



NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello American Bowmen Club Members,

It is long overdue that the club officers write to you in a Newsletter. The past couple of months have been a flurry of activity and progress! Only a short time ago we were fixing property fencing on March 3rd, moved range targets and other assets to the property on March 10th, and on that same day set one 3D range and part of another including the practice range!

We now have a functional American Bowmen Club range at McArthur Gulch and have successfully hosted two shoots (March 25th & April 8th). Our work party participation and the sheer determination displayed by members to move the club from storage and build a new range was beyond impressive. I want to share a simple thought with you that our Vice President – Pete Kopchik said after once again shooting a 3D target upon our opening, “what a cool feeling” when we all heard the unmistakable sound of an arrow imbedding into foam. I couldn’t have said it better.

As I look at the calendar and focus on the remainder of the year, I see we are only four short months away from the start of Colorado bow season, less if you count the start of pronghorn season. I sincerely hope that members have been able to start to enjoy their range. The other day I was able to shoot the east range by myself and relished in the quiet, the creek running, and my own concentration on targets placed on side hills, up, down, and all manners of uneven ground. I can feel my range estimation skill, my attention to detail and arrow placement on mountainous terrain coming back. “what a cool feeling!” I know I’ll be better prepared this season!

Upcoming Events!

We are planning our annual American Bowmen Club picnic for Sunday, May 20th at 11am with a shoot happening the day before on May 19th. Please come join us! We will have the BBQ going, with plenty of shooting and conversation for all.

I would also like to inform members that we are planning a special “American Bowmen Club Youth Archery Day” for July 28th (a formal name hasn’t been decided). In coordination with the Colorado Bowhunters Association, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Kifaru International, Fit 4 The Hunt along with numerous local shops. If you would like to participate in this special day, we can use your help! Please contact VP – Pete Kopchik (pkopchik@msn.com) for details of how you can help.

Reminder, please read the club rules: <http://www.americanbowmen.org/rules/> also posted above the sign in/out box.

Thank you and please encourage any friends and fellow bowhunters to come to a shoot or shoot the range with you as a guest. (Guest registration envelopes are in the sign in/out box.) I can tell you, this is how I joined. I shot the Windy Pt location once, and I decided to become a member immediately! We have a few membership spots remaining, but going fast.

See you at the range!
Your President,
Pete Timpano

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TWO SHOTS DOWN

As President Timpano noted in his message, we have successfully hosted two shoots on the new property. On March 25th, the American Bowmen Club hosted a Grand Opening Shoot followed only two weeks later by a second shoot. The first two shoots on the new property were well attended and very positive feedback was received by many, with some saying this is the best range yet. As is often the case, it is difficult to evaluate how a layout will work without having a large number of people on the property and minor modifications have been made based on both observation and feedback.



AMERICAN BOWMEN CLUB 2018 3D SHOOT SCHEDULE

40 3D Targets, Unmarked yardage, and Bowhunting Conditions

Registration from 7:30-9:00 am, rain or shine

ALL SHOTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Shoot dates:

**March 25th Grand Opening
Trickle Start**

**April 8th ABC Club Shoot
Trickle Start**

**May 19th Archery Club Shoot
9am Trickle Start**

**June 17th Father's Day Shoot
Trickle Start**

**June 24th RMAA 3rd Leg 3-D Series
ASA Rules, RMAA Pricing**

**July 15th ABC Club Shoot
9 am Trickle Start**

**August 5th ABC Club Shoot
Fred Bear Scoring**



Club Shoot Fees: Adults \$20, Young Adults (14-17yrs) \$10, Youth (10-13) \$5, PeeWee – Free

Shooting classes are:

Men's Open	Women's Open	Young Adult
Men's Unlimited	Women's Unlimited	Youth
Men's Bowhunter	Women's Bowhunter	Cub
Men's Traditional	Women's Traditional	PeeWee

Food and beverages will be available at the range

Please carpool we have limited parking!

The American Bowmen Club range is located at: Park County Rd 64 & Hwy 285 in Shawnee
A map is available at www.americanbowmen.org

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

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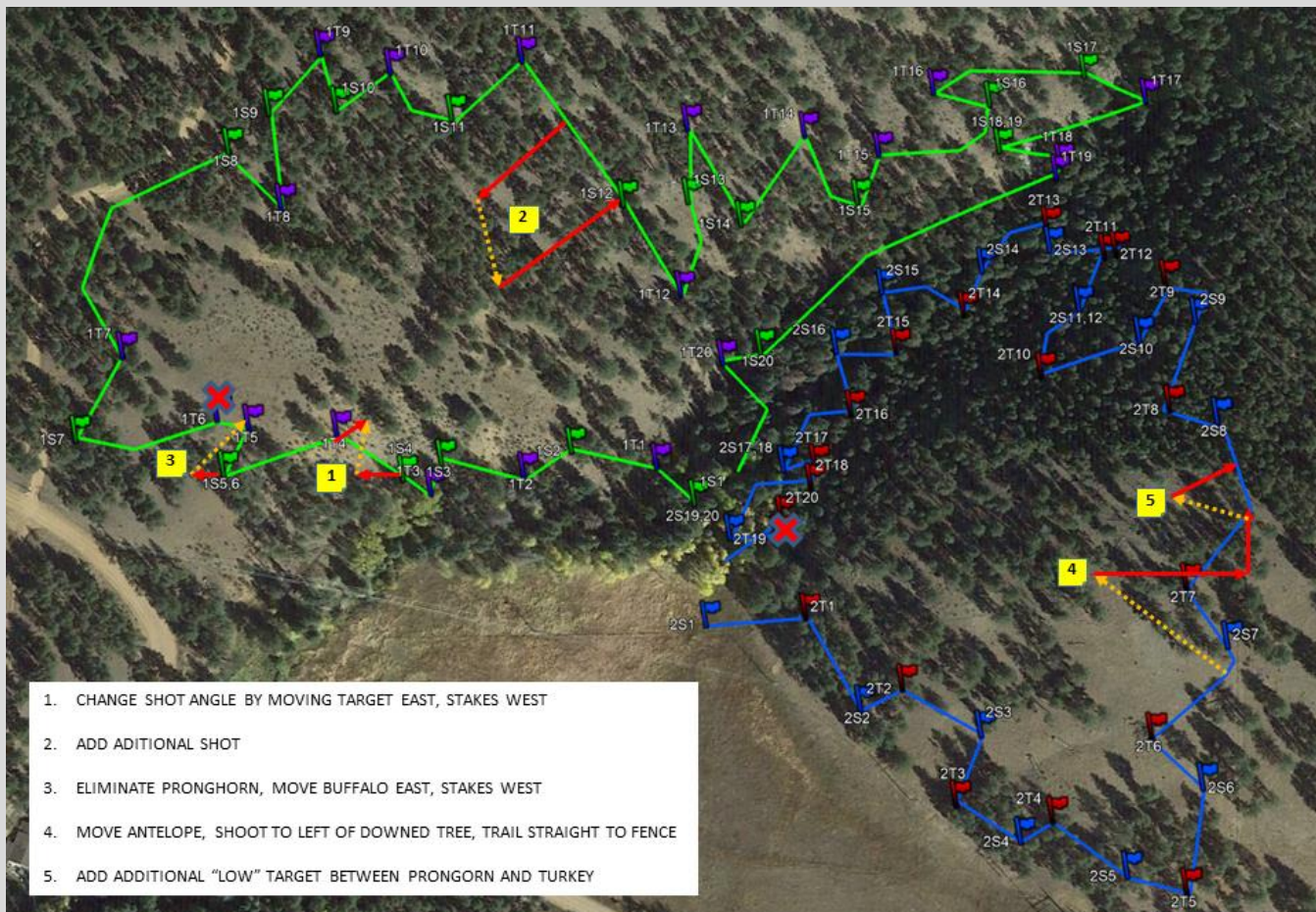
WORK PARTIES

Without the hard work of dedicated members, none of us would have a range to enjoy.

The club's five-year lease on the State Trust Land property started February 1, 2018. Numerous trips were made to the new property working on fulfilling the requirements of the Conditional Use Permit while planning both the site-in range and hillside courses. The first work party on the new property was scheduled for February 24th, but weather and a conflict with the club's annual pheasant hunt led to a poor turnout. Many of the 38 members who maintained their memberships through 2017, along with numerous others, sacrificed the next four weekends working to get the new range up and running.

Our next Work Party is scheduled for Saturday, April 28th. Start time is 9am. Bring gloves, we will be clearing the area south of the barn of boards, poles, etc. so that mowing can take place. Additionally, the area to the north of the long building (picnic area) will be readied for mowing and the installation of a BBQ and serving area. The State Land Board has approved expanded parking for up to 80 vehicles on the property. There is a great deal of work ahead of us to make this a reality before the next shoot.

As usual, there is also work to be completed on the hillside courses. An insert order has been placed through RMS Gear. Thanks to Tom Clum for making the trip to Rinehart and saving us a great deal on shipping charges. Unfortunately, it is unlikely that we will take delivery prior to the next scheduled shoot, some targets will need to be changed out since their inserts are in such rough shape.





AMERICAN BOWMEN CLUB PICNIC

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Let's fill these picnic tables to capacity.



YOUTH ARCHERY DAY

July 28, 2018 has been set as the date for (what we hope to be the first annual) American Bowmen Club Youth Archery Day.

The CBA and CPW have both reserved trailers and equipment for the day, Kifaru International is providing funding to pay for food, numerous local shops are interested in being part of the day and Fit 4 The Hunt will be running an Alpha Bowhunting Challenge type athletic competition scaled down for youth.

Numerous archery games will be planned and we would like to put together a "goody bag" of archery related items for each participant to take home. Organizations have and are being contacted for both event ideas and possible items for participants. We are also reaching out to shops, archery/outdoor organizations and manufacturers hoping to obtain larger donations (a youth bow, arrows, lessons, range time...) that can be put into a bucket-type raffle where each registered participant receives a ticket to put into the bucket for the prize they would like to win.

Please contact Pete Kopchik at pkopchik@msn.com with any thoughts you have regarding events for the day, possible "goody bag" items or contacts you may have to the archery/outdoor industry.



SOCIAL MEDIA



If you didn't know, our website, <http://www.americanbowmen.org/> is not the only place you can find us on the internet. We are also on Facebook, @americanbowmen and, thanks to one of our new members, Instagram, @americanbowmenclub.

Exposure, like our membership numbers, is growing fast!

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americanbowmenclub Denver's closest mountain 3D archery Range #coloredoarchery #3darchery #colorado #mountainarchery #arcery #flinginarrows #tradelife #bowlife



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aron_snyder Check out the @kifarucast with @gladiators_unleashed where we go over the play by play of the trad vs compound battle for head shaving!



MAY 19 American Bowmen Club Shoot

Saturday, May 19 at 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

American Bowmen Club
1015 County Road 64, Bailey, Colorado 80421



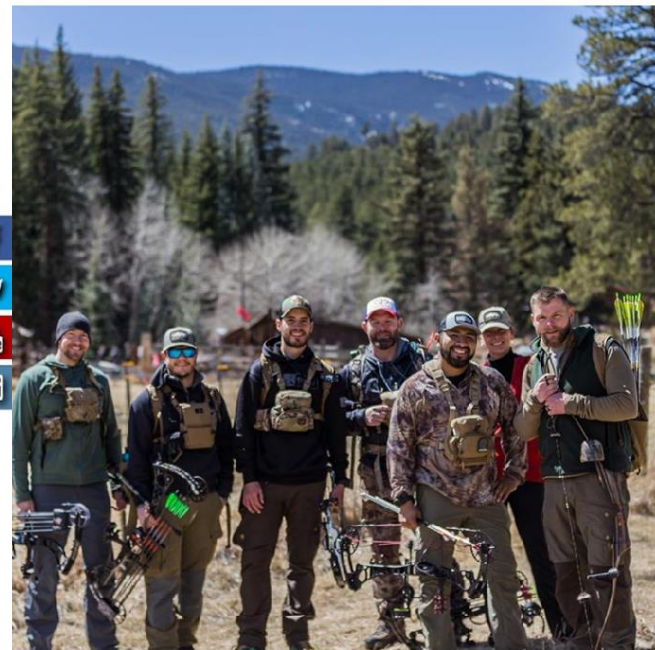
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americanbowmenclub I nicle star, registration from 7:30-9:00am. Come see all the hard work that has gone into our new property and enjoy a great day of shooting. Parking has been expanded to hold up to 80 vehicles on the property, please continue to carpool. Also, please access the property from County Road 64 and not Mooredale Road as Google Maps directs. Directions to the range are posted on our website at <http://www.americanbowmen.org/directons/>.



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gladiators_unleashed Great time with boys at the archery shoot @americanbowmenclub tons of fun! @kifarucast thanks for the friendly competition! #kifarucast #mathewsinc #kryptek #gladiators_unleashed #gladiatorsthatiketofeast