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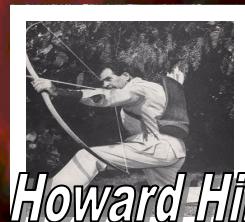
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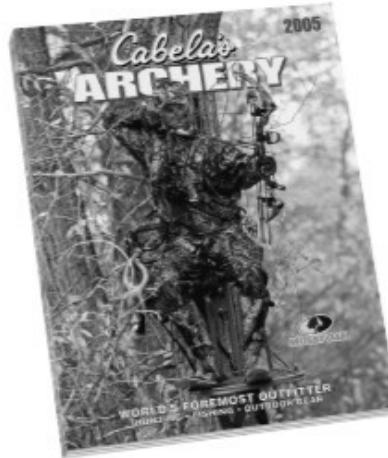
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Back in June TANJ held their second Annual Nock –a-Block Muzzy Type Shoot at Bent Creek, Allentown, N.J. Aldo Bonacasta did an outstanding job on setting up and running this event. We also would like to thank Randy and his wife Michelle of Bent Creek for hosting our event. Next year, it will be held at Black Knights range in Jackson on Saturday September 17th, 2011. Save the Date! That's one year from now! We will be setting up a practice Knock-a-Block on the BKB practice range in the near future so that during the year we can introduce more archers to this kind of competition and show them what fun they are missing. All you need is a few arrows set up with judo type points and let the arrows fly. Our own TANJ Secretary Katie Pachuta competed in the Muzzy Invitational Shoot Knock-a-Block which is held in upstate NY. and she came in 4th overall in the women's division. Fred Eichler of Easton Outdoor Cable program who helped run the event with his wife Michelle was so impressed with Katie's custom made arrows which were made by her boyfriend Ron Ziolkowski that he ordered a dozen for himself. If anyone would like to see some pictures of Ron's work please drop Katie an e-mail (see the inside cover for her info) and she will gladly forward you an e-mail . Ron is working on a dozen arrows for me for the upcoming hunting season, and they should be ready within a few weeks.

Back in July the Black Knight Bowbenders (BKB) held their 16th Annual Big Foot weekend. We co-sponsored the "Last Man Standing" Traditional event that was held on Sunday. TANJ donated many of the prizes for the top ten finalists in addition to numerous door prizes. We also for the second year in row had a Silver Stag custom made Field and River Model knife which was designed by Irene Bowers for the winner of this great event. The field started with thirty-five Archers and after one and a half hours of competition Frank Burdi was truly the "Last Man Standing". One day Brian Peters and I will make it into the second round of eliminations. We

would like to thank Paul Winans, President of BKB, Bob Helle V.P., and Gene Grodzki BKB Event Coordinator, for a job well done. We would also like to thank Carl Dyers Custom Moccasin Company for their generous gift certificate of towards a pair of their custom made hand fitted, hand stained and hand sewn Moccasins. Thanks to their kind donation and a recurve bow donated by Lancaster Archery, the money collected from our new TANJ Hit-a-Star Contest will be donated to the Rutgers 4-H Archery Youth Program

A few weeks ago, many TANJ members attended the ETAR which is held at Denton Hill, Pa. We were very well represented and many members attended with their families and friends. Some of us got to meet Barry and Gene Wensel, Fred Asbell and Byron Ferguson .They were all selling their DVD'S and signing their books. I had an opportunity to take some pictures with them and they were impressed with our TANJ newsletter that I handed to them after we spoke. That Saturday, TANJ again presented ETAR with a check from the Eagle Eye qualifier that was held at Whittingham back in April .The money is going towards the PBS Archery for our Youth program.

On Saturday September 18th, at Black Knights we will co-sponsor the Monmouth County Youth Archery Day. It's a day for fun and games for kids 4-17. It's free for all the kids that attend along with hot dogs and soda. We will also have door prizes during the day and trophy and ribbons for all the kids that attend. It starts at 10a.m. and ends at 2p.m. We will need help setting up at 8:30 a.m. the block targets and bows and arrows and during the day instructing the kids in the art of Archery.

Another date to save is Saturday Oct 23rd which will be the CJRPC Central Jersey Rifle and Pistol Club of Freehold NJ Wounded Warriors day. Our members John R. Johnson & Jodi Johnson, owners of J.R.J. custom knives are proud to help us sponsor this event. JR donated a medium sized clip-point hunter knife made with CPM 154 stainless steel. The segmented handle created with black walnut and Pur-



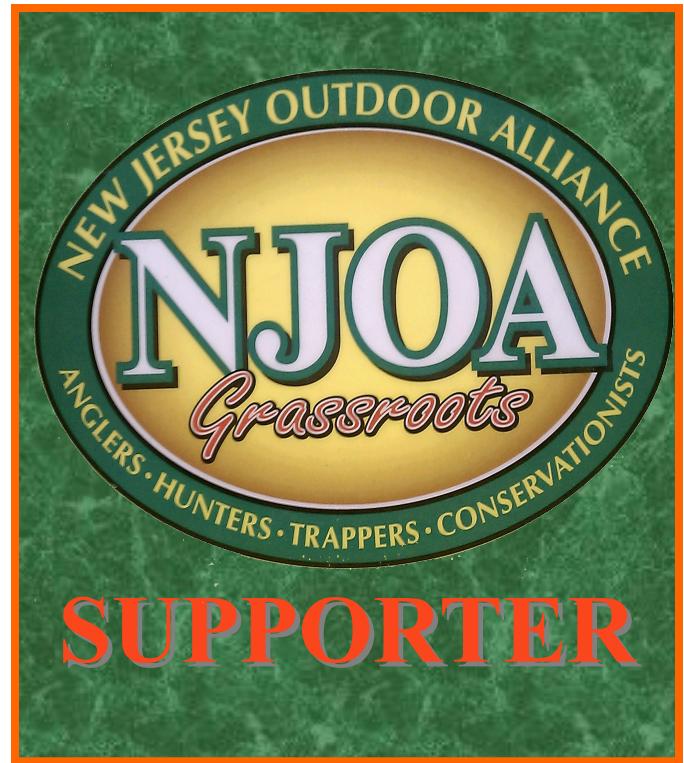
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ple Heart woods also features a brass guard, box elder burl Pommel curly maple and Purple Heart spine, as well as red white and blue spaces. I have a couple of JR's knives as do some TANJ members and hate to pass by his table at 3-D events because when I do the next thing I know is that I am placing another order for one his knives ha-ha. The knife is on our website and raffle tickets will be available for a chance of this work of art. Irene Bowers also volunteered to donate some of her work to this great cause and will be attending to thank our troops, for their sacrifice.

Rene Allegre our Marketing Director now has new TANJ patches made with state of the art adhesive backing. I heard no more ironing or sewing just tear off the paper backing and it sticks to your hat or shirt. They will retail for \$5.00 and we hope that you can purchase a couple. I tried one sample on my hat back at "Last Man" standing and it's still there on my hat. It looks like it will be there for a very long time.

Anyone wishing to join our TANJ council or run for a position on the Executive Board office please send an e-mail to our Membership Director Ron Ellison and remember elections are just around the corner.

God Bless our Troops and keep them safe!
Gerry "Doc" DeCaro, El Presidente





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TANJ Knock-A-Block 2010



Oak Ridge Archery Range Cub Scouts Day 2010





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Gerry,

The pictures are awesome. Thank you so much. The boys and parents had a blast!. The program that Mike and Mrs. D. put on was fantastic.

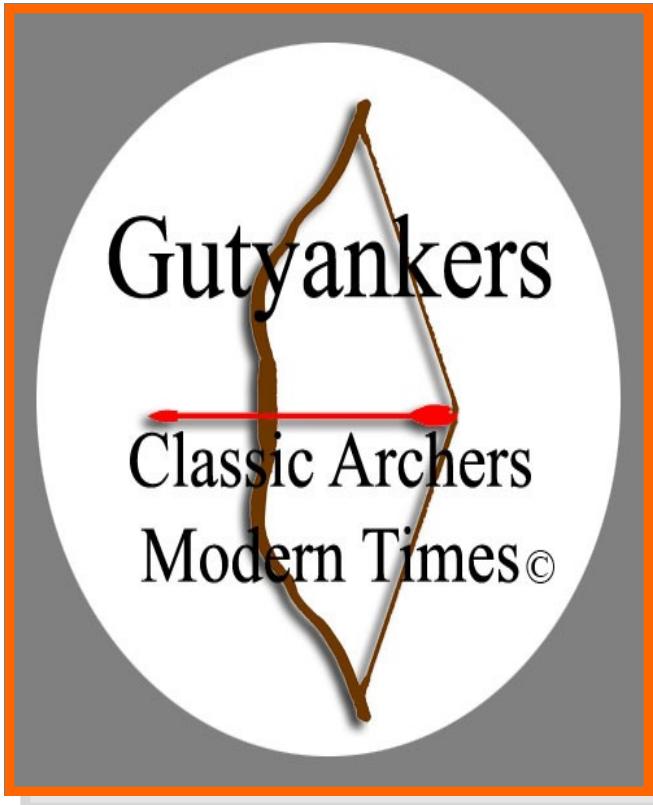
You'll be happy to know that some of the boys have asked their parents to look into the archery programs that Mike and Mrs. D. spoke to them about.

If you need first names of people in the picture let me know. The parents present are fine with you using the picture in your publication and website.

Information: Pack 26, Dunellen NJ sponsored by the American Legion Post 119. Cub Master: Steve Lucash (The Big Guy with the red and green hat on). Committee Chairman: Kia Phua (The short heavy set gent with the gray t-shirt on).

Let me know what else you'll need.
And again, thank you for coming out and giving the boys a fantastic program.

Best Regards,
Steve Lucash
Cub Master, Pack 26



TANJ Texas-Wac-Um July 10, 2010

We had a star shoot for both Traditional and Wheel Archers . Here are the winners:



1st Place: Mike Coefer; Gift certificate for \$256 from Carl Dyer custom moccasins.

2nd Place: Sabrina Erndl (5 years old) Recurve bow donated by Lancaster Archery.

3rd Place: Joe Bianco TANJ Knife + shirt Joe Bianco.



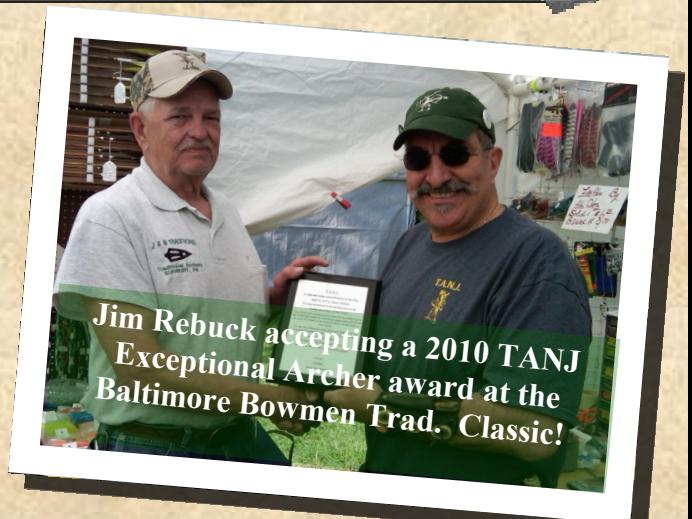
Kate Pachuta, TANJ Secretary placed 4th overall against 25 ladies in the Women's Division Muzzy Invitational in New York!



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TANJ Exceptional Archer Awards!





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TANJ Harvest!



Ron Ellison with his 200 lb. sow from his Spring 2010 Manitoba Bear Hunt!



Rob DiStefano with his big Hog he downed in North Carolina



PROPOSED NEW JERSEY BEAR SEASON

NJ Fish & Game Council has adopted the new "Comprehensive Black Bear Management Policy" which includes a bear season during the 6-day firearm buck season. The policy doesn't become law until published in the NJ Register.



Interested hunters who have not attended a NJ Fish & Wildlife Bear Hunting Seminar, from 2003 to present, need to attend a seminar. A complete August schedule of classes was posted on the hunter ed. registration page last Thursday. More classes will be added as needed each month throughout the fall up until the weekend before the season. The class will utilize the 45-minute video that was developed before the 2003 season, followed by a very brief Q&A session. A "frequently asked questions" handout will be available to all attendees. Unlike previous Bear Hunter trainings, there will be no bear biologists or representatives from law enforcement.

The application period for the bear season will run from October 1 through October 30. Applications can be submitted online or at a licensed agent. There will be a \$2.00 processing fee per permit. Bear hunt zones area will be broken into 4 zones north of Rt. 78 and West of Rt. 287 and 10,000 permits will be available. New this season, you will be able to pick up a second permit over the counter for a different zone. (provided there are left over permits) The season limit will still be one bear.

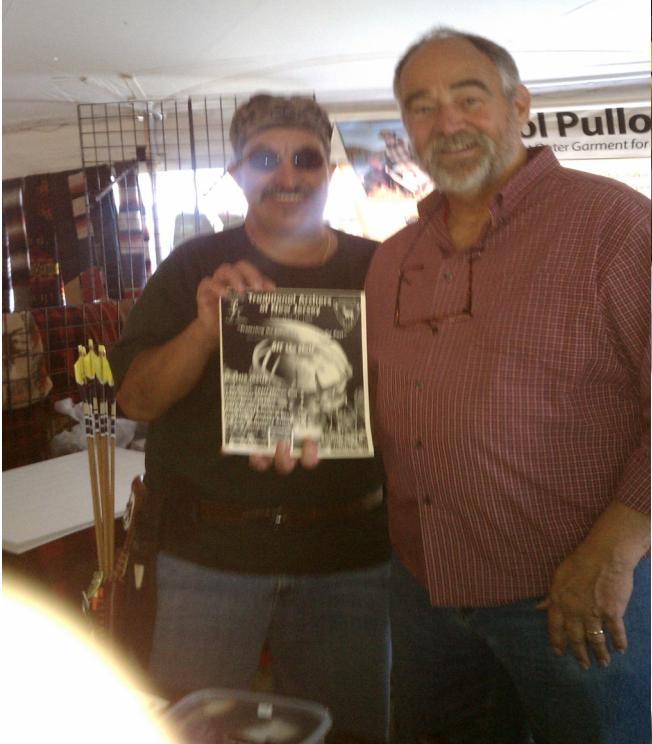


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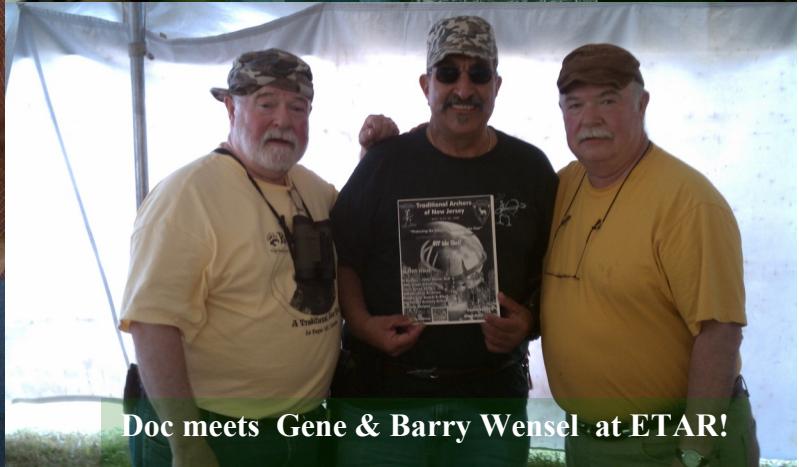


TANJ at Eastern Traditional Archery Rendezvous 2010

Doc meets TANJ supported Fred Asbell at ETAR!



The folks at JRJ Knives at ETAR!



Doc meets Gene & Barry Wensel at ETAR!

TANJ member **J.R. Johnson** donated this custom made knife and sheath to the **CJRPC Wounded Warriors** event for October. John R. Johnson, owner of **JRJ Custom Knives** has made knives for over sixteen years. He is located in New Buffalo, Pennsylvania. JRJ. Knives is proud to support the CJRPC Wounded Warrior program. This knife is medium sized clip-point hunter made with cpm 154 stainless steel. The segmented handle created with Black Walnut and Purple Heart woods also features a brass guard, Boxelder burly pommel, Curly Maple and Purple Heart spine, as well as red, white and blue spaces. The hand-stitched brown leather sheath is adorned with a rattlesnake inlay. Here's a pictures of the knife. God Bless Our Troops!

**Gerry "Doc DeCaro, President
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NOMINEES

Please send in a one paragraph profile and photo to: jlcoppen@comcast.net.

Candidate profiles & ballots will be presented in the TANJ Winter 2010 Newsletter.

Electronic voting at www.tradnj.com.

**UGGHH! PAINFUL TRUTHS**

By Jorge L. Coppen

....Yes, I'd like to tell you I arrowed him but not so...I cannot lie.....I was on an Alaskan float trip on the Yuki River in Sept. 2002. After losing 3 days of a 10-day moose hunt waiting in camp - since the pilot had crashed his plane in an unauthorized refuge area. The outfitter was subsequently banned from all Refuge hunts because of the violation. Finally, a replacement plane arrived and we were tossed onto the Yuki River 30 miles outside of Galena for 7 days. I strictly bowhunted for 6 days and by mid-week I had missed on a shot at a lesser (but legal) bull moose at 40 yds. with my bow.

Tired from the week, I woke up at 8:00 AM (late!) at the "outfitters pick-up point" on the last morning and decided I'd take BOTH my bow.....and a gun (incase a moose was way out of bow range on the last day. Hey! I paid lots of money for this hunt!). I heard a shot and figured the last bull moose in this county had just been killed! Oh well, might as well enjoy a morning walk!

So, I walked through some willows and heard heavy splashing on the other end of the peninsula (the neck of a river meander). Reasoning it was a large critter, probably either a moose or grizzly crossing the water, I ran straight toward it 300 yards. When I got to the shore I looked for tracks but saw none. I set my bow down next to the shoreline and pondered my predicament. I decided to walk up to the crest of the bank 25 yds. away....then I decided to grunt and rake vegetation and see what happens. Instantly, the huge bull's left antler appeared at 20 YARDS as he crashed through the spruces and grunted his way right at me at a steady gait, rocking his antlers to and fro! He looked mad!!!

I glanced back at my bow which was 25 yds. away! No way, dude! So, I went down on one knee and shouldered the rifle. I looked through the scope when he was just 15 yards away and I looked up at him. He stopped walking at EXACTLY 10 YARDS from me and stared at me like as if to say "What the hell is that!" I looked back through the scope and saw his muzzle. Bringing the scope down to his chest I thought

"Kill him before he charges you!" I aimed for the heart and squeezed. Blood gushed out in buckets and he took 3 steps toward the river and fell over. The ground SHOOK! Then I started shaking. Gun or bow, I will never forget that experience at 10 yards! Check out the "coat hook" on his right antler in the picture! The other moose is my buddy's.

**TANU****Archery Archives****The legendary... Howard Hill**

Howard Hill, called "Ol' One Shot," was physically strong and big, standing 6' 2" and sporting huge forearms. Hill played football, basketball & baseball at Auburn University & played semi-pro baseball for 7 years. But, when he read *The Witchery Of Archery* by Maurice Thompson, his life



turned to the promotion of Archery. Continued demand for Howard Hill's works, *Hunting The Hard Way* and *Wild Adventure* show that his popularity with archers has not waned since his death in 1975. Many suggest he was the greatest archer of the century.

Howard Hill designed & made all of his own equipment. He championed heavy bows & arrows. He liked longbows drawing 75-100 #s for hunting with his preferred weight in the 80-90 # range. Hill amassed a record of game taken that may never be surpassed including an Elephant he took in 1950 while hunting in Africa. He was the first white man to kill an Elephant with a bow (which had a draw weight of 115 #).

Howard Hill earned many awards during his career including the Maurice Thompson Medal of Honor in 1963, the National Archery Association's most prestigious award. He was among the first group of archers inducted into the Archery Hall of Fame. He won 196 Field Archery tournaments in a row, wrote the first set of Archery Golf Rules in 1928, won seven National Archery Golf tournaments, won the NAA Flight Championship in 1928 setting a new record.

Howard became involved with the film making industry as an archery consultant and performed the actual shooting scenes in eight movies. Who can forget Howard's incredible shooting in "The Adventures of Robin Hood," starring Errol Flynn.

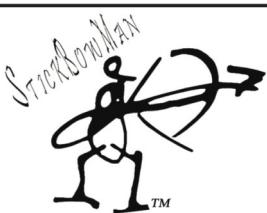




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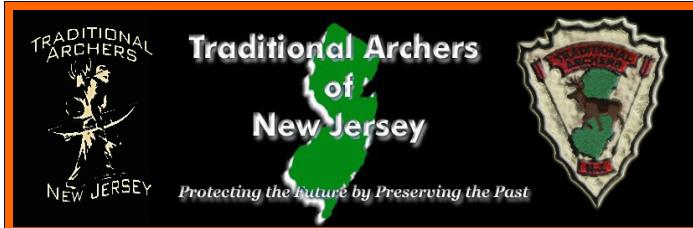
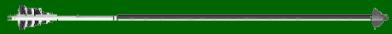
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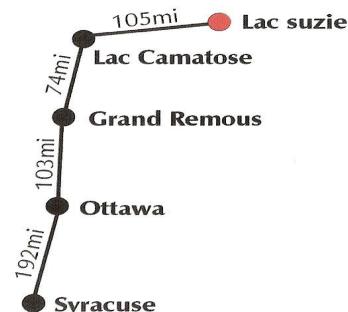
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Old School Archery Articles #4

Gleaned by Ray Tareila

Hi Gang! Here is an old story from a great old archery magazine entitled "The National Bowhunter" dated March 1960 of which I have a few copies. There were a series of articles written by Chester Stevenson under the heading of "*From the Den of the Old Bowhunter*" Many of these great articles were compiled and published a few years ago in a book entitled "*The Old Bowhunter*" If you haven't read it, it is one of the archery classics and should be on your library shelf to be read over and over again. Stevenson was a photographer from Oregon who started to bowhunt when it was first permitted on the West Coast. He was an accomplished bowyer and arrowsmith whose writing style had you hunting right beside him.

This article was called: **Beaver Tail Soup**

"We have had many bow hunts on Wolf Creek in the Coast Range Mts. only a few miles west of Eugene, Oregon. In the early days the Indians kept some of the underbrush burned off and deer hunting was wonderful. There are still lots of deer there but with the present fire protection the brush has grown so dense that hunting is very difficult. Don Chuck and I hunted this area on Wolf Creek often and usually had good luck. Don was my Indian friend the last of his line. He was an expert at hunting and really talked the language of the Black Tail deer.

When I first met Don his tackle was rather crude but served his purpose well. He made good arrows but did not like to build a bow, so mostly he used mine. I still have an old osage bow that he shot thousands of times over several years. It is still a good bow and holds an honorable place on the wall of my den.

Have gone hunting with Don when with two shots we would bring two bucks home. Other times we would camp for several days and shoot for hours with hundreds of shots at close up targets around camp. It was a treat to see Don shoot and to shoot with him. I shot and hunted with Don for thirty years

until his death five years ago.

Getting back to Wolf Creek; on one trip out there Don and I had made camp and were broiling a couple of big trout for supper when an old trapper came by and stopped to visit. He said his cabin was a mile down the creek. He had supper with us and sat at our campfire until long after dark. We heard a lot of old trapping stories.

The next morning I slept in, and when I awoke, there sat Don at the fire with a cup of coffee in one hand and a big grin on his face as he pointed to a nice buck hanging on our tree. I think he must have had a date with that deer because he got up at daylight and killed it within three hundred yards of camp. We put some targets on an old rotten log and exercised our bows for the rest of the day. Next morning we started for a hunt and came by the old trapper's cabin. He had three beaver from the morning's catch and was busy skinning them. He cut off a big flat tail and threw it aside. Don asked him for it. "Sure," he said, "Here take them all if you want them." Don picked out the biggest one and stowed it in his bag. The trapper insisted we stay for dinner with him and we watched while he started his fire and began with the flapjacks. He had a roasted deer ham, a jar of tomato preserves, flap jacks, and roast venison. How was that for a meal?

I asked Don what he would do with that beaver tail. "Soup," he said. He skinned the tail and diced it and put it on the fire to stew. A beaver tail is like a fat hen, full of yellow fat and equally tasty. Don watched it cook while he prepared some potatoes, carrots and onions, which he then added to the mixture. He seasoned it to his taste and I had to admit it smelled good. He handed me a big bowl with one for himself and it tasted good, too. Try it sometime."



Ray's comment: Those were good days of true living.

Ray Tareila now lives in Florida and enjoys skulling, refinishing vintage bows and archery but attends TANJ events regularly. !





Capillo's Crab Cakes (secret recipe, shh!)

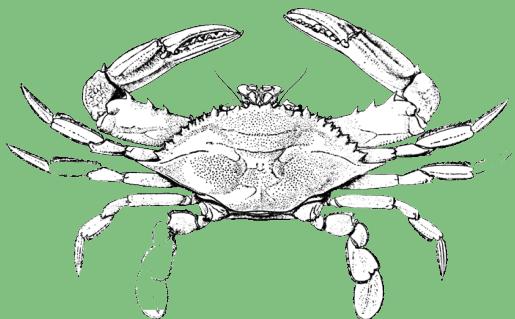
INGREDIENTS:



1 pound crab meat
 1 sleeve Ritz crackers finely ground
 1 bowl of Panko breadcrumbs
 2 tablespoons butter
 3 Scallions chopped
 ½ bell red or green pepper diced small no seeds
 1 medium onion diced (red)
 1 celery ribbed stick diced
 2 eggs scrambled (raw)
 ½ lemon juiced
 ¼ teaspoon garlic powder
 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce
 1 teaspoon dry mustard
 1 dash smoked paprika
 1 dash Cayenne pepper
 1 ½ teaspoon Old Bay
 ¼ cup real mayonnaise
 Canola or peanut oil for frying pan only
 Large non-stick frying pan
 Sauté slow scallions, bell peppers, onion & celery
 in the
 2 teaspoons of butter

Now combine all other ingredients except Panko & Frying Oil. Form the crab cakes in palm of hands—then place them in fridge for one hour to firm before frying cover with Saran Wrap tight!

After an hour take out the crab cakes and roll in fresh Panko breadcrumbs. Make sure pan is hot and keep on medium heat -cook away (do not turn until one side is done 5-8 minutes). "Good Eat's" as they say...Serve with a good white wine or ice cold Carlsberg beer.



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Dear Traditional Bowhunters,

You may be aware of the **Colorado Traditional Bowhunting Camp** that my son Chris and I started in 2008. The concept was simple: to help traditional bowhunters enjoy an elk hunt in Colorado by pooling our resources to rent yurts and cabins and food. By doing that, a guy can afford to go elk hunting on public land for about a thousand bucks, including a nonresident license. We're not guides or outfitters,. We just help coordinate efforts to get lodging and grub and tell them how the hunt is possible. If a hunter gets a good taste for hunting in the mountains, he can do it again on his own or hire professional guides and outfitters. My son and I are just trying to give back to this great sport for the great enjoyment we have gotten from it.

Take a Veteran Out Hunting is a very important part of these hunts. We raise funds and provide a free hunt for veterans who have served in combat in Iraq or Afghanistan. Some of these veterans have served 2 or 3 deployments. Some have been severely wounded in combat and all have been traumatized by war. We try to show our appreciation for their service and help them to have fun in this great sport. In 2008, we raised enough money to host 7 combat veterans, in 2009 we hosted 6 and this year we are taking at least 6. Last year, most of our veteran guests were stationed at Fort Carson, CO so we were able to buy them hunting licenses at resident fees and the transportation costs were low. This year, all of our veteran guests are from out of state so the cost is much greater. I still need almost \$4,000 to pay expenses for these 6 combat veterans. I'm asking traditional bowhunting clubs and individuals for whatever assistance you can give. In return, I can't give much except my sincere thanks and an 8x10 photo of the veterans that you help. I'll let them all know of your generosity, but you'll just have to know that you and your fellow bowhunters have helped good men find a way to heal the scars of war.

Our hunt is scheduled for 27 AUG – 5 SEP, so please send what you can soon. You can find a lot of info on the web by going to Stickbow.com, then clicking on Letherwall and looking for the threads for **Colorado Trad Bow Camp**.

If you know an Iraq/Afghanistan veteran that you would like to sponsor, I can make room at the camp. The cost breakdown is: bunk \$125, grub \$100, nonresident license \$550 (proof of hunter ed. or bowhunter ed. required) and transportation. May God bless America and those who defend us.

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Venison Recipes:

Garlic Steaks

INGREDIENTS:

1 1/2 to 2 lbs. game tenderloin steak
3 Tbsp. margarine
1/2 to 1 tsp. garlic powder
1/4 tsp. seasoned salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1/2 cup vermouth

Remove all fat from your venison steaks. In a skillet, heat margarine and stir in garlic, salt and pepper. Mix well into the margarine. Fry the steaks in the hot margarine until they are done the way you prefer. Venison tenderloin cooks fast. About 3 to 6 minutes on each side for medium rare, depending on the steak thickness.

Remove the venison steaks from the skillet to a hot plate to keep warm. Add vermouth to the drippings in skillet and stir about one minute. Then spoon over the steaks and serve Serves 4-6 people.



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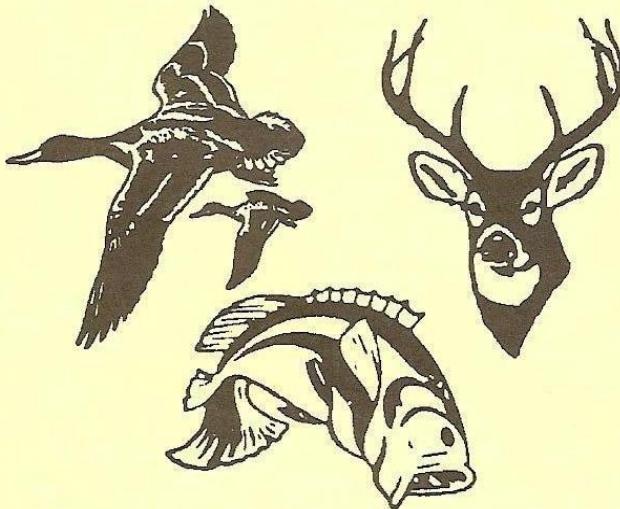
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