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Members Hunting Success!***



From the Editor...

On the front cover – Cory Marquis with a great looking 8-point buck. I commented to Cory that rarely have I seen tines that long. Cory had been watching this deer for a couple of years and had a chance to take him last year. The deer was bagged on October 22, near Thief River Falls with a 50 yard shot. Cory is also a member of the Thief River Falls Archery Club.

We are looking forward to the State Indoor Tournament hosted by the Lake Agassiz Bowmen and Sandhills Archery Club on March 20th & 21st

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MSAA & COVID-19 VIRUS

The MSAA is using all opportunities to move its archery events forward while also taking all recommended virus precautions. We urge members to do the same and to also be good neighbors to those around you.

2021 Regionals & Indoor

2021 Regionals have been cancelled. The MSAA is moving ahead with State Indoor tournament planning. See page 3 for more information.



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News from the MSAA

Minnesota State Archery Association 2021 Regionals & Indoor, and Covid-19

The MSAA Board met on 11/19/2020 (by video) to discuss 2021 activities and specifically the Regional/Indoor tournament process. As a result of the meeting the **Regionals planned for January and February were cancelled and the Indoor format was adjusted.** The board decided that given the current worsening state of Covid-19, government restrictions (also the likelihood of their extension) and the association's responsibility to the archery community that the MSAA could not guarantee that members in the near-term could safely participate.

The Indoor tournament will remain a two-day event, the first day will be a qualifying round and the second will be a championship round. First day results will be used to determine standing (flighting) for the second day's championship round, specifically:

1. Two-day event (March 20th & 21st held in Fargo, hosted by Lake Agassiz Bowmen & Sandhills Archery Club): Saturday qualifying, Sunday championship. Saturday's results will be used to flight participants with their competition for Sunday's championship.
2. Participants will shoot an MSAA 300 Round (60x) on each day in the same class. Participants are restricted to one class, choosing multiple classes to compete in will not be an option this year.
3. Single lines will be used to minimize the number of participants in the arena at any one time. On Saturday line times will be 8AM, 10:30, 1PM and 3:30. Line times may be adjusted based upon level of participation. Flighted results will be posted following Saturday's qualification round. The flighted results will show Sunday line times.
4. Registration will be used to schedule a line time for Saturday's qualification round:
 - a. A registration form will be available on the MSAA website (www.mnarchery.org) in January 2021.
 - b. The registration form will include the opportunity for a participant to specify first and second line time preferences (from those listed in #3, above).
 - c. If a participants first line time choice is not available then their second choice will be considered.
 - d. If neither of the participants line times are available then they will be assigned from what remains available.
 - e. Line times will be assigned in the order that they are received.
 - f. An up-to-date list of assigned line times will be posted on the MSAA website.
 - g. Preferred line times are not guaranteed but every effort will be made to accommodate.
5. Registration will open on January 23rd and will run until March 5th.
6. Once all of Saturday's lines are full a waiting list will be started.
7. All other MSAA Indoor Championship Tournament rules apply.
8. MSAA Two-day tournament fees apply.



David Sampson with his first black bear taken with a recurve bow.
David's bear dressed out at 246 pounds

Please plan on the observation of Covid-19 restrictions that are mandated by government and are in the best interest of the MSAA.

All other MSAA activities held at dates later in the year are planned on being held. The board hopes that 2021 will see the association's events rebound as the Covid-19 menace recedes.

State Indoor registration form is in this issue, page 5

Minnesota State Archery Association

State Indoor Tournament

March 20 & 21, 2021

Held at the Veteran Memorial Arena in West Fargo, ND

1201 7th Ave E, West Fargo, ND 58078



Concession will be available both days.

We will also have a 25-target 3D course set up for shooting (\$15 for a round)

Motel – Please reserve by March 6th. (we currently have the entire hotel)

Hotel information: Ramada – 3333 13th Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103

Call 701-235-3333 for reservations, reserved under MSAA State Archery Championship. You could also go to our website – sandhillsarchers.org and click on Events at the top of the page and go to the month of March to click on the event for the link to book a room.

If you have questions you can call either Brian Hage 701-371-0468 (email hagebrian@yahoo.com) or Trent Teets at 701-730-0123.

What is in the future for *The Minnesota Arrow*?

Regrettably, this will be my last issue as editor of this magazine. I began with my first issue in September 2007 (MSAA Bowfish on the cover) and 14 years later here we are. I have enjoyed chronicling Minnesota archery events and will miss getting the chance to share your successes with all of our members. Thank you for all of the content that you sent in and thank you for your kindness along the way.

That out of the way I believe that we have come to a time where we have to ask if there is even a point to producing the magazine anymore? Several months back the MSAA decided to distribute the magazine only online and to stop paper publication. Once online we have learned that relatively few people are accessing the magazine in its new digital-only format. I abstained from the vote that the MSAA board took to move the magazine online (I was also Indoor VP at the time) because as editor I was an employee. I cannot say that I would have been in opposition, the future can be troubling and one cannot remain dumb in the face of what is impossible to stop - everything is going online and the world has gotten that much smaller because of it in my opinion.

For some of us there is loss here in a couple of ways. Believe it or not people have been collecting the magazine from the very start. If you ever stop at the Minnesota Archery Hall of Fame you will find it there bound up into books and books of editions. Some of the sticklers among us were careful to read over the meeting minutes of the association and then show up at the next board meeting because of one concern or the other (some of those people would then get involved as board members). The magazine was always around in other ways too, in several of the shops that I visited over the years, invariably, especially around indoor season, there the magazine would sit on the shop counter.

I feel that putting the magazine online was the one step necessary to making it go away entirely, like many other things that we old-timers just liked having around. We will not be reminded that we are MSAA members by not finding the magazine in our mailboxes anymore. The activities of the MSAA board will be that much less known and open to scrutiny because meeting minutes will not be easily available. And in the end it will be just that less fun - no more cover photos of aspiring young archers that make them celebrities for just a moment... maybe a very important one.

I wish you all the best - Tom Rose, Editor of *The Minnesota Arrow* (2007-2021)



Tom Nelson, member of Saratoga Archery Club, and his very nice looking whitetail buck



Rylee Stadick took this buck while out in a snow storm... a hearty hunter! Rylee shoots at Oak Ridge Archery in Kasota

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DNR invites public input on deer population goals

Minnesotans interested in deer populations in certain areas of the state can take an active role in shaping deer population goals during an open public input process starting Monday, Feb. 8.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources sets deer population goals — how much of an increase or decrease is desired in a deer population in a particular deer permit area — as part of managing the state's wild deer herd. The goals are being updated on a staggered basis in 14 regional goal-setting blocks that comprise multiple deer permit areas. The population goals established in this process will provide direction for management in each goal-setting block for a 10-year period, with a midpoint review at the five-year mark.



Bryan Malone with western North Dakota whitetail buck
Bryan is a member of the Thief River Falls Archery Club

This year, to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission and support social distancing measures, the DNR is shifting to online-only engagement, rather than in-person workshops.

"We're adapting from last year's new workshop process, mirroring those workshop activities in an online format," said Barbara Keller, DNR big game program leader. "We're excited to see how people engage with

this topic, and encourage anyone who has an interest in deer management to give feedback on future deer population trends in the areas where they live, work and recreate."

This is the second year of a four-year, statewide process, with several geographic blocks addressed each year. This year focuses on blocks in the southwestern and northeastern parts of the state. The goal blocks and deer permit areas for this year are as follows:

Minnesota River goal block – 274, 275, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 290.

South-Central goal block – 230, 232, 233, 253, 254, 255, 291, 292, 293, 299.

Blufflands Plateau goal block – 234, 237, 238, 250, 252, 286, 288, 289, 294, 295, 296.

Border Uplands/St. Louis Moraines goal block – 119, 132, 171, 173, 176, 177, 178, 179, 181, 199.

Details, including how to participate, are listed on the DNR's deer goal-setting webpage.

Join the goal-setting process

The DNR will gather public feedback using its online community engagement tool, in two separate phases. During the first phase, from Feb. 8-28, participants may give input on whether the deer population should increase, decrease or stay the same, and share their ideas on deer management. During the second phase, from March 15-25, participants may provide feedback on proposed population goals developed based on input from the first phase and other information available to the DNR.

Anyone may participate, regardless of affiliation or knowledge of the process. Background information about deer management and population goal setting will be provided. Participants who cannot access the webpage through a computer browser or mobile device may provide feedback by calling the local area manager listed on their deer permit area map for the permit areas of interest.

Goal-setting and deer management information

In 2019, the DNR updated its deer population goal-setting process, which previously obtained input through citizen advisory committees and in-person public meetings. The new format design allows more participants and encourages discussion across viewpoints.

In addition to goal setting, anyone can talk directly with area wildlife managers about deer management or attend deer open houses, held statewide outside of the goal-setting process. The open houses are designed to encourage conversations about deer and deer management, enhance local relationships and foster two-way communication between the DNR and the public. More information about open houses is on the DNR website.

DNR continues simplified spring turkey regulations in 2021

Hunters hoping to bag a tom turkey with a firearm this spring will see similar regulations as last year, and will not be restricted to a single permit area. A spring turkey license will provide the opportunity to hunt all permit areas in the state, with the exception of three major wildlife management areas.

Hunters have through Friday, Feb. 12, to apply for permits available by lottery to hunt in the Mille Lacs, Carlos Avery or Whitewater wildlife management areas. Beginning March 1, all spring turkey hunters can purchase a license over-the-counter.

“We had really good participation last spring; license sales increased 36%, up 6,000 over 2019,” said Leslie McInenly, wildlife populations program manager with the DNR. “This year we are carrying forward the changes we made last year.”



Nick Pieske and his son, Brett, with a nice September whitetail buck. Brett helped out with tracking the morning after the deer was shot.

Making up the increase last year was a 59% increase in youth license sales, while archery and adult firearms license sales increased 24% and 20%, respectively. Hunters harvested 13,996 birds, the highest harvest recorded since modern wild turkey hunting began in 1978 but similar to the 2010 harvest of 13,467 birds. The average harvest over the past 10 years has been 11,400.

“We’re happy to see that people took advantage of the more flexible license structure last year and are looking forward to this spring,” McInenly said. “Wild turkey restoration is a great conservation success

story and the expansion of their populations in Minnesota has allowed us to continue allow flexibility in hunting regulations.”

2021 season details

Turkey season will be from April 14 to May 31 and is divided into six hunt periods, A through F (dates are in table below). Firearms hunters 18 and older must choose their hunt period when they purchase a license. Firearms turkey hunters can participate in Hunt F if they have an unused tag from one of the earlier hunt periods.

Firearms turkey hunters ages 18 and older who are interested in a permit to hunt in Mille Lacs, Carlos Avery or Whitewater wildlife management areas during A through C seasons will be required to apply for a lottery. The deadline to apply for those high-demand areas is Feb. 12. Successful applicants may hunt statewide, with the exception of the other two lottery areas, in addition to their selected wildlife management area.

Archery-only license holders may still hunt statewide for the entire season (April 14-May 31). Hunters cannot purchase both a firearms and archery-only license.

Licensed hunters ages 17 and younger may hunt statewide for the entire season (April 14-May 31) with firearms or archery equipment.

Because there is no lottery for statewide spring wild turkey licenses, the landowner and tenant drawing, which had set aside a percentage of lottery licenses in each permit area for landowners with qualifying land, was discontinued, and landowners and tenants can purchase licenses like other turkey hunters.

Turkey lottery applications for the Mille Lacs, Carlos Avery or Whitewater wildlife management areas cost \$5 and can be purchased online at mndnr.gov/buyalicense, by phone at 888-665-4236, or in person from a license agent. Successful applicants will receive a notice in the mail and can purchase their hunting license starting March 1.

More information about turkey hunting in Minnesota can be found on the DNR website.

2021 Spring turkey hunt periods:

Hunt A:	April 14-20
Hunt B:	April 21-27
Hunt C:	April 28-May 4
Hunt D:	May 5-11
Hunt E:	May 12-18
Hunt F:	May 19-31

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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Enter additional family members here =>

1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____

Additional family member(s) \$5 x _____ = _____

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MSAA TOURNAMENT BID FORM

Instructions: use this form to bid on hosting the following MSAA tournaments: Indoor, FITA, Target, Field, or 3D. Use a separate form for each tournament that is being bid on. All MSAA tournaments are to be hosted by an affiliated club unless the MSAA Board of Directors makes an exemption.

Please return this form by the deadline of no later than 30 days prior to the MSAA Policy Meeting. While bids received after the deadline up to and at the Policy Meeting will be accepted only bids received before the deadline will appear on absentee ballots mailed out before the meeting. Getting a bid in before the deadline ensures that the bid will receive the widest possible notice and consideration.

If this bid is for the Indoor include a dimensioned diagram of the site that shows the entrances/exits, booth areas, bale line, shooting line, spectator areas, safety considerations, number of bales that can be accommodated, and any limitations that might affect the running of the tournament. For all other tournaments include a diagram that shows the lay of the land and that exposes any safety considerations with the exception of 3D.

Return completed form to the MSAA Secretary (for address refer to the MSAA Arrow or www.mnarchery.org)

Date that bid is being placed (today's date): _____

Tournament being bid on (check one):

☐ Indoor ☐ FITA ☐ Target (900) ☐ Field ☐ 3D ☐ Bowfish

Date of tournament being bid on: _____

Club name placing the bid: _____

Club contact person: _____ **Telephone:** _____

Club MSAA Affiliation level (check one): ☐ 100% ☐ Associate

Tournament site name and address: _____

Tournament site amenities (lodging, parking, local events, local attractions, etc):

If bid is for the Indoor indicate the number of bales that can be accommodated: _____

(MSAA bales are 52 inches wide – bales can be placed up against one-another)

Once a club wins their bid it is expected that they will prepare by assisting with advertising, logistics, and the assembling and disassembling of equipment. The winning club must have a staff level that can handle the requirements of the tournament including registration, line judging, tabulation, and concession/facility management.

The MSAA recommends minimum staffing of: Indoor – 30, FITA – 8, Target – 10, Field – 6, 3D – 10

MSAA CLUB OF THE YEAR

A committee of three will award the Club of the Year. The President will appoint one member each year for a three-year term. No two-committee members can come from the same club.

The MSAA Secretary shall issue a current list of chartered clubs in good standing, along with membership statistics to the Committee members. After review of this list, the Committee will determine the winner for the year. The committee will consider such things as total membership count and whether or not the club is 100% affiliated, the club's level of participation in MSAA events, community activities, shoots held, and any other criteria that the committee feels is pertinent to this award. Any person can nominate a club for this award. A Governor's signature is necessary prior to the submission to the committee. (1/5/02) If no nominations have been received by November 30th, the Club of the Year Committee will choose a recipient for that year. (1/08/05). The committee will make a decision and notify the winning club and a presentation will be made at the policy meeting in January.

MSAA CLUB OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

Name of Club _____

Address/Location _____

Total number of current members: _____ 100% MSAA? Y N

Have membership numbers increased/decreased significantly since the previous year? Y N

Years affiliated with MSAA _____ Number of MSAA Members _____

Previous club participation awards received at MSAA State Tournaments (list) _____

Recent MSAA State Tournaments hosted by this club (list dates and events) _____

Community involvement by this club: _____

Why do you feel this club should be the recipient of the MSAA Club of the Year award? _____

Nomination submitted by: _____

MSAA Governor approval: _____



CHILAKOOT BOWHUNTERS

2021 3D Shoot Schedule



March 20 & 21

June 12 & 13

August 14 & 15

Registration: 8:00 am to 1:30 pm
(Saturday and Sunday)

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2020/21 MSAA Upcoming Events

This calendar is reserved for MSAA affiliates

Affiliated Clubs and Shops, send in your shoot calendars and they will be posted here

Please note: while these activities remain on the calendar we encourage you to make contact with any that you would like to attend to verify their status as it relates to the Covid-19 virus.

February 20 & 21	Indoor 3D, Faribault Archery Club, www.faribaultarchery.org
March 6*	King of the Hill, Oak Ridge Archery, Kasota, www.oakridgearchery.net
March 7*	Adult Shooting Class, Oak Ridge Archery, Kasota, www.oakridgearchery.net
March 7	State Warmup (300 round), Faribault Archery Club, www.faribaultarchery.org
March 20 & 21	MSAA State Indoor, Lake Agassiz Bowmen & Sandhills Archery Club, Fargo, ND
June 12 & 13*	3D, Chilakoot Bowhunters, Somerset WI, www.chilakootbowhunters.org
August 14 & 15*	3D, Chilakoot Bowhunters, Somerset WI, www.chilakootbowhunters.org

*see the advertisement inside for more information

2021 State Indoor Tournament Location and Hotel Information:

Location: West Fargo Veterans Memorial Arena, 1201 7th Ave East, West Fargo, ND 58078

Hotel: Ramada, 3333 13th Ave South, Fargo, ND 58103, 701-235-3333 – ask for MSAA reserved

More information: www.sandhillsarchers.org