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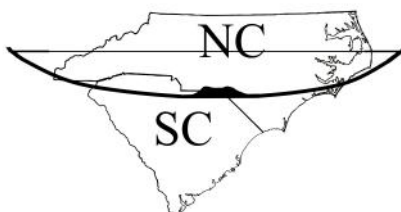
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The mission of the Carolina Traditional Archers is the preservation and promotion of the ancient art of traditional archery through club activities and educational interactions with others. Members will adhere to the highest ethical standards in their support, practice, promotion and preservation of traditional archery and bow hunting. The Carolina Traditional Archers support sound wildlife management principles and seek opportunities to aid conservation efforts.



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Cover: Fun with the Running Javelina target at a Club Shoot. Photo by Joe Henz



Letter from the President

CTA Members,

We've had three great shoots and it looks like we are on pace for another record breaking year. Thanks for your support of CTA!

Congratulations to our new club officers. Tony Lail is our new Vice President, and Terry Kale, along with Wendy and Darren Webb are our new Directors. I know that CTA will be blessed with the dedication and expertise of these individuals.

A special thanks goes to our outgoing club officers. Charles Suttles, Kyle Garrou, Maggie Vogt, and Larry Anderson served our club in an exemplar manner.

The North Carolina Traditional Archery Rendezvous is right around the corner. Please make every effort to attend this event. I promise you will have loads of fun and at the same time your attendance will support CTA and traditional archery in this region. Plus, CTA members get a \$5 discount off the admission price, so it's only \$15 for two full days of shooting!

In our continuing efforts to expose people to the joy of traditional archery, we have donated a second book to the Lincolnton Library. *Toxicated, A Treasury of Archery* is now available for checkout. I'm very pleased to announce that our first book donation; *Hunting with Fred Bear* has been checked out over ten times since it was donated about one year ago.

Best regards,

Dave Haggist

April 18—NCTAR Workday, 8am-noon, Kerr Scott Reservoir, Wilkesboro

April 19 & 20—NCTAR 2013, W. Kerr Scott Reservoir, Wilkesboro

May 4—"Legends of Archery" Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden

June 1—Primitive Skills Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden

July 6—Independence Day Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden

August 3—Membership Drive Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden

September 7—Whitetail Warm-Up Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden

October 5—"Brunch for the Bunch" Shoot, 9am-2pm, Maiden

October 17-19—Club Hunt, Kerr Scott

November 2— Coon Shoot, 4pm-10pm, Maiden

December 7—Club Shoot, 9am-2pm, Maiden

December 14—CTA Workday, 8am-noon, Maiden



Other Regional Traditional Archery Events

May 25 & June 29-30 - Powder Creek Traditional Archers Shoot, 8am -3pm, see ad in this newsletter.

May 18 - Sissipahaw Traditional Archers Shoot, 9am -3pm, Bellemont, NC

Sissipahaw Archery Club is located on NC Hwy 49, four miles south of I-85 (exit 145).
More details at www.stacgang.org

June 8-9 - STAR: Sherwood Traditional Archery Rendezvous Roanoke, Virginia

More details at www.sherwoodarchersroanokeva.com, see ad in this newsletter.

NCTAR 2013 Coming Soon!

Carolina Traditional Archers,
in partnership with
Compton Traditional Bowhunters, presents the

North Carolina Traditional Archery Rendezvous

April 19 & 20 (Fri. & Sat)



New non-competitive format—CTA has partnered with Compton Traditional Bowhunters to replace the Championships with a Rendezvous. (We'll still give you a scorecard if you want bragging rights though.)

New Event Date—April 19 & 20 (Friday and Saturday) Since holding last year's event the first week of May didn't get us out of the heat of summer, we're gonna try April this year. And instead of continuing the Shoot into Sunday, we're going to stay open late Saturday evening and hold a Coon Shoot in the dark!

W. Kerr Scott Reservoir, Wilkesboro, NC. Close access to several beautiful campgrounds with showers and electrical hookups. Plus numerous hotels, restaurants, stores, and churches less than four miles away. Plus fishing, canoeing, and more!

Entry Fee: flat \$20 per person; kids under 16 shoot for free!
\$5 discount for CTA members!

See our website for more details: www.theCTA.org

**Longbows, Recurves &
Primitive bows ONLY.**

NCTAR 2013 Coming Soon!

- Three, wooded 3-D target ranges (Eastern, Western, and Exotic). Forty targets total.
- Vendors, food, raffle, Coon Shoot, Aerials and other Novelty Shoots, plus Children's event too.
- Beautiful, shady campgrounds on lake with showers, flush toilets, and electrical hookups.
- Hotels and restaurants in nearby Wilkesboro.

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Directions:

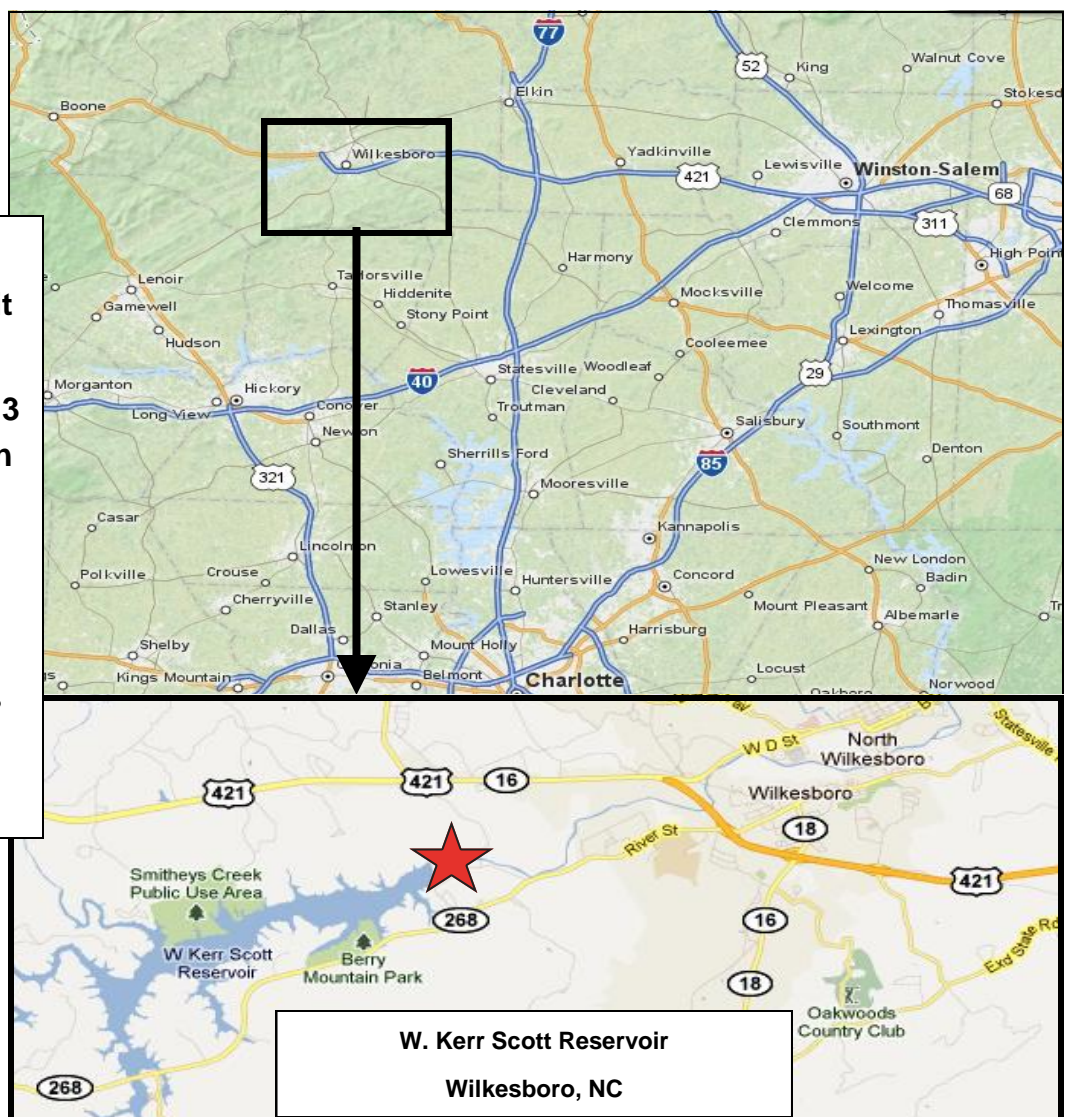
Take US 421 to Exit 286B.

Take NC 268 West 3 miles, then right on Reservoir Rd.

Follow Reservoir Rd. to the end.

GPS coordinates:

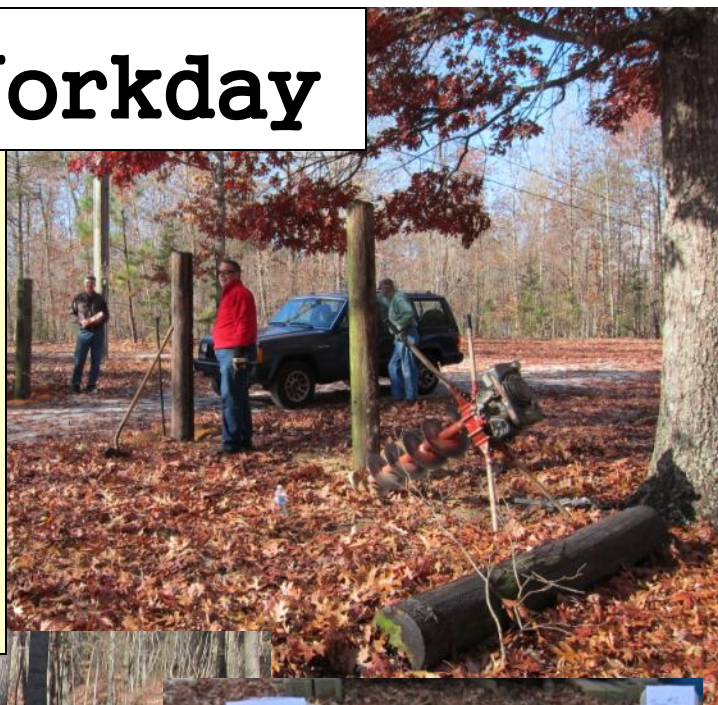
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We had a VERY productive work-day in November.

CTA Workday

In addition to removing a ton of trash that had accumulated for years around the building, we erected a much-needed fence and gate at the front entrance to discourage would-be vandals and thieves. In addition, we re-faced the target butts, and member Ronnie Pack brought his backhoe and dug out old trash that was buried at the creek and re-graded the path.



January Shoot



We had wonderful weather and a record-breaking turn-out for January. Fifty-nine people showed up for the Shoot! Joe's five gallons of chili and two gallons of apple cider didn't last long - and that was with help from Maggie's stew and several desserts brought by Maggie, Pat, and Judy.





First Season Without the Wheels

by Rick Richards



This is my first season without the wheels. It didn't begin well. At the beginning of the season I made my first attempt at a doe and missed. A couple of weeks later I had another opportunity, and ended up hitting a Cow Horn buck in the back leg. Needless to say I was disgusted and actually put the bow up since I lost all my confidence in my ability to hit my mark.

The following week I went back in the woods with my Wheels; however, I just did not feel the excitement or the love as I did with the stick bow in hand. So I did some more practicing, and decided to give it another try.

The following week another opportunity presents itself and *again* I missed - at least this time it was due to the lower limb hitting my treestand cable upon the shot...but I was disgusted even more. I called my buddy Kyle and explained to him how I was feeling. He said that I was new to this trad stuff, and these kinds of things happen to us all and to just be patient.

Armed with Kyles encouragement I headed out to the stand where I had wounded the Cow Horn buck a few weeks earlier. It was one of those mornings where you just knew that you are going to see something, and I did!

At about 8:00 AM when I saw a nice buck coming through the thicket, heading directly towards me! When he got about twelve yards out he stopped broadside and presented me with a perfect shot. I remember saying to myself that I was not going to miss my mark this time, and sure enough the shot was exactly where I was looking. And it was perfect, as it ended up taking out both lungs and the blood trail ended about 75 yards away.

Now I have a room full of mounts, and a man cave full of antlers from deer that I have taken from years of hunting in Illinois with my wheelie bow - some are exceptional. However, none are more of a trophy than this one I got with the stick bow.



Rick took his deer with a Toelke Lynx recurve and a Carbon Express arrow with a two-blade, 200 grain Muzzy broadhead.

Braggin' Wall

Adam Petty got this NC buck with a vintage Bear bow.



Dave Haggist scored with a vintage magnesium-riser Bear bow on Blackbeard Island, GA .



Have a photo or story to share? Send it to Joe at jhenz@theCTA.org.

Photos of Interest

This bobcat quiver was spotted at the [Southeastern Primitive Rendezvous](#), which was held in Yadkinville, NC last October.



TRADING BLANKET



Have a traditional bow or related archery accessories (arrows, quiver, shooting glove etc.) to sell? Send your ad to Joe at jhenz@theCTA.org.



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Star Shoot 2013 Sherwood Traditional Archery Rendezvous

June 8th 8:00am - 2:00pm

June 9th 8:00am - 12:00pm

(Above times are registration times. Range will be open till dark on
Saturday and 2pm on Sunday.)

Sherwood Archery Club, Roanoke, Virginia

"SHOOT TIL YOUR FINGERS BLISTER"

14 TARGET FIELD COURSE

30 TARGET 3-D ADVENTURE COURSE

10 TARGET TOUGH MAN

10 TARGET FUN COURSE OPEN FRIDAY NIGHT, JUNE 8TH FOR CAMPERS

NUMEROUS NOVELTY & SIDE SHOOT

PRACTICE RANGE

BREAKFAST & LUNCH AVAILABLE BOTH DAYS

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND VENDOR INFO

CONTACT: R.D. BROOKSHIER

540-384-7376 OR STYKBOW59@COMCAST.NET



Powder Creek Traditional Archers All Traditional 2013 Shoot Schedule

- March 23: One day only; 25 3-D targets
- May 25: One day only; 25 3-D targets
- June 29-30: Two day shoot; 30 3-D targets
- July 27-28: Two day shoot; 40 3-D targets; Camping and vendors welcome

Each day registration will be from 8:00 a.m. until 1:30.

Entry fee: \$0 Pee Wee (0-7 yr. old), \$5 Cubs (8-11 yr. old), \$8 Fun Shoot (One Round) or (\$10 Unlimited Shooting), \$10 Youth-Adults (One Score Round) or (\$12 Score and Unlimited Shooting)

Club Address: 573 Pennsylvania Rd
Arden N.C. 28704

*Scores posted at shootarchery.com

Contact: Jeff Holbert 551-4076
Linda Brittain 891-3332





Compton Traditional Bowhunters present the 13th Annual
Compton Traditional Rendezvous
 June 14, 15, 16, 2013



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- Compton Archives Measuring Booth
- Novelty Targets including flying discs!
- Four 3-D Ranges - Shoot All Weekend
- Primitive Camping - Campfires & Fun!
- Raffles - Auctions & Prize Drawings
- Broadhead Sharpening Contest

3-Day Unlimited Range Pass: Compton Members: \$25.00 Non-Members: \$40.00

To Join, Contact: Compton Membership Craig Schoneberg, Membership Director
 P.O. Box 5619, Grand Island, NE 68802-5619 ishi522@charter.net

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Camping & Grounds Info: Larry Janke • 269-470-4926 • ljanke@comcast.net
(No reservations for camp sites or parking!)

About our Club Shoots

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Our monthly Club Shoots are loads of fun! If you like traditional archery, or even if you're just curious as to what traditional archery is all about, you owe it to yourself to check us out. It's an event the whole family can enjoy.

All club shoots are held the first Saturday of the month at the Foothills BowHunters range in Maiden NC. All shoots run from 9am - 3pm, except in November when we have an evening shoot. We set out twenty 3-D animal targets. All the foam targets are in the woods, amongst the trees, which makes for a realistic and very pleasant setting.

Shoots cost \$10 for members and \$20 for non-members. Meal is included with the price of admission, and first-time visitors shoot and eat for free!



Directions to our Club Shoots

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Take US Hwy 321 to Exit 28.

Take Maiden Hwy (North/Business/321) into Maiden.

Stay on 321 through downtown Maiden, then Right onto May's Chapel (which changes names to St. James Church).

Continue to Bowhunting Club Road (gravel). Look for the club sign. Take left at fork (onto Archers Drive but there's no sign), take road to the very end.

Nearest Address: 2560 Archer Drive, Newton, NC

