

# Granite Mountain Archers Newsletter

## February 2010

Granite Mountain Archers,

Welcome to the 2010 season. We had quite a year last year. Membership rose to over one hundred people. More folks than ever attended our shoots and according to San's calculations range use increased significantly by members and non-members on our open range days.

Our annual meeting on January 30<sup>th</sup> brought 14 new and returning members to the club. Welcome to all of you. We covered a lot of information at the meeting so I will try and be as concise as possible.

We have applied again for the Shooting Range Grant from Arizona Fish and Game. This year we have requested \$9,000 for new carpet bales and to repair fencing and signage on lower course #4. We should know by mid June if we received the grant.

San reported from the Master Plan Committee that the Mission Statement is still under construction due to conflicting work schedules. However, the committee will be meeting again soon and we should have a draft available for review by early summer.

Our website is up and looking great. We will be adding new links to the website to allow communication of new ideas or things to be done. The new emails are as follows:

[comments@granitemountainarchers.org](mailto:comments@granitemountainarchers.org)

[suggestions@granitemountainarchers.org](mailto:suggestions@granitemountainarchers.org)

[todolist@granitemountainarchers.org](mailto:todo@granitemountainarchers.org)

[photos@granitemountainarchers.org](mailto:photos@granitemountainarchers.org)

We think that this will be an effective and efficient way to get things done and to hear feedback and suggestions in a timely manner.

**Work Party Dates** are as follows:

March 6<sup>th</sup>, March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>, **beginning at 9am** each day.

### Dates for GMA Shoots:

Silver Arrow	April 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup>
Outlaw	May 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup>
**ABFAA Shoot	June 12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup>
Van Clark	June 26 <sup>th</sup> and 27 <sup>th</sup>
Prescott GMA Shoot	July 24 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup>
Big Game	August 14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup>
Frost on the Pumpkin	November 6 <sup>th</sup>

\*\*The ABFAA requested GMA become a venue for their “Shoot Around Arizona” event. This one day event will be held Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup>. GMA board members and attendees of the annual meeting also voted to include a one day 3D fun shoot on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> of June. This event will require minimal assistance and volunteers from our club.

We had so much fun last year that VP Scott T. decided we should have even more by having more shoots! Check out the first annual “Prescott GMA Shoot” in July and the Frost on the Pumpkin Shoot in November. The club agreed.

We discussed forming new committees to address more specific needs of the club and to alleviate some of the duties placed on the board members. The two new committees are the “Out-reach” subcommittee and the “In-Door Range” subcommittee. **The Out-Reach Committee** will share and head up the responsibility for advertising, flyers, and Internet activity to promote club activities and events. **The Indoor Range Committee** will research and explore how to establish an indoor range through the City of Prescott Park and Recreation and will perhaps hopefully start an indoor league for the community of Prescott.

Bill Zawicki needed to step down from his Range Captain duties and James Williams is stepping in to fill that position. Thanks to Bill for all his hard work and thanks to James for taking over.

Stacey Fulkerson has agreed to continue as our kitchen Goddess with help from her lovely assistants. Thank you Stacey!

The former Board Members were re-elected for another term and the current board will remain in office: Terry Oskerson as President, Scott Tarlip as Vice President, San Stiver as Treasurer, and myself Carolina Morton as Secretary.

The club voted to include a new class of membership to our ranks. GMA welcomes corporate member Arizona Archery Enterprises (AAE) to our club. Corporate membership is valued at \$1,000. Corporate membership will be a boon to our club and to AAE.

The officers of GMA have requested more help from members with duties surrounding the shoots. Specifically help with the registration desk. It takes a lot of energy to put these shoots together and Registration is an important part of these events. We will create a "Registration Schedule" and members will be able to sign up in 2 hour increments. However, you are welcome to sign up as much as you like! If you know that you would like to be part of this, please give us a call and/or come out to the work parties to sign up for times that are convenient for you. Your time spent working Registration can and will be counted as part of your Work Party requirements. Working Registration is a great way to meet your fellow club members and other archery enthusiasts.

Two more items that we addressed were 1) getting a new banner for our fence to advertise our club, Terry will look in to this, and 2) Beth is going to research the cost of getting T-shirts, ball caps, patches etc. to sell.

A couple of other things that you all need to know and that is that ERAU now has a lock on the entrance chain to allow them access to their property. This lock is interlocked with our lock. Please make sure that when you lock the gate you hook the lock through the chain and their lock. Thanks for your help on this. Also, ERAU students shoot for free on our open range days. Please make a note of this.

And finally, **please make sure that when you sign up on any list for anything club related that you sign or print legibly!**

On August 15<sup>th</sup> of the Range Duty list, someone named "Bob ????" signed up for that day. On the Target Duty List, Course #1 Target #6 someone, signed up and I cannot read the signature at all. If you folks would please give me a call and solve this mystery I would really appreciate it!

If you have questions regarding any of the items in this letter, please feel free to give us a call and/or show up at the next meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup> after the work party.

I'm looking forward to another great year at Granite Mountain Archers and I'm looking forward to seeing all of you there!

Carolina,  
Secretary GMA