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Uwe Jacobs receives Mentor of the Year at Greenbow

Congratulations to Uwe Jacobs who received Mentor of the Year from the [Greenbow Foundation](#). Greenbow is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization whose primary goal is to give youth that are interested in hunting the education, mentorship, and advocacy opportunities to mature into natural resource sustainability leaders within the outdoor sportsman community. Greenbow focuses on technical skills for archery, wildlife/natural science, and conservation stewardship. They are also affiliated with 4-H. Uwe with target donations from NORVA was instrumental in building a series of 3-D ranges for the kids. Furthermore, Uwe regularly maintains the 3-D ranges and attends regular cleanup/maintenance areas in the parks including Hogue tract for disabled hunters at C.F Phelps Wildlife Management Area.

NORVA Shoots Are Scheduled for 2017

Our 2017 3-D and field season is fast approaching. NORVA's first event of the year is the "Ice Breaker 3-D" shoot scheduled for March 19. But we have much more. There are flyers on the desk at the club house with our schedule for the year. Rodney Robert's, our Tournament Chairman, is asking for our members help at getting the flyers circulated. If you know of a place that you can post flyers, please do so - sporting goods stores, archery stores, anywhere an archer may see it. Although we have a large club membership, the attendance at our shoots are way down. Please help by letting other archers know about our events - let's make them the best ever.

03/19	3-D Pin "Ice Breaker"	9am
04/02	NCC-SCI/NORVA Charity	9am
05/06	"Spring Fling" Field & 3-D Pin	9am
05/27-05/28	VBA State Open (Field)	9am
06/03	Field & 3-D Pin	9am
07/16	Field & 3-D	9am
8/19-08/20	VBA State 3-D Fall Classic	8am
08/26	"Hunters for the Hungry" 3-D	8am
09/16	3-D "Dearslayer" (Traditional)	9am

*Club shoots are \$10.00 for Adults / \$5 for Kids
Lunch is offered at all of our shoots for \$8.00; it is usually catered.

We Need Your Help

Spring is around the corner, NORVA has a full schedule of shoots, and it is time to cleanup and repair the ranges. There will be a work party, Saturday March 4th beginning at 8am. Come and socialize in the morning, have some coffee and donuts and help NORVA continue to keep the ranges great.

February 2017 Club Meeting Recap

Joe Wolf hosted the February club meeting. Here are the highlights:

President Report

We had a mild winter and the club is in fairly good shape. There are a few trees that will be removed for safety.

Beginning this year, you will be required to qualify before you can be selected to participate in park hunts and qualifications for the park hunts will be more difficult this year. You will need to 3 out of 3 arrows in a 7 inch target at 20 yards and 2 out of 3 arrows in a 7 inch target at 30 yards.

NORVA has IBEP instructors and will be offering classes. Dates will be provided via NORVA Website, Facebook, and newsletter.

The clubhouse and gate combinations will be changed February 25, 2017. If you renewed your dues, you should have or will soon be receiving in the mail your membership cards with the new combos and 2017 sticker for your quiver tag.

Policies for New Members

John Soma (membership chairman) provides orientations on the last Sunday of each month. Additionally, NORVA board and council members can conduct orientations. When a new

member completes orientation, they must attend a NORVA meeting before receiving access to the club. At the club meeting, the new member will receive a quiver tag, membership card, and combinations to the gate and clubhouse.

Tournaments Chairman

Rodney has been advocating a club mentorship shoot - this is not a regular club shoot. This year, he plans to make it happen. It will be for those who want to come and shoot a round of 3-D or Field archery but are either intimidated by the competition aspect or just afraid that someone will say something because they are inexperienced and may not be doing something correctly. Several of NORVA's veteran archers are volunteering to help out. Rodney will pair up inexperienced archers with NORVA's veteran archers where they will walk the course and learn the layout, scoring, and improve shooting technique. Rodney knows that NORVA membership has families with kids who are learning how to shoot as well as adults who are just learning. This will be a great way for everyone to learn together and not be intimidated. It is Rodney's hope that everyone who wanted to take part in our shoots but for one reason or another decided not to, will take this great opportunity to join us. Going forward, Rodney will send out emails and make posts on [NORVA's Facebook](#) page one week in advance.

Rodney wants club members to know that if you need help with setting up a bow, peep, rest, sighting, cutting or fletching arrows, you can contact him at [Tournaments Chairman](#) and he will be more than happy to help.

Reminder! Rodney needs volunteers to help at NORVA shoots. In most cases you can volunteer and still participate in the event. This is also a great way to earn volunteer hours. Any member that accumulates ten volunteer hours is eligible to receive 50% off their next year dues. Please contact [Rodney](#) for details.

Range Report

The club voted to provide Willy Whitlock (3-D Course Range Captain) a budget of \$5000.00 to replace/upgrade older targets at NORVA. Some of the targets being looked at include, mountain goat, wolverine, hogzilla (600lb boar), and others.

Webmaster Report

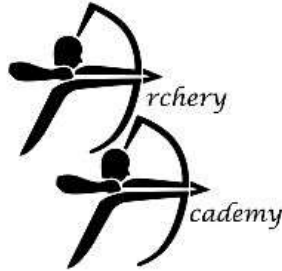
Our website is approaching maximum storage capacity. Uwe Jacobs and Kevin Brown are working to solve this issue.

Uwe has made several enhancements to NORVA's Website. Be sure to try out the interactive [Field Range and 3D map](#) and check out the nifty option to add NORVA and other local shoots to your [calendar](#).

Request for Photos and Stories

We are in need of photographs of NORVA members having fun with archery related activities for our website gallery. Please forward your photographs to [webmaster](#).

During 2016 NORVA membership surpassed 650 members, yet only a handful come out and let themselves be known. It is this reporter's opinion that each and every NORVA member has something worthy they can share - even if you are totally new to archery. How about tell us about yourself and/or share a story with us? Accompanying photographs are always nice but not necessary. Deadline for newsletter items is the 15th of each month and should be sent to [news editor](#).



Archery Academy, LLC is pleased to present archery lessons from qualified instructors at NORVA. Choose from one 90 minute Introduction to Archery session or Beginning Archery with four, one-hour lessons. For those who have previously taken Academy classes, you can take a one hour Open Range session where you can hone your skills with an academy instructor. All equipment is provided. Adults and children 9 and above are welcome. All classes are taught by qualified instructors. For more information and to sign-up, visit NORVA's website at www.novaarchers.org/academy.html

Next NORVA Club Meeting

The next NORVA club meeting will be March 02, 2017 at 7pm archer's time.