

COCHRANE ARCHERY CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

DECEMBER 6TH, 2024

Attended: Derrick Smith, Brent Rausch, Jens Mehlhase, Erica Kierzek, Sue Crittenden, Brigitte Vaissade, Greg Gerlitz, Dwight Beynon

Regrets: Frank Dostaler

Meeting called to order at 1906 hrs

Election of Directors:

Brent Rausch will step down as the 3D Director. Frank Dostaler has agreed to take over the Director position. Motion to elect Frank Dostaler as 3D Director by Derrick Smith and seconded by Brent Rausch. Carried by unanimous vote.

Brent Rausch was elected as the Junior Program Director. Motion by Derrick Smith and seconded by Jens Mehlhase. Carried by unanimous vote.

Jens Mehlhase will continue as the Website Director. Motion by Derrick Smith and seconded by Brent Rausch to have him stay in the same position. Carried by unanimous vote. Dustin has agreed to help Jens set up the payments online so that membership forms cannot be submitted without payment. Notification should go out to the Membership Director, Treasurer and President.

Erica will continue as the Membership Director. Motion by Derrick Smith and seconded by Brent Rausch to have her stay in the same position. Carried by unanimous vote.

Sue Crittenden will continue as the Treasurer. Motion by Derrick Smith and seconded by Brent Rausch to have her stay in the same position. Carried by unanimous vote.

Greg Gerlitz will take over as the Volunteer Director. Motion by Derrick Smith and seconded by Brent Rausch. Carried by unanimous vote.

Dwight Beynon will continue as the Maintenance Director. Motion by Derrick Smith and seconded by Brent Rausch to have him stay in the same position. Carried by unanimous vote.

Sue Crittenden presented the financials which showed we had expenses which amounted to \$20,197.95 and revenue which amounted to \$22,465.08 from November 29th, 2023 to November 28th, 2024 which is our year end. A sum of \$3,000.00 was a donation from Bass Pro/Cabela's through their outdoor fund and was used specifically to purchase 3D targets for the promotion of young hunters.

Our Bank account has a balance of \$4282.76. Which will cover the insurance costs due at the end of the year for the 2025 season and the first quarterly installment for rent.

Future expenses are expected to remain much the same. Rent will remain at \$5,000.00 for the year. Maintenance of targets and bows will be around \$1,000.00 as put forward by Dwight Beynon. 3D targets will be ordered depending on the account balance. Insurance costs are estimated at \$2100.00 based on 80 members for the year and replacement costs of \$75,000.00 for targets and equipment.

Assets include the target butts, the 3D targets, storage container, bows and arrows which is estimated to be worth \$21,300.89. There are no Liabilities. Recently obtained 8 Black Hole targets donated by Cabela's worth \$620.00 and Arrows donated by Mark Washtock worth \$180.00.

Our Net value is \$23,568.02 which is calculated as income + assets – Disbursements+ Liabilities, again as of November 28th, 2024 which is our year end.

Motion to accept the financial report by Brent Rausch and seconded by Derrick Smith. Carried by unanimous vote.

Erica discussed the membership form for 2025 which will be up and running over the next several days. Those joining the club from this point forward will pay the yearly fees which will include the month of December, 2024 through to and including December, 2025. Fees will remain the same at \$400.00 per family, \$200.00 per individual. Membership fees will drop July 1 to \$240.00 per year for family and \$120.00 per individual. They will drop again September 1 to \$200.00 for family and \$100.00 per individual. All Directors have free membership and are allowed to either add their family members or one other person.

Dustin Daub is planning on joining the club this year and has expressed interest in setting up the website membership payments to occur with filling out the form. Sue will give Jens' contact information to Dustin. Hopefully we can get this up and running as soon as possible. In the meantime, we will keep the present forms available and trust that members will make their payments at the same time they fill out the form.

Bow rentals will remain at \$60.00 per year up to a max of \$120.00 per family. They will drop July 1 to a max of \$60.00 per family and \$30.00 per individual. Arrows are not included in the long term rentals. Drop in rentals are \$10.00 per bow/day/person and includes the use of club arrows. The family bow rentals should max at \$20.00 per family. **Drop in fees are \$20.00 per person and should be \$40.00 per family. The family rates for drop ins were not discussed at the meeting but it makes sense to reduce a family's expenses if we do so for yearly rentals.**

3D league fees will remain at \$130.00 per member and sign up is reserved for members only. Archers must be a member to sign up for the 3D league. Members can do an extra round for \$10.00. Non-members pay the \$20.00 drop in fee which remains the same and \$10.00 for shooting the 3D course. Registration will be limited to 36 archers in the league. Drop ins are allowed after 1930hrs (or sooner if obvious) room is available on the mats. Three people per mat which will reduce the wait especially for non-3D-league members.

The 3D league will start on January 27th and run for 12 weeks. If there is a week that is cancelled due to the bad weather, then only 11 weeks will be considered for the final calculations of Handicap and Original score awards. All efforts will be made to help shooters complete their round if there is an issue with bad weather by offering another time to shoot during the week. Last year's cancellation of one week due to bad weather was a first in all our years of running the 3D league so this is a rare occurrence.

Motion by Derrick Smith to include a 3D league award for recurve/traditional original score. Seconded by Greg Gerlitz. Carried by unanimous vote.

Erica will produce a similar 3D League membership form as last years which will be available on the website.

Purchase of new 3D targets and inserts will be based on available funds. We do have a repair kit for the inserts which worked very well on the goat target insert. There should be enough to repair 10 inserts. The repair kit costs around \$300.00 should we need to buy another one.

Dwight has suggested we need to repair three of the 10 yard targets with the donated Black Hole targets and the remaining 4 Black Hole targets purchased last year. There should be enough of the 6 lb foam of the old targets that we can use to fill in gaps around the Black Hole targets. There are several Bull Dog target butts that need to be repaired. We should have enough of the repair kits to fix them. There are also at least two spyder web targets that need to be flipped and a couple that need repairs. The cost of Mylar at \$150.00 per 4'x4' surface which is very costly. The first Spyder web targets we purchased require 3 layers. The newer ones require two layers. The plan is to buy some more Mylar for the repairs if we have enough funds throughout the year. We do have 2 Spyder web targets that have not been used which we can rotate into the 20 yard positions.

Dwight has proposed \$1,000.00 necessary for target repairs and building new shelves for the Storage Container for the rest of 2025.

Brent will assume the Directorship of the Junior program and wants to consider putting on a competition or two for the archers. Jara Spence will be checking out what it takes to do this when attending events with her two sons and Brent will put together a proposal should it seem plausible.

The badge program is going well. We need to obtain a new pin manufacturer. Norm Hogg is looking into this. The pins are for each of the levels achieved in our program. Stickers are still available for each of the sublevels. Note was made by Brent that actual full participation in the Canbow program requires both membership in the ATAA and or Archery Canada and instructors need to be certified in a very long and arduous program. Because this is so difficult we will be running our own but similar program for our students.

The program will run until December 18, 2024 resume on January 8, 2025 and run until June 11, 2025. Startup will occur probably mid September, 2025.

Erica wondered if we would be interested in putting on a single day 3D shoot for the kids. This sounds like a great idea but would need to determine how many of our archers would like to participate in such an activity. An email to the junior program members to ask for their interest seems to be a good starting point.

Greg Gerlitz proposed a motion to close the indoor range during the month of July. Seconded by Derrick Smith. Carried by majority vote. This is in response to the difficulty during the summer months getting directors to open the range. It is possible we may need to do this in August as well, but time will tell. Dwight has asked if directors are present during the month of July whether they can open the range during July and Derrick agreed to allow this. During the month of July outdoor shooting can still occur on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1900 to 2100 hrs whether the range is open or not.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Derrick Smith at 2100 hrs, Seconded by Dwight Beynon. Carried by unanimous vote.

