



# Colyak Campfire



Web site: <http://www.colyakbowhunters.com>

## JOIN THE FUN!

*New members are always welcome to join. For membership application and other information, please visit our web site.*



*Colyak Bowhunters is the sole archery club in the Columbia Basin."*

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**April is Earth Month**  
**April 18 (Saturday)**  
 is clean up day  
**April 22 (Wed.)**  
 is Earth Day

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Jerry Hill*

Hi everyone! Time flies fast when we are having fun. I had a bad case of cabin fever during winter, but I guess we are ready for a warm weather.

My thanks to our dedicated members whose support made 2008 a fulfilling year for the club. Members are the core of our organization, and we could not have done a great job without them and their passion to archery and bow hunting.

Let us take time to think about the future of archery and bow hunting. We can encourage youngsters to develop outdoor interests like hunting, fishing, 3-D shoot, camping, and the like. All these outdoor activities will provide physical fitness,

emotional richness, moral support, and memories that will build a bond among the youngsters of our future. As I always say, if you teach your children to hunt; you do not have to hunt for them. Let me encourage members to renew their passion and love for the outdoors and the Colyaks.

I am taking this opportunity to inform all club members that a work party is always needed before and after events. Those who can share their time and effort to help, please contact a club officer before a scheduled event. We send e-mails to all members if an event is coming and help is needed.

Again, thank you. All help is highly appreciated.

## REMINDERS

- *Annual range inspection is April 13, 2009.*
- *Old targets will be placed on "silent auction" at the **Between the Seasons 3-D Shoot** (November) and **Club Picnic** (June)*

*. Special thanks to our **SPONSORS** and **DONORS** for their generosity and support.*

## NEW!

### SENIOR CLASS

It was approved during the monthly meeting held on February 2 that a senior class category for 60 years old and over will be added to all our shoots.

Seniors form a big part of the club. Some seniors hunt just for fun, not to compete. It is

the club's desire to provide the senior class category a fun filled experience in bow hunting.

For suggestions on how we can improve the senior class category, please contact our president, Jerry Hill, at telephone (509) 967-3296.

### CLUB PICNIC

Our annual club picnic will be held on June 20. Members will be notified of the venue and other details. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Bring your families and friends for a day of fun.





## EARTH DAY, EVERYDAY

### History and What Is It All About

At a conference held in September 1969 in Seattle, Washington State; Senator Gaylord Nelson, founder of Earth Day, “announced that in the spring of 1970 a nationwide grassroots demonstration on behalf of the environment will take place and everyone is invited to participate. The wire services carried the story from coast to coast. The response was electric. It took off like gangbusters. Telegrams, letters, and telephones inquiries poured in from all across the country. The American people finally had a forum to express its concern about what was happening to the land, rivers, lakes, and air-xxx”

“Earth Day worked because of the spontaneous response at the grassroots level. We had neither the time nor resources to organize 20 million demonstrators and the thousands of schools and local communities that participated. “That was the remarkable thing about Earth Day. It organized itself.”

There are two Earth Day celebrations—March 21 on the equinox and April 22 Earth Day, which is now celebrated in most countries of the world. Earth Day is celebrated to help protect the environment. There are many ways that we can celebrate earth day—plant trees, make nature crafts, learn more about the environment, rid litter, reduce, reuse and recycle, and so forth.



Although there are many ways of celebrating Earth Day in every country, taking steps to clean up, cleaning a part of our local area, clean for and nurture our environment is a great way to celebrate. Some clubs in the Tri-Cities do a clean up work in April to help preserve our land, rivers, lakes, and air.

Let’s do our share.

Article quoted from:

The Wilderness Society web site:  
<http://earthday.wilderness.org/history/>

Other Source:  
<http://www.wikihow.com/Celebrate-Earth-Day>

## TRADITIONAL 3-D SHOOT

For those who were unable to attend the Traditional 3-D Shoot on March 28/29, here is a recap of the activities.

Although the weekend was gloomy, drizzly and cool, the event went as scheduled.

A food shack and a huge tent were on site for everyone to sit and chat over a cup of tea cider, coffee, or soda; enjoy a

burger, chili or burrito. A bon fire was lit up all day to keep the atmosphere warm.

The first day started with a blanket shoot. The one who has the highest score gets to shoot first.

A potluck dinner ended the day’s activities. With great food and friends, participants and guests enjoyed the day.

The second day was sunny, the sun neutralizing the cool temperature.

The event was culminated highlighting the awards for high school and other categories for the highest score on board

The traditional shoot was a success. Congratulations to the awardees.

## Club Officers

**President**—*Jerry Hill*

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*Rob Evanson*

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**Website Administrators**

*Jeff & Ellen Runnels*

**Newsletter Editor**

*Ellen Runnels*



## BITS and PIECES



### Bear “Kodiak”, Recurved Bow

-1965 to 1969 vintage, 60 in., 50 lbs. @ 28 inches draw, RH, beautiful rosewood handle; has minor scratches, nicks. Limbs are sound and shoots great. \$300.00 or best offer-

Contact: Jeff, (509) 967-5946



click photo  
to enlarge



### “IMPORTANT NOTICE”

“New for 2009: Hunting Pamphlets Available Earlier (mid-April) & Special Permit Applications Due Sooner (May 20).”

xxx. Since the pamphlets will be available sooner special permit applications can be submitted beginning April 20 and will be due by midnight on May 20. Drawing results will be available before the end of June instead of July.”

Quoted from WDFW web site: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/>