



THE STICK & STRING

Alabama Society of Traditional Bowmen

February 2017 #1

FROM THE PRESIDENT

2017 ASTB Traditional Archery

As we prepare for our upcoming archery season there is a great deal of excitement in the air. Friends we haven't seen in a while, an end to the cold, stuffy indoors and spring right around the corner. We have events to plan, donations for charity events, door prizes to acquire, scheduling and bows to tune! But the excitement isn't just with ASTB - it's with all the traditional archery shoots we like to attend and promote. It's what we do. This is a busy time and we can easily lose sight of the big picture. Before we dig deep and jump in take a moment to read our mission statement to the right of the page and reflect on what traditional archery means to you, your family and what it meant to our founders... remember why we are here, why we do what we do, and why we were formed. In this day and age, that's just one more reason to be excited!

Donations & Door Prizes

We need donations for the Children's Hospital Shoot in April. Acquiring items for the auction is crucial to its success. We always have wonderfully handmade items from birdhouses, to wreaths to delicious, homemade brownies! However, we can raise our charity donation to Children's by reaching out to as many vendors, retail stores, chain store, etc. for additional prizes and goodies. For continued success, we must think outside the box. If you have suggestions, ideas, or need a donation letter to provide to a retailer please contact us as soon as possible.

“NOTHING CLEARS A TROUBLED MIND
LIKE SHOOTING A BOW.” FRED BEAR

The A. S. T. B. was formed in order to:

- keep the Alabama archer in touch with others who have the same interests and ideas; who hold sacred the right, the ability, and the skill to shoot the old-style, traditional bows and arrows;
- instill in our youth the idea that the old traditional way of archery is an excellent way for us to keep in touch and live in harmony with nature;
- introduce youth and adults to the fun and companionship that traditional archery provides;
- teach by example the rules of fair chase to hunting archers and the ethical ways to take wild game for food, clothing and shelter;
- keep secure our hunting rights (as primitive bow hunters);
- recapture the lifestyle of the past with the opportunity and privilege of shooting the old style traditional bows and arrows;
- help our fellow man when in need; and
- promote the traditional way of archery to its fullest, so our children and theirs can enjoy these pleasures in the future as we do today.

Shoot Categories

Men's Longbow
Men's Recurve
Men's Primitive
Men's Senior (55+)
Women's Longbow
Women's Recurve
Women's Primitive
Women's Senior (55+)
Juniors (13-16)
Youth (9-12)
Cubs (8 and under)

(Young ladies ages 15 and up may participate in the Women's Primitive class if they choose.)

Membership Dues:

As a reminder, ASTB membership dues are payable by the second shoot each year. If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. If you have not received your membership card and dues have been paid, please see Kim for a copy of your card.

Stakes:

Blue Stake: All Adults & Junior Division
Red Stake: Youth Division – Ages 12-15
Cubs: Allowed to shoot between the target and the Red Stake, staying approximately 2-3 feet away from the target for safety.

Only One Arrow Per Archer Per Target

2017 OFFICERS

President:
Tony Kernop

Vice President:
Jon Hicks

Secretary/Treasurer:
Kim Kernop

Range Managers:
Tony Kernop & Jon Hicks

Northern Directors:
Bill, Skinner, Tony Jetton,
Greg Richards & Allen Overby

Southern Directors:
Steve Pate &
James Henderson

ARCHERS

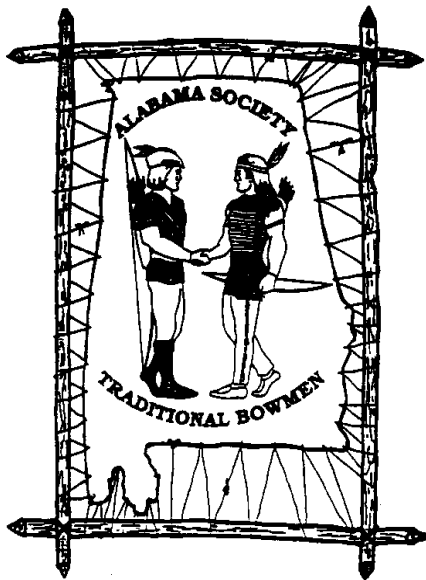
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100% of the

SHOTS You

Don't Take

(In Ice Hockey or Archery)



ALABAMA SOCIETY of TRADITIONAL BOWMEN

Spring Rendezvous

March 11 - 12, 2017

**At Brierfield Ironworks State Park
Multi-Round Shoot ~**

Special Weekend Rates Available

TRADITIONAL EQUIPMENT ONLY

Safety First: No string walking, stabilizers, mechanical releases, binoculars, elevated rests or sights. At least one finger must touch arrow nock. 100-Grain minimum field point for men's division only. Longbow & Recurve (wood, aluminum or carbon arrows). Primitive Bow (wood arrows only). No nibs.

Non ASTB Members: \$8.00 per round, Single Weekend - \$35, Family Weekend - \$55

ASTB Members: \$7.00 per round, Single Weekend - \$30, Family Weekend - \$50

Range Times

Saturday 7am - until

Sunday 7am - 4pm (Last scorecard in by 3pm, Awards - 3:30pm)

Practice Range

Open during daylight hours

For More Information Please Contact:

Tony Kernop - 205-253-8000 or bahainfo@aol.com or ASTBarchery@gmail.com

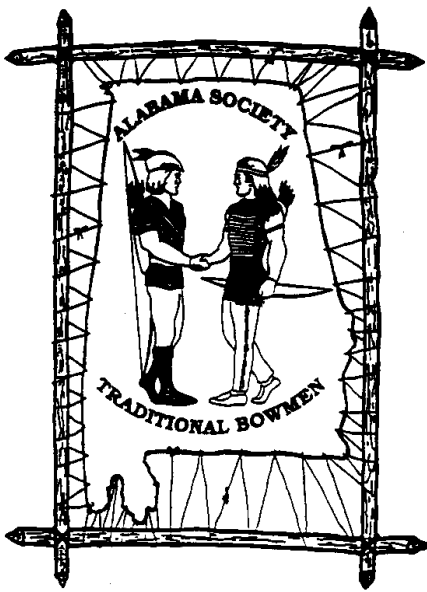
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CAMP SITES AVAILABLE: Sewer, Water & Electricity & Primitive Available.

Brierfield can accommodate up to 55 RV's and an endless number of primitive sites. The Bathrooms & Showers are located near Camping Areas. There are 3 Hotels in nearby Calera; The Quality Inn, Hampton Inn and America's Best Value Inn

(For Information about Camping @ Brierfield, Call Lisa (205) 665-1856

Or visit <http://www.brierfieldironworks.com>)



ALABAMA SOCIETY of TRADITIONAL BOWMEN

Presents the **27th** Annual

Children's Hospital Benefit

April 22 - 23, 2017

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**** Meal provided and live auction on Saturday night to raise money for Children's Hospital ****

~ Bowyers ~ Arrow Smiths ~ Flint Knappers ~ Vendors ~
~ Native American Crafts ~ Novelty Shoots ~ Aerial Targets ~
Vendors May Start Setting Up on Friday

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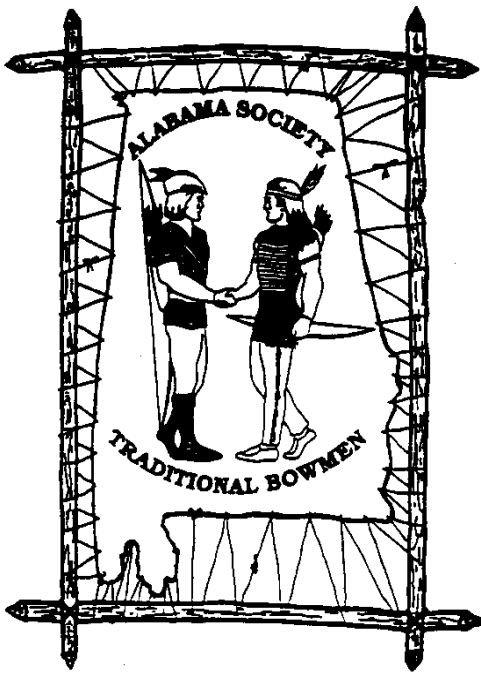
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***** Donations for Charity Auction and Door Prizes Needed *****

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ALABAMA SOCIETY of TRADITIONAL BOWMEN

Alabama State Traditional Championship

August 4 - 5 - 6, 2017

**** Friday – Saturday – Sunday ****

At Brierfield Ironworks State Park

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Awards

Men's, Women's, Senior's and Youth Divisions

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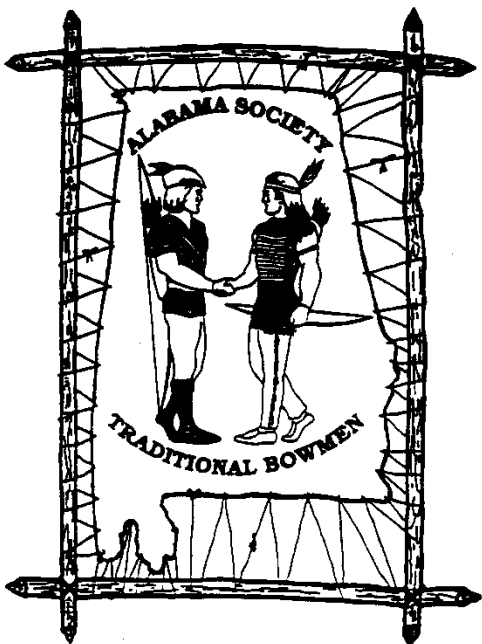
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***** Additional Category for this Shoot *****

**Traditional Longbow/Hill Style – Wood Arrows Only
Open Division – Men's and Women's**



ALABAMA SOCIETY of TRADITIONAL BOWMEN

2017 Russ Dickson Memorial Shoot

September 9 - 10, 2017

**At Brierfield Ironworks State Park
Multi-Round Shoot ~**

Special Weekend Rates Available

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**** Additional Division for this shoot: 3rd Annual "3 Bow" Open Division Championship ****
Combined score from single round of Longbow, Recurve & Primitive
~ Special Trophy Awarded ~



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Membership Application and Renewal Form

Membership Status: New _____ Renewal _____
Member Information (if renewal, just give updated information):

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Number _____

Cell (optional) _____

Email Address (optional) _____

Family/Additional Member Information:

Name _____ Age _____

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Dues:

1 Year-\$20 _____ 2 Years-\$35 _____ 5 years-\$65 _____ Lifetime \$250 _____

(Dues are Payable by the Last Weekend of April each year)

Signature _____ Date _____

Print, complete and mail to:

Kim Kernop
c/o A.S.T.B
45 Pamela Drive
Calera, AL. 35040

(Please make checks or money orders payable to A.S.T.B)

Website, Newsletter & Social Media

Visit our website under the "Contact Us" page and sign up to receive your newsletter automatically by email. ASTB non-members can also enter their information to receive a flyer by email which includes upcoming shoot dates.

Encourage friends and family to become an ASTB member. Visit our "Registration" page for additional information. Visit and share our website and FaceBook page (Alabama Society of Traditional Bowmen) for updates and information regularly.

Do you have useful tips, information or events you would like to share? Any articles or recipes you think your fellow archers may enjoy? We would like to share them in the newsletter, the website or on our FaceBook page? Send us that information by email, text or by posting directly to FaceBook. Would you like to become involved and assist with the newsletter, help maintain the website or manage a blog to keep our club and traditional archers informed? We want you! Please send us and email at astbarchery@gmail.com. Get involved and share!

WWW.ASTB.CLUB

Open House



Northern Mist's Annual Open House

Join Steve and Dixie for our annual Northern Mist Longbows Open House

Come share good conversation, a few hunting stories, a cup of coffee, have a snack and tour the shop and show room!



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Saturday March 25th 2017
10:00am-4:00pm

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