

2006 NFAA ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

Unofficial – Florida Report

1. The NFAA Annual Meeting was held in Las Vegas, Nevada from February 5-7, 2006.
2. Forty-seven (44) states were represented at the meeting. States not in attendance were: Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, AAE, Delaware, New Hampshire, and Maine.
3. Total NFAA membership as of 12/31/04 was 17,634 (which includes the assimilated Ted Nugent memberships that are now NFAA members). The Ted Nugent membership moved three states ahead of Florida in total membership count. California, by virtue of their 2,784 NFAA members, had 5 votes to cast. Michigan was the big winner in TN members and had 4 votes with 1603 members. Two vote states were Wisconsin (816), Indiana (738), Florida (737), Texas (703), Illinois (688), New York (582), Missouri (579) and Washington (530). All other states had one vote.
4. Florida was represented by Oliver Austin, NFAA Director, who served on the Equipment Committee. The Southeast Councilman (Florida Secretary/Treasurer) co-chaired the Competition Committee with Jerry Miller (Southwest Councilman) and Bill Tiddy (Northwest Councilman).

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE APPROVED: -----

5. FL-5/MA-1 Rev Const Page 15 V – E – delete 2
Term limits are eliminated for NFAA officers.
6. HQ-2 Rev Const Page 17 VI – C – delete 5.14
Nomination procedures brought into agreement with Article V, Section D, Paragraphs 5 & 6.
7. FL-6 Rev By-Laws Page 40 IV – A – delete last sentence Para 1 & add new Para 1.1
1.1 The selected host and the NFAA Director of the host's state will be notified of acceptance of the bid within 30 days of the Council's decision. This notification will include a contract sent to the accepted host. The contract, signed by the host, must be returned to NFAA Headquarters within 60 days. If no contract is received within 60 days, the NFAA Council will consider other bids for the tournament.
8. NW-3 New Policy Page 92
Accounting for the National Tournaments: Every National Tournament will have a detailed financial accounting for each tournament i.e. expense costs, profit items (including registration), sale of items and vendor expense costs and profit. This information will be sent to each Councilman and Director within 90 days after the tournament ends.
9. VA-1 Rev Policy Page 86 2002: Outdoor National Tournament:
Effective 2008: The Outdoor National Tournament will be a 3/5 day format, Wednesday through Sunday. Rounds will be Field, Hunter, Animal, Field, Hunter in that order. Five day shooters will shoot all five days and count only their best Field and best Hunter Round scores. Three day shooters may register for first three, middle three, or last three days. Archers must register for days they will shoot.
10. GA-1 Rev Const Page 16 – VI – C – 5.2 Page 20 – VII – I – 4
5.2 Any Director, Councilman, Officer, the NFAA Bowhunting Administrative Chairman, or the NFAA Po Chairman may introduce and amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws if submitted in writing (via fax, e-mail or postal mail) to the NFAA Headquarters by September 30th. Verification of receipt is the responsibility of the sender.
4. Agenda items originating from Sectional meetings and intended for action at the board of directors meeting will be submitted in writing (via fax, e-mail, or postal mail) to the NFAA Headquarters by September 30th. Verification of receipt is the responsibility of the sender.

11. Pro-2 Rev By-Laws Page 34 III – D – 1.4
After ...no charge for the first year. Any archer who qualifies will be given a “Certificate of Invitation” as an addition to their award during said events. This certificate will be valid for 1 year from the issued date.
12. BH-1 Rev By-Laws Page 76 XII – E Bowfisher Program and Awards:
 1. NFAA Bowfisher of the year. This program will have six winners. The largest fish in each of the six categories will determine these winners. These species will be shark, carp, gar, ray, pike and tilapia. Rules are as follows:
 - 1.2 There will be six awards. One for shark, gar, carp, ray, pike and tilapia.
 - 1.6 All entries will be inspected by the NFAA to determine the winner. The winners will be notified by mail or email address.
 2. NFAA Bowfisher Records. This is a program whereby NFAA keeps records of who holds the distinction of having taken the biggest weight fish of any certain species by means of bow and arrow. Rules are as follows:
 - 2.3 These records will stand for one year at which time the NFAA will review all entries and make all necessary changes to update the records list. If no records are beaten, they remain on the list for the next year. These changes will be made by the NFAA Bowhunting and Conservation Committee.
 - 2.4 The NFAA Bowhunting and Conservation Committee will review submissions of fish received during the prior calendar year no later than January 31.
 3. Patch Program: This program will consist of two different types of patches. One type of patch will be a regular shoulder patch denoting that you are an NFAA Bowfisher. The second type of patch will be a bar type patch that denotes the type of fish that has been taken.
13. BH-2 Rev By-Laws Page 76 XII – F Diamond Buck Award:
 1. The Diamond Buck Award will be given for the largest example in two separate categories (typical and non-typical) of mule deer, pacific hybrid, coues deer, whitetail deer, and blacktail deer based on antler measurements. The antlers must be scored by Pope and Young Club or Boone and Crockett methods and verified by one of these clubs official measurers. Applications shall be available from NFAA Headquarters and from sectional Bowhunter directors of the NFAA in charge of bowhunting and conservation.
 2. The Diamond Buck Award will be limited to NFAA members in good standing at time of harvest.
 3. Entry deadline will be December 31 of the year of harvest.
14. BH-3 Rev By-Laws Page 76 XII – G – 1
Change first sentence of paragraph 1 to read: “In the event an application is disapproved the hunter has the right to petition the NFAA Bowhunting and Conservation Committee Administrative Chairman.
15. FL-10 Rev By-Laws Page 83 B – 14
Delete “Clubs having...” entire verbiage following “Bonus Points:” at the beginning of 14. (was replaced by paragraph 14.5 Group V and its sub paragraphs 2 years ago.)
16. NW-1 New Policy
It should be understood that effective 2005, it will be the NFAA’s policy that at any NFAA hosted Championship Tournaments, NFAA rules and only NFAA rules and styles will be recognized. This means no separate score cards or targets for other countries or organizations, or scoring methods will be allowed or recognized.
17. FL-4 Rev Appendix
Change the Animal Round Max-Min Yards spread to “60-40” for Field Round yards 60, 65, 80 w/up, and 65 w/up (for 15 Target 300 Round) in Appendix 4, page 97.
18. RIC 2005-3 Upheld
The applicant must pay the Pro dues until receiving an invitation from the Pro Division for one year’s Pro membership.
19. Pro-4 Rev By-Laws Page 35 III – D – 3 – 3.2
Delete Paragraph 3.2 (Dress Code) and renumber 3.3

- 20 NY-2 Rev Policy 2003 The Certified Instructor Program:
Requirements for Master Coach Level Course: Delete the words “either certified instructors or”. Sentence to read : “Students must be advanced certified instructors.”
- 21 AZ-3 Rev By-Laws Page 45 IV – H – 9
9. In case of inclement weather, the tournament shall continue unless the range has become unsafe as determined by the Tournament Chairman or appointed Tournament Officials. Unsafe conditions shall be called if lightning is within the vicinity of the tournament facility. A pre-determined signal will be sounded to halt competition. An archer leaving the range without approval shall be subject to the requirements of Article IV.H.6.
- 22 CO-4 New By-Laws Page 45 IV – H – 13
13. The targets at all official NFAA outdoor rounds must be shot in numerical sequence. Archers are not allowed to intentionally skip a target(s) and return later to shoot the skipped target(s). Any intentionally skipped target(s) may not be re-shot and shall be scored as zero.
- 23 MT-1 Rev By-Laws Page 45 IV – I – 3
After the second sentence insert: “In the case of a group of three archers, a scorekeeper will also be the target captain.”
- 24 MT-3 Rev By-Laws Page 51 IV – D
Change “bonus x-ring” or “bonus ring” to “bonus dot”.
- 25 WA-2 Rev By-Laws Page 53 VI – G – 2.1
The area between the “hide and hair” line to the outside of the carcass is considered a non-scoring area.
- 26 FL-7 New Policy
2006: At National and Sectional Outdoor Tournaments, spectators may be allowed with a shooting group at the pleasure and permission of the entire group.
- 27 CA-2 Page 89 – General Policy – Course Approval – Par 10
Distance on either side of a target to be free from archers shall range (depending upon conditions and length of shot) from 15 to 30 degrees from the shooting position. Example: For a 40-yard target; 120 feet, tangent 30 degrees, equals $120 \times (0.57735)$ equals 68 feet clear distance on each side of the butt (about 23 yards). (If 30 degrees is used, then factor is always 0.57735). This does not mean all clear, but only that no shooting areas, waiting areas, etc be located in the area.
- 28 FL-13 New By-Laws Page 44 – IV – H – New & Page 56 – VI – I – add to 4.1
A disabled archer shooting from a chair or wheelchair will place the chair legs or wheels straddling the distance marker or shooting line.
- 29 FL-15 Rev By-Laws Page 43 IV – G – 2
Eliminate National/Sectional Professional Master Senior Divisions.
- 30 FL-11 Rev By-Laws Page 28 II – A – 6.9
Crossbow – New Par 6.9 Maximum diameter of arrow shaft is 8.33mm or 21/64”.
- 31 FL-3 Rev By-Laws Page 28, 32 II – A, K – Par 6.7, 9
Crossbow Page 28 add to par 6.7 - ...The sighting system shall have no more nor less than two separate open or dioptré (aperture) sight units. The maximum distance from front sight to rear sight shall be 720mm measured between the sighting elements. The length of the front sight tube may not exceed 60mm, and the length of the rear sight unit may not exceed 150mm inclusive of antiglare tube and eye-shield (if fitted).
Page 32 add to Par 9:
9.1 A Track cover may be used to keep the track dry.

- 9.2 All clothing shall be loose fitting and shall not give support to any part of the body. A track suit may be worn.
- 9.3 The use of personal stereo or radio equipment for music or self-coaching is not permitted while on the shooting line in competition (or official practice).
- 9.4 A competitor may wear a maximum of two belts, one firm fitting to support clothing and a second loose fitting to support a quiver.
- 9.5 Following items are not allowed: Pistol Crossbows. Electronic Equipment or Components while on the shooting line except as specifically otherwise listed. Compound prods and prod assemblies with mechanical moving parts. Attachments designed to guide the string along the track/stock. Slings or straps to steady the Crossbow. Magnifying Sights. Micro-hole lenses, similar devices, or marks in prescription eye wear. Corrective Lenses as part of the Crossbow. Vertical Crossbows (vertically mounted prod assemblies). Special shooting gloves.
- 9.6 The wearing of finger protection for spanning the Crossbow is permitted, but must be removed during the act of shooting.

- 32 RIC 2006-2 Overturned
RIC 2006-2 ruled that a chew strap is a mouth release that is used in lieu of using ones fingers to shoot an arrow. By definition, a release. -- The directors overturned this, reasoning that the individual's teeth are the releasing factor and the chew strap is simply a strap added to the bowstring. The directors did not feel that a chew strap is, by definition, a release.
- 33 TX-1 Rev By-Laws Page 29 II – B – 1.1
Remove the words “, but material will be of one consistent size and one consistent color.” 1.1 will then read: String will be one consistent color of the archer's choice. The center serving on the string will be served with any material suitable to use.
- 34 CO-2 New By-Laws Page 32 II – H – 14
Add new 14. During a round no adjustments may be made to the bow and/or its related equipment unless equipment failure is recognized.
- 35 RIC 2005-1 Upheld
The ruling is that it is not legal to use a clicker in Competitive Bowhunter.
- 36 RIC 2005-2 Overturned
The RIC had ruled that the STS Shock Terminator Suppressor was legal in all the styles of the NFAA competition. The directors overturned this ruling. The STS Shock Terminator is not legal in divisions that do not allow counterweights.
- 37 RIC 2006-1 Overturned
The directors agreed with the California Director and overturned the RIC ruling. The California Director ruled that an archer must stand while shooting. (This ruling does not refer to disabled archers)