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CAROLINA TRADITIONAL ARCHERS





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MISSION STATEMENT



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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Letter from the President



CTA Members

What a great year CTA is having! The weather at our shoots has been fantastic and attendance is beating last year's totals. Our monthly shoots are a great value and if you leave one of our events hungry, thirsty, or your arms aren't tired, then it's your own fault.

Our website continues to draw inquires and new members to our club. Please make a point of introducing friends and family to the joy of traditional archery. First time guests can shoot and eat for free and we have bows and arrows to loan.

Dove Hunt

Our Dove hunt is going to be delayed this year. Weather and equipment availability did not permit us to get the field planted in time for an opening day Dove hunt. Once the planting reaches maturity we will mow the field in accordance to DNR regulations and schedule a Saturday morning hunt. We should be able to give members a couple of weeks advance notice.

Season Dates: Sept 1- Oct. 11/ Nov. 27- Jan. 15

Deer Hunt

Our annual deer is scheduled for October 15-19.

Camping at Warrior Creek is free of charge and showers and restrooms will be available. A notice with all the details will be emailed to members at the first of September. I recently did a survey of food plots that CTA has planted and maintained at Kerr Scott and all are in excellent shape.

Whitetail Warmup Shoot Sept. 6, 2014

In addition to having a great shoot, CTA is going to have an auction to raise funds for the club. We have numerous 3D target pieces that make great stump shooting targets for the yard. Also a Vinson Minor "Cane Dragon" self- bow will be auctioned. If you have outdoor related items that you would like to donate to the club for the auction, please bring them to the shoot.

As always, thanks for your support of CTA.

Dave Haggist

From the Editor....

Just a reminder that material from the members is certainly welcome and appreciated. Please share your photos, hunt stories, product reviews, recipes, anything that is traditional related. Material can be sent to: amymartin 1999@yahoo.com.

If you have something to sell or trade, advertise that item here.

Since the magazine went to an electronic format, space is practically unlimited. The more material we have, the better the magazine!

Martin Seeley

2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 4—Herb Reynolds Memorial Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden February 1—CTA Annual Business Meeting & Pig Pickin' Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden March 1—"Women & Children First" Shoot, (Ladies, Kids under 18 shoot & eat for free), 9am-3pm, Maiden April 17—NCTAR Workday, 8am-noon, Kerr Scott Reservoir, Wilkesboro April 18, 19 & 20-NCTAR 2013, W. Kerr Scott Reservoir, Wilkesboro May 3—Legends of Archery Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden June 7—Primitive Skills Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden July 5—Independence Day Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden August 2—Membership Drive Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden September 6—Whitetail Warm-Up Shoot, 9am-3pm, Maiden October 4—"Brunch for the Bunch" Club Shoot, 9am-2pm, Maiden October 24-26—Club Hunt, Kerr Scott November 1— Coon Shoot, 4pm-10pm, Maiden November 15 - CTA Workday, 8am-noon Carolina December 6—Club Shoot, 9am-2pm, Maiden Traditional Archers

CTA at the BSA Piedmont Council Scout Show

With the great support of Carolina Traditional Archers, numerous scouts participated in a 'bust-a-skeet' challenge.

Scouts lined up for the chance to try their hand at busting a skeet using equipment furnished by CTA. Though the morning was filled with clouds and rain, this did not dampen the enthusiasm for the scouts in attendance of this function.

More than one scout requested that this archery booth be back again next year and stated that this was the 'coolest thing at the show'!

Several interesting comments were shared such as the following:

- ⇒ I like using the three fingers over method of shooting.
- ⇒ Cock feather??????? What's a cock feather !?!?!
- ⇒ Does the arrow go on the left or right side of the bow.
- → You know with this damp weather that you have to aim higher don't you ???
- ⇒ Can you go out there and point to that spot on the skeet that you are asking me to



New Look for CTA's Website!

Check out our newly re-vamped club website when you get a chance! www.theCTA.org





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Traditional Archery: Longbows, Recurves and Selfbows. Located in Maiden, North Carolina

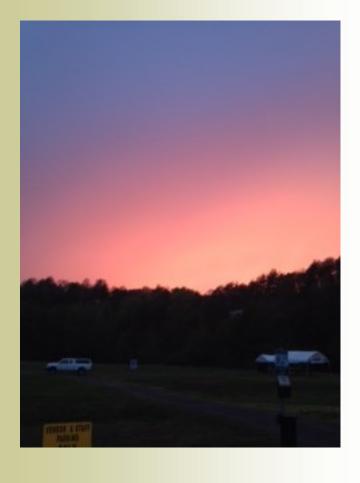
Welcome to the Carolina Traditional Archers!

Founded in 1985, the Carolina Traditional Archers (CTA) is the oldest and largest traditional archery organization in the two Carolinas. Our organization is a 501 (c) 4 corporation that has both state and federal tax exemption. CTA is managed by seven club officers consisting of a president, vice president and five board of directors. Rounding out this management team are three appointed positions; secretary, treasurer, and editor. The organization is guided by a mission statement, by laws, and a standard operating procedure. Each month, CTA hosts a 3D shoot for traditional archery enthusiasts. Participants shoot a 20 target course that consists of foam targets that exactly duplicate game animals placed in realistic hunting settings. A meal is also served. These shoots are open to members and visitors, and first time visitors shoot and eat for free. Click on the Events tab for current shoot / activity information.

Images of NCTAR









More Images of NCTAR









Even More Images of NCTAR



Photos of Interest



Many of us are already familiar with *The Hunger Games* and *Catching Fire* and its impact on archery over the last couple of years. But did you know that actress Jennifer Lawrence actually did her own shooting in the movie? She was trained by 4 time Olympian Khatuna Lorig, silver and bronze medal winner!

<u>Upcoming Events</u> 2nd ANNUAL CTA DOVE HUNT

Date:TBD

Where: W. Kerr Scott



CTA Deer Hunt

Date: Oct. 15 — 18

About our Club Shoots

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

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



Archery History — Ads From the Past



Probably an ad we will never see again......

From the Kitchen.....

In anticipation of the 2nd Annual CTA dove hunt...

- ⇒ Remove the breastbone from the breast meat so you have two pieces from each bird.
- ⇒ Make a 'sandwich' with cream cheese and dice jalapeño peppers in the middle.
- ⇒ Sprinkle with a salt/pepper mixture.
- ⇒ Wrap in bacon so there is only one layer of bacon, toothpick and put on a hot grill.
- \Rightarrow When the bacon is done, take off.
- ⇒ Don't overcook

