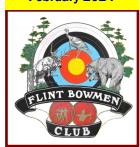
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# Flint Bowmen Newsletter

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# 9th Annual Genesis Bow Fun Shoot

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Chili Dinner Fundraiser Saturday, March 2 Starting at 5 PM

### **Genesis Bow Shoot**

This is meant to be a <u>fun</u> evening. We will be shooting the club's genesis bows at bulls-eye targets from 10 yards. You can use your own arrows or use the clubs. We will have awards to pass out to the winners. The cost is \$8.00 for members and \$10.00 for nonmembers to shoot. Member's kids will be \$4.00 and non member's kids will be \$5.00.

### Chili Dinner

Once again, this is meant to be a fundraiser. We will have a number of chilis to enjoy. There is a minimum cost of \$5.00 for a bowl or \$10.00 for all-you-can-eat. We will happily accept extra donations if you really like it! Let me know if you make a delicious chili you want to donate for this event.

We need to know in advance how many people are coming so we have enough trophies and enough chili. Please sign up in the hall by the restroom and let us know how many are coming.

Mike Alexander 810-240-1338 or lealexander@comcast.net

### **President Report February 2024**

January 2024 has had a very busy start. Leagues started the first week, we hosted an IAA spot tournament and we had our executive board meeting as required by the by-laws.

I have been busy with the Saturday youth league, smoking pork and brisket for the kitchen for upcoming events, and prepping for the indoor IAA we hosted in early February. I want to give a big shout out to Dan Groth for all the help with the IAA, he took time off work to help set targets on Thursday night, spent most of the day Friday finishing the set up, and helped run the lines all 3 days. So **THANK YOU Dan!** Also, thanks to Rocky, Jason, Adam, Paul, Chris, Ryan, and Greg for set up on Thursday and takedown on Sunday afternoon.

The IAA event in February was a huge success. We had the most shooters at an indoor event for the entire winter with 118 attendees. We got a ton of compliments on the shoot setup and the food in the kitchen. Thanks, Julie Kaufman, for pushing the flyer out daily and making sure it was very well advertised. For any upcoming events get the flyers to Julie as soon as we can or get the info to her so, she can create a flyer to advertise.

Thanks, Club President Jeff DeWyse

# Thank You for Being a Member of One of the Oldest Archery Clubs in Michigan

If you have not paid your dues yet, it is not too late. They need to be paid by February 29 to maintain your membership.

If you are not planning on rejoining, we hope you will still come out and enjoy our leagues and shoots as a nonmember. If the reason you are not renewing is something that we do or don't do, please let us know.

For all those who have paid their dues, we THANK YOU. We need all of our members for the club to survive. While we always need more volunteers, we also need money to pay our taxes and our electric bills.

We do have quite a few members who have supported Flint Bowmen for years by paying their dues even though they do not shoot or shoot very little. You all are very important to Flint Bowmen and THANK YOU for your financial support.

If for some reason you have not received your bill in 2024, please contact our membership coordinator-Megan DeWyse (989)529-8178 ASAP to get it straightened out.

THANK YOU

### **Front Gate**

We are going to be doing something different with the lock on the front gate.. We are trying a weather proof box that will keep the lock from freezing.

This is an ongoing process of trying to improve entering the club. Please be patient with us as we work through this.

### **New Website**

Our Webmaster, A.J, is planning on rolling out our new website March 2. He is doing a great job getting it together. We appreciate everyone's patience.



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### **Newsletter Contest**

Once again in 2024, I am going to have a little lottery draw game to see who reads the newsletter. Each month I will ask a few questions about what is in the newsletter, and you will need to email me your answers at <a href="lealexander@comcast.net">lealexander@comcast.net</a> or text me at 810-240-1338 to be entered. Since everyone likes and can use cash, I will give away \$25 of my own money to the winner at the Annual meeting in January.

Rules are simple.

All questions for the contest must be answered correctly to qualify.

Answers must be sent to <u>lealexander@comcast.net</u> or text me at 810-240-1338 before the next issue has been sent out.

Only one person per family will be eligible each month.

A member can only submit answers once per month.

Every member with correct answers will have their names put in a jug with one winner drawn at the Annual Meeting in January. So, the more months you enter, the better your chances of winning.

I want to THANK all those who sent in your answers to last month's contest. Thanks for reading the newsletter!

February Newsletter Contest Questions:

- 1. Who got a Robin Hood in the 2024 3-D League? Name one person.
- 2. Who was awarded A Life Membership at the Annual meeting in January?
- 3. Who is taking a nap in the bow case below?

### 2023 Newsletter Contest Winner

At the annual meeting in January, we had the drawing to see who won the Newsletter contest. We had 76 names of members who had qualified. I want to Congratulate Bill Guith on winning the prize pack. Bill won a bag of chocolate kisses, a \$25 Visa gift card and a "Brand New Car", a 2023 Jeep!

I want to THANK everyone who entered the contest in 2023 and I look forward to doing again in 2024. I am planning on increasing the prizes pack for the winner next year!-Editor









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## **Annual Meeting 2024**Jan. 13, 2024

Board Members present:	Jeff Dewyse, Juli Campbell-Inman, Paul Koczkodan, Cathy Akers-Jordan, Megan DeWyze, Jason Birchmeier, Rocky Cummins, Tim Kelly, Laurie LaLonde, Dan Groth, Bil McGlinchy, Chris Prentice, Michaela Reason, and Mike Alexander.
Members present:	Mike Biernatt, Keith Martnes, Gordon McKay, Sam White, Roger Thompson, Tracey Kelly, Tom Brasseur, Theresa Brasseur, Jim Maes, Jeremy Tanner, Kathy Tanner, Gale Aidif, Maggie Alexander, Ryan Reason, Bob Harris, A.J. Deal, Michael Bregand, Nick Middleton, Chuck Inman, Tom Daly, Robert Huben, Larry Woughter, Rob Woughter, Rob Halsey, Dennis Tempreton, and Steve Oakley.

Meeting called to order at 6:11 p.m.

Annual Meeting Packet distributed. Included Agenda, Dec. Meeting Minutes, Board Reports, Beginner Lessons and Group History, and Board Member Ballots.

President	Nothing to add				
Vice President	Nothing to add				
Treasurer	Report given. Juli motioned to accept, Laurie seconded. All in favor, motion passed.				
Secretary	Dec. minutes. Juli motioned to accept, Laurie seconded. All in favor, motion passed.				
Membership Coord.	Nothing to add				
Target Coord.	Jason Birchmeier stepping down, Steve Oakly running				
<b>Bow Hunter Coords</b>	Nothing to add				
Kitchen Coord. and Asst. Kitchen Coord.	Nothing to add				
Work Coord.	Nothing to add				
Rules Coord.	Bill McGlinchey stepping down, Josh Borrow running				
Legislative	Nothing to add				
Public Relations	Nothing to add				
Special Coord.	Vacant				
Editor Mike Alexander	Needs stuff for newsletter				

### **Unfinished Business**

Winter Leagues:

Started Mon. Lots of room on Wed. Room for two or three more couples. Room on Tues. 3D. Thurs will be full.

**Upcoming Shoots** 

Jan. 14 S3DA Regional Shoot. 1<sup>st</sup> line 8, Last line 1, followed by Awards ceremony

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Jan. 14 Outdoor Leage 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (8 weeks)

Jan. 19 S3DA practice 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### **New Business**

Membership Dues staying the same

By-Laws Updates: All passed except Associate Membership

Memebers who have over 100 work hours

Mike Alexander 485.15

**Rocky Cummins 274** 

Mike Messer 263.25

Tim Kelly 261.5

Jeff DeWyse 246.

Jim Maes 227.5

Laurie Lalonde 177

Sam White 134.5 Winner of Drawing

Joe Aidif 128.75

Paul Koczkodam 116

Dan Groth 109

Jeremy Tanner 106

Al Gillespie 100

Youth Members with 25+ work hours

Lily Grith 58

Aubrey DeWyse 33.5

Katelynn DeWyse 33.5

Ryleigh De Wyse 33.5

Piper Middleton 26

Successful Hunters and Archers:

Sam White: Bear, 9 pt. buck, and doe.

Brandon Alexander: 7pt. buck and 8

pt. buck.

Lynn Lovejoy: 7 pt. buck and 4 pt.

buck.

Rocky Cummings: 2 turkeys, 10 pt. buck, a doe, a carp, and a woodchuck.

Jeff DeWyse: a turkey, a doe, and a 7 pt. buck

Josh Borrow: 8 pt. buck Zane Joyner: 5 pt. buck

Mike Alexander: a bear, 8 pt. buck, 2 does, 5 coons, a goose, a duck, 2 squirrels, a turkey, and some

chipmunks.

Jeremy Tanner: a turkey, a bear, 8 pt. buck, and a carp.

Mike Beidnatt: 6 pt. buck and a doe.

Big Buck Contest (Antlers and shooter must be present): Rocky Cummins winner of gift card

Perfect Scores and Robin Hoods

**Perfect Scores** 

Amber Norton: Spring Lg. Orange St.

Ladd Gratsch: Spring Lg. Orange St. Rocky Cummins: Spring Lg. Blue St

Greg Macki: Fall Lg. Red St. Doug Ausley Brook: NFAA

Todd Boros (not a member): NFAA

Rocky Cummins: FITA NFAA

Allison Prentise: NFAA Michael Bregand: Indoor 3D Jason Birchmeier: FITA NFAA

Jeff DeWyse: NFAA

Adam Millard: FITA NFAA

### **Robin Hoods**

Mike Alexander: 2 Cathy Akers-Jordan: 1

Jug Meister: Jeremy Tanner

Life Member: Robert Harris

Out Going Board Members - Thank You to Jason Birch-

meier and Bill McGlinchey

Election of Officers. Tom Brosser motioned to accept, Juli

seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Presentation of new 2024 Board. Welcome new Rules Coordinator Josh Borrow, new Target Coordinator Steve

Oakley, and new web master A. J. Deal.

Raffles

Jeff made a motion to adjourn, Juli seconded. All in favor,

motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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### **Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Jan. 23, 2024

Board Members present	Jeff DeWyse, Juli Campbell-Inman, Paul Koczkodan, Cathy Akers-Jordan, Megan DeWyse, Michaela Reason, Steve Oakly, Rocky Cummins, Adam Millard, Tim Kelly, Laurie LaLonde, Josh Borrow,
	Julie Kaufman, Mike Alexander, A. J. Deal
Members present:	Tracey Kelly, Ryan Reason

Meeting started at 7:07 p.m.

### **New Business**

**New Board Members** 

Web: A.J. Deal Rules: Josh Borrow

Target Laird: Steve Oakley

PR: Julie Kaufman

Review AJ's start on a new and improved web site

Using Wix w relative links

Works with web or mobile, no need for two web sites

Talk to Jeff Smith re domain name

Needs non-photo of logo

Megan: Make Calendar bigger and easier to find!

Discuss goals for the 2024 Board

Lots of discussion

Discuss projects for 2024

AJ: Web Site

Tim: Grill, thermostat

Jeff: bathroom off back room, electronic gate for fence

Juli: Back area betw old bow room and lockers

Steve: redo field and hunter course

Mike: insulate exterior wall of chair table area and cold storage, ta to make it warmer, new door

Discuss Fri. and Wed. nights for 2024

S3DA is not practicing for the remainder of the year

Club is available on Fri for the remainder of Winter except 2/9 and 3/8

No JOAD on Friday nights (we don't have a coach)

Friday night smack downs?

Put info about shoots/practices on FB so everyone can share

Lots of discussion



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Wed night has lowest attendance of all league nights What is the cause?
How do we improve attendance?

Who will run the league?

Cardboard animal-shaped targets on boards 3 leagues, 4 weeks each Panorama league Novelty targets (spinning) 3 spot league stays full, 5 spot drops Everyone think about it



Mike: Hopewell Baptist Church wild game dinner. Rock motioned to donate a one-year memberships, Michaela seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Megan: Lockers rules language unclear re spouse/boyfriend/girlfriend. Discussion clarified it for Megan. Must participate in a full league **or** work 20 hours. Locker fees due by the end of January.

Mike motioned to adjourn, Laurie seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting ended at 9:02 p.m.





# Thanks to everyone who came out for the NYE smackdown!

High score 300-26x tie settled in a shoot-off

Rocky Cummins Sr.

Levi Reitsma

Rocky Cummins Jr - wins with a 3X end

### **Smackdown Results**

1st place - Levi Reitsma

2nd place - Zach Boyd "Teapot"

3rd place - Ryan Locke

### Non Sequitur by Wiley Miller



### **Guest Shooters**

When you bring a guest out to shoot at Flint Bowmen, please make sure they pay the guest fee. Just inside the front door is a box to put the money in. Adults \$5 and kids \$2. Everyone must also fill out a waiver PLEASE!

Sometimes our members work so hard, they need to take a nap. Did you see the picture on page 3 of Mr. R.C. taking a nap?

If you use the back door, please remember to lock it when you get done. At this time of the year, few people go outside to shoot, so we need to make sure the building is secure.



### Good News/Bad News

Members Shannon Schattilly and Dave Dremer got Robin Hoods on our Tuesday 3-D League in January this year. It is cool to get them, but it gets expensive real quick.



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### Winter Outdoor League 2024

We have eight hearty guys who enjoy the outdoor shooting at Flint Bowmen in the winter. Since this is a small league, we all grab our recurves and shoot together.

We don't shoot from a stake like the other outdoor leagues. We rotate who shoots first, that person picks where that shot will be from, and we all have to follow. Kind of like basketball horse but with archery equipment.

Sometimes we shoot through the bushes, sometimes we shoot through a v in a tree. It is a fun league. As you can see in one of the pictures, the arrows don't always make it to the animal target.

We do keep score, but most of us don't care about the scores. It's just fun shooting with a good bunch of people.

Since these picture were taken, we have added a ninth

ninth member to our group. We are always looking for more people to have a good time with their bow in hand.

If you want to join us, let me know. Editor









### 2024 BOARD MEMBERS & CONTACT INFO

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### **January 2024 New Members**



Kyle & Shellby Cain

Robert & Colleen Rickard

Jeff & Tammy Smith

Presley Allen & Matt Johnson

Carl Hatala

Daniel & Nicole Bailey

Mike & Karla Westra



### **ATTENTION**

There is a notebook behind the membership applications that needs to be filled out by anyone who signs up a new member. This will help the membership coordinator know when a new members joins.

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# At the Annual Meeting in January, we introduced our latest member to the Flint Bowmen's Life Membership group of members.

### We Want to Congratulate our Newest Life Member-Robert Harris

Robert has been a member of Flint Bowmen since February 27, 2005

He has shot in all of our outdoor 3-D leagues and morning target leagues since he joined in 2005.

In his younger years, he was an avid hunter with a ton of success. Beside his white tail deer success, he has been to Africa bowhunting a few times with great success.

He has been a regular on work days during his almost 20 years as a member. He never misses the Fall Shoot set up work day and is always around when Larry Woughter has a work crew working.

I have been told when he shoots the 3-D league, he is constantly picking up sticks to clear the trails

He has been on the Audit committee for years.

He has done registration for both the Morning leagues for as long as we can remember.

He was on the Board from 2017 thru 2019 as our Treasure.

Robert picks up Dave Cady and gives him rides to the club to help Dave get here!

It was a unanimous selection from the Life Member committee and a unanimous vote from the Flint Bowmen Board to name Robert Harris our next Life member, our 45th Life member.

### Pay for your new targets!

If you get out a new target, you must pay for it. Used targets out of the bin are free to use. It is all members responsibility to pay for their new practice targets at time of use. It is best to pay when you get it so you don't forget.

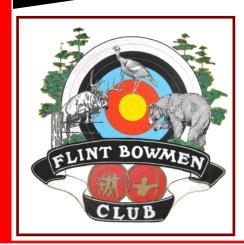
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### KEEPING THE MEMBERSHIP INFORMED

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### **Upcoming Events:**

For more info, go to www.flintbowmen.com

### March 2024

2nd \*Chili Cook Off and Genesis fun shoot 5pm
8th-10th \*ASA Indoor State Qualifier @ Flint Bowmen

12th Membership Meeting Tue 7pm

### **April 2024**

9th Membership Meeting Tue 7pm 17th \*Beginners Lessons Wed. 6pm

23rd-25th \*Spring 3-D League Tue 10-12am, Tue—Thursday 4-7pm 8 (wks)

### **May 2024**

4th Work Day-All ranges closed 9am-??? (Until it is over)

14th Membership Meeting Tue 7pm 15th \*Beginners Lessons Wed. 6pm

### **June 2024**

7th-9th \*ASA Outdoor 3D State Qualifier 11th Membership Meeting Tue 7pm

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