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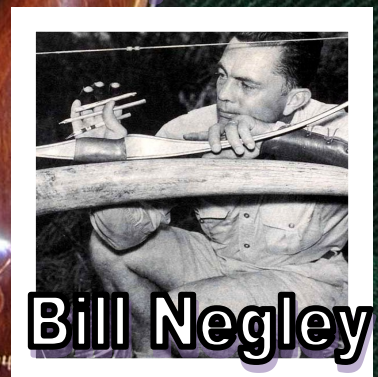
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Twenty Five Years! That's a long time. That is how long Traditional Bowhunters Magazine has been in existence. It started out with a handful of bowhunters totally dedicated to traditional archery. This past October it lost its co-publisher and advertising manager Larry O. Fisher (1957-2014).

The Magazine was started in 1988 by T.J. Conrads & Larry O. Fisher and a few bowhunting friends. They started a magazine totally dedicated to the traditional archer. Larry took his passion for traditional archery on hunts and took us along around the US, Canada, Germany and Africa and we have read all the great stories throughout the years.

We the T.A.N.J. membership will miss you and know one day we will all be sitting around that traditional campfire in the sky. Until we meet again God Bless, you Brother.

As I write this message, the warm weather is finally starting to wind down and with that, lots of bowhunting adventures are starting to take place. I have been receiving calls from members telling me about their bowhunting day or trips they went on or are planning going on out of state. You heard this before but why not write a story and send some photos about a day with the family shooting or a hunt to your **Off the Shelf** newsletter editor.

To start the ball rolling in the next issue and my conversations with so many members over the last 10 years I would like you to send in emails about two new topics we love to see: "Bows I Wish I Never Sold or Traded" & also "Names On My Bows" (e.g., Executive Decision, Death Wish or The Hogenerator). Don't forget the name of your bowyer and along with your personal name you have on it. Please send an email to Jorge Copen our newsletter editor.

We would like you to save the following dates:

Sunday February 22nd 2015 Cabin Fever at Black Knight outdoor range & club (www.blackknightbowbenders.com). It's our 21st year and we have never cancelled due to snow (its been close). Look for more information that to be posted on our website, www.tradnj.com, and Facebook page in the near future. Look for that flyer is in this newsletter.

11th Annual NJ Bowhunters Game Dinner Dinner will be held on Saturday March 14, 2015. We have a new venue

and it's only a few exits south from the last years PNC Arts Center. It will be held at Gibbs Hall (Fort Monmouth Golf Course) Eatontown N.J. (Garden State Pky exit #105) Tickets are Adults \$50 Kids \$25 (under 16). A flyer is in this issue and also look on our web site and face book pages. Tables this year can sit up to 12 people and the Gibbs Hall can easily hold up to 500 people. Bring your friends, hunting partners, archery club members and your family to this event which is the #1 premier game dinner that is ever held in the U.S.A.

If you'd like to donate a deer towards our dinner please send me an email and I will tell you where to bring it for processing. I would like to personally extend my gratitude to everyone involved from T.A.N.J. & U.B.N.J. making the NJ Bowhunters game dinners a huge success for the past ten years and for creating an environment for a most enjoyable day spent among sportsmen from all walks of life and organizations. I thank you and please help make our eleventh game dinner the best ever!

Our new fleece vests were a huge success and happily we sold over 25. They were just mailed out via "Docs Pony Express." I have already received many calls from those members that purchased one and loved the way they looked and fit. Many told me that they can't wait to wear hunting many said the vest will bring them T.A.N.J. luck. Waiting for pictures of their harvest for the next newsletter.

Nuff Said,

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Gerry "Doc DeCaro
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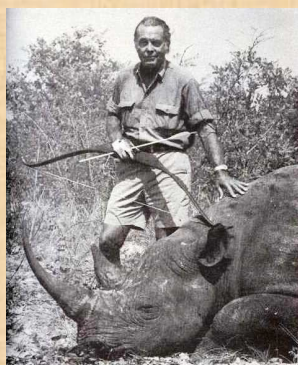


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Archery Archives

The legendary...Bill Negley

In 1957, William Negley of Texas became the first modern bowhunter to take an elephant with a re-curve bow. Bill shot the elephant with a 100# bow made and signed by Fred Bear that was made expressly for this hunt. However, controversy had persisted about who had first killed an elephant with a bow. By the time Negley left for Africa, Howard Hill had already done it for his movie "Tembo", but some observers claimed that Hill's elephant had been deliberately wounded with a rifle to facilitate the filming as recounted in the first chapter of his book *Archer in Africa*, where Negley makes his case.



In 1966, Negley went on safari to Angola and took a black rhino, buffalo, leopard, and lion during a 40-day hunt. The leopard was shot from a vehicle, but he makes no bones about that in his book. He also admits to completely missing an elephant at 10 yards!



When Bill Negley died in his native Texas in 2006 at the age of 92, the bowhunting world lost one of its iconic figures after a career made all the more remarkable by his own lack of interest in promoting it.

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Last Man Standing Shoot 2014 July 13th BKB





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TANJ MAN CAVES



SEND US YOUR MAN CAVE PHOTOS



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- 1) TANJ member Ray Iglesias won the 3rd Muzzy Invitational Stump Shoot Longbow division on August 10th at Central, New York. That make Rays 3rd First Place win this year .
- 2) 1st Big Foot Black Knight/TANJ Last Man Standing Black Knights NJ
- 3) 2nd ETAR Denton Hill Eagle Eye Shoot off Coudersport ,PA.

We are proud to have him as a TANJ member

Gerry "Doc" DeCaro, El Presidente
Traditional Archers of NJ



WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?

By Al Klenk

Let me start by saying that this is a true story. While on vacation in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, my wife Judie and I decided to spend a day or two hiking in the Great Smokey Mountains National Park. The park has many miles of well maintained hiking trails which are clearly marked with distance and degree of difficulty for each trail. One afternoon, we were returning from a hike that included walking behind a waterfall, we encountered a park ranger. We greeted each other and I mentioned that I saw quite a bit of deer and wild boar sign on our trails. I asked her about the elk population that I had read about. She said that the elk herd was growing along with the black bear population. The ranger stated that the wild hogs were destructive to the vegetation, and competes for the same food that the other animals eat.

In our town paper, there was a letter to the editor written this summer, asking why the signs for Deer Crossings were placed in such busy sections of the road, where the deer are in danger of being hurt if they crossed there, and she suggested that the signs be placed in more quiet sections of the roads so that the deer would cross more safely. WHAT?????? They are out there, that's for sure, but where do they come from???

The conversation continued and she told a story about two women who were hiking on the same trail earlier in the day, and one said that she remembered seeing the exact same chipmunk sitting on the exact same rock as she saw last year at this time. Amazed at that comment, the ranger couldn't help but inquire how the woman could possibly know it was the same one, and she said the woman said, "Well, I would have thought it would have turned into a squirrel by now."

We had a good laugh and then I told her about how unsuccessful I had been trying to convince a fellow worker and a big anti-hunter, that deer shed their antlers every year. He said they get another point every year and that's how you know how old they are. He also said it was a shame that deer were almost extinct.

After my story, she said that a hiking couple reported seeing a bear and wanted to know where the rangers put them at night! The ranger then told us about another person asking her how old a deer has to be before it becomes an elk.





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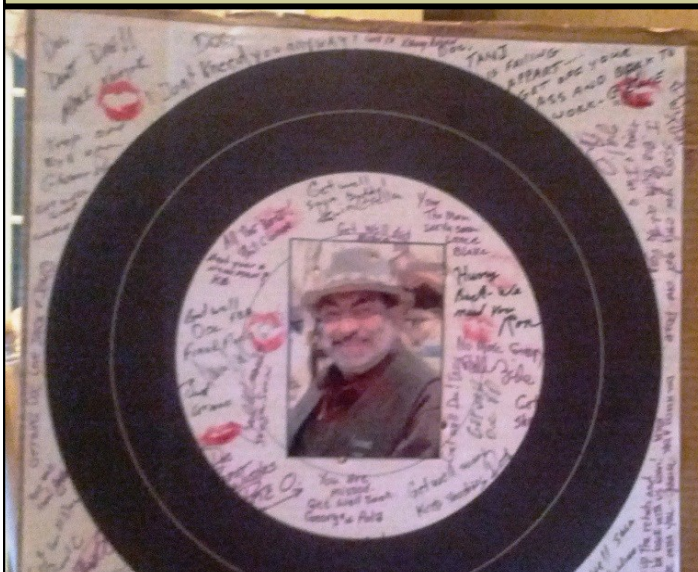
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Big Foot Last Man Standing Get Well Card



This is a get well card signed by members of the Black Knight, Traditional Archers of New Jersey, FBA, United Bowhunters of New Jersey that came to compete Bigfoot July 12-13th.



Frankie Viterbo, 9 years old, was so happy with his new arrows donated by TANJ which was presented to him at Black Knight on Thursday public night. After his first few shots he scored a few bullseyes and ran over to tell some TANJ members that were shooting to thank them and then asked if he can go hunting with them too! That's what we are about our "Youth they are our Future" Ha! Doc

UBNJ KIDS 3-D CONTEST

The Traditional Archers of NJ along with UBNJ & Tim Tam Campground door prizes to the UBNJ Jamboree Annual Kids 3D Contest. The event was run by Mark Dreyfus UBNJ Magazine Editor and Doc DeCaro UBNJ Youth Event Coordinator.





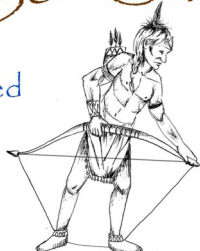
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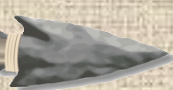
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One last thing, our club and newsletter is there for everyone. If you have any archery items you would like to sell, we'll put an ad in the newsletter for you. If you have a story or pictures you would like to share, we would be very happy to put them in the newsletter. If you would simply like to be more involved with TANJ you can contact any TANJ Officer or TANJ Council member. THANKS! - **Ron Ellison, Membership Director**

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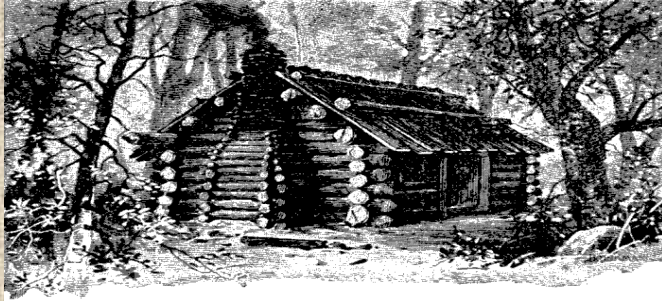


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WOODSMOKE



I was walking along the two-track fire lane that empties out of the forest at the Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area near Kenansville, Florida. I had just completed another early morning deer hunt and the doe I had watched as she nibbled at the grapevine some 45 yards away never did come my way. I hung my head and watched the ground pass by as I contemplated the location of my next vigil that evening.

I was right out in the open as the two-track turned right and paralleled a barb-wired fence that separated the two-track on the Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area from another roadway serving another conservation property to the north. As I walked along in the open sky, I noticed a lone Live Oak tree sitting along the fence some 100 yards ahead of me. I looked back down toward the ground and kept walking.

Suddenly, as I was about 10 yards from the Live Oak tree, I looked up to see a wild turkey foraging on the acorns below the lonely tree. Scanning to my left I see the hind quarters of a white-tailed deer, head down and scarfing up acorns too.

When I put on the breaks and came to a complete stop to gaze in amazement wondering how the heck I walked up to two wary critters from out in the open, the hen turkey finally noticed me and began uttering alarm puts and slowly walked away. The deer looked at the turkey as if to say "What's the problem, bird?" The doe looked back over her shoulder to see me standing at 10 yards! She jumped out of her skin and ran off with a snort! The bird finally bolted and followed that doe into the heavy brush across the road. Deer hunting was not legal on the other side of the fence even though she was only 10 yards from my arrow.... That deer knew the regulations!

Hunters Helping The Hungry

Dear TANJ member, after tagging your deer, and calling for your transportation number, take your deer to one of the participating butchers listed on our website or the hunter's digest. The food bank is not allowed to distribute the meat unless the deer is processed at a butcher that has been inspected by the State Health Dept. Fill out the form at the butcher shop (name, address, license number, transportation number, etc).

Expect to pay at least the first \$10 of a processing fee, and HHH pays the balance. If the dressed weight of your deer is less than 50 lbs, then you pay at least the first \$25 of the processing fee. All HHH funding comes from donations, and fundraisers. Since there have been years when we had to close the program down during the hunting season due to lack of funding, we need to ask the hunter to share in the processing fee.

The butcher will then process your deer, and the food bank will pick your processed deer up at the butcher, and distribute the meat to various food pantries, emergency shelters, churches, etc. Your deer, and your willingness to share in the cost of the processing fees will then help feed hungry families in New Jersey.

Thank you TANJ membership for being a vital part of the Hunters Helping the Hungry program.

Bud Thomas,
Treasurer
Black Knight
Bowbenders
HHH Council
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Traditional Harvest



TANJ member Shawn Penn with his first traditional harvest! Congrats, Shawn!



TANJ Members Phil Muller & Frank Zsenak and sons. What a morning !



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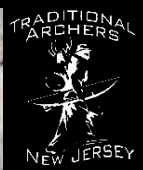
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Obissquasoit 3-D



John "The Woodman" Gallagher & Doc.



John "The Woodman" shoots at a duck from sneak boat.



Standing behind the moving Deer if you notice two of orange arrows near the kill zone



We missed the Skunk 3 times, then I hit the motor somehow. It stopped working for awhile!



The duck John "The Woodman" shot from the boat was 15 yards away.

What a great 3-D Shoot The **Obissquasoit Archery Club** had on Sunday Sept. 14. They had their annual "The Frank Sims Fall Spectacular." As always it was just that spectacular. Their Chicken Dinner that was served 11 a.m. to 3p.m. was restaurant quality. The TANJ members are already taking about next year and buying two chicken dinners and it also came with ice cold tea and homemade cupcakes with candy chocolate ants that were to die for (we know that 3 of those lime covered icing cupcakes are now history yum yum).

Obiss. members had a 3-D Championship course laid out besides over 14 moving targets behind the club house that were spread out over acres of woods. Many shot that range twice during the day besides shooting the 3-D tournament course for score. New to the 3D moving targets was a huge 3 foot moving Rinehart Carp suspended behind a running waterfall made from PVC pipe. Whoever designed this course should get a special award. Thank God I waterproofed my feathers before I came. TANJ members John Castle took an 80-yard shot at the standing moving bear. I bet him a dozen arrows if he hit it anywhere. John has not shot since last year but practices in his small basement shooting off a chair (low ceiling). He came up to the target then stated "hey guys lets try from way back here?" Then stood over the 80 yd. marker and pointed his new Outlaw bow, custom made by TANJ members Justin Flores, towards the sky. After a long 10 seconds he shot and nailed the 6 foot bear on the first shot in the chest while the Bear was rocking back and forth on half of a truck tire. Wow! Never again would I make a bet. I now owe him a dozen arrows. What a shot! But when we got back to my trucks I ended up selling him that same dozen (marketing 101) I know...what a whimp I am! DOC, TANJ President



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T.A.N.J.

The Traditional Archers of New Jersey 21st ANNUAL "CABIN FEVER" 3-D SHOOT AND SWAP MEET Sunday February 22nd 2015

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Registration opens 7:30 p.m. until 2 p.m.

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Merchandise will be for Sale! -11th Annual NJ Bowhunters Game Dinner tickets for Saturday March 14th Adults - \$50 - Kids \$25 checks and or cash.

Black Knight's will have their kitchen open all day!
Compound Shooters are always invited - Sorry No Cross-bows!

Texas-Wac-Um Charity Shooting Contest -Win Big Prizes !

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As you can see on the right a famous picture of Mohammed Ali first round knock out of Sonny Liston in 1965. On left wearing his TANJ club shirt a picture of the new Bowfishing Champion of TANJ our Council member Brian Peters who in the first round knocked out a huge Maryland Cow Ray with one arrow guided by past President Phil Muller.



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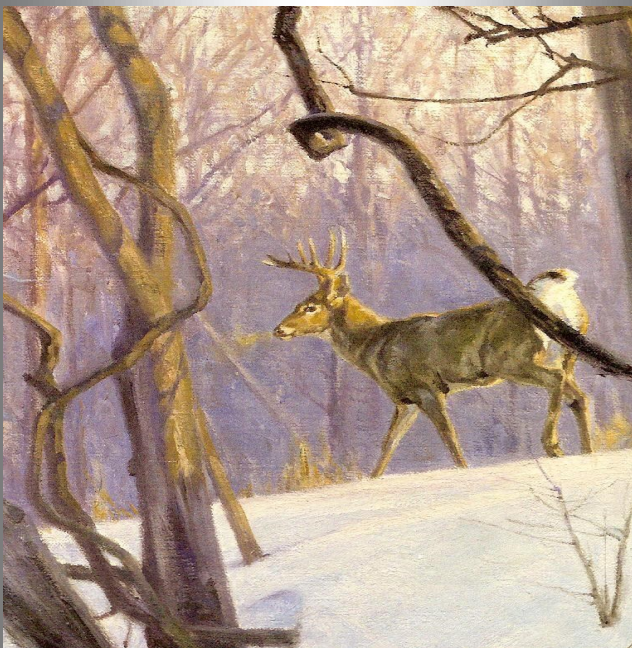
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Pepper Grilled Venison

Ingredients:

- 2 Lbs. Venison Steak cut in 4 pieces each 1/2" thick
- Unseasoned meat tenderizer
- 2 to 3 Tbsp Worcestershire Sauce mixed with 1 tsp. cooking oil
- 1 tbsp. Paprika
- 1 tsp. Thyme
- 1 tsp. Onion Powder
- 1 tsp. Garlic Powder
- 1/2 tsp. Cayenne Pepper
- 1/4 tsp. Black Pepper
- 1/4 tsp. White Pepper

Remove all fat from venison steaks. Tender cuts are best for this recipe. Brush both sides of the steaks with Worcestershire sauce. Combine remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly. Sprinkle sparingly on both sides of the steaks. Leftover spice mix may be stored in a small container and frozen. Grill the meat over very hot coals. Three to five minutes on each side for rare.



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Blackened Backstraps

One of the favorite ways to cook backstraps is to blacken the sides in a cast iron skillet, then finish it off in the oven. Backstraps have a tendency to roll up as they cook, so I score them 1/4 inch deep every few inches on both sides to help them lay flat in the skillet.



Blackening is really just over browning with the help of hot oil and your favorite seasoning. Try to select seasoning with low sugar because it burns quickly when the oil gets hot. Typically I heat the oil and then coat the pan with my selected seasoning. Lay one side of the backstrap down until it is blackened, then roll it over onto the undisturbed seasonings. When both sides are blackened, cover the skillet and place it in a 250° oven for 30 minutes. Let the meat rest 5 or 10 minutes before slicing to redistribute the juices back into the meat.

The ends will be medium-well done, for the folks who like that finish on their meat. The rest will stay pretty consistent all the way through and land at medium or medium-rare, depending on the time it spends in the oven. Give this recipe a try next time you are lucky enough to have whole backstraps.



TANJ Charity 3D shoot for member Aimee Hrehowsik at WaXoBe

On Sunday Sept 21st TANJ held its 10th Annual Whitetail Fever 3D shoot at WaXoBe Archery Club.

This year we are honoring TANJ member Aimee Hrehowsik who is battling Inflammatory Breast Cancer. It was a great day and we saw many of members from various archery organization's coming together to support one of their own.

I would like to thank those that came and especially WaXoBe Archery Club for their support and use of their 3D range.

God Bless
Everyone
Doc DeCaro



Trish & Lucius G. & Jamie Broadnax. Nine month old Lucius G Broadnax is our youngest TANJ member.





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3rd Annual Harger Warrior Benefit Shoot Honors Wounded Warrior Heros

TANJ members Tyler and Tom Robinson helped honor Wounded Warrior Heros Sgt. Adam Hartswick and Captain Edward "Flip" Klein. We, the TANJ, are very proud of this father and son team and their continued support of our Wounded Warrior Heros.

Harger Utility Contractors would like to extend their gratitude for help with the 3rd annual Harger Warrior Benefit shoot. This year's benefit was held for Sgt. Adam Hartswick of State College PA. Adam exemplified why we do this event every year when he decided to instead have the money raised this year go to a fellow veteran Captain Edward "Flip" Klein whose home recently burned down in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Captain Flip is in the attached pictures and is a fellow veteran who was wounded in Afghanistan. This year's event with the help of Tyler and Tom Robinson, who are members of the TANJ, helped raise over \$9,000 dollars to give to Captain Flip to help him and his wife get their life back together. We appreciate all of your help and hope to see you at next year's shoot. I have attached a few articles in relation to Captain Flip for your reference.

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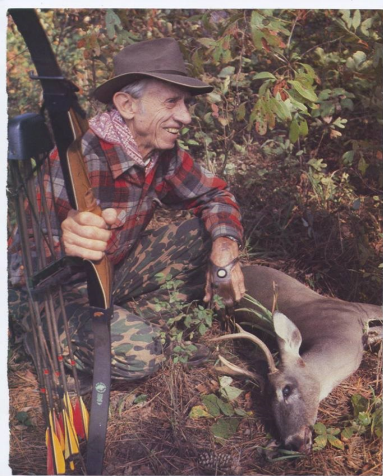
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Membership in the United Bowhunters of New Jersey is not required, but we strongly encourage you to join.

THE PURPOSE OF TANJ is to perpetuate the true spirit of archery, to bond people with a mutual love for the traditional philosophy. In pursuit of this ideal, all TANJ functions shall be limited to the use of longbows and recurves ONLY.

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