



# The Archer's Paradox

The Monthly Newsletter of Wa-Xo-Be Archers

By Les Sandler

---

**Don't Bug Me!**...Bob Kalantari has applied a tick and mosquito spray as a test on the outdoor practice range and the first target.

**The Bird is Coming...**A mother bird has taken up residence near the 40 yd. practice target. Archers are advised to use caution.

**WiFi? Because we can!**...Well, its installed. The password is posted above the water cooler.

**Clubbed into submission...**This year, our Club Day will be Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. The event will be catered. Doug was given a \$250 budget. You are also encouraged to bring something to add to the communal pot. If you are planning on joining us, contact Ivett at: ivettwaxobe@gmail.com and let her know what you will be contributing. The outdoor range will be set up 1/2 F/H and 1/2 3D.

**Wa-Xo-Be welcomes...**Student member – Sourabh Prakash Mudakannavar. Adult members – Robert Rolfe and Jeffrey Rider.

**The great indoors...**Joe is still trying to have the canopy and the drawboard repaired.

**Oh captain, my captain...**Matt announced that new target markers were being installed. He also announced that the Coon Shoot was a big success. Wanna see how it's done? There will be a video posted to our website.

**Work! Work! Work!...**Sometimes you just can't make a work party. Sometimes you want to work independently but you don't know what to do. You can call Matt Mancuso (732.983.8533) , Lyn Duhrkopp (908.812.3854) or Paulie Tarlecki (908-705-3400) for outdoor projects and Joe Crisanti (732.406.3498) for indoor projects.

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

**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. 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.

**Our Hawk Soars...**It's here! Please join us on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

**BCR...**Ivett showed a sample of the new SFAA awards. Outdoor events will now be based on the Flight System instead of the classification system. Ivett gave Rich Thompson, Doug Joyce and Dave Reilly their awards. Jen DeWacker accepted Kristina's award.

**A Money Grab...**Please be aware – people have been complaining that USArchery is charging for temporary memberships that should be free.

**Pumping (nope, not iron)...**Dominick found that a service contract for the restroom didn't offer any significant advantages. Joe Crisanti is your go to guy if there's a problem. His

phone number is posted near the warning light for the pump (above the fridge).

**Kristina's Korner...**This month's entry is a profile of one of my favorites – Srinu Kanakam!



### **Srinu Rao Kanakam**

The always smiling man from Pedana, India just seems to have all the happiness of the world bottled up in his possession. I mean this man is just so happy I wonder how

he manages it! If you ever see him not smiling, take a picture of him as you have something that is rarely, if ever, seen!

Srinu prefers to be known as Srinu. Unlike his famous fellow Indian Apu Nahasapeemapetilon from the Simpsons, Srinu's name is actually very short and pronounceable!

Pedana, India is a small town on the eastern coast where people know each other very well. Srinu says that people from his home town love good food and work hard for the money. Many people are into handicrafts. His family makes clothes by weaving the ancient way. To the right is a sample of the village work.



There are gazillions of cobras and poisonous creepy crawlers all over the place. Captain Obvious points out that he evidently negotiated those bad boys quite well! Growing up he made a few bows from sticks and played with them, never realizing that in the future he would

continue his archery career by shooting paper targets.

He and his wife (Kala Kanakam) are from the same town, same school and same class which made it easy for him to take the short trip to her house for a date. But, he points out, being so close is bad when news travels so quickly. Srinu has a daughter named Harshi (16) and a son Varun (11) who wants to be a doctor.

Since becoming involved in archery, his life changed in terms of becoming an outdoorsman. If there is ever a reincarnation, he would like to come back exactly as his current life is unfolding! Srinu believes in one God ... as in one ocean and like all rivers flow into the ocean, all religions reach same God ... paths are different but the result is all the same. Quite an enlightened view of life I would say.

Srinu has been a member since 2008 and currently shoots a Hoyt Maxxis 35 compound. He is basically an indoor shooter but loves 3D also. His high score so far in Team Trophy (Tuesday Night League) is a 296 ... so the elusive 300 has once again eluded him. But does that bother him? Just look at his smiling face and you have your answer ... next year he says with a very infectious smile.

He currently works for Prudential Insurance in Newark, NJ.

Other hobbies include Hunting and fishing. He used to be a Chess player. He competed at the state level and was his college



champion for 4 years. Chess games can go on almost as long as Cricket games. He remembers playing several games for over 6

hours! Pawn to Queen Bishop 4! Let's play a game!

His plan for the future is to be the Wa-Xo-Be Club Champion, and buy a farm. That was his dream, but saving for his children's college is his top priority right now.

A final thought from Srini ... Old Kings in India used to have many wives and many children. I never understood how they managed. I always wanted to have 2 wives and at least a dozen children, but I

am not able to keep up with 1 wife and 2 children ... Srini smiles and laughs! So does Kristina!

An observation by the writer.

There are several accents in this world that just make

me want to stop and hear that person talk ... forever! There is Swedish (like the Swedish Chef from the Muppets), Scottish ... a very fine brogue, and then there is Indian! Love it, love it, love it!



**Water, water...** So people have been complaining about the water in the water cooler (you **really don't** want to ask). New member, Donald Hauer has stepped up and will keep the cooler supplied with clear, fresh water.

**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. 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 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**

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>
June 9th	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed***
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>The Red Hawk Shoot</b> – marked 3D ( <b>registration:</b> Tiffany Reed, <b>kitchen:</b> Ken Lotkowitz)

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> Tiffany Reed, <b>kitchen:</b> Scott Zola)
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*** <b>Club Day</b> (starts at noon)
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 6 <sup>th</sup>	Princeton Social Club (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 29 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed***

September 30 <sup>th</sup>	TANJ – St. Jude’s Benefit 3D ( <b>registration:</b> Tiffany Reed, <b>kitchen:</b> tbd)
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Princeton Social Club (7 - 9pm)**
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Vegas 450 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting – 7:30pm
October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed***
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 17 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Work Party (8am to noon) – ranges closed***
November 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Club Night</b> (7-9pm)
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vegas 450 ( <b>registration:</b> tbd)
December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Princeton Social Club (7 - 9pm)**
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.

\*\*\*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 or 732.983.8533, indoors, contact Joe Crisanti at ajcrisanti@hotmail.com.

**NOTE:** A committee has formed to support our upcoming Red Hawk Shoot. If you have any questions or would like to devote some time to the project, please contact Josh Sykes at: **732.692.4123** (call or text).

Events at Other Venues	
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

The Executive Board		
Dominick Araco	President	(732) 705-7737
Ivett Benkovics	Vice President	(732) 673-5981
Tom Eriksen	Treasurer	(732) 274-1424
Lyn Sutphen	Recording Secretary	tbd
Les Sandler	Corresponding Secretary	(732) 261-3079
Matt Mancuso	Field captain	(732) 983-8533
Joe Crisanti	Range captain	(732) 406-3498

#### Club Trustees

Anthony Bennett, Lawrence Richard and Bill Ward.

#### Shoot Coordinator

Indoors & outdoors:  
 Les Sandler (732) 261-3079  
[Lsandler2@verizon.net](mailto:Lsandler2@verizon.net)

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

Dominick Araco: Getwaacd@gmail.com  
Ivett Benkovics: ivettwaxobe@gmail.com  
Tom Eriksen: yotom51@verizon.net  
Lyn Sutphen: ls326@comcast.net  
Les Sandler: Lsandler2@verizon.net  
Matt Mancuso: archermjm300@aol.com  
Joe Crisanti: ajcrisanti@hotmail.com  
Bill Ward: WWatCRD@aol.com  
Lawrence Richard: richar16@optonline.net  
Anthony Bennett: plugh@optonline.net

**Next Meetings: 6/11/2018 & 7/9/2018**

**Please note:** A shirt order form is available on our website: [www.waxobe.com](http://www.waxobe.com)