dani – absent

* Tom read an article that was presented to the editor for publication. It was the resignation letter from Edo Gebenini. He then asked if we want to use the Puffs for this type of article? After MUCH discussion the board chose not to publish. A motion was made not to publish, seconded and passed. If any club member wants a copy of the letter, it can be requested from the Secretary, Diane Daniels.

New Business –

* Mike S brought up that we have not received a recent copy of the Quiver from WSAA. That started discussion on whether or not our membership is up to date. Tom will contact WSAA to confirm.

* Diane to get article to Linda by Jan 10 for the Feb Quiver regarding our club, 2015 board and upcoming shoot calendar.

* Diane will also submit a ½ page ad to Linda for the Feb Quiver. Will discuss at the February meeting what ads we want for the entire year and submit all at once.

* Jim Walker thanks those nominees that wrote up bios for distribution prior to the elections. He thought that was helpful.

* Galen had a concern that the new process did not keep the votes secret. Election committee acknowledged that as an issue to be improved upon for next year.

* Jim asked what was going to be done with the paper ballots that had been submitted? In the past, we have not kept the votes after they have been tallied. That will continue. The ballots were burned Thursday night after being counted by only two board members.

* Sportsmans Show – Derrell is in contact with Tom McLaughlin regarding the number of passes we are allowed. Once confirmed, an email will be sent with sign up opportunities.

* Dave said we had a good turnout for the first night of the indoor league. 14 shooters.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.