

## **American Bowmen Club Meeting of December 14, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm at Bear Creek Archery. Dale, Mike and Ivan provided the quorum of officers.

The minutes of the August meeting were read and approved without rancor.

Jeff being absent, Ivan read the treasurer's report. The checking account is in good shape to cover any miscellaneous expenses until 2012 membership dues start arriving. The report was approved.

**Old Business**—The range has been picked up and prepared for winter. Fourteen targets have been left out on the front side range for the masochists. New targets purchased include a standing elk, a standing Dahl, a cinnamon bear, a black panther and quite a few replacement inserts. All targets and inserts are marked with ASA scoring rings. Dale also purchased five new trail-cams with better battery life for a total of around \$200. Dale has received the porta-potty bill for around \$300 but has not yet sent it to Jeff for payment.

Joseph's Journey has purchased their own archery equipment. The ABC has previously committed to helping them out when they needed it, so we will probably give them some cash and a target, though no specific motion has been made on this.

The ABC Banquet is Feb. 11. Dale will contact Doy to MC. Mike offered a wireless microphone and speakers from his business for the event. Dale will contact Morgan about purchasing the necessary supplies for the Banquet.

**New Business**—Ken has around \$50 in the robo-call account. We will need to make a call out to remind everyone to get their harvest information to Ron and to ask all members to update their e-mail addresses and phone numbers when they renew and to ask them for nominations for officers.

We have permission to lock the gate to the property. All new and renewing members will receive the combination with their membership card. The guest fee is still \$15 and guests must be accompanied by a paid up member.

Shoot dates—

- April 8 ABC Club Shoot
- April 22 ABC Club Shoot
- May 5 RMAA Shoot
- May 6 CTAS Shoot
- June 3 ABC Club Shoot
- June 17 ABC Club Shoot
- June 23 Joseph's Journey Shoot, tentative, unconfirmed
- July 8 ABC Club Shoot
- Aug. 12 ABC Club Shoot

Shooting fees and classes remain as in previous years. Food and beverage may be purchased at the range.

Phil reports that a school bus driver north of Rangeley reports more rabbits than the dearth seen the past couple of years. Dale will contact "Buggs" Baker to see if he will schedule a hunt.

Ken reported on a possible pheasant shoot. We picked Jan. 28 as the date with Feb. 4 as the alternate date in case of weather.

The next ABC Board meeting is January 11. Happy holidays to everyone and sweet dreams of monster Coues deer in Arizona in January.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm.