

# **Granite Mountain Archers Newsletter**

## **April 2009**

Greetings Fellow Archers,

We have kicked off the new season for Granite Mountain Archers with a very successful Silver Arrow Shoot. Despite gale force winds on Saturday we had 118 registered shooters for the weekend! A big thanks goes out to all of you who showed up to set up and lend a hand during the shoot.

During Sunday's meeting we accepted 16 new members. That brings us to a total of about 36 new members so far for the 2009 season. I would suggest that the club is growing by leaps and bounds.

In addition to the induction of our new members, the club approved the purchase of new 3-D targets up to \$4,000.00. A motion was made and passed to accept a new class of membership to include a \$200.00 per year non-working member (January to January). This new tier of membership would allow a person to join and accept no responsibility for work related duties.

In order to accommodate some of our new members we have done some rescheduling of Range Duty dates. Please check the Range Duty Roster-it may be that you have been bumped off the date you chose. You will not be expected to make up that date. We know that things do come up and if you are scheduled for Range Duty and can not make it, it is your responsibility to call another member to take your place. The board members are not responsible for making the change for you.

A big thank-you goes out to all the people who showed up for the work parties and helped get the range in shape for the season. Under the organization and advisement of VP Scott T. the club now has brand new carpet bales on the practice range, a new running pig target, new bow racks for many of the targets and a new road system that makes it easier to get to the back part of our range. All of that was accomplished as well as the general clean-up and clearing of trails and brush throughout the property.

If you haven't checked out our new website you might want to log on to [www.granitemountainarchers.org](http://www.granitemountainarchers.org) and take a peek at the fine work created by the website committee and Monty Cook our new webmaster.

We would like to send out a call to our club members who would like to submit hunting photos to post on our site. Photos should be in good taste and well focused. No excess blood, tongues hanging out or arrows sticking out of the animal. If you wouldn't see the photo in Bowhunter Magazine we shouldn't have it on our website. Photos should also include a caption. For example; your name, the year and the type of animal harvested. E-mail photos to Monty Cook at [mccook@cableone.net](mailto:mccook@cableone.net). If you have questions you can reach Monty at 928-778-1814. **The deadline for submission is June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

We would like to remind you that as part of your acceptance into GMA you have agreed to become a member of NFAA or the ABFAA. You can find links to these organizations on our website. Just click on the Affiliations link and follow it to your organization of choice. Please notify either San S. or myself when you have confirmed your membership.

In closing I would like to remind you that we have three more shoots coming up. The next one is The Outlaw Shoot May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. It takes a lot of work to get the courses set up for these events so make sure that you call one of the Range Captains several days before the shoot and make arrangements to get out there and lend a hand. The Range Captains are Ron Hyde, Bill Zawicki and Bill Vohs. You can find their phone numbers on the website or on the membership list in bold lettering.

Until next time-Happy Shooting.

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