

WAPITI BOWMEN, INC.
BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I: MEETINGS

1. A regular business meeting of the membership shall be held in the first week of each month except for the month of September when no meeting shall be held. Other, temporary exceptions to the meeting schedule may be made on a meeting-by-meeting basis by vote of the membership present at the regular business meeting immediately prior to the meeting for which the exception is being made. A notice of any such temporary changes in the regular meeting schedule shall be published in the issue of the club's newsletter following the meeting at which the exception is approved.
2. Any member of the Board of Directors may call special meetings on a 48 hour minimum notice.
3. An annual banquet will be held within eight (8) weeks after the election of new officers, which shall take place at the January business meeting. The purpose of the banquet shall be to introduce and install the new officers and present annual awards (i.e., Bow Hunter of the Year, Membership and any other awards).

ARTICLE II: OFFICER REPORTS

1. At each monthly meeting, all officers shall give an oral report of their activities incident to their office to the membership present.

ARTICLE III: COMMITTEES

1. Any member of Wapiti Bowmen may be appointed to serve on more than one committee.
2. Whenever a committee is established by the President for the purpose of working on the budget, the Treasurer shall be one of the members of the committee.

ARTICLE IV: FEES AND DUES

1. The dues for membership shall be paid to the club Treasurer.
2. Dues for membership shall be:
Individual Adult Membership.....\$100.00
Family Membership.....\$110.00
Junior Membership, individual.....\$10.00
Life Membership, individual.....\$1,000.00
Life Membership, spouse added.....\$100.00
Life Membership, each additional child.....\$20.00
3. The renewal date for all new individual, family or junior memberships shall be May 1st regardless of when the member takes out his/her membership. The dues for new members who join between May 1 and November 1 shall be the full amount from Paragraph 2, above. The dues for new members who join after November 1 shall be pro-rated based on the length of time remaining before the May 1st renewal date. The dues for former members who have allowed their memberships to be expired for longer than thirty (30) days shall be the same as for new members.

Current members' dues for renewal of individual, family or youth memberships in effect on the date this provision is enacted shall be pro-rated to May 1, 2010 or May 1, 2011, whichever date follows the expiration of their current membership, provided the member renews within thirty (30) days following expiration of his/her membership. Once a current membership has been converted to the May 1st expiration date or if a member fails to renew his/her membership within thirty (30) days following expiration of his/her membership, the dues for membership renewals shall be the same as those for new memberships, except as members may have earned a reduction of their dues pursuant to ARTICLE VIII of these By-Laws.

4. Family membership shall include head of house, spouse and all dependent children under 18 years of age or 21 years of age if a full time student living at home.
5. Life membership fees may be paid by any of the options listed. Fees must be paid within a twelve (12) month period.
One payment of.....\$ 1,000.00 Two payments of.....\$500.00
Quarterly payments of...\$ 250.00 Monthly payments of\$ 83.34

6. Children reaching the age of 18 years and who have previously been a member for at least two (2) years through a parent's life membership shall have the opportunity of continuing a life membership by paying \$250.00 within a twelve (12) month period following his/her 18th birthday. Otherwise, the individual must start paying annual adult dues to retain membership.
7. Club dues and fees for officers and immediate family residing at same address, shall be waived for that term of office.
 - a. The next year after being an officer the membership dues shall be the minimum amount due.
 - b. OBH Representative will receive one nights' lodging and one banquet meal to the annual Oregon Bow Hunters meeting or his/her alternate.
8. The fee for an individual Life Membership in Paragraph 2, above, shall be reduced by fifty percent (50%) for any member who has participated in at least three (3) work parties or attended at least five (5) general business meetings or a combination of at least two (2) work parties and at least two (2) general business meetings per year for at least five (5) years out of any six (6) consecutive year period.

ARTICLE V: WAPITI BOWMEN ACTIVITIES

1. Intra-club activities, such as indoor or outdoor tournaments, may be held. If participation in such activities does not involve an entry fee, awards shall be made only to members of Wapiti Bowmen.
2. Inter-club activities put on by Wapiti Bowmen, such as leagues or 3-D shoots, where an entry fee is charge for participation may be opened to non-members and members alike.
3. The appropriate Vice President will promulgate rules and regulations.

ARTICLE VI: BOW HUNTER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

1. Wapiti Bowmen will honor annually the top three (3) Men, Women and Youth (youth is considered age 15 or under or if the person's birthday falls anytime during the year he/she is still considered youth).
2. This program shall run from January 1 to December 31, with awards given at the annual banquet.
3. Awards:
 - a. There will be perpetual trophies awarded to the top Man, Woman and Youth, with plaques replacing the trophies.
 - b. There will be a perpetual trophy awarded to the top husband and wife team, with a plaque replacing the trophy.
 - c. First through third place of Men, Women and Youth will receive patches stating their place as Bow Hunter of the Year.
 - d. There shall be a Boner of the Year award. This will be a perpetual trophy. The recipient will be determined the night of the banquet.
 - e. There shall be a Photo contest consisting of four (4) categories: Kill, Non-kill, Scenery and Novelty. Photos must be taken by club members in Oregon and taken in the year prior to the banquet. Winners will receive awards.
4. All game must be taken in Oregon, reported to the Vice President of Bow Hunting on or before January first (1st). All perpetual trophies must be returned at this time to the Vice President of Bow Hunting.
5. Rules:
 - a. Any game animal taken under the following conditions will not be accepted for awards.
 1. Game helpless in deep snow, ice, water or traps.
 2. Game taken in defiance of standing game laws.
 3. Game confined in a fenced area.
 4. Game taken with other than legal archery equipment.
 5. Game taken by a method the Vice President of Bow Hunting considered unsportsmanlike or in violation of fair chase.
 - b. The following point system for Big Game shall be allowed:
 1. Adopt a minimum measurement of 13 inches for an adult Bear and 12 inches for an adult Cougar.
 2. No bonus points given for skull measurements on bobcat, coyote, and turkey.
 3. Round BHOTY score to nearest full number except in the case of a tie. Convert all fractions to 2 decimal places per FRACTION CONVERSION CHART.

FRACTION CONVERSION CHART

16 th	8 th	Decimal	16 th	8 th	Decimal
1/16		.06	9/16		.56
2/16	1/8	.13	10/16	5/8	.63
3/16		.19	11/16		.69
4/16	2/8	.25	12/16	6/8	.75
5/16		.31	13/16		.81
6/16	3/8	.38	14/16	7/8	.88
7/16		.44	15/16		.94
8/16	4/8	.50			

- c. The following shall be considered Big Game: BEAR, ANTELOPE, BIGHORN SHEEP, COUGAR, MOUNTAIN GOAT, DEER, ELK, TURKEY and COYOTE. These animals shall receive a base value of 50 points plus the amount computed from the formula below.

FORMULA

FORMULA for all Antlered Animals.

$$S = (150 - A) \times (C/B) + A$$

On the calculator: subtract the base points from 150 and multiply by the ratio of the entrant's Pope & Young score to the current world record Pope & Young score and add the base points to obtain the **BHOTY** score.

FORMULA for Skull measured animals.

$$S = (150 - A) \times ((C-D)/(B-D)) + A$$

On the calculator: subtract the base points from 150 and multiply by the ratio of the entrant's Pope & Young score less the Wapiti minimum measurement to the current world record Pope & Young score less the Wapiti minimum measurement and add the base points to obtain the **BHOTY** score.

A = Base Points B = Current World Record Pope & Young Score
 C = Entrant's Pope & Young Score D = Minimum Measurement for Adult Animal
 S = **BHOTY** Score

- d. The young of all Big Game animals shall be accepted if taken in accordance with current Oregon Fish and Wildlife laws and regulations.
- e. All game not listed as Big Game shall be considered Small Game and shall be worth one (1) point each, with a minimum of six (6) per species accepted for the BHOTY contest.
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| MUSKRAT | RACCOON | BOBCAT | RAT | MORNING DOVE |
| BAT | CARP | DUCK | SNIPE | PHEASANT |
| BEAVER | MOLE | CHUKAR | SKUNK | HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE |
| NUTRIA | MOUSE | CROW | RABBIT | POISONOUS SNAKES |
| FOX | SAGE RAT | QUAIL | BADGER | SILVER GRAY SQUIRREL |
| COOT | GOPHER | BRANT | GOOSE | ENGLISH SPARROW |
| OPOSSUM | WOODCHUCK | PORCUPINE | | |
- f. In case of a tie, duplicate awards shall be given.
- g. All Big Game, Small Game and Non-Game shall be accepted if taken in accordance with current Fish and Wildlife laws and regulations.

ARTICLE VII: MEMBER OF THE YEAR

1. There shall be two awards given, Member of the Year for adults and Youth Member of the Year for youth. The announcement of the winners and presentation of awards will be made at the annual banquet.
 - a. The Executive Board is excluded from this award.
2. The selection of each of these two Member of the Year awards will be determined by a "Point System" as set forth in paragraph #3. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary to record accurately all "points" earned by any member and report the standing only to the President of Wapiti Bowmen. There shall be no limit as to the number of years in succession any one member may be awarded this award.
 - a. In case of a tie on the point standings, both members' names will appear on the plaque and will be declared co-winners.
3. Point System:
 - a. Work Parties (Indoor and Outdoor).....20 points
 - b. Attendance at Business Meetings.....10 points
 - c. Any Officer may give special notice.....5 points
 - d. Attendance at Committee Meetings.....2 points
4. The member that is awarded Member of the Year shall be exempt from dues for the following year. If a family membership is involved, the entire family will be exempt from dues.

ARTICLE VIII: DUES DEDUCTION

1. Annual membership dues may be reduced to a \$25.00 minimum for adults or \$35 for a family based on participation in the following club activities:
 - a. Work Parties.....\$15.00
 - b. Concession stand/shoots.....\$15.00
 - c. Business Meetings.....\$10.00

ARTICLE IX: INDEMNIFICATION CLAUSE

1. Indemnification of Executive Board and others serving Wapiti Bowmen.
 - a. Civil or Criminal Proceedings: The Wapiti Bowmen shall have the power to indemnify any member who was or is a party or threatened, pending or completed action suit or proceeding: whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative by reason of the fact that he/she is or was an Executive Board member or is or was a Wapiti member against expenses, including attorney's fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him/her in connection with such action listed above: if he/she acted in good faith and in a manner he/she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Wapiti Bowmen and respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his/her conduct was unlawful.
 - b. Negligence and Misconduct: the Wapiti Bowmen shall have the power to indemnify any member who was or is a party or threatened to be a party to any threatened, pending or completed action suit by reason he/she is or was an Executive Board member against expenses, including attorney's fees, reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Wapiti Bowmen No indemnification shall be made in respect or any claim, issue or matter as to which such member shall have been adjudged to be liable for negligence or misconduct of the performance of his/her duty to the Wapiti Bowmen unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that despite the adjudication of liability but in view of the circumstances of the case such expenses which such court shall deem proper.
 - c. Determination of Indemnification: any indemnification under 1 and 2, unless ordered by a court, shall be made by Wapiti Bowmen is proper under the circumstances because he/she met the applicable standard of conduct set forth. Such determination shall be made by:
 1. The Executive Board by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of the Executive Board members who were not parties to such action, suit or proceedings.
 2. If such a quorum is unattainable or even if obtainable a quorum of disinterested Executive Board members so direct.

ARTICLE X: POLICY

1. There shall be a policy page attached to the By-Laws.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made after a written notice of the proposed amendments has been published in the club's newsletter. After the amendment has been read and reviewed, an amendment may be voted upon and passed by a majority vote of the membership present at the next regular business meeting.

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