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DATUS Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Leagues Starting**
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- **Awards & Elections Meeting -**
Nov. 14th 6:00
pm
- **Utah Open (Salt**
Lake Archery) -
Dec. 5th & 6th
- **Christmas Party -**
Dec. 12th 6:00
pm

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Upcoming Awards & Elections Party

The Awards and Elections Party is fast approaching and is scheduled for November 14th beginning at 6:00 pm.

This is one of our General Membership meetings and a great time to enjoy the company of your fellow archers over dinner.

At this meeting we will be recognizing members for their accomplishments in the following areas:

DATUS Bowhunter of the Year (Send your archery kill information by November 1st to Ken Oetker at archerycrazy@gmail.com or call him at 801-573-7518.)

DATUS Member of the Year (Send nominations to info@datusarchery.com by November 1st.)

DATUS Campout Awards

We will also be voting in new members of the Board. This is critical to the support and progress of our archery club and we hope to get as much representation from club members as possible.

The Board consists of the following:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

5 Shareholder Board Members

2-4 Associate Board Members

Nominations can be made by any member and board members are voted in by majority.

An ideal Board would be one that is diverse. It would be great to have some newer members,

some that have been around a while, and a few in between. It also helps to have members who shoot different archery types (Spots, 3D, Golf, Field, etc.) to give us a well-rounded table of opinions.

The one thing that every member of the Board should have is the desire to **support DATUS in all areas** by making policy and building improvements, welcoming new members, helping to coordinate events, showing up at our shoots, attending the meetings, and by representing DATUS positively at other shoots, clubs and events.

The current board has been working diligently to ensure a smooth transition into next year.

We look forward to seeing you there!

UBA Calendar for 2010 Set

The UBA Convention was held on October 10th at the DATUS Club House. As many of you know, this is the meeting where the shoot schedule for the next year is set and where it is determined which club will host which State shoots.

DATUS was successful in secur-

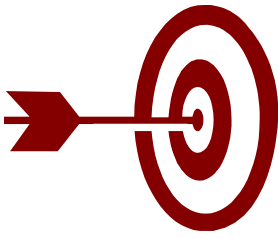
ing the bid to host the State Golf shoot again for the next three years. We will also continue to host the State FITA shoot (already bid on last year) for the next two years.

In addition, we will continue to host a satellite shoot for the NFAA Southwest Sectional Mail

In in January. We have also scheduled all remaining DATUS invitational shoots on the UBA Calendar so that they can be advertised in the Bowstring newsletter.

The set DATUS calendar of Events for next year is published on page 3 of this newsletter.

Card Reader Installation



Please Welcome Our New Members:

Kalie Thornock
Ryan Moen
Ryan Cooper & Family

We are planning to install the new Card Security Reader on Saturday, November 14th. The hope is that we can get the reader installed in time to pass out the access cards at the Awards and Elections meeting.

If you are unable to make it to the meeting, we will mail your card out to you. Please be aware that it will be approximately 3 days until you receive your card in the mail.

There are many benefits to moving from a pass code to a card reader lock.

- Convenience of not having to send mailed notifications out to each club member

when the code is changed and less chance of miscommunication.

- Eliminating inconvenience to members who may not have received the notification or have forgotten the code.
- The ability to deactivate a member's card who is no longer in good standing without inconveniencing every other member by having to change the code.
- Providing better security to the club's assets (the building, targets, tables, chairs, etc.)
- Supporting the initiative to encourage non-members to

join the club so that they can access the facilities. (Guests can still enter the building with a sponsoring member).

- The Board would also like to let every member know that their information will remain private. We will not be using it in any other manner than what is required. If there is a lapse in security we will be looking at the logs.

As a Board, we feel that this move is in the best interest of the club and club members overall. If you have any questions please let us know.

Leagues Starting Soon

Leagues are starting soon! Each league organizer will be contacting members who were on their roster from last year to see if they are going to be in the league again this year. Then they will post any open positions. **Please call the league organizer to sign up for an open position.**

Remember, each associate member is eligible for one free league and Shareholder members are eligible for two free leagues each year.

Last year leagues were nearly full so we are looking at adding a few new leagues.

Here is the breakdown:

Monday nights—5 spot league

Starts at 7:00 pm
call Paul Cox at 801-280-5451

Tuesday nights—3D league

starts at 7:00 pm
call Jon Brinkerhoff at 801-913-5094

Wednesday nights—3 spot (Vegas) league

starts at 7:00 pm
call Travis Reginek at 801-231-8977

POSSIBLE : Thursday nights

5:30—7:30 pm
3 spot (Vegas) league

If you are interested in running this league or if you are interested in joining this league please call Emily Johnson at 801-842-9290 ASAP so we can start planning and get a count.

Thursday nights —3 spot (Vegas) league

starts at 7:30 pm
call Emily Johnson at 801-842-9290

Friday—JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development program for the youth)

starts at 7:00 pm
call Steve McKenna at 801-571-1841

Saturday—no leagues

POSSIBLE: Sunday— afternoon/ evening

3 spot (Vegas) league

If you are interested in running this league or if you are interested in joining this league please call Emily Johnson at 801-842-9290 ASAP so we can start planning and get a count.

Thanks to all of you who make league season enjoyable for our members and guests! We'll see you shooting!

Around the clubhouse (work hours)



The Board has voted to approve **painting the walls and ceiling of the shooting range**. We are in the process and planning a work party to complete this painting. We are hoping to have the painting completed by the time leagues start. We will be sending out emails and calling on club member for assistance. If you need work hours and would like to help with this effort please

contact a member of the board or email info@datusarchery.com.

The Board has also approved the **purchase of 3 new targets**. (We currently have 4 other new targets in the back room that have not yet been used and 5 targets that we purchased earlier in the year that are still in great shape).

We will have all of the new targets in place prior to leagues starting. There is a work party being set up to **rotate and replace the targets**. If you are interested in assisting please contact **Jay Bernard at (801) 330-2836**.

We have had a few full seasons with the block targets now and have been able to see how frequently they need to be rotated

and/or replaced. We are currently discussing a schedule that will allow for budgeting to replace up to the 12 targets each year, if required. We will also continue to look at other target options to ensure we are choosing the best targets for DATUS' needs.

In addition, we just approved the **dryscaping plan** that was brought up earlier in the year. We are hoping to get going on this as quickly as possible to get it done before winter hits.

Also, one last project for the year will be **winterizing the parking lot**. We are still working to gather bids for this project so if you have any contacts in this line of work that can assist please let us know.

DATUS Calendar of Events 2010

January 9th & 10th—Southwest Sectional Mail In (and Invitational)

At DATUS Club House

February 6th & 7th—UBA Indoor State FITA (and Invitational—Vegas Warm Up)

At DATUS Club House

March 13th—Get Acquainted Party (and General Membership Meeting)

At DATUS Club House

April 10th & 11th—Golf Invitational (1)

At Eagle Mountain (near Lehi)

April 17th & 18th— Golf Invitational (2)

At Eagle Mountain (near Lehi)

May 15th & 16th—UBA State Golf

At Eagle Mountain (near Lehi)

May 29th & 30th—Eagle Mountain 3D

At Eagle Mountain (near Lehi)

July 24th & 25th—DATUS Campout

At Lambert Hollow (Soapstone)

November 6th & 7th—Indoor 3D Animal Shoot

At DATUS Club House

November 13th—Awards and Elections Party

At DATUS Club House

December 11th—Christmas Party

At DATUS Club House

Now that the DATUS events schedule has been published in the club newsletter, building Reservations for the 2010 year are open.

Please contact Randy Johnson at 801-455-3135.

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President's Message (by Randy Johnson)

Happy Halloween!

I know Halloween is soon to arrive because there has been frost on the pumpkins and Elk and duck meat down. This time of year also means to an increasing number of us Datus members that it is time to put our archery skills to the scoring test for all to see. I have noticed an increase of traffic at the club the last two weeks since I took my Elite Archery XLR target bow out of the case. I will probably have to shoot a few thousand arrows striving to improve and get a 300 score. It just occurred to me that goals for my archery and for the board are nearly the same and that is to strive for that 300 game.

To this end the board just approved three expenditures that we hope will make being a Datus member more enjoyable. First off I got 3 of the 4 new targets I requested and with the 4 we have on hand 11 of the 12 targets will be brand new or close just in time for fall leagues. We also agreed to paint the entire shooting end of the building but like at home we couldn't agree on the color and it was determined my pick of white/white high gloss and the sample I threw on the wall was too white and might spoil some of you competitors and you would complain when you shot in another dungeon lit range. Seriously! We also decided to address the water shortage and to do some rock landscaping for the front of the building. We will be having work parties for these projects in the next few weeks for all of those projects so look for announcements on the website datusarchery.com and signup lists at the clubhouse. The dates for the target change over and backstop rebuild will be communicated soon and is headed by Jay Bernard (330-2836) who is the Spot target chairperson. This is a big project so let's overwhelm him with so much support that we finish so early that we have time to test out the new targets and maybe enjoy an elk burger or brat. Don't think you can lift a Field Logic 4x4 block target? Don't be afraid to call Jay or myself to sign up as we will have lighter projects planned. Look on the website for contact information and dates on the other projects and work parties as we hope to do that. For those that need work hours and can't make these or any other work parties or don't work well with others there are plenty of projects so just call me for some ideas.

We also approved installing a card type security lock on the front door several meetings ago. The first bids came in over the approved 2k dollar amount so I was happy to see this idea die off or so I had hoped. One board member who works at an archery shop has twice in public board meetings expressed an unusual interest in the data that a computer door system like this could reveal and has just not let this idea die. I have continually wondered why we need such an expensive system such as this as it is 20 times more expensive than the garbage disposal which is the only recent theft we have had. This same board member says that we have had a problem last winter with a certain person entering the building and acting like a member. I have stated several times that we do not have a problem as far I know and why can't we try to just change the code more than once a year prior to turning to such an expensive solution that will still allow tailgating and props. If anyone knows of someone who has entered the building and was not escorted and not a member please let me or a board member know. At the meeting this last Wednesday we finally had a bid of 2.1k and so I once again voted for it but only after I expressed my concerns that I didn't think it would solve any crime or that we had non members in the club that I had heard of. I also expressed some concern about "Big Brother". I was assured by the board "that a privacy document would be created for members to sign" and the data would only be used to solve a crime. Like you at first the idea of a card reader door lock sounds modern and appealed to me except for the large expense. In fact just today we got a new lower bid for 1600\$ and I gave the go ahead to this person. Since that time I have talked to a few members and 2 out of 5 have some major concerns on the privacy of this data and the legal ramifications of the use of a system like this. Obviously any system that collects personal data generates legal and privacy issues that should be further discussed by the board. I regret not becoming more informed on this issue prior to voting in favor for this system. At this time I ask that this purchase be put on hold and revisited by the members and Board at the November election and general membership and I encourage all to attend to address this issue.

I guess this would be a good place for me to say that my fee schedule was mostly accepted by the board and will be voted on at the Nov general meeting. The big failure was that I was trying to reduce member dues and raise guest fees and that didn't pass. I also freely admit that I tried to raise the club rental rate from 50\$ to 100\$ and that would still be less than 30% of fair market value. I only got 60\$. Now that I am tired of talking about money and Big Brother stuff lets get back to the shooting sport of archery which is why I and most folks chose to join this great club and why the founders built it in the first place.

President's Message (by Randy Johnson)

Fall leagues are starting in less than a month. I wanted to create some new league rules and have been trying to work on an easier league signup procedure like any of you that have kids in sports are familiar with but I have failed to change things so you will all just have to contact the individual chairpersons of the league you are interested in. As a quick overview of the league nights on Monday night we shoot the 5 spot NFAA round, Tuesday is a 15 target 3D, Wednesday is the 450 Vegas face and is the first to start the first week in November with the others starting the first week after T-Day. Thursday is a 300 round on the Vegas face.

Look on the website on the league page for Chairperson names and contact info. I have been assured by the board that no member will be turned away from a league so please call early if you are interested. Several members even volunteered to sit out and do make up scores if things get too full. So show up and let's see if they honor their word. Just to let you know I have authorized the League captains to use prior attendance records as they see fit. If you have never shot a league it is a fun time and your shooting will improve. Please make sure you can get away from life on a dependable weekly basis as the place will be full and it is sad to see empty spots.

By the way will every member please call Ken Oetker or send him their email address. He is the current webmaster as well as the new member contact on the website.

I also can't leave without a hat off salute to one member who would get my vote for the winner of the "Robin hood Award" if this club had one. This award would go to the non board member who did the most value added work for the club. This work was done inside the club and this work went on silently during the summer while you were fishing. But when you step into the club I think you will notice and appreciate the brightness but you better hurry before the new paint job makes it even lighter for the full effect. Yes I am talking about Scott Valenzuela assisted by Clint Hamilton who installed new ballasts, cleaned the diffusers and converted each of the 60+ light fixtures in the club to T8 High output energy saving lights and did the paperwork for the Rocky Mountain Power Rebate. The cost was so low that Scott saved the club several thousand of dollars over the bids I was getting. I took lumen measurements from each target and shooting position pre install and will try to measure them again pre and post painting for the club records.

Until next time enjoy the flight of the arrow- in better light.

Upcoming Building Reservations:

November 7th & 8th—All Day

DATUS Indoor 3D Shoot

November 26th—2:00—8:00 pm

Kent Markus

December 13th—4:00 pm—9:00 pm

Al Hensley

November 14th—6:00—10:00 pm

DATUS Awards & Elections

December 6th—5:00—9:00 pm

Earl Sabrowsky

December 20th—12:00—6:00 pm

Diane Barker

November 21st—5:00—11:00 pm

Robin West

December 12th—6:00—10:00 pm

DATUS Christmas Party

December 24th—3:00—8:00 pm

Don Markus

