

# ABA BRANCH D SOUTH EAST QLD



## October / November 2011

### Branch Controllers Report

Hi to all our archers in this branch it being the biggest in Australia thanks to you all. We have been trying to get our clubs to bring some other enjoyment on Saturdays with a different variety of targets and shooting, but we haven't succeeded yet. That's what the club choice is about.

We still have as many archers in the branch to have some big shoots, like we had in the past, so if you haven't been to a shoot for awhile let us know what you would like to do on a Saturday, I can't guarantee that we will be able to have everyone's idea used.

We have an excellent executive, as you would know with my absence from shoots everyone of them BOB, TONY, DAVID, TREVOR (LEEANNE) and also Cameron and Les are still helping even though they don't hold a position in the committee, thank you both.

I will still only be part time at shoots for another three or four months.

Barambah has change in appearance so I am told, and we hope everybody knows that because of the flooding earlier in the year renegades hosted the shoot instead of Barambah, and in good faith swapped their shoot in November to Barambah, so everyone please tell some members that the NOVEMBER SHOOT IS AT BARAMBAH.

Also renegades club house is starting to rise, good on you renegades.

The branch committee wish you all a merry Christmas and safe travelling where ever you may go.

YOURS IN BOWHUNTING

JIM.

### A reminder from Rob Scully our Branch Bow Hunting Instructor

AS IF the bushfires weren't enough to worry about, the hot weather is also triggering increased snake activity across Ipswich.

Experienced Brisbane Valley-based snake catcher Rob Scully said while eastern brown snakes could deliver a venomous bite in a fraction of a second, the key to avoiding trouble was to remain calm.

About 95% of snake bites are thought to have occurred when the victim has attempted to catch or kill a snake.

"I have already heard reports of snakes wrestling in the grass - of course they are not wrestling, they are mating," Mr Scully said.

"I expect to get a lot more calls over the next two weeks because the kids are at home and are more likely to come across a snake.

"They say you only see one in 20 of the snakes that are actually around and that's why it's usually best to just leave them alone."

Although the eastern brown is the most feared snake in the area, non-venomous varieties such as the green tree snake and python are more prevalent.

Mr Scully said a large number of people wrongly identified non-venomous snakes as eastern browns due to colour variations.

Red-bellied black snakes are also common around Ipswich and should be left alone if sighted.

Mr Scully said red-bellies could be helpful as they often killed young brown snakes.

"Remove rodents from your property and you'll remove the snakes," he said.

"Timber piles and things like dumped corrugated iron are good places for mice to accumulate.

Mr Scully said pet owners also need to be aware of the dangers of venomous snakes, with at least six dogs killed by brown snake bites in the Brisbane Valley area in the past two months.

For snake catchers and identification visit [Snake Catchers](#).

### **Score Recorder**

Please note that Trevor has a new phone number-- 0434037613.

### **Trad Peg Rules**

I'm including the Trad Peg Rules again and would like to draw your attention to the fact that is **not** a hunters peg, it is for the archer who wishes to use the traditional style of equipment. Recurves and Longbows and Self bows etc. and using **wooden arrows with a minimum of 12" of feather**

## ***Traditional Peg***

### **Purpose:**

To provide an alternative form of the ABA game that is more closely related to traditional distances

while at the same time appropriate for traditional bow styles.

To provide an alternative form of the ABA game without adding an increased degree of difficulty in

relation to administration and compliance of the rules.

### **Intent:**

The intention of these rules is to provide an alternative round that equates more closely to archers'

perspectives of 'traditional' distances and attempts to provide an alternative round within the current

parameters of the ABA game. In no way is it the intent of these rules to detract from the essential

elements of the ABA paper round but it is intended to compliment those rules.

In all cases, 'normal' bow divisions and grades must be provided for those archers that do not wish to shoot from this peg.

### **Rules:**

The Traditional peg must be placed between the Cub Peg (Yellow) and the Junior Peg (Green). It is the total discretion of the Range Captain as to where the peg is placed. There are no specific distances or distance 'ratios' other than this.

The 'peg' may be placed beside the Yellow or Green peg, particularly in relation to Group 1 targets,

but is never to be placed at a closer distance than the Yellow peg or a greater distance than the Green peg for each particular target.

The maximum distance allowed is 30 metres. *(NB – a distance of 30 metres can only be used when*

*the Junior Peg is set at this distance and, therefore, discretion should be used in relation to this distance)*

It is to be Fluorescent Orange in colour.

The peg does not have to be *(but can be)* placed 'in-line' with the pegs of the Cubs, Juniors and Adults but would have a two (2) metre leeway either side of the target 'line'. This allows the Range

Captain the opportunity to place the peg in a way that would allow challenging (but safe) shots for

the archers. Safety, particularly in respect to other target laneways, is of prime importance. Clear view of the target/score zone is compulsory. Clear view of the peg is essential. Range Captains are

encouraged to make use of local terrain and vegetation to provide 'challenging' targets.

All "Traditional" division archers must shoot from this peg. Range Captains are to ensure that all bow

styles can shoot clearly from this peg.

Kneeling shots, up to a maximum of four, are allowed. Archers are expected to comply with a kneeling shot unless they have medical dispensation in the form of a doctor's certificate (or similar).

This must be presented to the Shoot Director before competition begins.

All grades or classes are to be allowed for, at the discretion of the Shoot Director.

This is only for adult divisions and not available for Cubs and Junior. It shall be at the discretion of the Shoot Director as to whether there are separate male and female competitions.

Four new Divisions:

Traditional Longbow

Modern Longbow

Traditional Recurve

Historical bows

*Traditional Longbow* - this is as per the 'traditional' rules of the longbow division.

*Modern Longbow*- this is as per the 'modern' rules of the longbow division with *The exception Wooden arrows only to be used.*

*Traditional Recurve* – this includes all Recurve bows.

*Historical or self bows*—this is as per the 'historical' rules ABA rules.

All bow divisions; Must use wooden arrows with a minimum of 12" of feathers.

Wherever possible, *Traditional* archers will be grouped together to reduce the possibility of arrow

damage.

Where archer numbers do not allow separate shoot groups, *Traditional* archers would shoot "in order"

depending upon the order in which the pegs occur. In the case of pegs being equal distance (that is,

the Cub and Traditional pegs are equal distance) the adult archers shoot first. A competitor must nominate for Traditional division before competition starts and no archer may shoot from the 'Traditional' peg unless they have nominated for that division. Non-conformity would mean disqualification from the competition. In all other aspects the 'rules' of the game remain as for the ABA game.

## **National Safari and IFAA - 2013 in Alice Springs**

While it may seem early, people are starting to plan (and save) to go to the Safari and National IFAA Championship at Alice Springs during Easter in 2013.

In the last Branch Newsletter, we explained possibilities on how to drive there.

Other people have asked, what about flying there, staying at a hotel or other accommodation and hiring a minivan?

While the Branch is not arranging any travel, we are happy putting people interested in flying to get in touch with one another to discuss possibilities, such as group bookings.

If you are interested in flying, please send your details to David Hardidge on (07) 3807 1975 or [dhardidge@acslink.net.au](mailto:dhardidge@acslink.net.au) and I will forward your details to others who are interested.

### **Here is an idea you might like to try**

We have had a 3D shoot along the lines of a Trad shoot for those that shoot sights and Range finders are permitted. Free standing critters in the bush, scrub or long grass with no butts and mown lane ways and out to max distance of 60yds. It was well received by those that shot it and a longbow and recurve also took part although they were the better stalkers and did sneak in a little closer than the sighted mob. Could be a good invitational shoot for your club to put on if you have suitable grounds! There was a rumour that the person who set it out was related to the devil or should be.

**Look what Charleville Field Archers are doing: Promoting our sport in Quilpie. Good stuff!**

## **Archery**

The kids turned out in force at the recent Archery clinics held at Bulloo Park on the 6<sup>th</sup> October. 27 juniors and 16 adults came along to the free archery trials and the feedback was excellent from those who attended.

Thanks to those people who did "Come & Try", with numbers like these we can continue to host these types of workshops.

And a big "Thank You" goes out to Charleville Field Archers Association for their visit to Quilpie.



Fellow Archers.

The Branch Executive has decided to re-order some more of the Branch Shirts that have been around for a few years. The reason for the re-order is due to the fact we have so many new members and we will pass the shirts on at cost price. In actual fact a whisker under cost. They will sell for \$35.00 and will be made available as soon as I have reached the minimum order of 20 shirts.



This is the shirt except there is no pocket. The Logo is the Branch Logo. They are available in a full range of sizes including the kid's sizes all at the same price.

Simply tell me the size you want, the quantity at that size and your Club and Name. Delivery time I am told will be about three weeks after the order is made. These shirts are from Action Graphics who manufacture all our target faces, and truly produce quality work.

You can order these simply by emailing me at [tonyfirmin@dodo.com.au](mailto:tonyfirmin@dodo.com.au) In other words Clubs do not need to get involved in the order process. If you require any additional information you can contact me on e-mail or phone on 07 54632154 or 0418764792.

Like prior years, please pay me directly at a shoot or with your order. When I get the shirts I will give them to you at a shoot, or via a fellow Club member.

Thank you all.

Tony Firmin Branch Treasurer.

### **New Adults Seminar**

On March 24 and 25 next year, Renegades Bowmen will be hosting the next new adults (“newbies”) seminar. This seminar is a major way that we use branch funds to develop club membership by building on club activities.

The seminar covers quite a few different topics, including branch activities, coaching (with individual videoing), bow setup and tuning, equipment maintenance, instructions on scoring, range and personal safety, bowhunting, and use of knives.

And, a chance for attendees to meet archers from other clubs.

This weekend is a great opportunity for new archers, or even experienced archers wanting a refresher.

Please contact David Hardidge on (07) 3807 1975 or [dhardidge@acslink.net.au](mailto:dhardidge@acslink.net.au) for more information or to register your interest.

**The last Interclub Shoot for the year is at Barambah on the 26/27<sup>th</sup> Nov.**

### **Items For Sale**

Jennings CK4.0 Compound 50 – 70lb 31” draw  
Quick Tune drop away rest, Copper head release aid  
New String, Toxonic sights, 6 Carbon Excel Arrows  
Bow bag and Stabiliser \$350.00



A Horse Bow 50" 55# and 4 wooden arrows and carry pouch.  
\$100.00



Contact Peter Bell Ph 0403463280



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# WILD STAG ARCHERY

## Has opened for business

It's been a long time coming, but finally the northside of the Brisbane local area, has an archery shop that is able to supply quality archery and related equipment whilst keep the costs affordable.

Wild Stag Archery is a local business setup and run by Tim and Peter Mills. Collectively we have 20 years each, experience in archery. We currently offer an online store and a shop front with which to make your purchases.

Wild Stag Archery promotes and endorses all forms of archery, therefore whatever your needs are we should be able to help you in sourcing quality products.

Our friendly and informative staff will be able to assist in giving you the right advice and supplying you with equipment that is reliable and well priced. Wild Stag Archery is conveniently located on the northside of Brisbane, approx 1.5kms from the Bruce Highway at Burpengary.

Our trading hours are flexible. You just need to ring to make an appointment, 7 days a week.

All online orders will be dispatched on the following working day, pending available stock. If an item is not in stock, please call to confirm shipping times.

If you are unable to find what you are looking for on our site, feel free to contact us. We have the ability to source and offer great pricing on all archery and related equipment.

As a *Grand Opening Special Offer* we would like to extend a **10%** discount to all customers until the end of December 2011. This offer is inclusive of all products supplied by Wild Stag Archery.







