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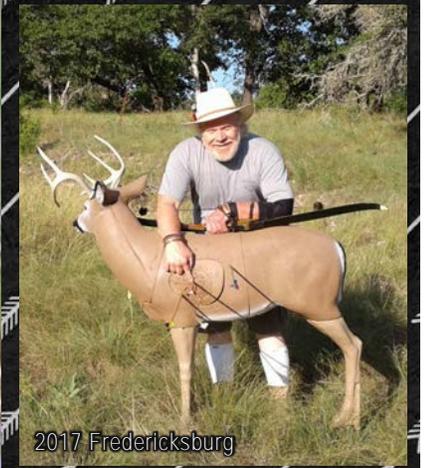
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David and Fred Richards  
2013 HCS



2013 HCS



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Hello from your Range Captain,

Another hunting season has come and gone, I had some fun and I hope you did too. No trophies this year and nothing at the taxidermist, but I did enjoy every time I had the chance to get out.

It's time to get ready for the Hill Country Shootout once again!

It takes a little work setting up for the shoot, but it's fun type work and we do have good time doing it. If you can donate a little time we can always use some extra help. We simply cannot do it without volunteers.

Thursday is usually the biggest day to help set up targets and let your imagination run wild. Friday we finish up the range, get the tents up and do everything else. There is always plenty to do.

We can always use some new ideas, new challenges, and new faces. As time marches on, some volunteers can no longer help for one reason or another; job, family commitments, and of course age.

We have been approached in the past about target sponsorships. This year we are offering anyone who would like to help with sponsoring a target. This can be individuals or vendors. For those sponsors, a sign will be made up for your target, with your name or business name, and the sign will stay out as long as the target lasts. Typically, a deer size target lasts six or seven years. If you have any interest in sponsoring a target, please give me a call.

I will soon order new targets for this year; if anyone has any favorites, likes or dislikes please contact me.

Some people have asked me why I have done this for so long. I do it because it's worth doing. It's good for the sport, the friends I have made, and the new young bowhunters that show up for the first time.

Thanks for the privilege, your Range Captain, also known as the range fairy.

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# Thank You For The Bow



Me and Dad

By Fred Richards

"I do set my bow in the cloud and it shall be for a token of a covenant between Me and the Earth". Gen 9:13

Wow, that's some magazine cover. More than I deserve, but thanks.

Hi, I'm Fred. I've been real lucky to shoot rounds with a lot of wonderful archers in the almost 12 years I've been hanging around TBOT events. I appreciate your tolerance of my "skills" and especially when it come to helping me finding my arrows.

Unlike most articles I've read in the magazine, I really don't have a long deliberate history with archery. I'm 1/16th Choctaw Native

American and about half English which may explain my affinity for the longbow, but I only played around with archery until I PCS'd to Texas in 2006. I remember breaking my Father's childhood bow trying to string it up. I still have the 45-50 lb Damart Super Flight Ranger bow I bought when I took archery as a college PE elective. (I got a B). I have a wooden Ben Pearson Bushmaster D-Shaped 60lb barebow (I guess). I played around with archery as my children were growing, but that's was really about it.

All that changed in 2006. I pulled a gun stand at Camp Bullis only to discover that 6 weeks into the season, my area had "shot out". "Shot out of what"? As I was leaving Outdoor Rec, I heard someone say "well, archery season's still open". Cool. Bass Pro had just opened so I bought a Bear Instinct compound and started throwing aluminum arrows all over the range.

During one of the monthly Bullis shoots, I walked past 3 guys with stickbows and I made some crack that I had already killed everything ahead of them. The big guy said, well come on with us anyway. That's were I met my mentor, Perry Sullivan. A big, unassuming guy who I couldn't help but hit it off with. We finished the round and he asked me to join them next month. Sure. That's when the wheel-bow cracks started. OK, I could only take so much, so when I got a 15% off Happy Birthday Bass Pro discount, my daughter and I went and I got my Grizzly. That was it. My son accidentally gave the Instinct away to my daughter's boyfriend/future husband, but that's another story.

I did a bunch of reading, watched a bunch of videos, started shooting league at Fred Ramirez's. Oh well. One day I was hard at work missing big targets with little arrows at the Bullis range when this bunch of guys came down the road making all kind of smartdonkey cracks about my "skill". Fine, let's do this. That's how I met David Oaks.



Perry: HCS (Bugscuffle Ranch)

Perry then invited me to go with him to someplace called Vanderpool. He talked it up like a pilgrimage so I said cool. Well, he was right. An incredible drive there and it only got better when we got to Bugscuffle. Hundreds of folks enjoying something I had only begun to appreciate. Perry's more than an amateur photographer and got a great candid of me on the first of my many efforts to hit the elk. I haven't missed a Hill Country Shoot since. Years later I did finally get the elk. And Rusty Horn was there to see it.

I eventually bought a couple more bows and actually got to where I could keep more arrows than I lose or break. And in doing so, I continue to develop a greater appreciation and love of the sport.

But it's not just about a strange old guy staggering up and down the Texas Hill Country shooting styrofoam with sticks and strings. We know it's more than that.

I started this jag with tales of events and stories and memories. And isn't that the stuff life's made of - events and stories and memories. .

Cover page, the good looking fellow standing in the picture with me is my youngest son. A professional photographer took that picture of us at the 2013 Hill Country Shootout, the first year I stumbled into a Hill Country Buckle. I wore that buckle so much I bent the ring and had it rebuilt. I still wear it. That is an event, story and memory I'll never forget.

When I moved my parents from Baton Rouge to the house next door, I remember telling my Dad, an avid golfer in his day, that I love him, but not golf. Here's a bow. Let's go. And he did.

I met two of my best friends at Bullis shoots. I've met so many other really cool people and made a lot of good memories in just these 12 years going to TBOT shoots.

I remember apologizing to Arvin Weaver for buying my selfbow from a guy in Oklahoma before I met him. I remember discussing Nordic Runes and God with his wife, Deb at the same Austin shoot. I remember losing two \$5 bets to David Oak's grandson about shots I didn't think he would make. I remember actually hitting that elk 3 times in 3 attempts at one shoot and one was actually a 12. (I have a picture to prove it). I remember giving away a gold buckle to a much more deserving archer one cold day in Canyon Lake. I remember listening to Roland and Judy's lengthy discussion about the change of getting leprosy from an armadillo shell. I remember laughing with Bob Sarrells about the gas powered string airplanes we both flew as kids.

I have an "Archery" directory in my phone and going down the list every name has an event and a story and a memory to go with it.

I remember really actually seeing how beautiful Texas is just walking around the various ranches during the shoots. I remember talking out a lot of stuff on the drives to a lot of shoots and even while walking through a round.

Anyone who knows me knows that since I'm from Louisiana, I'm full of fertilizer and could go on and on. But

when you just stop, take a minute we've all got our stories. And I bet a lot of them revolve around either TBOT or archery itself.

In conclusion, to me, anyway, isn't that what this is all about, anyway? Getting together with really cool people who enjoy shooting animals we can't eat, reveling in good shots and reviling the oh shoot shots? Telling stories, hearing stories?

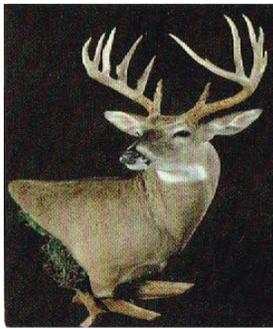
I started this off with the story of how God gave mankind the idea of what a bow was so we could eat after the world changed so much after the flood. You can't convince me that we came up of the concept of shooting sticks with string on our own. Just too simple and just too complex for me to get my head around. I'm also thankful he made it so much fun. See Ya on the course.



Fred Richards. Major, U.S. Air Force. 1989-2009. Desert Storm, Iraqi Freedom and Katrina. I had some unique jobs but my primary was as a pharmacist.

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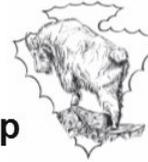
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### April 14th & 15th, 2018

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| Men's Recurve Open    | Men's Longbow Open     | Men's Composite                          |                |
| Ladies Recurve Wood   | Ladies Longbow Wood    | Ladies Seniors (+62)                     | Ladies Selfbow |
| Ladies Recurve Open   | Ladies Longbow Open    | Ladies Composite                         |                |
| Boy's Recurve (12-14) | Girl's Recurve (12-14) | Cubs Recurve or Longbow (9-11)           |                |
| Boy's Recurve (15-17) | Girl's Recurve (15-17) | Mini Cubs Recurve or Longbow (8 & under) |                |
| Boy's Longbow (12-14) | Girl's Longbow (12-14) |  |                |
| Boy's Longbow (15-17) | Girl's Longbow (15-17) |  |                |

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Indicate Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Indicate Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Indicate Age \_\_\_\_\_

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RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

Releasor: Primary Shooter  
(See Registration Form)

Releasee: Traditional Bowhunters of Texas  
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Club Name: Traditional Bowhunters of Texas

Event Location: Vanderpool, Texas

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THE FORM.

Releasor has executed this Release on the 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018.

Releasor signature on this form acknowledges receipt of the document and covers all participants registered herewith, including family members, minors, and visitors.

Safety Guidelines for Shooters:

- Do not intentionally shoot arrows in the ground.
- Only point bow at intended targets.
- Never nock an arrow until the intended target is clear of other shooters.
- Stay on designated paths.
- Look for arrows only after competition is completed for the day.
- If returning to look for lost arrows, place a marker on your equipment in front of the target.
- Adults must supervise children at all times.

Releasor (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Releasor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## TBOT CLASSES

- Seniors ( Men ) 62+ ( Effective 01/01/2014 ) – any bow, any arrows
- Selfbow (a bow composed of one piece of wood from end to end allowing decorative backing of animal skin or sinew) – wood arrows only
- Composite (all wood with no fiberglass) – wood arrows only
- Men's Recurve Open — carbon, aluminum arrows, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Men's Recurve Wood — wood arrows only
- Men's Longbow Open — carbon, aluminum arrows, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Men's Longbow Wood — wood arrows only
- Ladies Seniors Over 62+ , any bow, any arrows
- Ladies Recurve Open — carbon, aluminum, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
- Ladies Recurve Wood — wood arrows only
- Ladies Longbow Open – carbon, aluminum, i.e. synthetic arrows (no wood arrows)
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- Boy's Longbow (15-17) — any arrows
- Girls Recurve (15-17) — any arrows
- Girls Longbow (15-17) – any arrows
- Boy's Recurve (12-14) – any arrows
- Boy's Longbow (12-14) – any arrows
- Girls Recurve (12-14) – any arrows
- Girls Longbow (12-14) – any arrows
- Cubs (9-11) – Recurve or Longbow, any arrows
- Mini Cubs (8 and under) – Recurve or Longbow, any arrows

## TBOT Tournament Rules

1. Must shoot off the shelf. No Moving parts. When assembled, the working bow is to be one solid piece.
2. No sights or markings on the bow or string. Index finger must be touching the string and nock of the arrow at the same time to prohibit string walking.
3. **Arrows are to be no less than 6" shorter than the draw length of the archer using the bow, e.g. to allow for Turkish, siper-type overdraws** but to disallow vertical crossbows. Broadheads are not allowed.
4. Release shall be accomplished with the digits of the drawing hand.
5. Binoculars are allowed at all TBoT tournaments, but shall not be used once the shooter is at the shooting stake. No rangefinders allowed.
6. Minimum of Three (3) shooters/participants per group. If family members shoot together, there shall also be at least one shooter in the group that is NOT related to the family. No shooting alone.
7. Score keeper must be a shoot participant and be able to visually validate scores.
8. If an arrow bounces back from the target and is witnessed by the group, it shall be the decision of the group to score the arrow as agreed upon, however, this score shall not be higher than 10. Glancing blows (or ricochets) off the target score zero.
9. Some part of the body must be touching the stake. Cubs and mini cubs may shoot from where they feel comfortable.
10. One must shoot the class they signed up for unless approved at the registration desk prior to starting the round.
11. Fun rounds are welcomed but can only be shot after all scoring rounds are shot and score cards turned in.
12. Only one class may be shot per tournament round.
13. Children under 12 must be accompanied by adults on both the practice range and the tournament range
14. All dogs must be kept on a leash.
15. **Driving permitted only in designated areas. No driving ATV's on the tournament range without prior consent.**
16. Watch for signage indicating Burn Bans in effect.
17. No alcohol on the tournament ranges.

## TBOT Tournament Grievance Policy

1. All grievances must be filed at the shoot at which the alleged rules infraction occurs.
2. A grievance fee of \$20 must be paid at time grievance is filed and is non-refundable.
3. Two TBOT Officers shall recruit two TBOT Members who are in good standing, and are participants of the event to form a committee to hear the grievance.
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# Long Shot

By Brandon Moreton



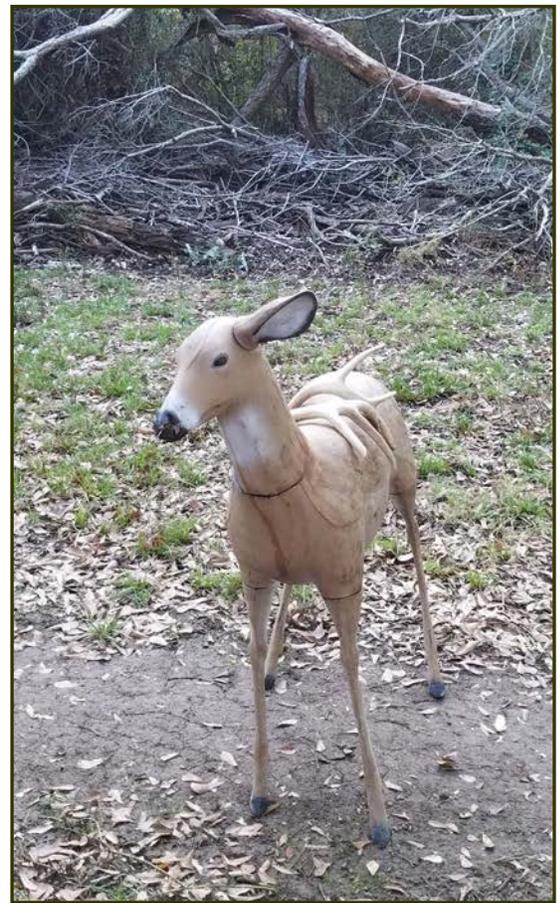
8-Pt.. Harvested with Jenkins Bow

**A**fter spending the last two years in a DIY house addition/remodel things were finally beginning to settle down and more time was spent flinging arrows instead of swinging a hammer. This 2017 season would be my first season back with a stickbow in hand since 2009. With the birth of our first daughter and a job in the oilfield I just could not seem to find the time to shoot and stay consistent so I made the decision to step back for a while. Fast forward eight years and two more daughters the time was here for the longbow to join me afield once again. I was going into this year with two main goals, just have fun and kill at least one whitetail with the longbow.

Early in the season I was fortunate and able to take a spike and a hog, thus completing the goals I had set for myself. This was turning out to be one of the most rewarding seasons for myself in several years. As I watched the arrow pass through the spike this sense of accomplishment and satisfaction washed over me in a way that's hard to explain to most.

As the season progressed the deer movement and patterns took a rapid turn with the start of a very early acorn crop. The deer were still there, we just seemed to not cross paths as often as I would have liked. As time would allow I tried hanging new stands, hunting different stands with good sign and spot and stalk to no avail but still enjoying every minute of this cat and mouse scenario Mother Nature was laying out.

On a warm November 16th I was able to get home from work with enough time for an evening sit. Due to the warm temps I was hesitant to sweat in a pop up all evening so on a whim I grabbed my rattling horns and a newly acquired second hand one eared doe decoy and headed out. Without much of a plan I parked the truck and began a slow walk down a dry creek bed running north and south. As I eased down the edge of the creek bed I was looking for a spot that would offer concealment while allowing room to maneuver my bow. Finding a large Pin Oak laid down by a windstorm a few years earlier I felt this would make a likely hiding spot. I placed my decoy about twelve yards east of the dead fall and climbed into the hole in the brush behind. After letting things settle down for a while I began to aggressively beat the horns together while raking the ground and brush around me. I found myself really getting into it all while thinking to myself "this is a loooooong shot". As soon as I had placed my rattling horns on the ground in front of me I began trying to look through the brush for any signs of movement. Then I saw it, a small patch of white through a tiny hole in the brush that just looked out of place. I stared at this small white patch through the tangle of briars and Yaupon almost as if I was trying to mentally turn it into more than I knew it was.



Then about the time I decided my eyes were playing with my brain, it moved, it was a deer, it was a buck! As he moved out of the dry creek bed I was only catching bits and pieces due to the tick brush concealing me from his view. As he closed the distance in a stiff legged walk with ears laid back I was able to determine that he was legal under our counties antler restrictions but could not tell much more than that nor did I need to. Now I began staring at the ground and repeatedly telling myself to keep it together as he closed the distance uncomfortably close while working his way between myself and the decoy. As he cleared the brush and came into my view I realized his vitals were obstructed by the tree I was kneeling behind. With his attention focused on his new found love I was able to stand undetected while I focused on an imaginary spot behind his offset shoulder. Just as he began to turn at seven yards to approach the decoy I released my arrow and watched it pass almost effortlessly through his rib cage and skip to a halt 15 yards beyond the buck. Instantly I knew the shot was good as he ran to my left out of view but he was close enough that I could hear the breath escaping from his lungs and the rustle of the leaves. In one last surge of adrenaline the buck made an attempt to reach the safety of the creek bed but stumbled as he came into view falling where he would stay. Now is when I began to lose it and I can still remember calling my wife with the news of my good fortune but instead scared her half to death because whatever I said was incoherent babble.

I had begun the 2017 season with the sole desire to just have fun and enjoy hunting with my longbow again, never would I have dreamed of the events that took place on that November evening. That particular buck is not my biggest, more or less an average representative for our area but that hunt is at the top of my list. I have to thank my Dad for introducing us to the outdoors at such an early age and turning me onto "traditional archery" as well as teaching that the true trophy is not in the score of an animal but the memories made and journey traveled.



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- Boys Longbow (15-17) ▪ Boys Recurve (15-17) ▪ Ladies Longbow Wood ▪ Ladies Longbow Open
- Ladies Recurve Wood ▪ Ladies Recurve Open ▪ Ladies Seniors Over 62+ ▪ Ladies Composite
- Ladies Selfbow ▪ **Men's Longbow Wood ▪ Men's Longbow Open**
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2018 Results [tbot.org](http://tbot.org)

**Archers For Christ • TBOT** January 20-21, 2018 [archersforchristparistx.com](http://archersforchristparistx.com)

Irving Bowhunters Association February 3-4, 2018 [ibatx.org](http://ibatx.org)

**Brazos County Archery Club • TBOT** February 10, 2018 [brazoscountyarchery.com](http://brazoscountyarchery.com)

**Denton Archery Club • TBOT** February 10-11, 2018 [dentoncountyarchers.org](http://dentoncountyarchers.org)



**Fredericksburg Archery Club • TBOT Saturday, February 17, 2018**

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Cowtown Bowmen Archery Club, 9900 Watercress Dr. Fort Worth, TX 76108

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## **Bastrop County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, March 3, 2018**

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## **Abilene Bowhunters Association • TBOT Saturday, March 24, 2018**



[abilenebowhunters.com](http://abilenebowhunters.com)

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### **Rolling Plains Sportsman Club • TBOT May 5-6, 2018**

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 [sportsmanclub.org](http://sportsmanclub.org)

Memphis City Park, South on 6th St. Memphis, Texas

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### **Collin County Bowhunters Association • TBOT June 2-3, 2018**

[collincountybowhunters.org](http://collincountybowhunters.org)

5681 Co Rd 1042, Blue Ridge, TX 75424 Sat Daylight to Dark. Sun Score cards in by 2pm

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**Austin Archery Club • TBOT July 28-29, 2018 [austinarcheryclub.com](http://austinarcheryclub.com)**

Saturday Gates open at 8:00 am (California Start). Last card out by 3pm.

Sunday: Gates open 8:00 am - Cards in by 3:00 pm.

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AAC President Robert Garcia [rob1095@hotmail.com](mailto:rob1095@hotmail.com)

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**Bastrop County Bowhunters • TBOT Saturday, August 4, 2018**

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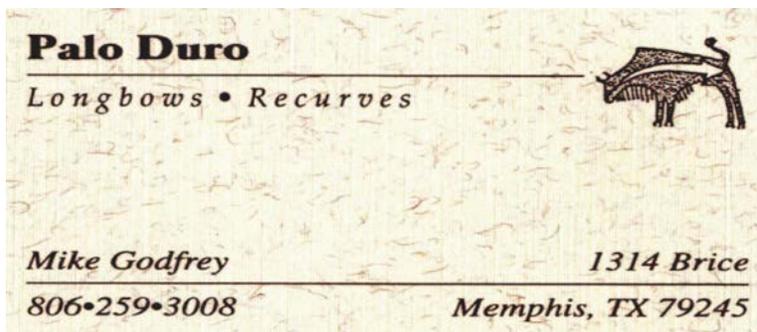
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January 20-21, 2018 Results

## Mini Cubs

Nate Green 184  
Nate Green 168

## Cubs

Taylor Kruse 289  
Sara Heady 240  
Sara Heady 235  
Matthew Green 220  
Matthew Green 219  
Matthew Green ns

## Youth Recurve

G-Mo Dominquez 242  
Emily Heady 225

## Ladies Selfbow

Sharon Wilson 241

## Ladies Longbow Open

Samantha Bullard 243  
Sharon Wilson 218  
Tammy Woolsey 207

## Ladies Longbow Wood

Anita Murray 223  
Sharon Wilson 222  
Tammy Woolsey 162

## Ladies Recurve Open

Judy gocowboys 184  
Corrina Heady 92

## Ladies Recurve Wood

Judy gocowboys 180  
Emily Heady 175

## Selfbow

Charles Alexander 245  
Ken Arterbury 218  
Bud Murphy 207  
Lewis Via 204  
Nate Goudy 158  
Roland Jenkins 130

## Men's Seniors

Sonny Ledford 251  
Lambert Lopez 216  
Wayne Meuir 195  
Moses Herrer 185  
Keith Williams 182  
Jack Gardner 157

## Men's Composite Bow

Greg Bench 246  
Todd Smith 226  
Lewis Via 204  
Keith Williams 192  
Marshall Woolsey 181

## Men's Recurve Open

Brandon Keys 253  
Brad Renthinger 247  
Jacky Newman 217  
David Rubio 214  
Joey Heady 212  
Greg Golden 203  
Dennis Haitrius 182  
Chris Williams 158  
Scott McCl Clarke 141

## Men's Recurve Wood

Ken Arterbury 254  
Scott McCloude 247  
Bud Murphy 218  
Todd Maxey 206  
Jeffrey Murray 182  
Joey Heady 190



## Men's Longbow Open

Caleb Ballard 284  
Charles Alexander 268  
Sammy Ledford 264  
Brad Renthinger 257  
Greg Bench 251  
Mark Mosley 242  
Todd Smith 242  
Scott McCloude 236  
Wayne Meuir 210  
David Rubio 197  
Dennis Harkins 195  
Marshall Woolsey 191  
Greg Golden 192  
Curtis Williams 174  
Keith Williams 171

## Men's Longbow Wood

Ken Arterbury 235  
Greg Bench 228  
Todd Maxey 227  
Lambert Lopez 215  
Roland Jenkins 199  
Jack Gardner 192  
Marshall Wadsey 192  
Dennis Harkins 172  
Moses Herrer 168  
Chris Williams 157  
Ronnie Shamrak ns



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- The Deerman Shoot, Saturday, May 26, 2018
- LSBA Shoot, Sunday, August 12, 2018.
- Fred Bear Charity Shoot for Twin City Mission,  
Sunday, December 9, 2018
- 2018 Host Brazos 4H Archery Club.
- 2018 BCAC Banquet
- 2019 The Pink Alliance Charity Shoot
- 2019 Traditional Bowhunters of Texas (TBOT)



# Irving Bowhunters Association • TBOT

February 3-4, 2018 Results

[ibatx.org](http://ibatx.org)

## Mini Cubs

Santana Johnson 167

## Cubs

Violet Powel 100 1st.

David Serna 100 1st.

Erik Powel 98

## Youth Longbow

Colton King 38

## Youth Recurve

G Mo Dominquez 245

## Ladies Longbow

Francine DeRhodo 226

Anita Murray 183

## Ladies Longbow Open

Francine DeRhodo 224

Tammy Woolsey 124

## Ladies Recurve Wood

Francine DeRhodo 245

Judy gocowboys ns

## Ladies Recurve Open

Francine DeRhodo 257

Rosa Rubio 247

Judy gocowboys ns

## Ladies Composite Bow

Francine DeRhodo 195

Anita Murray 171

## Men's Seniors

Mark Holman 243

Randy Probst 226

Danny Long 222

Wayne Meuir 221

Dano Williams 215

Lambert Lopez 206

Moses Herrera 201

Keith Williams 197

William A "Bill" Turner 180

Randy Martin 165

## Men's Composite Bow

Charles Alexander 233

Greg Bench 233

John Holman 230

Mark Holman 217

Bud Murphy 211

Rodney Wilhoite 202

Keith Williams 186

Lewis Via 160

Marshall Woolsey 151

## Selfbow

John Holman 248

Mark Holman 243

Charles Alexander 241

Rodney Wilhoite 237

Lewis Via 209

Bud Murphy 196

Roland Jenkins ns

## Men's Longbow Wood

Brad Reuthinger 264

Mark Holman 262

Delano Carneiro 256

Jeremy King 221

Lewis Via 220

John Holman 218

## Men's Longbow Wood

(Cont.)

Joe Wallis 218

Delvin D Dupuy 209

Mark Boyd 200

Dennis Harkins 197

Rodney Wilhoite 197

Lambert Lopez 192

Moses Herrera 187

Chad Wooley 182

Jeffro Murray 180

Jason Young 178

Bud Murphy 166

David Rubio 160

Rabbit Spurgeon 156

Chris Williams 148

Thomas Sondej ns

## Men's Longbow Open

Greg Bench 255

Delano Casneiro 250

Brad Reuthinger 250

Wayne Meuir 242

Charles Alexander 240

Mark Holman 237

John Holman 234

Jeremy King 218

Jake Crater Jr. 214

Jason Young 212

Lambert Lopez 208

Chad Wooley 195

Marshall Woolsey 180

David Rubio 179

Dennis Harkins 173

Rabbit Spurgeon 167

Dano Williams 167

Chris Williams 163

Chris Grossner 149

Matthew Harris 134

## Men's Recurve Wood

Delano Carneiro 293

Rodney Wilhoite 250

John Holman 237

Roland Jenkins 227

Chuck Use' 222

Jeffro Murray 217

Chad Wooley 212

Jason Young 193

Byron Neuse 188

Wayne Ray 184

Dano Williams 163

David Rubio 159

## Men's Recurve Open

Delano Carneiro 270

Randy Probst 252

Brad Reuthinger 252

Ron Turner 246

Jake J. Crater Jr. 244

Lambert Lopez 238

Justin Lowes 209

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Chuck Use' 184

Dano Williams 191

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Chad Wooley 175

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# Waiting For the Spring Gar Spawn

By Bob Morrison

The gar start feeling their oats around the middle of April in the Cross Timbers, and by June, the Spring spawn hits a fourth gear. No doubt about it, it's a frantic, rollicking, fast-paced annual ritual that local bow-fishermen have been awaiting. When this time arrives, you should be ready: plenty of fishing arrows, washed and dried bow reel line, waxed bowstring, bow tuned, a valid outdoor sporting licenses, polaroid glasses, and sunscreen lotion. Carry a cell phone in a water-proof container. Don't forget to tell someone where you'll be bowfishing and when you expect to return. Also, don't forget to properly dispose of the fish carcasses. Don't toss'em on shore nor back into the water. This is offensive to everyone that enjoys an outing at their favorite lake, river, or conservation lake.

In one day, you can start on the Brazos River at the Possum Kingdom Lake tailrace, stalk down stream, past SH16 bridge, and on south to the deep holes. Leaving the Brazos, follow SH 16, south and cut over to Lake Palo Pinto and start at the hot-water outlet on the west side. From the outlet, skip over to the dam's small tailrace.

Drive from Palo Pinto Lake to Lake Leon. Bowfishing is usually excellent at the day park on the west side highway to Comanche. The road leading to the tailrace is usually closed to bowfishing the tailrace. (Check with the lake authorities.)

For the last lap, swing down to Lake Proctor, just north of Proctor, TX. There're plenty of inlets, backwaters, coves where spotted gar, especially, congregate for mating rituals. The needle-nose gar prefer more open shallow water to spawn than the spotted gar.

Gar are opportunistic carnivores, feeding on live prey such as minnows and sunfishes. One trick that sometimes works - but no guarantee - to draw them in close for a shot is thrashing the shallow water; this stimulates their curiosity.

Gar are edible, but not their eggs, which are poisonous. Most bowfishermen won't clean a gar because of their armor. This is easily handled with tin snipes. Open up the fish and hull out the body. The flesh is pearly white. The skeleton is cartilaginous. Fillets are easily removed and used in a multitude of fish recipes.



Billy Rumbo, at 8-acre lake, Mingus, Tx., with a needle-nose gar in his sights.  
(by author)

Years ago when living in Beaumont, TX, I'd sell gar to neighbors. Depending on the size and number of gar, they'd pay anywhere from twenty-five to fifty cents for small gar and up to a dollar or two for a large one. I'd make enough money to buy a few gallons of gasoline or a couple of fishing arrows.

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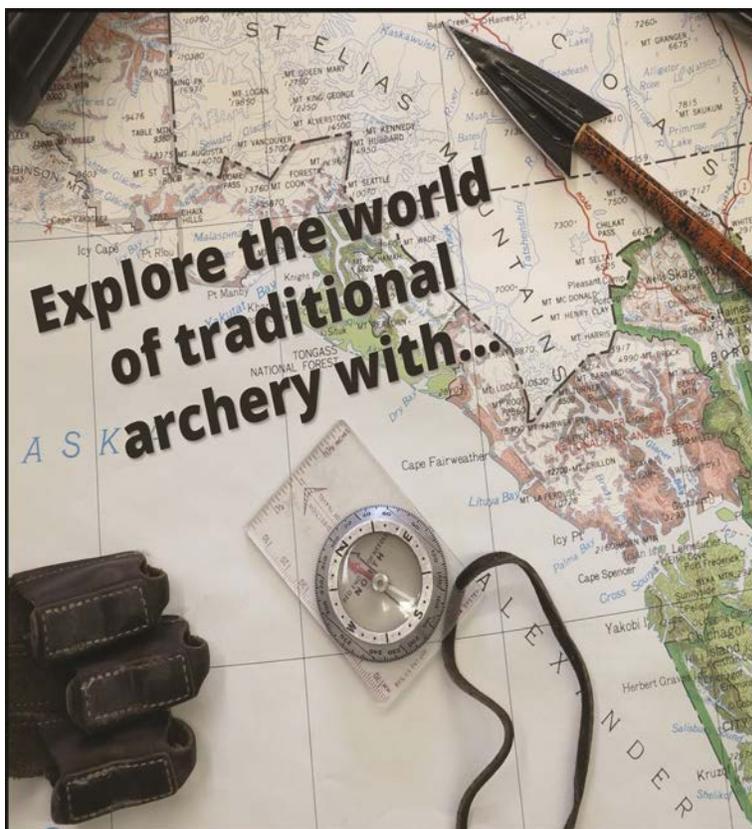
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