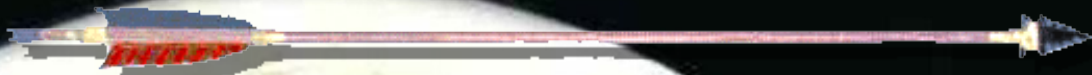




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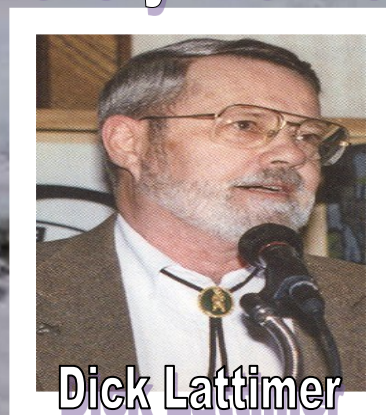


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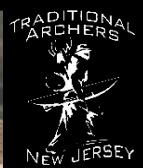
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Season greetings fellow TANJers. The Fall season is starting to wind down and winter is already upon us. I realize you've heard this before but why not write an article about your NJ deer harvest or the 3-D events that you attended and which ones stood out for all the new members. Don't forget to include some photos for our great magazine - we all want to experience your adventure if only vicariously!

Most of you might not know that Donald Trump Jr. is an avid bowhunter and active member in the Boone and Crockett Club, a lifetime member in Backcountry Hunters & Anglers, Ducks Unlimited, National Wildlife Turkey Federation and many other types of outdoor organizations. This paragraph is taken from an article that they did for Petersen's Bowhunting July 2016 issue: Donald Jr: *"There is something different about the discipline it took for me to learn how to properly shoot a longbow and a recurve and to be accurate. It takes skill when hunting in the traditional way to be able to get to within 20 yards of an animal as opposed to if you going to shoot it with a compound..."* I was so happy to read the entire article and glad he enjoys shooting in the traditional way when he bowhunts or attends 3D events in upstate New York at his hunting club.

In September we hosted our 2nd annual St Jude Children's Research Hospital Charity 3-D event held at WaXoBe outdoor archery range. I would like to thank TANJ/WaXoBe member Tony Sansone who helped co-organize and Horace Eckman who both helped me run the event, as they always do what an outstanding job. I also thank all of the archery community who came together with donations for our silent auction. We had close to 70 shooting for the entire day. I am happy to announce that we again sent a combined checks of \$2,000 from TANJ/WaXoBe back in early November.

We have been asking for many years for members to step up and help out the TANJ organization. Many people join our organization, pay their dues, and just attend our TANJ events. Members tell me all the time I'd like to help - just tell me when? So in the past I make out a work schedule, set them up to help, and when that day arrives I only see them enjoying themselves shooting with their friends. Then a few days later I receive a text with another excuse why they could not help. This has to stop. We need more members to get involved, especially when you see our table at 3-D events. We need you to come over and see if you can spend at least an hour at the table so the people like myself can enjoy themselves too. It's been well over ten years that a few core members are still holding our organization together especially at our 3-D events. This year, I will be taking a

step back due to new family obligations and I cannot devote my time like I have in the past, so please get involved. It's your organization too and we need new blood with new ideas. We're always looking for new active Council members.

Ron Ellison, Vice President, and I are planning on having a TANJ Council meeting in January to start off the upcoming New Year, and if you would like to join us you are always welcome to attend. We need an email so we can plan this event.

I'd like to thank Ron Ellison, George Sappah, Phil Muller, Brian Peters, Kevin Grella, Mark Dreyfus, Frank Zsenak, Ed Andia, Shawn Penn, Mike Tully, Jim Farley, Paul Winans, Al Klenk, Ryan Hrehowsik, Pete & Dave Onesti, Joel and Noreen Riotto, Horace Eckman, Terry Gaudlip, George Faugano, Janice and Meghan Casper, Kelly Viterbo, Darlene and Tom Mascino who have stepped up time and time again and helping us run our organizations events. Let's also not forget Webmaster Rob Distefano, Facebook guru Jim Ellis Jr. and our magazine editor Jorge Coppen who again did an outstanding job on this issue and is already working on 2017 Spring and Summer edition issues.

Save the Dates 2017 :

- Garden State Outdoor NJ Whitetail Classic - January 12th, 13th, 14th & 15th Raritan Center Expo Hall.
- "Cabin Fever" at Black Knights, Jackson, N.J. Sunday February 26th, 2017
- Whittingham Traditional Rendezvous, Appalachian Bowmen Sussex County- April 21st, 22nd (annual TANJ meeting 11:30 P.M.) & 23rd, 2017

We have an overstock of TANJ merchandise for sale : t-shirts, long- sleeve shirts with arrows, and camo hats (wire brim and baseball caps), truck decals, custom arrow wraps. These would make great Christmas and Holiday presents for you, your family and friends. You should have already received an email about pricing, which included a special end-of-the-year discount + Shipping handling. Just email me or contact me. (see my contact information 2nd page) The merchandise cannot be bought on our website!

In closing I would like to say Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday's from the TANJ family. We hope the upcoming New Year will be your best ever as you head out into the world with your bow in your hand.

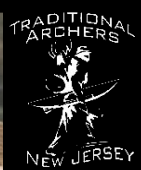
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Archery Archives

The legendary Dick Lattimer...

Born in South Bend, IN on December 6, 1935, Richard L. "Dick" Lattimer was an employee of the Bonsib Advertising Agency in Fort Wayne, IN prior to his employment as a Bear Archery account executive.



Fred Bear & Dick Lattimer

Dick later left Bonsib to work for Papa Bear himself. For 23 years he was in charge of the Bear Archery advertising department, hence his fingerprints are in the Bear Archery catalogs. He was also the founder of the Fred Bear Sports Club and was inducted into the Archery Hall of Fame in 1999.

In 1979, Dick moved from Grayling, MI to Gainesville, FL along with Bear Archery. In the 1970s Lattimer served as Television Chairman of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, and also as Co-Chairman of their full Communications Committee in Washington, D.C. Dick would eventually become the President of the Archery Manufacturers and Merchants Organization. His leadership qualities and organizational abilities would be hallmarks of Dick's pro-hunting, pro-conservation efforts throughout the years.

He was also a member of the Hunting and Conservation Committee of the National Rifle Association, on their Bowhunting Sub-committee, and on the NRA Public Affairs Committee. He was also on the Board of Directors of the United Conservation Alliance. Lattimer's charitable work included: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (Memphis, TN), Multiple Sclerosis Society (Northern Michigan Chapter), St. Francis House Soup Kitchen and Homeless Shelter (Gainesville, FL), and Chairman, Citizens Advisory Committee of Camp Shawono for Juvenile Delinquents (Grayling, MI). Lattimer was the author of several books including "All We Did Was Fly To The Moon" and "Space Station Friendship", "Hunt With Fred Bear", "I Remember Papa Bear" and "The Jesus Digest". He also wrote poetry under the pseudonym of Joshua Carpenter, his interpretation of the real name of the itinerant preacher from Nazareth.

Dick Lattimer of Cedar Key, FL passed away Sept. 6, 2011.

"I learned a lot from Fred Bear, but mostly I learned how to treat people. Treat everyone the same, from janitors to kings with equal respect interest and consideration.." - Dick Lattimer



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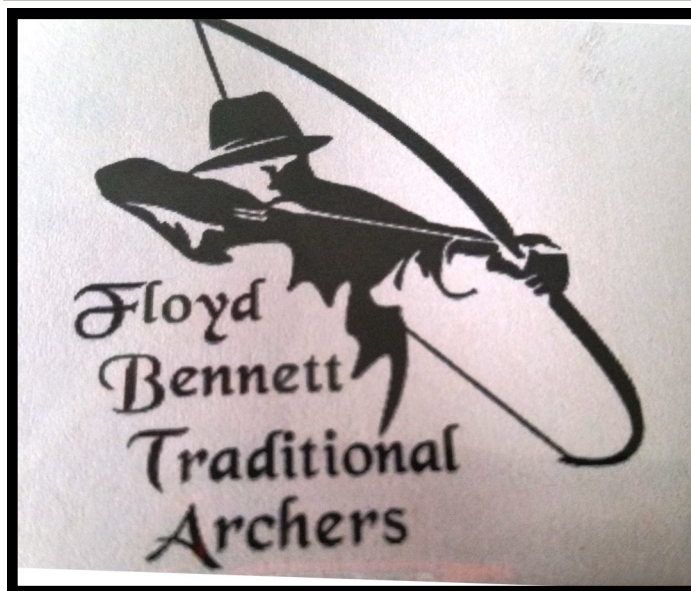
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Jorge L. Coppen

This illustrated reference manual "*Bear Archery Traditional Bows: A Chronological History (1949-2015)*" not only preserves the history and heritage of Bear Archery traditional bow production since 1949, it serves as a helpful reference to archers interested in collecting and dating their vintage Bear Archery traditional bows. Each chapter covers a detailed chronology of factory production specifications for each specific bow model or group of related models. It includes 615 color photos. Now in an improved second edition.

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TANJ World of Archery



On Sunday, February 21, 2016 I went back to my old Brooklyn Archery Range and met with the Floyd Bennett Archers. What a good time flinging arrows with many friends and TANJ members at my first club that I joined back in the 1970's. We were warming up for our Cabin Fever Shoot Sunday, February 28 at Black Knights. Frank Florio handed me a trunk full of older bows for Mike Tully and the GutYankers donated by FBA for the kids. Mike's crew will refurbish them and provide them to families that can't afford to purchase archery equipment for their kids. Doc



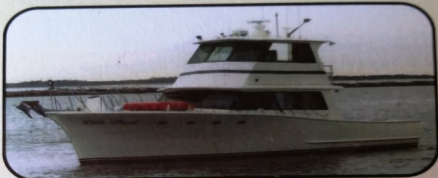
A few weeks ago Frank Florio and his members donated bows and arrows from the Floyd Bennett Archery Club on my visit to Brooklyn to shoot with my original archery club and friends. I returned home and donated them to Mike Tully of GutYankers the next day to fix up and hand out to some needy child and continue to keep the flame of archery lit. Richard Mayer, a very happy father wrote:

"Hello Gerry, my name is Richard Mayer. My daughter and myself are new to the archery. We joined the county range in Union County at Oak-Ridge Park. We ran into Mike Tully and his wife and they gave us free arrows for my daughter. This was a nice surprise for us as she only had 2 arrows to start with. She was so thrilled to have them. In fact, she did so well shooting today it made me so happy. What a nice organization you have. Its people like your selves that make the difference. Thank you so much!"



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Mike Bush, owner of Mountain Mike's with TANJ President Gerry DeCaro.—Wearing TANJ caps!



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24th Whittingham Traditional Rendezvous: TANJ held a "Aimee Hrehowsik Family Fund Drive." 1st prize, a Silver Stag Custom Engraved Knife donated by Irene Bowers was won by Attila Fercenz. 2nd prize, a Basket of Outstanding Cheer and Hope donated by "Gutyankers" won by Tom Phillips. Thanks to all who donated over the last three 3D TANJ events to support Aimee's family including husband Ryan (TANJ Secretary), 3 young children ages 7, 9 and 15. They are in our prayers. We will have other fundraisers throughout the year at various TANJ sponsored 3D events to continue our support of Ryan and his boys.



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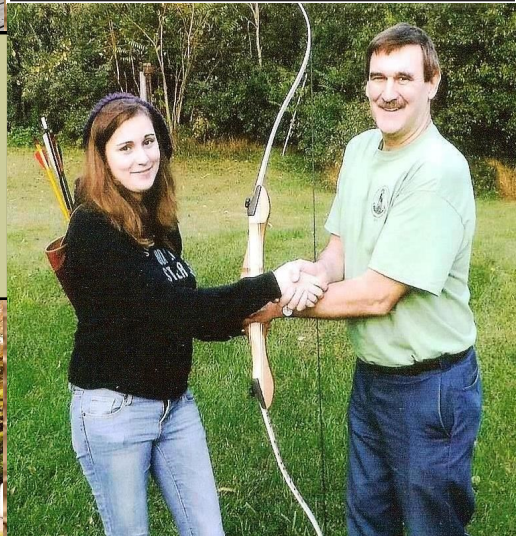
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TANJ & UBNJ have proudly sponsored Oxford Central School (OSC) NASP since 2005. We Congratulate OCS Coach Rob Causton and his youth archery team! The Genesis Bow Archery Company did a feature story on his commitment to the OCS students in their online magazine. OCS put NASP on the map in NJ and Mr. Causton was the driving force..."Our Youth They are our Future" See it here: <http://www.genesisbow.com/rob-causton/>.

Doc DeCaro • Traditional Archers of NJ President • United Bowhunters of NJ Youth Event Coordinator

In 1991, Rob Causton began teaching at Oxford Central School in New Jersey. Shortly after, he watched some of his middle school students shoot archery equipment, impressed by the concentration and discipline of the young archers. By 2005 he had been contacted by the NJDEP Division of Fish & Wildlife about the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP®). He completed Basic Archery Instructor (BAI) training and soon the Oxford Township Board of Education approved archery as an extra curricular activity available to students grades 6-8. The program took off with the support of the school and the community.

As head coach of the Oxford Central School Archery Team, Causton nurtured the now ten-time middle school NJ State Champions. His team will again compete at the NASP National Tournament May 12-14 in Louisville, Kentucky. "NASP focuses on the positive and stresses phrasing things in the positive," says Causton. "The words 'not' or 'never' are replaced with 'try'! This philosophy breeds success." During practices and at tournaments Causton encourages his archers to block out distractions, focus on the task at hand, and always look for a way to improve. "I stress to my archers that when they finish shooting in any competition, they can look me in the eye and tell me 'Coach, that is the best I could do today!'," says Causton. "If they can honestly tell me that they gave me 100% on any given day, they are all winners." You can find out more about the Oxford Central School Archery Team and season updates by following them on Facebook.



This is the **2016 Oxford Central School NASP -National Archery in Schools Program Archery Team**. They are going to compete this weekend in Kentucky at the NASP Championship.

The Traditional Archers of NJ (TANJ) and the United Bowhunters of NJ (UBNJ) have been very supportive with donations since 2005.

We wish them luck in bringing home the "Gold"!!!



Coach Rob Causton and his Championship Oxford Central Middle School NASP Archery team outside the National Archery in the Schools Championship Event in Kentucky May 2016. The Traditional Archers of N.J. and the United Bowhunters of N.J. have proudly sponsored this Oxford NASP Team since 2002.





Kodiak Hunter

A 1970 Kodiak Hunter

By Jorge L. Coppen

The Bear Archery 1967 ½ catalog introduced a new recurve bow to the hunting archer. It was called the “Kodiak Hunter” and came in a length of 58” AMO. The catalog announced it as “Completely New... Extremely Versatile...Priced Right.”



1967 1/2

It featured a riser constructed of exotic Shedua wood with a high wrist grip backed in Forest Green Bear-glass™ set off with a decorative riser handle cap and tips of white glass. Priced at \$59.95, the catalog stated: “You’ll find that its moderate price makes it one of archery’s greatest buys.”

After this first year, the Kodiak Hunter came only in a 60” AMO length for the remaining years of production which spanned 1967-1977. With the move to the Gainesville, Florida plant, the Kodiak Hunter faded into history...But its short history made for much popularity of this “second-rate” Kodiak. The 1968 Bear Archery catalog proclaimed: “Few bows in Bear’s history have been as well received as last year’s Kodiak Hunter. Literally an instant success.” By appearance, it now matched the Kodiak Magnum both retaining the exotic Shedua wood riser and Forest Green glass and white tips. The catalog claimed: “The broad limb design of the Kodiak Hunter marks it as a powerful performer.”



1968

In 1969, we have three variations of this second incarnation. A “Type I” Kodiak Hunter features a riser made of Tigerwood backed and faced with Arctic grey glass and topped off with a decorative three-ply black/white/black glass cap to the handle and black Bearglas™ tip overlays. A “Type II” Kodiak Hunter features a riser made of Tigerwood backed and faced with Arctic grey glass and topped off with a decorative three-ply white/black/white glass cap to the handle and white Bear-glas™ tip overlays.

A “Type III” Kodiak Hunter features a riser made of Shedua backed and faced with Arctic grey glass and topped off with a decorative three-ply black/white/black glass cap to the handle and black Bearglas™ tip overlays. It was described as “the running mate of the Kodiak Magnum...its twin terror.” Henceforth, these two bows would be promoted as a tandem duo for the life of the Kodiak Hunter model, and they would be featured together in future advertisements promoting “Two season hunters begin with a Bear!”



1969

In 1970, the Kodiak Hunter was totally re-designed with a new, sleek silhouette, lowered grip, new exotic hardwoods (Pao Ferro and African Bubinga), new grey glass color and a smart regimental Rosewood accent stripe in the riser. The catalog touted: “More importantly there’s new performance: smoother shooting, faster, quieter, far more stability and power, power, power. Kodiak Hunter, the newest of the new!”

By now, the Kodiak Hunter had achieved its apex in design and performance...but in my opinion, not in terms of looks, which would come from 1973 forward. It also marked the period of the final years at Grayling.



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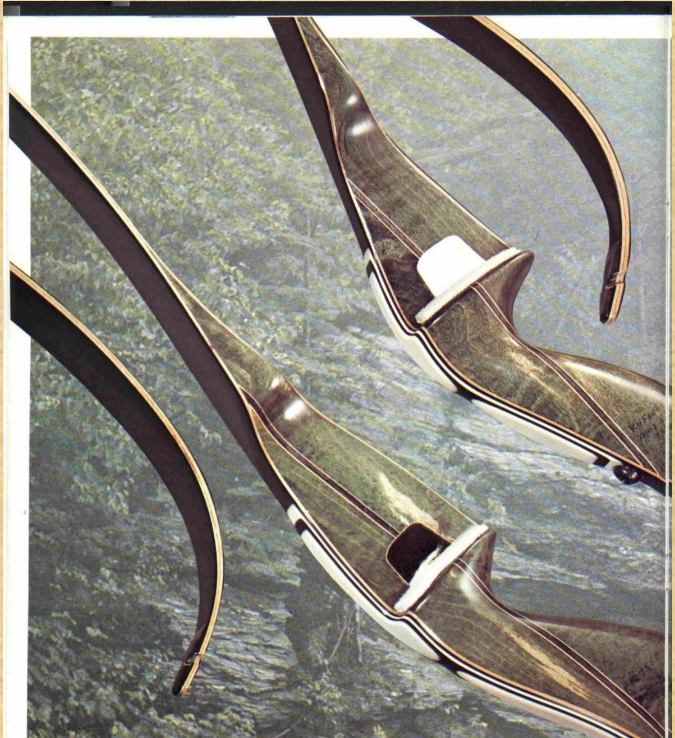


1971

In 1971-72, the Kodiak Hunter riser was constructed of Shedua and African Bubinga wood but retained the Arctic grey glass backing. The handle was decorated with white & grey glass overlays, and the bow featured white limb tip glass overlays. Some Nickel-Silver standing bear coins had been used in the riser going back to 1963 though they are less prevalent than the Brass standing bear coins. In 1971, the stabilizer bushing became standard equipment on all bear bows. By 1972 both silk-screen logos appear on the belly side of the limbs.

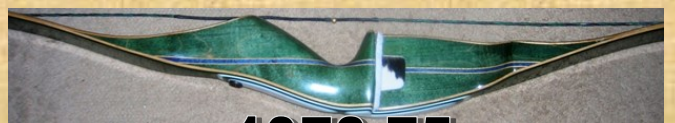
The age of the Greenies:

The year 1973 marked the culmination perfection for the Kodiak Hunter. Bear Archery unveiled a new look featuring a Forest Green Futurewood® riser, green and white glass handle overlays, and the bow featured white limb tip glass overlays. A chrome or gold button medallion became standard for these greenies. This version of the Kodiak Hunter remained unchanged through 1975 except that by January 1974 white lettering replaces black lettering for the bow specifications on the riser. So, black inscriptions indicate a 1973 Kodiak Hunter.



The "Twin Terrors" in the 1973 Bear Catalog

In my view, these 1973 models are among the most beautiful of the Kodiak Hunters made (black serial number inscriptions on the side of the handle and an "X" made by the blue regimental stripe in the deepest portion of the throat of the pistol grip section, where the webbing of your thumb would lay).



1973-75



In 1976-77, the Kodiak Hunter changed very little. By appearance, the only noticeable changes entailed the application of a Bear Weatherest® flipper rest, the use of white serial number inscriptions (since at least early 1974) on the handle and a change to Futurewood green and blue layered handle caps. The blue regimental stripe no longer formed an "X" in the throat of the pistol grip. Serial numbers were again started over in 1976.



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The 1977 Bear Archery catalog proclaimed: “For 10 straight years this has been one of our most popular bows.” Makes you wonder why Bear Archery would walk away from a popular model, similar in quality to the Super Kodiak, that could fill a market sector for a slightly more affordable bow with the power and smooth performance you’d expect from more expensive bows. Who knows, perhaps down the road as Bear Archery continues bringing back the classics of yesteryear, we may indeed see its reappearance once again... After all the Kodiak Magnum made a comeback in 1996 and never went away again! But a rumor I’ve heard is that the Kodiak Hunter forms were left in Grayling. One thing I personally can attest to is the smooth draw and performance of Kodiak Hunter recurves made from 1970 to 1977, even in comparison to the venerable Super Kodiak models of the same era! That’s right, they are equal in feel and performance and I’ve shot many!



When you consider that these two models were made of the same materials, used the same quality maple limb cores, same glass, same adhesives, same process, same quality of bow presses were the same length and were of similar design excepting the riser section, you have two quality production bows to choose from! As far as a collector, while Kodiak Hunters don’t draw the interest of the Kodiak, Super Kodiak or take-downs, all the Kodiak Hunters I’ve drawn are as



smooth as any other model. Vintage Kodiak Hunters can bring more money than some of the other Bear models (Grizzly, Super Magnum 48”, Black Bear) and might garner between \$200-275 for a Kodiak Hunter in excellent condition. In 1977 the serial number prefix is changed to KH. Below is a table to help you date your Bear Kodiak Hunter.



This series of articles is dedicated to the memory of TANJ member Al Reader, hunter of bows.

YEAR	AMO LENGTH	RISER WOOD	MEDALLION	GLASS COLOR	OVERLAY COLOR	SERIAL # PREFIX
1967 1/2	58"	SHEDUA	BRASS STANDING BEAR COIN	FOREST GREEN	WHITE/GREEN/WHITE GLASS WHITE TIPS	7T ^b
1968	60"	SHEDUA	BRASS STANDING BEAR COIN	FOREST GREEN	WHITE/GREEN/WHITE GLASS WHITE TIPS	8T ^b
1969	60"	TIGERWOOD or SHEDUA	BRASS STANDING BEAR COIN	ARCTIC GREY	BLACK/WHITE/BLACK (BLACK TIPS) OR WHITE/BLACK/WHITE (WHITE TIPS)	9T ^b
1970	60"	PAU FERRO/AFRICAN BUBINGA ROSEWOOD STRIPE	BRASS STANDING BEAR COIN	ARCTIC GREY	WHITE/BLACK/WHITE GLASS WHITE TIPS	KT
1971 ^a -72 ^{c d}	60"	SHEDUA/ AFRICAN BUBINGA ROSEWOOD STRIPE	NICKEL-SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN	ARCTIC GREY	WHITE/BLACK/WHITE GLASS WHITE TIPS	KT
1973 ^c -75	60"	GREEN FUTUREWOOD BLUE STRIPE	STANDING BEAR BUTTON	FOREST GREEN	WHITE/GREEN/WHITE GLASS GREEN TIPS	KT
1976	60"	GREEN FUTUREWOOD BLUE STRIPE	STANDING BEAR BUTTON	FOEST GREEN	GREEN/BLUE/GREEN FUTUREWOOD AND GREEN TIPS	KT
1977	60"	GREEN FUTUREWOOD BLUE STRIPE	STANDING BEAR BUTTON	RANDOM DARK GLASS	GREEN/BLUE/GREEN FUTUREWOOD AND GREEN TIPS	KH

^a First year the stabilizer insert became standard equipment.

^b First digit in serial numbers from 1965 to 1969 indicated the last digit of that year.

^c ALL coins flush with wood until 1972. Late 1972 button medallion now used in both gold and chrome covered plastic.

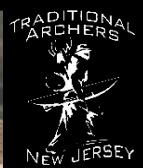
^d In 1972 both silk-screen logos appear on the belly side of the limbs and now only a U.S. patent would appear on the lower limb.

^e Starting in 1973 only a U.S. patent number is used.

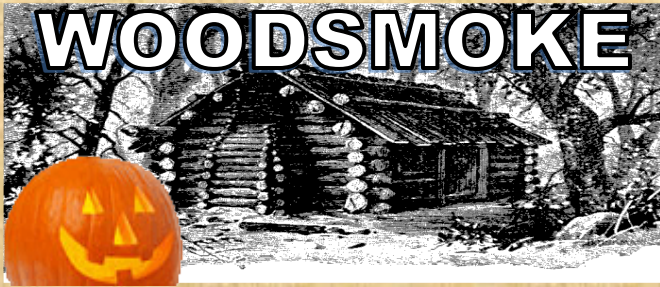


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WOODSMOKE



I've never gotten too excited about using trail cams. Maybe I am just an old school bowhunter. I guess you could say that I prefer to rely on old-fashioned woodsmanship to get myself into an encounter with a buck I'd never seen before or knew existed in my patch. But one year, curiosity got the best of me. I really wanted to know what was making those impressive rubs out in my deer woods. So after a conversation about those rubs with a friend, he offered to lend me a trail cam one year. Year to year, deer often rub the same tree as long as it is still living. So, I gave it a shot. As I pored over photos as the season progressed I rarely saw any trail cam pics that most hunters would find remarkable. A doe is a doe. I've seen some strange trail cam photos that capture unique photos of birds, mammals, vegetation and weather that you might find interesting.

Then there are photos that shock the daylights out of you and make you question the notion of walking out of the deep woods by yourself every night after a long vigil in a tree. As things were heating up on October 31 I knew the season's new rubs would be popping up again, and I sorted through the trail cam pics with anticipation.

Let's just say that some things you just don't want to know about! Creepy things can ruin a guy's hunting patch so it's best not to dwell on them. I wouldn't want to find it on my trail cam. The story behind these pictures is that a hunter found his camera destroyed by the spooky tree across the opening in the woods...but the SD card was still intact and this was the last picture on the card. I gave that camera back the next day...**Happy Halloween!**



The Restless Spirit



From the movie: "The Restless Spirit"

The early morning stillness fills the hunter's eye as he stands beside a forest stream and watches dawn sweep the eastern sky.

There's snow around his footsteps and frost upon the trees. There's sunshine on his shoulders and the wind's a gentle breeze.

Feeling the day before him and the centuries behind the hunter hunts alone and nature watches over him.

With the sky stretched out before him touching every mountain crest he is free to walk the seasons knowing there is reason for his quest.

Forest creatures call the hunter's restless spirit. He loves the sound of baying hounds, the trails of wild things, on wooded mountain slopes.

Drifting through the trees like an expectant shadow the sun's his compass overhead. We judge him only by his deeds.

If he should call this wilderness his, remind him God, tis not his to own nor his to waste. But he is part of it.

With the sky stretched out before him touching every mountain crest he is free to walk the seasons knowing there is reason for his quest.

Composed by: Paul Severson, Lyrics by: Don L. Higley

Fred Bear and Bob Munger

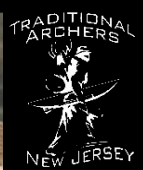


Grousehaven 1972



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Fred Bear Museum History



By Jorge Coppen

Fred Bear Museum entrance, Grayling

Back in the late 1940's, Bear Archery's manufacturing plant was located in Grayling, Michigan, just off the Au Sable River. Fred Bear came to place many of his hunting trophies in a visitor waiting room at that plant. Over time that collection, along with his growing collection of bowhunting and archery artifacts from around the world, became so numerous that it dawned on him to establish the first Fred Bear Museum, in Grayling, in 1967. The museum collection would come to represent the largest privately owned collection of archery artifacts in the world. Frank Scott, Bear's first employee, friend and hunting partner became the first Museum Curator and served in that capacity for some 25 years. This museum was touted as "a lesson in natural history."



Fred Bear Museum in Grayling MI

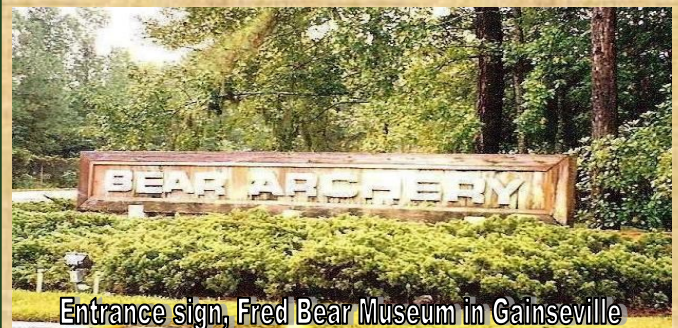
Mounts ranged from antler mounts to life-sized mounts of brown bear, polar bear, tiger, leopard, cape buffalo and lion. These six mounts truly capture the imagination. Even though most of the mounts are more than 50 years old, the work performed was phenomenal and way ahead of its time.

Bear sold controlling interest in his company to Victor Comptometer in 1968, but continued on as President. In 1978, following a strike and continuing labor problems, the Bear Archery manufacturing operation was relocated to Gainesville, Florida. At first the museum remained behind in Grayling, but in 1985 it too was moved to Gainesville, where it found a home in the Bear Archery



Fred Bear Museum in Gainesville

plant between Archer Road and Williston Road, just off of I-75. The Gainesville, Florida museum, an 8,000 square foot facility, was closed in 2003 when Bear Archery sold the museum to the Bass Pro Shops chain of



Entrance sign, Fred Bear Museum in Gainesville



African exhibit at Gainesville



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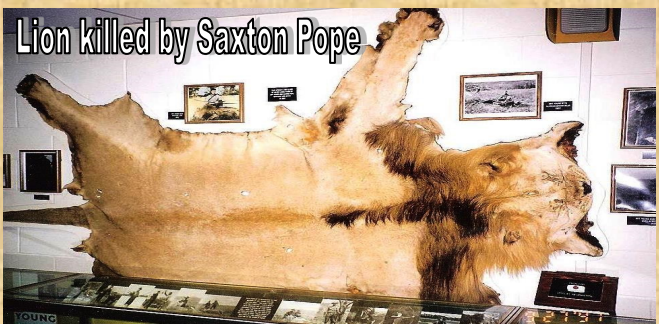
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Fred Bear's North American trophies...



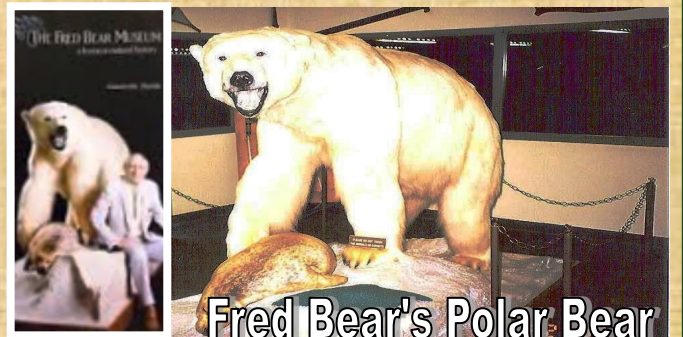
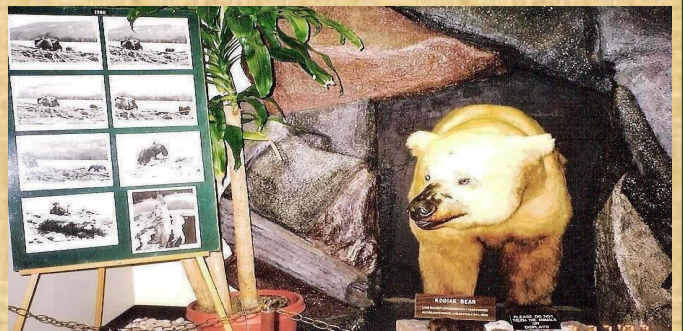
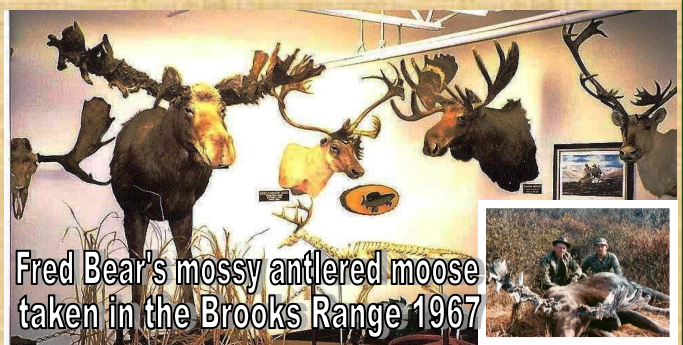
Fred Bear's world record Stone Sheep



Lion killed by Saxton Pope

sporting goods stores which also took over operation of the Fred Bear Sports Club. Since then, the Fred Bear Museum has been displayed at the headquarters store of Bass Pro Shops in Springfield, Missouri.

Beyond the mounts, museum exhibits tell the story of Fred Bear, recount the history of bowhunting, describe the origin of bowhunting artifacts, and features much memorabilia, and historical bows and arrows used or built by Fred Bear and his company. The Gainesville, FL



Fred Bear's Polar Bear

industrial plant continues to manufacture Fred Bear bowhunting and archery equipment, but the museum is gone. Sadly, on April 15, 2008, the Fred Bear Museum building in Grayling, Michigan was demolished and an icon of Bear Archery history was turned to rubble. Incidentally, archery icons Fred Bear, Frank Scott and Charlie Kroll all had offices upstairs in that old building.

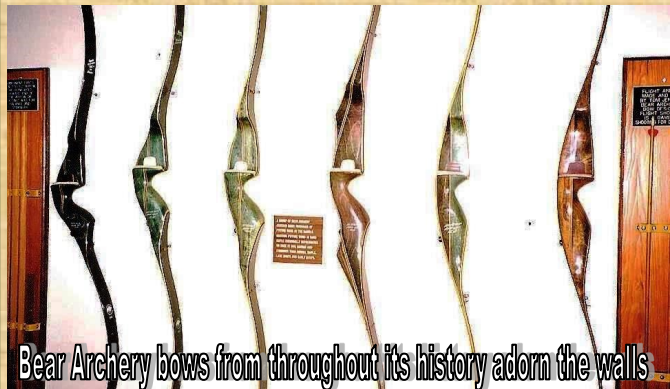


Fred Bear's personal equipment



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Bear Archery bows from throughout its history adorn the walls



Fred Bear killed this tiger with at 70+ yard shot

After the move of the Fred Bear Museum to Bass Pro Shops, the Fred Bear exhibit was temporarily closed due to the construction of an aquarium in the same building but was re-opened in mid-2011. Subsequently, Bass Pro Shops announced that they would display parts of the Fred Bear Museum collection at one or more of their retail stores and also planned to use museum pieces in a traveling exhibition.

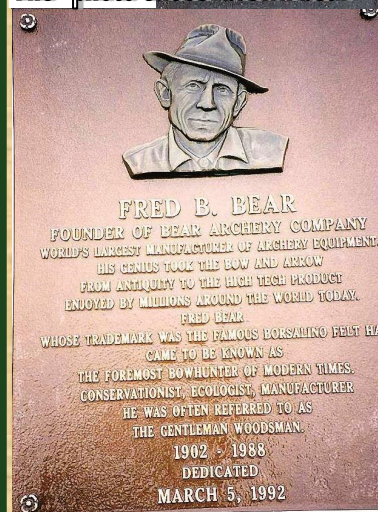
A PERSONAL REFLECTION:

Growing up in Michigan, I personally visited the Fred Bear Museum in Grayling, Michigan in 1975 when I was a 15 year old boy in my second archery hunting season. It was all a part of my scheme to visit the halls of my childhood hero, Fred Bear. My father bought me my first Bear Kodiak Magnum that day at that museum. When the factory and museum were moved to Gainesville, FL. I vowed to visit it one day. Little did I know that I would walk through the hallways of the second-floor of the Gainesville, FL Fred Bear Museum on seven different visits! On my last visit in 1997, I walked into the Bear Archery Pro Shop just inside the front doors to gaze at the new bows before climbing the stairs to the museum. An elderly man walked up to me and asked me what I thought of the previous Saturday's Florida Gators football game. That man was none other than Frank Scott,

Fred Bear Museum Curator. Like a deer in the headlights, I could barely utter a response, but was finally able to carry a polite conversation with Mr. Scott. Had I been able to compose myself, I might have gotten a special tour of Fred Bear's office, untouched since his death in 1988. But I was not the type to ask for such a favor. They are all gone now...these archery icons Fred Bear, Charlie Kroll, Dick Lattimer, and Frank Scott. Even the Museum in Grayling has vanished. Fortunately, the museum lives on at Bass Pro Shops in Springfield, Missouri. One day, I'll see the Fred Bear Museum a 9th time there.



The "photo shoot" brown bear



Fred Bear's parking spot was off-limits to all



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Membership Dues and Address Update

Hello fellow TANJ members! I would like to remind any members who have not paid their membership dues yet that it would be greatly appreciated if you could do so soon. Our membership dues are due in January regardless of when you joined. A single membership is **\$20.00**. At our general Membership Meeting, April 2015, we voted for a \$5 increase. This will greatly help offset the rising cost of our newsletter. I know I may be a little repetitive with my membership letter but once again I would like to point out that about \$15.00 of your dues money goes toward the newsletter cost. When some members do not pay, that changes the cost per member to \$20.00 or more. To be fair to everyone, we all need to pay. If anyone has a problem to pay you can call or email me. We'll work it out. My contact in-

fo. Is on the inside cover.

Next I would like to remind all members to call or email me about any changes to your address, email or telephone number. Telephone numbers and email addresses are a great way to get information out to members quickly, especially when the next newsletter is a long way off. So, take a minute to contact me about any changes or the addition of any information.

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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TANJ member Terry Gaudlip took a 21# 8 1/2 " double bearded Turkey with his Outlaw Longbow, Gold Tip arrows and Simmons 4 blade Interceptor Broadhead. Congratulations!



TANJ member Domenic Nasuta, a Hospital Corpsman in the US Navy, stalked to within 15 yards of this 200+ lb. wild boar and scored with a 60# Samick recurve. The Steel Force Saber Tooth broadhead did the job!



TANJ member Joe Agosta's First Traditional Harvest with a Raptor signature longbow and 1816 aluminum arrows tipped with 150 grain Grizzly Heads!!!



Bowfishing for Rays during the July 4th weekend in Chincoteague, VA were Dylan Steinmetz, Brian Peters & Eric Peters.



Zac and Ross 2nd day of Bowfishing for Rays in Chincoteague, VA.



TANJ council member Brian Peters with a Central New Jersey 10 pointer. He used a "59" Bear Kodiak recurve, carbon arrow and Wensel Woodsman broadhead.

Bowhunting is Everyone's Heritage

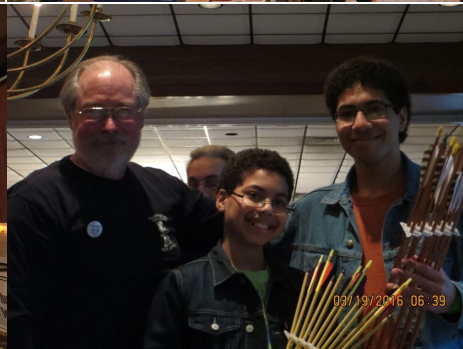


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NJ BOWHUNTERS GAME DINNER 2016



Jack Spoto, Vice President of United Bowhunters of New Jersey, was manning the "Will-Call" ticket room at the NJ Bowhunters Game Dinner. I'm so glad that room had window bars!



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SOA (Sons of Archery) Bogenparcours Collenberg, Germany



Gina Adams with two friends (Uwe and Stefan) drove 8 hours over 600 kilometers to attend the **First Annual Gathering of the SOA (Sons of Archery) Bogenparcours Collenberg, Germany**. It is a gorgeous course and 3D target animals are different than ours in the US but similar in some ways. These people enjoy the outdoors and shoot only recurves and longbows at all these events.



Shooters in Tukerton, NJ held a charity shoot on Memorial Day weekend for the **K-9 Warriors Inc.** Service Dogs, a 501 (c) (3) NJ Non-Profit. The K-9 Warriors Inc.'s Mission Statement is "To provide the most Elite Service Dogs for veterans living with PTSD and TBI at no cost to them. TANJ made a donation to this group on May 28. We thank Rachael and Gary of Shooters for going beyond the "call of duty" for our veterans. We the TANJ Tip our Quiver to you both. God Bless our Veterans!



Doc, Rachael & Gary of Shooters & TANJ member Sal DiFranco

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In 1904 Lida Scott Howell became the first American woman to win a gold medal in archery. Howell was born in 1859 and in 1881 she won the Ohio State Archery Championship. She repeated her victory in 1882 and the following year won the national title. By 1907 she had won 17 national titles in twenty years. Amen...Doc.



TANJ VP Ron Ellison and UBNJ Secretary Vince (Kahuna) Mancuso taking a break during the UBNJ Summer 3D league having some of Mark Dreyfus's famous venison chili. So good!

Sportsmens Center Donation



Owner Brian Sisz & Archery Manager Shawn Penn from the Sportsman Center donation of Gift Certificates to the 17th Annual UBNJ Jamboree.

"They lived and hunted when legends were possible. They were pioneers and stand-outs when bowhunting was still considered a sport by all concerned parties. Simply getting the biggest and the most does not a legend make." - Glenn St. Charles

These were his thoughts regarding Howard Hill, Ben Pearson, Art Young, Will Compton, Saxton Pope and the charisma that made them stand above the rest.





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Baltimore Bowmen Traditional Classic 2016



Dorie Tully waited until the doe's head the went down.



Mike, Pat, Mike, and Dorie enjoying the course between rain showers.



Pete shows the big speed goat who's boss!



Doc with the Floyd Bennett Archers where his roots began. Shot 3D with Frank, Pat, Sabastian and his son Joe and Joe's son Arlo.



Bill Davison shows his allegiance to TANJ with his new tattoo.



New TANJ members Arlo and Papa Joe.





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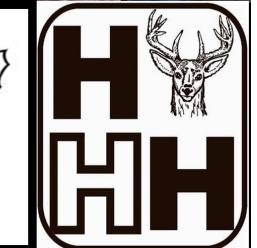
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Hunters Helping the Hungry Food Bank



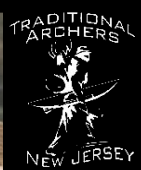
The Traditional Archers of New Jersey & FBA Floyd Bennett Archers donated over \$100 worth of canned food to the Hunters Helping the Hungry Food Bank at Black Knights. We had 17 members show up Friday evening at 5PM to put out the 3Ds for the Hunters Helping the Hungry and BKB Shoot! Now that's club spirit! Bud Thomas will be accepting Food & Cash Donations on Sunday of you missed Saturday's shoot!





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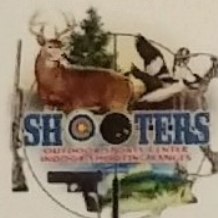
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Venison Recipes



Venison Stroganoff

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 lbs. venison steak
- 3 Tbsp. margarine
- 1 1/2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1 10-11 oz. can French onion soup mixed with water to make 3 cups liquid
- 2 tsp. instant beef bullion
- 2 Tbsp. corn starch
- 3/4 cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup red wine (or water)

Remove all fat and bone from venison and cut meat into strips or small cubes. Heat margarine in skillet and brown venison meat and mushrooms together. Add soup and water mixture with the instant beef bullion. Stir to mix, cover, lower heat and simmer for about 40 minutes or until meat is tender.

Stir occasionally and keep liquid level up by adding additional water as necessary. Once meat is tender, mix in corn starch, sour cream and wine and stir into meat. Stir until heated throughout and slightly thickened. Serve alone or over toast or hot cooked noodles. Serves 4-6 hungry bowhunters.



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12th ANNUAL SPORTSMAN RALLY

Saturday August 22nd
9am-5pm

FREE ADMISSION
& ACTIVITIES

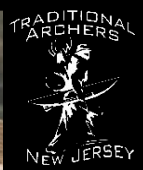
Vendors (hunting, fishing, apparel, guns)
Taxidermy Displays • Food • Door Prizes
Gun, 4 Wheeler, and many other raffles

SPECIAL KIDS
RAFFLE AT 4:00



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BULLETIN BOARD

[Free Classifieds for TANJ Members]



BIGFOOT LAST MAN STANDING WINNERS



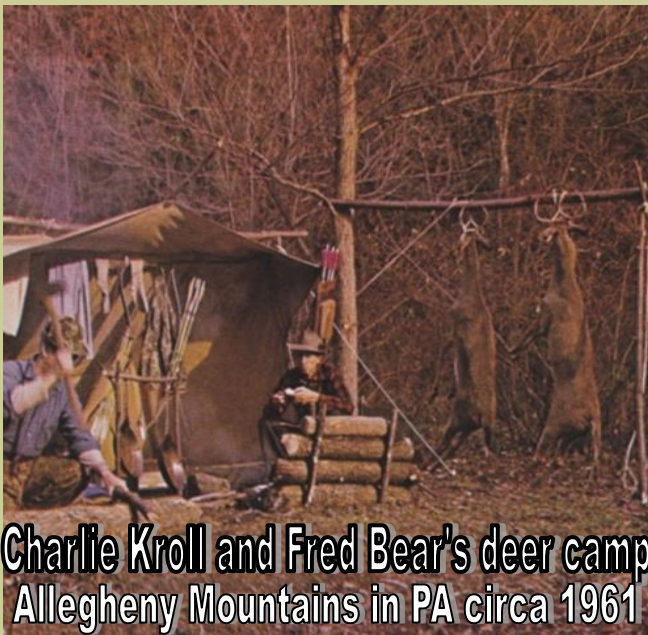
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Ray Iglesias 1st Place • Dave Wolfe 2nd Place
Frank Burdi 3rd Place

With a gun you can hunt an average of three weeks a year, with a bow you can hunt an average of ten weeks more depending on the state you hunt in."

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Fred Bear



Charlie Kroll and Fred Bear's deer camp
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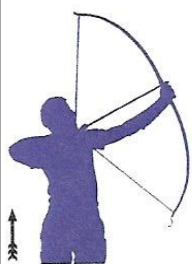
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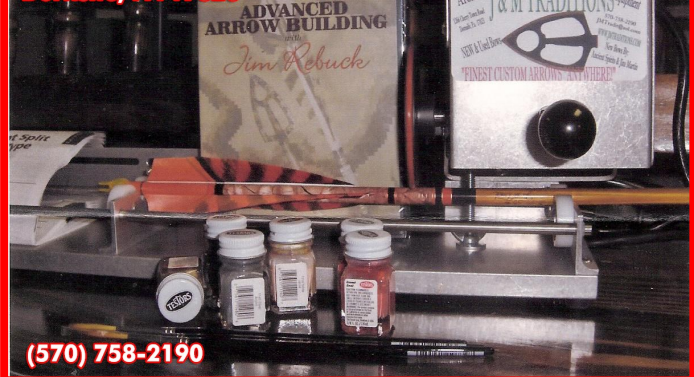
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TANJ

TANJ MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Before filling out this application, please read TANJ's purpose, below, and be sure you agree with it and understand it. To better help represent our members, we ask that you please consider filling in the optional information. Please type or print clearly and keep a copy of your application. Dues must be submitted with your application. TANJ reserves the right to deny membership to, or expel from the organization, individuals who jeopardize the goal of the organization.

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.

OBJECTIVES: To actively promote and protect quality bowhunting, and to perpetuate fair chase (as defined by Pope & Young Club) and ethical bowhunting in New Jersey.

Name _____ Age _____ Date _____
Street Address _____ E-mail _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Other Bowhunting Organizations you Belong To _____

Ever Convicted of a New Jersey Game Violation? ☐ YES ☐ NO If so, What and When [explain] _____

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN TANJ, PLEASE CHECK AT LEAST ONE COMMITTEE:

☐ Membership ☐ Publication ☐ Standards ☐ Shoots/events ☐ DNR/Legislative ☐ Education

PLEASE CHECK ANY SPECIAL INTERESTS, TALENTS, EXPERIENCES, OR SERVICES YOU HAVE WHICH MAY HELP YOU SERVE ON A COMMITTEE:

☐ Home Computer ☐ Legal/Legislative Knowledge ☐ Organizational Skills ☐ Writing Experience ☐ Promotional Skills
☐ Public Speaking Experience ☐ Fund Raising Experience ☐ Design/Art Skills ☐ Bowhunter Education Experience
☐ Printing/Publishing Experience ☐ Other Experience _____

Annual Membership Fee = Individual: \$20.00, Junior (under 16) = \$5.00, Family: \$35.00 [non-pro-rated and due in January of each year]
TANJ LIFE MEMBER: \$250.00

Send Application and Fee to:

Ron Ellison - c/o Traditional Archers of New Jersey - 539 Oaktree Lane - Jackson, NJ 08527

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