



# The Archer's Paradox

The Monthly Newsletter of Wa-Xo-Be Archers

By Les Sandler

---

**10/9.4/9.4...** Those were the scores I received for my dive off of the ladder (trying to pull an arrow out of the wood frame at the top of the butts). Fortunately, there were enough people around to brake my fall. We did everything right, and yet there was still an accident. So, please be careful!

**Wa-Xo-Be mourns the passing...** Of Margaret Renner, Lester Bennet Sr. and Warren Pasmore. Margaret and Lester were former members of Wa-Xo-Be Archers. Warren is the father of Mark Pasmore. Following are excerpts from their obituaries:

**Cream Ridge - Margaret "Peggy" Renner,** 82, of Cream Ridge, passed away Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at Deborah Heart and Lung Center. Born in Hackensack, she resided in Jamesburg for over 40 years, where she ran the family business, Renner's Archery with her husband. A longtime faithful member of the Bible Baptist Church in New Egypt, she was a past target archery champion. Above all, she was devoted to her faith and her family.

Peggy is survived by her husband of 62 years, Richard Renner; her daughters, Debbie (Richard) Chiara, June (Tony) Cervero, Renée (Tim) Hare, Kelly (Robert) Chiara, Susan (Alan) Woodward and Joanie (Randy) Luberecki; her son, Richard Renner, Jr.; her twin brother, Ken Ross; her sister, Jane Arnold; 15 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren.

**Monroe Township - Lester Charles Bennet, Sr.,** 93, of Monroe Township, passed away on Wednesday, January 3rd at his home.

Born and raised in Richmond Hill, New York, Lester also lived in Pennsylvania for a time before settling in Monroe Township in the early 1940's. He served his country in the U.S. Army during [WWII](#). For 39 years he was an industrial and commercial carpenter with Local 1006 of the Carpenter's Union, formerly based

in Milltown. He was an avid archer and he enjoyed freshwater fishing with his grandson, horse shoes, playing poker and tending his vegetable gardens. He also enjoyed following the New York Yankees. Above all, Lester enjoyed spending time with his family and grandchildren.

He is predeceased by his sons, David Joseph in 1976 and Dennis James in 2016 and 10 of his siblings. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Lillian Bennet; his sons, Damien of Florida and Lester Charles, Jr of Pennsylvania; his sisters, Theresa Daly of South River and Margaret Keller of Manchester; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Dunellen - Warren M. Pasmore,** 82, died Sunday, January 7, 2018 at RWJ Univ. Hospital Somerset, Somerville. Born in Plainfield, he was a lifelong resident of Dunellen. He was a 1953 graduate of Dunellen High School.

Warren worked was an electrical contractor, and was the owner and operator of Pasmore Electrical Service in Dunellen since 1957. He had served with the NJ National Guard, and had attended Officers Cadet School, and later became a First Lieutenant in the Army.

Warren was a longtime communicant of Our Lady of Fatima Church in Piscataway. He was a former member of the Dunellen-Green Brook [Rotary Club](#), and a past president of the Watchung Chapter of the Airstream Club. In his earlier years, he served as a Special [Police Officer](#) in Dunellen. He was an avid sportsman and enjoyed family camping. He was a loving

January, 2018

family man and lived by the virtues of Faith, Family and Friends, and over his entire life, he helped many people unselfishly.

He is survived by his wife, Linda T. Trotter Pasmore; three children, Charles M. Pasmore and his wife, Suzanne of Basking Ridge, Charlene A. Tackvic and her husband, Michael of Branchburg, and Mark W. Pasmore and his wife, Dawn of Greenwich Twp.; five grandchildren, Brian, Chase, Faith, Warren, and Catherine; and his brother-in-law, Gene Trotter. He was predeceased by his sister, Audrey Pasmore, who died in 2015.

**Wa-Xo-Be welcomes...** Student members – Shreya Palwayi and Steve Numata; junior member – Nina Chor. Adult members – Joshua Petersen and (reinstated) Russell and Pattie Ingenbrandt.

**WiFi? Because we can...** Okay. The membership voted to have WiFi installed at the range. Ivett has taken care of this and once the final details have been confirmed, we'll make the information available to all. It seemed that getting there was quite an adventure. While few people were against it, the discussion was quite lively. For the most part, I was on the fence about this. But, as the talk continued I realized it wasn't a bad thing. Someone made a comment about the people (usually parents of the JOADers) not contributing to the sport. These parents make the time to bring their kids to the range. In good and bad weather, sometimes driving a fair distance. It's good to be able to offer this small amenity.

**Feels good...** So this was Dominick's first meeting as our new president. He kept things moving and got through our whole agenda very nicely.

**Kaye's Korner...** Well, I like the ring of that! Here's another profile from Kristina Kaye. This time one of my faves – Horace Eckman:



### **An extraordinary archer and a special man!**

We all know Horace from all the years he's been a favorite member of Wa-Xo-Be and all the great things he has done for archery, but here are some very kewl things we should all know about him that you

may not be aware of.

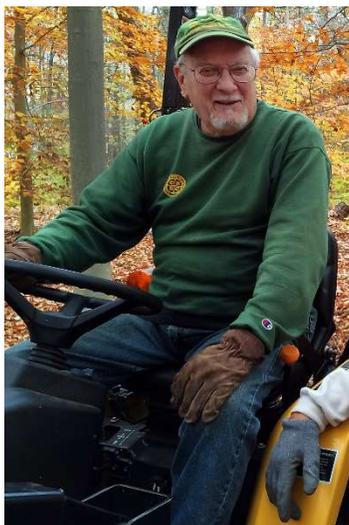
Stepping aside from his knowledge of all things archery for a few seconds, let me tell you about his job with the RCA Astro Division (now Sarnoff on Rt 1) for 31 years. The younger members of our club will probably not remember these satellites from the 60's but they were among America's first spectacular space achievements. TYROS, the RANGER program, VOYAGER I and Voyager II and were all built here in Princeton, NJ and guess who machined the parts for those satellites? Horace!!! Yup, and Voyager I and II still give this planet chills when you think that both of those satellites left our galaxy last year and are now the first objects to enter interstellar space. Their next encounter will be in 5,000 years when they reach their first star. That gold record they are carrying on board will hopefully find its way into some future scientists lab and let them know about life on this small planet called Earth. Now that is a legacy folks ... brings tears to my eyes! AND Horace told me that he actually helped with the onsite assembly of several of the satellites.

After retiring, Horace kept up with his machine shop and now has a very large, well stocked shop. If you watch This Old House on Public TV you know who Norm Abram is and all the tools and "stuff" he has. Well, move over Norm, Horace just may have you beat with his shop and machines! If you need something, he can make it and many of the archers here at Wa-Xo-Be have some sort of "thingy" to show off that was made by Horace.

I did this interview with Horace on January 31, 2018 at his home in Hamilton, NJ. I've been to

his house on other occasions but never noticed all the bows, arrows and assorted archery equipment he has. I asked how many bows do you have Horace? About 20 he responds quickly. That made me smile because I knew that was just a small portion of what I was seeing in front of me. He has everything! Everything.

So that brings us back to his roots ... archery. I knew Horace from the 1960's ... although he doesn't remember me. Back then he belonged to the Trenton Archery Club that was right next to the Garden State Archery Club on Larrison Road in North Hanover Township. He also currently belongs to that same Garden State Archery Club, Blackknight Bowbenders and of course Wa-Xo-Be. Other clubs he enjoys are the Central NJ Rifle and Gun Club, Citizen Rifle and Revolver Club and TANJ.



In the 50's he shot at the infamous Watkins Glen, traveled to see his friend Fred Bear in Grayling, Michigan and even met Howard Hill at an exhibition in North Jersey.

Like most of us Horace started with a recurve bow. His first bow, in 1953, was purchased from Al

Ray Sporting in Ewing, NJ. It was a Damon Howatt – Mamba Highspeed. Soon thereafter he attended his first shoot at the Croydon Archery Club, in Croydon PA. I asked if he remembered his first score. He laughed ... paused a few seconds, then said he started with a dozen arrows and came home with 3. He was hooked!

I asked what his favorite Recurve was ... his reply Hoyt Pro-Medalist. The he mentioned the Matthews Apex 8 as his favorite Compound.



Horace holds Gold Card membership in both Wa-Xo-Be and Garden State Archery Clubs. This is only granted to those members who have served the clubs well for many, many years. His Garden State membership was further enhanced when he donated a huge amount of money to both Garden State and Black Knight for the building of the first new indoor archery range in the area for the last 20+ years. The range is very appropriately called the Horace Eckman Center.

Horace among all other things is quite the comedian. I've been recording some of his comical gems for several years now. Here's a sample. Two men were staring up at a flagpole. Along came a woman and asked what they were doing. Trying to determine the height of the pole, they replied. No problem she says ... then goes over to her truck and gets some tools to loosen the bolt at the bottom of the pivoting pole, lowers the pole to the ground and throws a tape measure on it and tells them 18' 6", then walks away very proud of her accomplishment. The 2 men look at each other and say ... isn't that just like a woman, you ask her for the height of a pole and she gives you the length!

The delivery by Horace and his subsequent laughter is soup for the soul!

Next time you see Horace wish him a Happy Birthday ... he just celebrated #89 on January 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Wa-Xo-Be will be entertaining...** Milltown Scout Troop 33 at the range on Monday, Dec. 18, from 4-6 PM. Members are welcome to shoot with the Session line. Any questions, please call **Bill Ward at: 908-208-9536**.

**The great indoors...** Joe reported on the cold. If you were at the range any time over the 1/6, you froze your (oops! Family paper). At one point it got down to 38 degrees. No one had to hit us over the head over this. New programmable thermostats will soon be installed.

**Oh captain, my captain...** Matt announced that several (5) 3D inserts need to be replaced. He's also ordering some new animals. Stay tuned... There will be a work party on 3/24 to prepare and clean up the outdoor range in anticipation for the new season. A separate notice will be sent.

**Stepping up...** The search for a new Federation Representative is over. Dave Reilly and Eric Gaston will split the duties.

**Constitution(ally) speaking...** Don't forget, a copy of our revised constitution is available on our website.

**League(al) notices...** The **Trophy League** and the **Joe Natale Senior League** are six weeks into their seasons. The **Traditional League** is currently shooting 27 yards indoors. If you're curious about this, get a long stick, an appropriately sized piece of string and at least 6 shorter sticks and join them. The **Money League** abides.

**Memorial Plaque...** Tony Bennett continues to compile a list of names for be included on a memorial plaque for former members. If you know of anyone who should be included, please contact Tony at: [plugh@optonline.net](mailto:plugh@optonline.net). This is a tough job! Every time Tony thinks he's ready, he receives another name Kinda like trying to climb a steep sand dune on water skis.

**One more safety thing...** There is a harness attached to the tree stand. Please use it! We've been hearing horrific stories about hunters who either didn't have or felt there was no need to use one.

**CJAN! What's a CJAN?...** Central Jersey Archery News. If you're interested in hearing more about archery around central Jersey, contact Gene Grodzki at: [ggrodzki@optonline.net](mailto:ggrodzki@optonline.net). Gene edits and distributes the newsletter and will be happy to include you on his mailing list.

**Don't shoot at anything other than a standard target!**

This isn't brain surgery. It's common sense. Shooting at cans and other non-standard targets is dangerous. Maybe not for you, but for the person who gets cut on the shard that breaks off in the butt it can be. If we catch you, you'll be disciplined! Also,

**Wear your membership card! Without it, you may be asked to leave!**

**If you are the last one to leave, please make sure the lights are put out (and PLEASE – lock the door).**

**Don't use the new bowpress unless you know how. You will find printed instructions for its use near the press or view a video at the [LastChanceArchery.com](http://LastChanceArchery.com) website.**

**Wa-Xo-Be is not responsible for any damage to your bow.**

**eNewsletter**

If you're in a position to take the newsletter electronically, here's my email address:

**[LSANDLER2@VERIZON.NET](mailto:LSANDLER2@VERIZON.NET)**

Also, if you're moving or just changing your internet provider, please let us (me) know. There's no forwarding or address correction requested on the internet. **This applies** to those of you who receive the newsletter via regular mail, as well.

Visit our website:

[www.waxobe.com](http://www.waxobe.com)

<b>Wa-Xo-Be Calendar of Events*</b>	
<b>Saturday's times Noon – 3PM</b>	<b>Navigator Practice</b>
<b>Saturday's times 3:30PM – 7PM</b>	<b>JOAD Practice</b>
February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
February 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
February 25 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 (mid preps) ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
February 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA Indoor Mids Sectional ( <b>registration:</b> Doug Joyce, Les Sandler))
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
March 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Princeton Social Club</b> (7-9pm)
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
April 20 <sup>th</sup>	SFAA Meeting (range closed during meeting)
April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed
April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	3D ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
April 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	F/H ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO Club Night</b>
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed

June 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>The Red Hawk Shoot</b> – marked 3D ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	3D ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
July 20 <sup>th</sup>	SFAA Meeting (range closed during meeting) – 8pm
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed
July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	F/H ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
July 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
August 11 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed
August 12 <sup>th</sup>	F/H ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
August 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	SFAA Meeting (range closed during meeting) – 8pm
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
September 30 <sup>th</sup>	TANJ – St. Jude's Benefit 3D ( <b>registration:</b> tbd, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)

October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
October 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
November 16 <sup>th</sup>	SFAA Meeting (range closed during meeting) – 8pm
November 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vegas 450 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm <b>and Annual Elections</b>
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO Club Night</b>

\* Indoor registration at 9:00AM for a 10:00AM start. Outdoors starts around 8:00AM

\*\* Members are invited to shoot (space permitting). You will be asked to "shoot along with the line". Coaches should adjust training times accordingly. Please contact Doug Joyce or Les Sandler with any questions re: Rutgers. **Please note that the Rutgers dates will be entered in the club calendar as soon as they become available.**

\*\*\*Ranges will be closed except for scheduled events.

**NOTE:** Indoor and outdoor ranges are closed during work parties. To volunteer for an outdoor work party, please contact Matt Mancuso at: [archermjm300@aol.com](mailto:archermjm300@aol.com) or 732.983.8533, indoors, contact Joe Crisanti at [ajcrisanti@hotmail.com](mailto:ajcrisanti@hotmail.com).

<b>Events at Other Venues</b>	
February 9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup>	The Vegas Shoot, Las Vegas, NV
February 17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	NJAA State Championship – FITA at Wo-Pe-Na
February 18 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 at Black Knights
February 25 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 (Mids Prep) at Wo-Pe-Na
March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA Indoor Mids Sectional at Buckshorn <b>and</b> Wo-Pe-Na
March 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA Indoor Nationals at Cincinnati, OH
March 11 <sup>th</sup>	NJ NFAA 300 (State Prep) at Garden State
March 17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	NJ State Indoor Championship at Buckshorn, Garden State <b>and</b> Wo-Pe-Na
April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Hunters Helping the Hungry Charity 3D shoot at Black Knights
April 8 <sup>th</sup>	3D Marked at Black Knights
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Chili Cook-off at Garden State
April 29 <sup>th</sup>	F/H at Buckshorn
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	F/H at Buckshorn
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Championship Warm-up at Black Knights
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	F/H (Animals) at Buckshorn
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
June 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	NJ State Field Championship at Black Knights
June 17 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
June 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Atlantic Outdoor Sectional
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
July 15 <sup>th</sup>	Big Foot 14F/14H & 30 3D at Black Knights

July 25 <sup>th</sup> thru 29 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA Outdoor Nationals at Mechanicsburg, PA
July 29 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
August 4 <sup>th</sup>	3D Unmarked NJ State Championship at Black Knight
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	3D Marked NJ State Championship at Black Knight
August 19 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
August 26 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Black Knight
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Wo-Pe-Na
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Vegas 450 at Wo-Pe-Na
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	F/H & 3D at Garden State
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Wo-Pe-Na
October 14 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 at Black Knight
October 21 <sup>st</sup>	NFAA 300 at Wo-Pe-Na
October 21 <sup>st</sup>	NFAA 300 at Garden State
November 4 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Black Knight
November 11 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 at Wo-Pe-Na
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Wo-Pe-Na
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Garden State
November 25 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 at Black Knight
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	NFAA 300 at Wo-Pe-Na
December 9 <sup>th</sup>	NFAA 300 at Garden State
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Wo-Pe-Na
December 30 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 at Black Knight

<b>The Executive Board</b>		
Dominick Araco	President	(732) 705-7737
Ivett Benkovics	Vice President	(732) 673-5981
Tom Eriksen	Treasurer	(732) 274-1424
Ilya Arbit	Recording secretary	(347) 424-6583
Les Sandler	Corresponding secretary	(732) 261-3079
Matt Mancuso	Field captain	(732) 983-8533
Joe Crisanti	Range captain	tbd

#### **Club Trustees**

Anthony Bennett, Kristina Kaye and Bill Ward.

#### **Shoot Coordinator**

Indoors & outdoors:

Les Sandler (732) 261-3079  
Lsandler2@verizon.net

#### **Send us your tired, your poor, your emails...**

Dominick Araco: Getwaacd@gmail.com  
Ivett Benkovics: ivettb@optonline.net  
Tom Eriksen: yotom51@verizon.net  
Ilya Arbit: Ilya.arbit@gmail.com  
Les Sandler: Lsandler2@verizon.net  
Matt Mancuso: archermjm300@aol.com  
Joe Crisanti: ajcrisanti@hotmail.com  
Bill Ward: WWatCRD@aol.com  
Kristina Kaye: kris@kristinakaye.us

#### **Next Meetings: 2/12/2018 & 3/12/2018**

**Please note:** A shirt order form is included with this email.