

PARKLAND BOWBENDERS

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SHOP LOCAL!

Accurate Archery carries compound archery equipment and accessories. Contact owner Lawrence Huot at 780-983-3770, and follow on Instagram - @accuratearcherybylawrence

JimBows Archery carries compound and traditional archery equipment and accessories. Store and shooting lanes are at 13955 - 156 Street, Edmonton. Website: www.jimbowsarchery.ca Contact David Schlottke @ 780-488-7705

Wyld Archery carries both compound and traditional archery equipment plus accessories. Store and shooting lanes are located at 14805 - Yellowhead Trail, Edm (behind Canopy West), Website www.wyldarchery.ca Contact Justin Watson @ 587-524-3838

Lodgepole Outdoors is locally owned and specializes in traditional archery equipment and accessories. Contact owner Jascha Handel @ 587-340-1049. Located at 7601-91 Ave, Edm. Check out their website at www.lodgepoleoutdoors.ca to see everything they have to offer!



MEMBERSHIPS - CHANGE TO FEES - CLUB INSURANCE - ABA NEWS

Parkland Bowbenders made the decision to get our club/member liability insurance directly from the provider for 2023, therefore, members will no longer be able to get an Alberta Bowhunters Association (ABA) membership through the club. Our club fees will remain the same as in 2022, but the cost of insurance will change the total fee payable as follows:

Adult - \$170 club fee + \$10 insurance = \$180

Junior - \$100 club fee + \$10 insurance = \$110

Family - \$180 club fee + \$20 insurance = \$200

To renew your membership - visit our website and complete the on-line form. (Note: All 2022 memberships expire on Dec 31, 2022, so be sure to renew in January as the gate code will change!) Our waiver form has also been updated.

JUNIOR PROGRAM

- by Coach Leon Lemoine

Wow! What can I say!! the 2022 Junior Youth Archery Program has come and gone so fast. Registration filled up quickly in early March 2022, with the majority of students returning from 2021. Registration continued to flow in with new students bringing the number of students from 19 in 2021 to 45 in 2022. This didn't come without stress and concerns. Firstly, I was worried I was not going to have enough equipment to fill the demand.

Thank you to Parkland Bowbenders who purchased an additional 14 bows for the junior program to ensure all archers were equipped.

Then came the challenge of coaching 45 students effectively. Well, thanks to the awesome archery community I had two very knowledgeable and fantastic shooters assist me for the season. I would like to send out a very special thank you to Naython Fleet and Clayton Fleet for their assistance this year. This large group was then split into two separate nights making it possible to instruct each student.

Lessons began in early May with the archers learning the basics, with safety being the forefront of each lesson. We started with building their base, grip, anchoring, front shoulder, release hand and so on, and continued building on a process to be consistent with every shot. Throughout the summer the students learned proper terminology for the various bow parts, as well as touching on some equipment maintenance.

Approximately halfway through the season we hosted a fun night consisting of archery games such as shooting by colors and popping candy filled balloons for the younger archers and battleship and a card count game for the older archers.

As the archers progressed they built confidence and accuracy. We then introduced them to 3D targets which I believe was a hit.

Unfortunately, all good things had to come to an end. The last week in August we had awards and an archer/family BBQ. Some board members were also in attendance. At this time we awarded each archer with a certificate and a club gift.

Another addition this year was the Coach's Choice Award. This trophy was awarded to an archer who demonstrated the willingness to listen, learn, and improve as well as manners and attendance - all the attributes an archer should have. There were many students this year that deserved this trophy, but it was unanimous by all three coaches that the award should go to Mason Bodewitz! Congratulations Mason! (see above photo)



JUNIOR PROGRAM - continued

Now on to the 2023 season which I have already started to plan. This season I am considering a second fun night, individual assessments and possibly more learning tools. Heck, I enjoyed 2021 & 2022 so much I may extend the season another month!

Also, for those archers who are considering 18 metre tournaments, I will be running a mock tournament with timers and judges. I hope all you archers are getting excited for the 2023 season because I know I am! So please tell a friend about our club's junior program, as I will be accepting new registrations in early March. Watch the website for updates!

Thanks, and hope to see you all on the range,

Coach Leon

p.s. For you beginner adults who might want to learn, keep an eye open as something may be coming for you soon! (equipment not supplied)

AGM

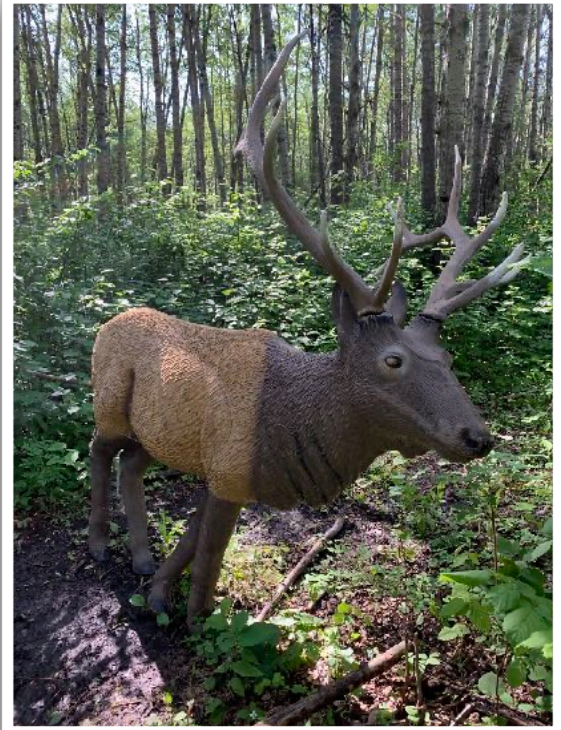
Parkland Bowbenders Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday January 19, 2023 @ 7 p.m. via Zoom.

Any current 2023 members interested in joining the meeting are invited to contact Director Adryan Slaght by email at info@parklandbowbenders.ca and he will provide the Zoom link.

CASINO

Thank you to all of the members who volunteered their time to work at our casino this past May 2022!

The revenue generated from this fundraiser allows us to purchase quality 3D and static range targets and to maintain the range for our members.



3D SHOOT JUNE 25-26/22 - ROD JOHNSON MEMORIAL SHOOT

The club was honored to host the Rod Johnson Memorial Shoot this past June in memory of our friend and fellow archer Rod who passed away Feb 16, 2022.

We had an awesome group of archers out for the weekend and everyone had a great time! Photos of the shoot including all participants are posted in our website gallery, and the scores are also posted on our website events page.

Mike Armstrong was the winner of the Overall Best Score with a 599! Congratulations Mike!



GUESTS AT THE RANGE

Members are advised that the rules surrounding taking a guest to the range have changed. Please contact club President Bob Smith at 587-991-1268 if you are interested in having a guest accompany you to the range.

CLUB NEWS

Once again we experienced a record number of memberships for 2022 and hope everyone enjoyed shooting at the range! A new gate lock with a longer hasp has been purchased which is easier to use than the old lock. Please remember to lock the gate everytime you enter/exit the range - never leave the gate unlocked or 'dummy' locked.

The gate code to the range will be reset on January 1 for the 2023 year, so be sure to apply early for your 2023 membership.

Our member referral program will also continue into 2023. If you are a Current Member who refers a New Member to our club, you will receive a \$20.00 Gift Card compliments of Parkland Bowbenders!

Thank you again to all of our members who help out around the range! We appreciate it! :-)