

# **The UNITED FOUNDATION FOR DISABLED ARCHERS**

## **MISSION STATEMENT:**

**It is the mission statement of the UNITED FOUNDATION FOR DISABLED ARCHERS to promote and provide a means to practice all forms of archery for any physically challenged person.**

The **United Foundation For Disabled Archers (UFFDA)** has been in existence since the fall of 1994. It was incorporated in the spring of 1997 and received its non-profit status from the IRS in November of 1997. It currently has over 1800 members throughout the United States, with more folks joining every week.

During the months of September and October **UFFDA** hosts three 4-day Whitetail hunts in Northern Minnesota and Wisconsin for 100 of its physically challenged members. The hunters are selected each year by a drawing and then assigned their own personal guides. The guides contact the hunters to discover what their exact circumstances and personal needs are. By the time the hunters arrive at camp, their guides have prepared the hunting sites and have met all of the hunter's special needs.

The entire event is provided at no cost to the hunters. All they are responsible for is their travel expenses to and from the hunt. The lodging; meals; hunter's hospitality package; awards; door prizes and programs are provided by the all-volunteer fund raising efforts of the hunt committee.

**UFFDA** also organizes and hosts 3-D archery tournaments during the summer months. These tournaments are hosted and staffed by volunteers who work with the disabled archers to help them learn to shoot the bow and arrow, regardless of their physical limitations.

The **United Foundation For Disabled Archers** wishes to open the doors to archery and bowhunting for any physically challenged person. Even if they have no desire to hunt, we wish to provide an opportunity for them to experience the therapeutic benefits that modern archery can provide. **UFFDA** target tournaments will both hunters and non-hunters a chance to compete against people with similar physical limitations in 3-D and target matches. As our numbers and support grows, so will the benefits to our physically challenged members.

Contacts are being made with a variety of facilities that work with the physically challenged in search of new prospects. Rehab centers are being visited as our members work with these institutions in an effort to make contact with perspective candidates for future **UFFDA** activities.

**UFFDA** is also working towards becoming a clearinghouse of information for archers with disabilities. We are assembling data on products and equipment that will be of assistance to these special people in the field and on the target range. We are gathering the names of accessible outfitters and private landowners that are providing additional hunting opportunities for our disabled members. A growing membership insures that our networking will multiply and more of our needs will be met.

**UFFDA** has its own web site on the Internet. This vehicle is helping us spread the word about our mission and activities. It is also assisting us by gaining new members and additional support for our cause. Our Web Site address is:

**<[www.uffdaclub.com](http://www.uffdaclub.com)>**

As our numbers of both physically challenged and able-bodied members increase, we will continue to strive to create new opportunities for our membership to experience and enjoy the benefits of modern archery.

**Note:** You must be a dues-paying member to participate in any of the **UFFDA** programs and events. The **United Foundation For Disabled Archers** follows the guidelines established by the Disabled Veterans of America to determine whether a person is physically challenged. Our objective is not to discriminate or judge, but only to serve special needs of any archer with disabilities. It is our hope that those with lesser needs will join our organization as support volunteers and will endeavor to assist those with more severe physical limitations.

### **UNITED FOUNDATION FOR DISABLED ARCHERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ARE YOU PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED \_\_\_\_\_ OR ABLE-BODIED?

\_\_\_\_\_ DO YOU REQUIRE A WHEELCHAIR \_\_\_\_\_ OR ARE YOU AMBULATORY?

WHAT IS YOUR JACKET SIZE? SMALL MEDIUM LARGE X-LARGE 2X 3X

#### **First Year's Membership Is:**

**\$20.00 – Single; \$36.00 – Couple, \$50.00 – Family; \$100.00 –Corporate; \$500.00 – Lifetime**

Mail your membership application to:

**U.F.F.D.A.  
POB 251  
Glenwood, MN 56334**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **NORTH AMERICAN BOWHUNTER, INC. LAUNCHES A NEW CROSSBOW PUBLICATION**

North American Bowhunter, Inc. in collaboration with the American Crossbow Federation and the United Foundation For Disabled Archers has launched a new quarterly publication entitled ***Horizontal Bowhunter***. The premiere issue arrived in the mailboxes of its subscribers in September of 2001. This unique publication is providing the rapidly growing number of crossbow hunters with a much-needed forum for sharing ideas and thoughts about their sport.

The content of ***Horizontal Bowhunter*** is primarily of a hunting nature with a variety of writers sharing their adventures and knowledge with the readers. Leaders in the crossbow industry contribute regular columns that cover an array of archery topics ranging from technical tips to clarifying crossbow myths.

The ***Horizontal Bowhunter Magazine*** is the official publication of the the United Foundation For Disabled Archers (UFFDA) and American Crossbow Federation (ACF).

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The ACF is a nonprofit entity made up of archery manufacturers, distributors, rep groups, retailers, conservation groups, publications, state game management agencies and individual sports people who recognize the positive merits of the crossbow. The ACF's prime objective is to educate

game managers, legislators and the general public about the crossbow and its positive attributes as applied to modern hunting and game management.

The magazine is published by North American Bowhunter, Inc. and has recently been combined with the ***North American Bowhunter*** magazine, a six-year old publication representing the membership that had previously been the official club publication of UFFDA and the NABOAC.

For more information about the ***Horizontal Bowhunter*** magazine or to receive a subscription application, contact the NAB main desk at 320-634-3660 or email us at <[bowtwang@runestone.net](mailto:bowtwang@runestone.net)>.

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