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2007 Spring Safari

He shot 43 targets, one after another, without a break or breather. That was 81 year old Clint Axford leading a group of 5 senior archers who mostly shot barebow, including a long shot at the 101 yard elephant. Clint shot a high score, but didn't turn it in as he was the only one in his class. Clint was one of some 55 archers who competed in the April 7th Spring Safari. The weather was warm, and many wild flowers were in bloom. The rain threatened but never delivered.

Thanks to tournament director Jeremy Ryser for hosting a great shoot. Thanks also to Dennis Jenkins, the McGrath family for helping with concessions, activity director John Littau, and others who helped make this another memorable shoot.

There were some high scores shot. On 43 Safari targets, there are 946 points possible. Several archers broke 900. Those who placed include:

- M Fita Recurve, Tim Hines, 1st, 822
- F Y FS, Katie Weichel, 1st, 794
- SM FSL, Don Morrison, 1st, 779
- M FSL, Vinch Herschell, 1st, 864
- SM Trad, Dennis Dunn, 1st, 424
- M BHFS, Mark Ressler, 1st, 719
- M FS, Andy Ludwig, 1st, 904
- M FS, Steve Miller, 2nd, 901
- M YA Fita, Josh Raby, 1st, 693
- F Y Fita, Shaelie McGrath, 1st, 606
- MMS BHBB, Clint Axford, 1st
- M YA BHFS, Lonny Gabrio, 1st, 826
- M Cub BHFS, Gunnar Pelio, 875
- SM FS, Tom Huteson, 1st, 912
- M BHFS, Brent Beard, 1st, 916
- M BHFS, Merl Reed, 2nd, 912
- M BHFS, Brian Behling, 3rd, 896

WSAA Safari Championships



Skookum Archers will host the 2007 State Safari Championships on May 19th and 20th. Active members looking for work hours can conduct tournament director Jeremy Ryser, president Dennis Jenkins, range director Kurt Allen, or

grounds director Pat Fernandez for things that need to be done prior to the shoot (see the directors list on page 7 for contact information). This will be the first time in several years that Skookum has hosted the WSAA Safari championships.

Western WA Shoots this Month

Date:

- 5-6 Wooden Arrow KBH 3-D
- 12 Super Saturday 3-D Great Northwest
- 19-20 WSAA Safari Championship Skookum
- 26 Barebow Picnic & Field Shoot Templar Academy
- 26-27 Wa-Ku-Wa Archery Golf Wa-Ku-Wa Golf
- 26-28 Kid Valley Lewis & Clark
- 26-28 Washington State IBO Cedar River IBO

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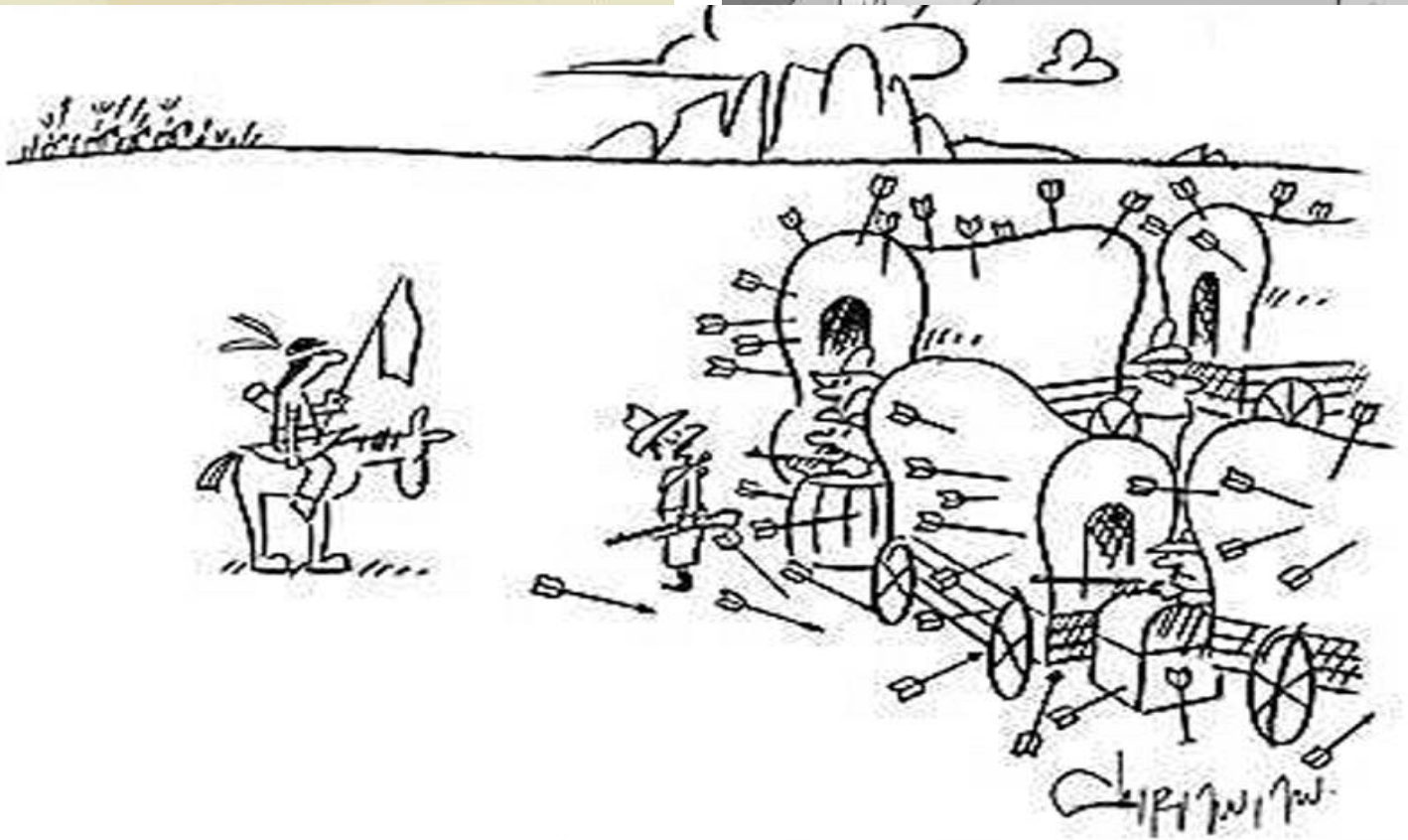
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Fun Night at the Archery Club



"They want to know if they can have their arrows back."

Each Friday night after work, Bubba would fire up his outdoor grill and cook a venison steak. But, all of Bubba's neighbors were Catholic, and since it was Lent, they were forbidden from eating meat on Friday. The delicious aroma from the grilled venison steaks was causing such a problem for the Catholic faithful that they finally talked to their priest. The Priest came to visit Bubba, and suggested that he become a Catholic. After several classes and much study, Bubba attended Mass.....and as the priest sprinkled holy water over him, he said, "You were born a Baptist, and raised a Baptist, but now you are a Catholic." Bubba's neighbors were greatly relieved, until Friday night arrived, and the wonderful aroma of grilled venison filled the neighborhood. The Priest was called immediately by the neighbors, and, as he rushed into Bubba's yard, clutching a rosary and prepared to scold him, he stopped and watched in amazement. There stood Bubba, clutching a small bottle of holy water which he carefully sprinkled over the grilling meat and chanted: You wuz born a deer, you wuz raised a deer, but now you a catfish. Contributed by *Pat Fernandez*