



## Turkey Tournery

Congratulations to all those who braved a bit of wind to come and participate in the annual Turkey Shoot for 2001! It looked like everyone had a great time and left with a delicious frozen turkey for the holidays!

The Shafers and Sturmans again did a wonderful job getting the turkeys, organizing prizes and working the shoot. There were two classes for turkey target judging, adult and youth. Winners were picked by an esteemed panel of judges, and each winner received a goodie bag stuffed with awesome prizes! Wade and Sue Moore and their friend Brenda cooked up a storm with Tom Bell and Tom Maisano, serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, hot chocolate, juice and all the fixin's. Good food and a warm fire kept the shooters coming back for more.

Wade acted as range officer, calling the shots as it were. For those that haven't been to a Turkey Shoot, each family makes a turkey target using certain colors. Archers shoot at any color combination they choose, and after all the dust settles, point values are assigned to each color. You don't know what you're shooting and could end up with a positive or negative number! A coin is then flipped to determine if high or low score wins!

There is also the "Big Bird Shoot-Off." A special target is placed at 80 yards and the closest arrow wins. This year the Big Bird went to 15 year old Andrew Casey! Way to go, Andrew!



### EAC AWARDS BANQUET

Make plans to attend the Awards banquet, January 21st, 5:30 at the Old Country Buffet at Franklin Park Mall. For \$12.50 per person, you'll be stuffed with good food, entertainment and have chances to win fabulous door prizes! As in years past, the new EAC Board of Directors will be seated and awards for Club Champion, Big Game Awards and Archers of the Year will be presented. The Awards Banquet also fulfills your membership requirement to attend one board meeting per year (though we'd love to see you at more!) as the new board may conduct a brief meeting.

### DONATIONS NEEDED

The club needs YOUR HELP to make the Awards Banquet a roaring success! We are currently accepting donations to be given as prizes at the Awards Banquet. If you or some one you know has goods or services and would be willing to donate them to the club, please contact Wade Moore (385-1470 or [elkerds@gmail.com](mailto:elkerds@gmail.com)). Tax forms are available for those interested in claiming donations on their taxes.

### EAC BIG GAME AWARDS

To be eligible for the Big Game Awards, contact Steve McDaniel (981-5921) or Heath Harmon ([mhharmon@comcast.net](mailto:mhharmon@comcast.net)) after successfully taking any big game animal under fair chase rules. All applicants receive a prize!

**MEMBERSHIP  
RENEWALS DUE  
JANUARY 1ST.**

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YOUR RENEWAL  
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

# From the President



On November 12th, we held our annual Turkey Shoot. There was a pretty good turnout of about 30 shooters. The morning started off with a warm fire and sausage, pancakes and eggs. A big thank you to all the cooks that helped with the cooking: Tom Bell, Tom Maisano and my wife, Sue along with her friend, Brenda. After all our bellies were full, it was time to judge all the great turkey targets. After the judging, the arrows started to fly and by the end of the day everyone had a great time and left with a turkey. Congratulations to Andrew Casey for winning the Big Turkey Shoot Off and showing the old timers how it's done! The Shaffers did another great job hosting this family fun shoot.

On November 19th & 20th, we held the Indoor FITA at SVA. We had a pretty good turnout; it was great to see that even a few of the NASP kids came to shoot.

At the December board meeting, the board approved the 2012 EAC calendar that you will find in this newsletter and on our web site. So with the calendar set, we are now

looking for volunteers to chair the shoots. If you have never chaired a shoot before, don't be scared, it's really not that hard and I am currently working on shoot packets to help guide the process. For those of you that have chaired shoots in the past, please don't assume that you're chairing it this year. I am trying to avoid laying the responsibility on the same people that may not want

to do it, but feel obligated to chair shoots year after year. Whether you have chaired a shoot before or want to for the first time, please contact me and let us know.

It is official; we will be holding the USA 2012 Field Nationals Trials on May 10th, 11th, 12th & 13th. Jim Cowgill is again working with all the parties necessary to make this happen. In order to get this shoot, we made promises that this would be one of the best USA shoots ever, so we have our work cut out for us. I will keep everyone updated as best I can and will start asking for your help way in advance. ::

*Wade Moore, President, EAC*

## Wade's Quote Of The Month:

If you are not working to protect hunting, then you are working to destroy it.

~ Fred Bear



**Seeking shoot chairmen for all events on the EAC calendar.  
Please contact Wade for more information.**

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# EAC BOARD MEETING MINUTES ~ 11/10/2011

- Meeting called to order by President Wade Moore
- Present: Wade Moore, Bill Young, Gary Joyce, Dave Tripp, Steve McDaniel, Heath Harmon, Anya Harmon, Brandon Peterson, Tom Maisano, Del Casper, Jerald Coffman
- Old minutes read and approved - The bales were covered and banding bought.
- Treasurers Report: Life Center gave the club \$130 for 2 dozen arrows for use of our Genesis bows for their turkey shoot. Gary also declines to run for Treasurer for 2012. Brandon Peterson has been nominated. Motion to accept the Treasurers report as read seconded and passed unanimously.

## OLD BIZ:

- Dave Tripp moved the club mail the newsletter containing the new gate combo to all current members. If there is an email on file for a member, all other newsletters will be sent directly to their email. Gary Joyce seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Wade reported purchasing a time clock wasn't feasible until the club has more money, as they are obscenely priced. He recommends using a computer monitor in the mean time. Heath moves to table purchasing a time clock until first of the year. Brandon Peterson seconded. Motion to table passes unanimously.
- Steve McDaniel moves for adoption of the voucher form created by Dave Tripp for any cash advances by the club to members. Motion seconded. Motion passes unanimously.
- Heath moves to table the creation of a website to

purchase EAC apparel until the next meeting. Motion seconded. Motion to table passes unanimously.

## NEW BIZ:

- Wade moves to hold a Board meeting December 8th. Motion seconded passed. Motion passes unanimously.
- Wade proposes 2012 Shoot Calender changes: Feb 17th - 5:30 too late in day - delete. Set up Snow Shoot the day before. Blueface starts Wednesday, Feb 1st, would Ed Forslof be willing to open his shop that Wednesday? Steve McDaniel asks the day of the week be added to the calender. Motion to table calendar changes until December meeting. Motion seconded. Motion passes unanimously.
- Wade reports the Linda Bland is actively searching for a venue and time to hold the EAC Awards Banquet. Ed Forslof will coordinate with the awards chairman for the creation of awards. Once a venue has been selected, Heath will email all members and promote the event. Still seeking prize donations.
- An issue with the Turkey Shoot has popped up: No one is scheduled to cook breakfast. Wade volunteered to gather cooking accoutrements and cook the day of the event. Heath volunteered to go to Costco and procure ingredients. Gary provided a \$200 check to Heath to cover the shopping trip.
- Brandon Peterson proposed the creation of a donation letter to aid in procuring donations from outside entities. Brandon is confident he can write the letter if he had EAC letterhead to print it on. Heath moves to create EAC letterhead and volunteers to do it. Motion seconded. Motion passes unanimously.
- Motion to adjourn. Motion seconded and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.



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# Adventures in Bowhunting

## Season Three

WITH **Heath Harmon**



I knew going into this season that having a 4 year old along might make killing a deer harder than if I were alone, but I see every day we've gone out as a success. To date, Anya and I have sat in our blind 3 times up north and had deer within 8 feet every time. It's awesome to see her eyes get big as saucers when the animals ghost in and put on a show. She giggles when the fawns jump around and make fools of themselves, and I thought she would burst when a spike began a cleaning ritual, smacking his lips and flicking his tongue all over his face. Days spent afield with family are the best, bar none!

However, having seen only does and spikes at our blind location (a 4 point restricted GMU), I put out inquiries to find a spot in a different GMU that would let us kill a doe if one were to wander close enough. A co-worker offered up the deer that cross his property at regular intervals (and eat his garden) south of town near Valleyford, GMU 127. There was some concern about spousal approval, but a bribe of homemade spicy pickled asparagus ensured unopposed access. With only a week left for early season, Anya and I were determined to close the deal with a wily whitetail.

When we arrived, two does were laying in some stubble 400 yards away; a good start. We attempted to build a makeshift blind using steel and netting, but quickly abandoned that in favor of sitting in the ground-scraping canopy of a large pine. As darkness crept in and the deer began moving around the area, Anya had had enough. Not wanting her to lose interest completely, we headed back to the house. I tried to convince her it was alright that she didn't want to hunt that night. She begged me to wander back out by myself, but I knew that would result in snorting deer and disturbed patterns. As we climbed in the car, she began to wail, thinking I was upset. Kids sure do make life interesting!

The next night found us in the same spot, but swirling winds got us busted almost immediately. We sat until dark, but nothing would approach our tainted stand. Then, while driving out to Barry's house the very next day, I got a text saying deer were hanging out just 30 yards off the porch! We sped down the road, hoping to catch the deer before

they wised up and moved off his property. Upon arrival, the deer had just crested the hill right at the tree Anya and I had been sitting in! Anya insisted on watching from the porch as I crawled through the cropped grass field. At 90 yards I saw the outline of a doe's head. Flat on my belly I inched forward, though I must admit, quite loudly. Four deer bolted over the rise and I took the opportunity to take up position under the big pine. I heard some snorting and blowing from time to time, but the wind was right that night, so I stayed.

It was nearly dark when I saw the first group angling towards me. A doe and her two fawns were going to cross within 35 yards, but I wasn't willing to take a mother just yet. Behind them several yards was another doe by herself who would also pass on the same trail. What happened next is almost unexplainable, but true, nonetheless.

Without raising my rangefinder, I drew and placed my whole pin group over her chest. I can't tell you where my peep was in relation to the sight and I'm not sure I know what pin I chose to use. But I shot... and the arrow impacted between

her legs and she turned and raced back where she had come from. The doe with the fawns was comfortably in range at (according to the rangefinder I decided to utilize) 28 yards. The old doe was a tempting target, but off-limits. I now knew the trail they had walked in on was 35 yards, and when another doe popped up below me to my left and a whole lot closer, I turned and put the 20 yard pin on her, shot and saw the arrow land between her feet. Peep position was again suspect, as astonishment and adrenaline flared up. She spun and took off, while I turned back to the fat doe and her tasty fawns. 30 seconds later I heard rustling behind me and, lo-and-behold, the second doe was standing behind me in the open field.

She was staring right at me, but it was dark under the heavy branches and my Predator camo was an excellent match for the tree bark. She couldn't pick me out! I nocked another arrow, ranged her at 32 yards, placed the 30 yard pin just above 'the spot,' knew where my peep was and released. At the shot, she ducked to spin and the arrow sailed over her back by inches. As she bolted for the brush, her sister took up position at the field edge at a ranged 43 yards. With a baffling lack of sense, I nocked my final arrow, split the

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"Did you shoot one?" she inquired with hope in her eyes.

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40/50 and fired. Can you guess what happened?

I heard the arrow rattle through the thick buck brush after sailing safely high over the second ducking doe and I watched her follow her sister into the thicket. In hindsight, once rattled after the initial miss I should have called it quits, but for whatever reason my confidence overcame common sense. And again. And again. Stunned at my ineptitude, I gathered the closest of the arrows and went to search for the others. Of course deer were still trotting around the area, as close as an estimated 35 yards. Thankfully I had wised up enough to know I was out of my gourd that night, and watched 10 or so deer scurry around me.

Walking back to the house with two of four arrows, my darling daughter ran out to meet me.

"Did you shoot one?" she inquired with hope in her eyes. She and Barry had been watching with binoculars from the porch 110 yards away, and I admitted my failure to her. Disappointment crossed her face, but we headed back out to locate the remaining arrows aided with flashlights. Anya took my failure much better than I. Hopefully there is a lesson in my failure for you readers. If things aren't right, don't shoot! Follow the fundamentals, pick your pin and your spot, follow through after the shot, and once rattled, listen to the voice screaming in your head to stop!

Let's hope I'm more composed come late season! ::

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**BRAGGIN'  
BOARD**



Daniel Shafer with a bruiser whitetail taken November 25th at 20 yards. Congratulations on a great deer!

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# 2012 Calendar of Events

## JANUARY

**12th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting 6:30pm @ Tipke 321 N. Helena

**14th & 15th** (SAT & SUN) WSAA Indoor Multi-Color Championship 8:00am @ Spokane Valley Archery

**21st** (SAT) EAC Awards Banquet 5:30-8:00pm @ Old Country Buffet, Franklin Park Mall

**31st** (TUE) WSAA Indoor Multi-Color Mail-In Ends

## FEBRUARY

**1st** (WED) WSAA Indoor Blueface Mail-In Begins

**9th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Location TBA

**18th** (SAT) Work Party 11:00am @ EAC Range

**19th** (SUN) SNOW SHOOT 7:30am @ EAC Range

## MARCH

**3rd & 4th** (SAT & SUN) WSAA Blueface Indoor Championship 8:00am @ Spokane Valley Archery

**8th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Location TBA

**13th & 14th** (TUE & WED) Big Horn Show Setup 5:30pm @ Fairgrounds

**15th-18th** (THU-SUN) Big Horn Show @ Fairgrounds

**22nd & 23rd** (THU & FRI) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**24th & 25th** (SAT & SUN) IBO NW TRIPLE CROWN 1st Leg 7:30am @ EAC Range

**31st** (SAT) WSAA Indoor Blueface Mail-In Ends

## APRIL

**12th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Location TBA

**14th** (SAT) Work Party 11:00am @ EAC Range

**19th & 20th** (THU & FRI) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**21st & 22nd** (SAT & SUN) WSAA SAFARI SHOOT 7:30am @ EAC Range

**26th & 27th** (THU & FRI) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**28th** (SAT) LILAC INVITATIONAL 7:30am @ EAC Range

## MAY

**5th** (SAT) Work Party 11:00am @ EAC Range

**8th** (TUE) Club Summer League Begins @ 6:00pm (every Tuesday for 8 weeks)

**9th** (WED) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**10th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Range

**10th-13th** (THU-SUN) USA ARCHERY FIELD NATIONALS TRIALS 7:30am @ EAC Range

**19th** (SAT) Spokane Parks & Recreation Intro to Archery 9:00am-noon @ EAC Range

## JUNE

**6th** (WED) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**7th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Range

**8th** (FRI) Work Party 5:30 pm @ EAC Range

**9th & 10th** (SAT & SUN) EXTREME 3D SHOOT 7:30am @ EAC Range

## JULY

**12th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Range

**14th** (SAT) Spokane Parks & Recreation Intro to Archery 9:00am-noon @ EAC Range

**20th** (FRI) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**21st** (SAT) Work Party 11:00am @ EAC Range

## AUGUST

**3rd** (FRI) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**4th** (SAT) Work Party 11:00am @ EAC Range

**5th** (SUN) BOWHUNTER WARM-UP 3-D 7:30am @ EAC Range

**14th** (SAT) Spokane Parks & Recreation Intro to Archery 9:00am-noon @ EAC Range

**12th** (SUN) CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP & PICNIC 7:30am @ EAC Range

## SEPTEMBER

NO EVENTS PLANNED

## OCTOBER

**5th** (FRI) Work Party 5:30pm @ EAC Range

**6th** (SAT) Work Party 11:00am @ EAC Range

**11th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Location TBA

**26th -28th** (FRI-SUN) WSAA Convention

## NOVEMBER

**8th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Location TBA

**10th** (SAT) TURKEY SHOOT 7:30am @ EAC Range

## DECEMBER

**1st** (SAT) EAC Christmas Party 6:00 pm @ Forslof's

**13th** (THU) EAC Board Meeting @ 6:30pm - Location TBA  
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