

OTOW Archery Club, Inc., Ocala, Florida

Quarterly Club Meeting “Minutes” for Tuesday, 9/13/22

Arbors Activity Center, Dance Studios 3 & 4 at 1:00 p.m.

Called the meeting to order and determined that a quorum was met with 30 members present. So, all official Club business could be conducted.

The minutes from the previous quarterly meeting on 3/8/22 were approved.

VP Membership Report: At the end of August, we had 146 Club members with 1 Resident Associate member and 11 guests so far this year. Total of 157 for insurance purposes.

Treasurer’s Report as of 8/31/22:

Beginning Bank Balance	\$ 7,172.82
Add Deposits	270.00
Less Expenses	1,053.16
Outstanding checks	0
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Ending Club Bank Balance	\$ 6,389.66

Club Dues:

- The Board evaluated two options and decided to keep Club member dues “as is” (\$60 / \$40 / \$15) for 2023. We will be collecting 2023 dues from 12/15/22 to ~ 1/24/23, including at the next quarterly general Club meeting on 12/13. More info on dates/times will be coming in late Nov.
- The Board established October 1st as the date for “grandfathering” new members paying their dues between 10/1 - 12/31/22 to include their dues for the following year.

President’s report on insurance status, NFAA status and corporate filings:

- With 157 Club members for insurance purposes so far this year, we increased Sadler Insurance coverage from 155 members to 165 members in early August.

General Information:

- A letter was sent to Ken Colen and a meeting held on 9/1 with Mary Anne Lynum, OTOW’s new Director of Resident Services, at the Range to discuss shooting line cover options and side road use. In summary, OTOW will be putting together a cost estimate for joint development of a complete shooting line cover and the split percentages agreeable to them. We have not committed to anything at this point. They will also submit this estimate in total for the 2023 budget, however, they don’t hold out much hope of it making the cut. In the meantime, we have agreed for OTOW to provide a couple of test umbrellas and several support post holes right in front of a couple of lanes on our shooting line to test out the temporary use of portable umbrellas all across the shooting line.
- The potential use of the side road at our eastern fence line to drive right up to the Maintenance Shop will not be approved due to the proximity to the protected wildlife conservation area. However, we have asked OTOW to consider remarking 4 of the 8 current handicap parking spaces as normal parking spaces to significantly shorten the walk from a parking area to the Range. It is currently being evaluated by OTOW, based upon ADA requirements.

- We renewed our NFAA Club membership in August. We need to maintain 5 active individual NFAA memberships to continue our Club membership and associated Range insurance. We have had several Club members step up and associate their NFAA memberships with our Club. Thank you, Jerry and Patty Hoppe, Bill Millican, Karen McShane, Fred Penichet and Bob Papirner. There are several other Club members whose NFAA memberships expire towards the end of this year that may renew as well. Hopefully, we will continue to meet the minimum NFAA Club requirement.
- The Education Committee “Archery Fundamentals” PowerPoint has been published on the web site and included in our Archery Basics 101 class materials for 10/27 class.
- The Archery Club web site continues to be improved. Please take time to check it out at otowarchery.com and provide any recommended additions or changes. Please note the new Club Photos and Corporate Sponsor tabs.
- Our new OAC Flyer has been approved and is on display at the Rec Center. We recently added a clear flyer brochure holder on the fence at the front of the Range for walkups. Please refer all potential new Club members to the “New Members” tab on the web site otowarchery.com.
- There will be no OTOW newspaper articles for September on until we have a new Club Coordinator of Communications!

Range Operations and Maintenance Shop:

- Most of the target roofs have now been installed with the balance scheduled for mid-September. This project came in more than \$400 under the projected \$1,200 budget. Well done!
- Results of our initial test for reskinning target #1 are in. Our Range maintenance team learned a tremendous amount about reskinning future targets and have also developed a new target rotation schedule to extend their life even further.
- OTOW has approved the use of paper/plastic animal or other target faces, other than human silhouettes, that members might want to bring to the Range. These must be taken down immediately after your shooting is completed and the original target face for that target reinstalled in its previous place.
- All the remaining new bows that OTOW recently purchased for Club member use have now been set up by Bill Millican and are now available for member use. Thanks Bill.

Social Activities:

- With completion of our successful and well attended “**Watermelon Fun Shoot**”, Thursday, 8/11, as well as the Club “**Picnic Pool Party / Summer Splash Celebration**”, Saturday, 8/30, our attention is now focused on our upcoming “**Holiday Party**” on December 17th at 6:00 pm at The Lodge in Candler Hills. Phyllis and her team are putting together a really nice event, including a catered buffet dinner. They will be providing more details on entertainment, costs, ticket sales dates/times, etc. in the near future. Anyone wishing to volunteer to help on with this event should contact Phyllis Shaw by phone at 606-383-1744 or email her at querkyquilter@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Range Events:

- An “**NFAA 20 Yard Blue Target Shoot**” is scheduled for Thursday, 9/22, at 6:00 pm at the Range with registration starting at 5:30 pm. There will be 10 - 3 Arrow ends or total of 30 arrows all at 20 yards. All members, all shooting styles and all bow types are welcome! The cost is \$5 to enter.

Education/Training:

- An “[Arrow Workshop](#)” is scheduled for Tuesday, 9/20, at 6 pm at the Maintenance Shop. Jerry Hoppe will be conducting the workshop. Demonstrations include nocks, points, cutting and fletching. This is for all members at all skill levels who are interested in doing your own arrow maintenance.
- The Board has decided to schedule our previous well received education classes once again in 4th quarter. The first class on the schedule is “[Archery Basics 101](#)” scheduled for October 27th at 1:00 pm in the Hobby Building Event Room. This is an outstanding class about all the different types of archery equipment, pros/cons of each, when to consider getting your own equipment, some estimated costs and much more. This class is targeted towards new to intermediate level archers and no pre-registration is required. More information on this class will be forthcoming shortly.

Safety and Orientation Training:

- There is still a Board position open for the Director of Safety and Orientation Training. Please consider volunteering for this position if you have any interest.

Offsite Activities:

Our traveling archers represented the Club extremely well in two recent NFAA tournaments:

- Patty and Jerry Hoppe recently participated in the NFAA Outdoor National Target Championships August 26th - 28th in Yankton SD. Patty had an outstanding shoot. She competed in the 40, 50, and 60 yard distances shooting in the silver senior freestyle limited (fingers) class. For her 600 round Patty shot a 440 and in the 900 round she shot a 779 (which beat her last year’s score of 762). Patty’s total score of 1219 for both rounds beat her previous record score of 1204 and set a new national record. Congratulations to Patty for a tremendous performance
- We had several members of our Club compete in the 21st Annual Gainesville Senior Games for archery September 9th – 11th. All four of our archers received medals within their class and age group. Bill Millican finished in 2nd place (silver), Jerry Hoppe finished in 2nd place (silver), Tom Weiss finished in 2nd place (silver) and Sam Scarbrough finished in 3rd place (bronze). Don Southard was a coordinator for this tournament and did not shoot. Congratulations to all of you.

Open Positions:

- Director, Safety and Orientation Training and Communications Coordinator. If you are interested in either of these positions or helping the Club in any other capacity, please email us at archeryclubotow@gmail.com or contact any Board member letting us know your area of interest.

The next quarterly Club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th, at 1:00 p.m. at the Arbors Activity Center, Dance Studios 3 & 4.