



The Kapers

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Important!!!! Time Dated materials included

1. Send in the Bowhunter's Award form by Jan 15th to Dan Renner. Note: Form is located elsewhere in this edition of Kapers.
2. Send in your membership dues. Note: re-newal application is a part of this edition of the Kapers; also the locks will be changed February 1st this year.
3. Indoor League begins Tuesday January the 8th at 7PM sharp.
4. Bowhunter's Banquet is January 26th at 6:30 PM... more in article below titled BH Banquet
5. Keowee tournament schedule and work days are posted in the clubhouse and on the website!

Letter from The President



The year of 2007 has come and gone. As I write this letter, there are only 20 days till the New Year. As for our club, we have had another successful year on the ranges. Financially, we ended up in the black and we did get some improvements accomplished at the club. Installed two new A/C's in the clubhouse, replaced 3-D targets, and hosted seven tournaments plus the NC Circuit Championship. We had a

great indoor league, enjoyed two club shoots and bought new equipment for our Archery 101 class.

Don't forget about the Bowhunter Banquet coming up on January 26. There will be door prizes and free stuff, not to mention 3-D targets for sale. (And food!!)

I would like to thank all our membership for their support. Please review our Calendar of Events for 2008 (calendar is in the clubhouse and on the website) and become active in working to improve our club. I would ask each of you, at a minimum, to pick and sign up for one tournament and two work days. If we all pitch in, the load will not be so heavy for a few.

Big thanks go to all who worked at the club and helped with the tournaments. As most of you know, our tournaments are our life blood financially. It is very important that we promote our shoots and help them be successful. The moneys we make go to maintain, buy targets, and operate our facilities. So a great big thanks to all!

On target, release smooth, and God bless, *Perry Burns*

Bowhunter's Banquet

You and your family are invited to attend the Annual Bowhunter's Banquet on Saturday January 26th at 6:30pm at

the clubhouse. In addition to this being our annual business meeting, we will be awarding the new Annual Awards (more elsewhere in this issue), not to mention we will be giving away hundreds of dollars worth of door prizes. Be sure to bring your deer head for scoring if you are competing for the big buck award. Please bring your favorite wild game dish and either a vegetable or a dessert. If no meat please bring two covered dishes; one a vegetable and the other being a salad or a desert, the club will supply the drinks and bread.

We will once again be selling off a few of our 3D targets. These will be sold on a raffle type basis and you must be present to be eligible for drawing! See you there!



Keowee loses a Charter member and friend!

John Valley "Jack" Gantt, 87, husband of Dorothy H. Gantt, passed away (continued on Pg.2).

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Keowee loses

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Wednesday, Nov 14, 2007, at the Hospice House of Anderson. He was a founding member of Keowee Bowmen.

Jack was the son of the late James Mandoza and Dorcus Moore Gantt. He was a member of the Liberty Lion's Club, a charter member of the Pickens Jaycee's, a scoutmaster for 45 years and served Troop 51 Boy Scouts for over 50 years. He is one of only three recipients to receive the "Good Shepherd Award," the highest honor in scouting. He was the "voice of the Pickens High School Blue Flame football team for 37 years, and was inducted into the Pickens High School Athletic Hall of Fame in 2007. He was an avid photographer, gardener and wood worker. He was the author of three books, including a history of Grace United Methodist Church as well as two books on scouting in action. He was a member of the Keowee Bowmen Archery Club and inventor of a trigger released used in archery. He retired from the United States Air Force following 32 years, five of which were active duty. He received both the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal while serving in the United States Air Force during World War II. He retired an industrial engineer from Singer Company after 35 years of service. Surviving in addition to his wife of 63 years, include a son, Norman "Russ" Gantt of Pickens; a daughter, Mary Jo Edens and her husband, Randall, of Easley; three grandchildren, Lindsey Jo Edens Sullivan and her husband, Greg, of Pendleton; Benjamin Russell Edens and Erin Jena Edens, both of Easley. He was a loving father and loved mankind, his country and most especially his three grandchildren. He was the last survivor of his immediate family.

Changes to SCAA tournaments for 2008

Wow! What a great SCAA directors meeting this past October in Columbia. Representatives from the different clubs in South Carolina all came together and we hope the end results will be a great 2008 tournament season.

The tournament dates are now set and a few small rule changes were instituted. The tournament dates are posted on the SCAA website. As for the rule changes:

1. Women's bowhunter class moves to 25 yard stake.
2. Senior class moves to 40 yard stake.
3. Female limited (fingers) moves to 40 yard stake.

See the SCAA website for more info.

New 3D Practice Range

Great news! Keowee now has a full time 3D practice Range. This will be a great asset for the members of Keowee Bowmen only. Rules:

1. Only members and their eligible family members are allowed to shoot the club 3D range. Exception: guest, that has never shot a Keowee 3D tournament, may shoot the range, with a member, one time only.

(The member shall be responsible for ensuring their guest follows all rules and safety practices)

2. Shooters are limited to 2 shots per target and 2 rounds per week.
3. Only field/target points allowed. No broadheads or expanding heads allowed (not even if they are fixed to not open).
4. Only shoot at the vital (scoring ring) area. (no shooting at the head, neck, eye, leg, tail, etc.)
5. Each shooter must sign in with Name, Date and Time on sign in sheet posted at practice range shed. (This would allow us to track how much the range is used and help us narrow down a time if targets are stolen)
6. Shots only allowed to be taken from within the marked boundary for each target.
7. Wait to pull arrows if someone is shooting at the adjoining target and/or don't shoot if someone is pulling arrows from an adjoining target. (depending upon how we place targets, this may not be necessary for all targets).
8. Promptly report any rule violation, any excessive target damage, or any missing target to a club office.