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WORK PARTY INCENTIVE PROGRAM!!

There is a new incentive program to help increase involvement in work parties and other activities. Participation hit an all time low last year so let's all get on-board and make this program, the work-parties, and the club a success! See next page for details.

SHOOT DATES

American Bowmen Club public 40 target 3D shoot dates for 2008 are:

March 29 - Work Party - This is when the range gets setup for the year and when the most help is needed!

April 12 - Work Party April 13 - 3-D Shoot

May 3 - Work Party May 4 - 3-D Shoot

June 14 - Work Party June 15 - 3-D Shoot

June 28 - Work Party June 29 - Joseph's Journey Benefit 3-D Shoot

July 12 - Work Party July 13 - 3-D Shoot

August 9 - Work Party August 10 - 3-D Shoot

Shoot costs for ABC public shoots are \$15 for adults, \$5 for young adults age 14-18, and children 13 and under shooting free. Joseph's Journey shoot is \$20 for adults.

Registration is from 8:30 to 10:00 am, rain or shine.

For more information contact Dale Lucio at (720) 635-4365.

2008 American Bowmen Club Work Credit Incentive Program

The purpose of this incentive program is to increase membership participation in work parties and other activities, as assigned by the ABC's Designated Outdoor Range Officer and ABC Officers regarding the functions of the outdoor range.

2008 Incentive:

Grand Prize: Gift Certificate to Cabela's Outdoor Adventures = \$2,250.00

*This would be good towards ANY hunt offered by Cabela's Outdoor Adventures and could go towards Cabela's TAGS Program

AND

1st Runner-Up: \$250.00 Gift Certificate to Bear Creek Archery

Funding:

The funding for the 2008 incentive program will be drawn from the club's general account in the amount of \$2,500.00. Future funding may be secured through the club's general account, reallocation of work party credit deposits, adjustment of annual membership fees, some combination of these sources, or other resources (to be determined).

Qualifications:

To qualify for this program, a member MUST meet the following criteria:

- 1.) The member must be in good standing .
- 2.) The member must pay annual club fees and work credit deposits when due (must be current).
- 3.) The member must accrue four (4) Work (Party) Credits during the calendar year. These work (party) credits can be earned through participation in scheduled work parties, approved club officers/delegate credit OR other activities, as assigned by the ABC's Designated Outdoor Range Officer and/or ABC Officers (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary) regarding the functions of the outdoor range.
- 4.) The Member MUST be individual or family member (no associate members).

Clarification:

- 1.) The above four qualification conditions must be met by any member wishing to qualify for the incentive program.
- 2.) One opportunity for the drawing per membership (individual or family) that meets the above qualifications.

Work (Party) Credits:

- 1.) Work Credits can be earned through participation in scheduled work parties OR other activities, as assigned by the ABC's Designated Outdoor Range Officer.
- 2.) Work Credits are tracked through they year by the Outdoor Range Officer.
- 3.) Members are responsible for ensuring that ABC's Designated Outdoor Range Officer has properly recorded Work Credits earned during the year. Please make sure you periodically check that your Work Credit have been properly recorded with the Range Officer.
- 3.) ABC Officers (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary), Designated Callers, and other ABC Club Delegates (as approved by the ABC Officers) earn two (2) of the four (4) required Work (Party) Credits.

Implementation of the Incentive Program:

- 1.) At the end of the calendar year, the Range Officer will forward the amount of Work (Party) Credits earned by each member to the Treasurer. The Treasurer will then provide a list of those members who qualify (based on the four (4) qualification criteria to the Work Credit Incentive Program Committee.
- 2.) A random, hand-picked drawing will take place during the American Bowmen Club Annual Banquet in February to determine the winner(s) of the selected award(s). Members need not be present for the drawing. The winner(s) of the selected award(s) will be contacted by the ABC.

American Bowmen Club Meeting of January 9, 2008

The meeting commenced right on schedule at 6:45 (e.g. late as usual). In Jeff's absence the treasurer's report was given by the very capable (O.K. we stretched this a bit) Dale Lucio. After little discussion and hardly any opposition to Dale's request that he join Jeff in Aruba, (on the Club's dime), motion to approve was made by Jim Kerth and seconded by Ken Swanson (the report, not the Aruba trip).

Old Business

Minutes from the December meeting were handed to Tim Lawrence by the gastrically ailing but still lovely Secretary, Mimi Curtis, as she left saying she didn't want to infect anyone else. The short, sweet, condensed, though expertly typed minutes were read by Tim, again showing off his skill and ineptitude in carrying out his presidential duties. Morgan motioned to approve and Brian Mackey seconded. The upcoming winter banquet was discussed and some other small talk bantered about.

The "Work Credit Incentive Program", conceived by the brilliant, imaginative, but often misguided Jim Kerth was revisited. After much discussion and many suggestions it was decided that Jim would pick four members to join him in committee and polish an hone till this thing was as sharp as a game-ready broadhead and present further details at a later meeting for ratification.

Election of New Officers

Phil Belchar nominated Ivan James as Secretary and of course the scholar and poet, not being there to defend himself against such an injustice, was unanimously accepted and welcomed back for a second run.

The irreproachable Jeff Fleischer graciously agreed to stay on as treasurer again, proving that he is probably the bravest (or most gullible) of all American Bowmen. Many thanks Jeff for your ninth term. (Hmm, 'term'—isn't that often associated with the word 'jail'?)

Dale Lucio took over as Vice President (anything to get out of being outdoor range captain eh?) as the current VP, Jim Kerth, smelling the prospects of a political defeat, pulled a fast one and withdrew his own name from the running in the final seconds before the vote.

Morgan Montgomery won a second term at the presidential post in a landslide victory over the incumbent Tim Lawrence who joyously wiped the sweat from his brow while screaming WhooWhee, WhooWhee finally.

No one opposed any of these candidates for higher office—imagine that!

The Board of Directors was voted to stay as is: Larry Baker, Ken Swanson, and Phil Belchar upon a motion from Dale Lucio, seconded by Matt Archuletta. A good luck to all was expressed from past president Tim Lawrence as he again wiped his brow and let out that blood curdling yell.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

American Bowmen Club Meeting of February 13, 2008

Old Business

Newly-elected President Morgan Montgomery, returning from a three-year hiatus, called the meeting to order promptly at 6:30 pm, starting the education process that 'If you aren't there, we may do something stupid without you.' The minutes from the January meeting were read by newly-elected Secretary, Ivan James (who also is becoming educated to the fact that you never want to miss an ABC election or you might return after only a two-year hiatus) and approved.

Nine-year veteran treasurer Jeff Fleischer read a bunch of numbers for different accounts which, because they were not in scientific notation, the secretary could not understand. It does appear that we have enough money to continue in operation and that he hadn't totally depleted our funds on his Aruba trip.

Jim Kerth reported that we had bought flowers for Bob Renner's funeral. We all deeply feel the loss of this outstanding gentleman, great bowhunter, close friend and treasured member of the ABC.

New Business

Jim Kerth reported on the member **work-party incentive program**. This will begin with work parties in 2008. Each member that participates in four work parties will be entered into a drawing for a prize the following year. Example prizes discussed were an outfitted pronghorn hunt in Wyoming, a hog hunt in Texas, a gift certificate to Cabela's, etc., to be determined by a committee at the end of this calendar year. First year funding would come out of existing funds. In future years the work party credit would go up to \$125 with the first work party being \$50 and the next three \$25 each. The extra \$25 from each of the missed first work parties would go towards funding future incentives. Remember, the purpose of the incentive program is to get more people out for work parties. Because associate members do not have access to the range and do not pay for missed work parties, they are ineligible to participate.

A motion to implement the work-party incentive program was made and seconded. An amendment was added to the motion to give officers and delegates only, the first two work party credits towards the incentive program. The motion overwhelmingly passed with a couple of lazy bums (your secretary included) vehemently voting against it.

A reminder that the **banquet** is to be on Feb. 23 was given. The banquet will be dedicated to Bob Renner.

Daylight savings starts on March 16. We will have the first work party to set up the range on March 29 with **outdoor shooting** there starting the following Wednesday, April 2.

Rabbit meister, Larry (Bugs) Baker reported that there is too much snow to rabbit hunt NW Colorado. Because he is 'unretired' again, someone else will have to plan a snowshoe trip if there is to be one.

Mike Manning will be the shoot coordinator.

New Members

Jason Stergios (pronounced like the name of that motorcycle rally town in South Dakota) came forward for membership. Originally from Ohio, he has spent nine years in Colorado, is a CBA member and other than shooting a Matthews bow, seems like a fairly decent sort. Still, we think that he might be corruptible so we voted him in.

Robert Edson presented himself for membership. Apparently he is related to the notorious Edsons, but did appear to be a lot better looking. He has been hunting since he was 12, killed a bull elk at 14 with a rifle, and raises and trains Labradors. His in-laws are outfitters in the Steamboat Springs area (Backcountry). He is a CBA member and his son just got a bow. After he swore that the Edson relationship was very distant, he was voted in.

After one hour and five minutes of scintillating debate, close votes, and the efficient dispatch of business, the meeting was adjourned. If you have an alternate interpretation of the meeting, next time you get to be secretary.