

Minutes of the American Bowmen Club meeting of June 13, 2007

I checked the calendar, and it wasn't even a full moon. Still we had one of the biggest turnouts for an ABC meeting that I have ever seen. Perhaps it was that it was the first good weather day after several rainy days that brought everyone out. It was a far more noticeable turn out than at the May meeting when even the officers did not show and we didn't even hold an imaginary non-meeting.

Mimi had called Tim excusing herself from the meeting because she was deathly ill with food poisoning. She got no sympathy from the club. After all, we have each suffered worse assaults on our digestive system at the hands of our elk-camp cook.

One might have also thought it a full moon due to the general unruliness of the attendees, starting with Rockwell motioning for adjournment before the meeting was called to order. President Lawrence ruled the Rock out of order, which is nothing new, and convened the meeting at 7:32:02. This was a mistake in one way as it was quite light out and most of the members were still on the range.

Treasurer Jeff Fleischer read out a bunch of numbers, of which I only caught the interest earned for the month of \$1.19. We were at 95 paid members (and 5 new members approved tonight) with 23 members still to pay. If everyone comes through we would be at 123, just two short of the 125 ceiling. (We need to get several new members so that we can knock off some of these late-paying scofflaws and scallywags.) Dale motioned and Larry seconded the motion to approve the treasurer's report.

A work party is scheduled for this coming Saturday in preparation for Sunday's shoot. We need volunteers to run the shoot. The Joseph's Journey shoot on the following Sunday unfortunately conflicts with the CTAS High Country Shoot.

Jamboree—The dates are July 20-22. Hootie will run the poker shoot as he did last year. Larry will run the coon shoot, provide lights and the PA system. The layout meeting is June 23, also conflicting with CTAS. We will need wood for the communal fire on Friday night.

Tim L. gave a report on the Joseph's Journey fishing derby.

Dawson Swanson, CDOW officer in Bailey, wants to borrow some targets. The CBA will provide some for him.

New Members

Steve Lewis has been bowhunting for three years. He shot a buck two years ago, is a CBA member, shoots a Bowtech, and has a son almost 11. Voted in.

Ryan Recktenwald (it sure looks like more than three syllables) has been bowhunting for three years, muzzleloader for three years before that. He read Cameron Haines book

on backcountry bowhunting and believes that getting there is the big thing. Shoots a Reflex and has gotten a deer with archery. He was voted in to improve the proportion of members who can actually read.

Patrick Lansu started with a bow last year and got a deer. He likes being out in the woods, shoots a Tricon and will join the CBA. He was voted in for his hunting prowess—heck we have members who have been bowhunting for years and haven't gotten anything more than a wee wittle wabbit.

Refugio Silva moved here three years ago from Florida, before that NM. He has worked for ADT security for 23 years, and a bowhunter since 1984 (hmmm, that must be close to 23 years too). I have been told that Fugi has never turned down a CBA request for help. With that record, we need him. Voted in.

Joseph Malone is 25 years old and has been shooting since the beginning of the year. We need young new impressionable souls in the club who will listen to our prevarications with a straight face. Voted in.

Jim Williams was born and raised in Littleton. He says that his friends call him Jim. He has been bowhunting for 16 years, has taken “a few animals” and took a buck last year. Hey, if his friends still call him Jim, he must be O.K. Voted in.

Multiple messy motions to mosey morphed at 8:26 pm.