

Format and Rules

*The Appling Bowhunters Festival is about having **SERIOUS** fun competing with traditional or compound equipment against our “RealHunt” 3-d courses. **To enhance your fun the cost for our event will be the same as last year: \$0.00! Yes, it’s FREE!** We are asking campers to pay a small fee (see Camp Info and Reservation) and we will accept donations for the rest of the weekend. We know times are tough so give a little, a lot, or nothing if you’re not able - your presence is our joy and this event is great blessing for us. **For planning purposes we do require that EVERYONE PREREGISTER** via the registration form you print from the website, complete and mail in to us. **You must do this to be eligible for awards and the many door prizes (bows, arrows, hunts, equipment) we give away throughout the event.***

*This year we will provide lunch and supper on Friday and Saturday and there will be a “dinner on the grounds” covered dish luncheon on Sunday. Friday and Saturday nights will include live entertainment, moving testimonies and who knows what else down at the amphitheater. We begin each day with a morning devotion where everyone is welcome and a continental breakfast is available. You will shoot 20 targets for score on Friday and another 20 (plus a “bonus” shot) on Saturday. We will establish mixed pairings on Friday for the team event and Saturday you will shoot with your competition. Also, parents with children ages 5 - 12 will shoot Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. This is so all the kids can participate in our great Kids’ Event at **The Old Store**. By the way, we are dividing the age groups up this year, 5 - 8 and 9 - 12 to be able to provide more age appropriate fun. We had over 90 kids participate last year and there is more information at the **Kids’ Event** heading on the site.*

*Since this is **Memorial Day** weekend we are doing something special on Sunday. Worship in the old sanctuary at 11 a.m. will be followed by a traditional “dinner on the grounds” We’ll have a crew cooking meat that morning and you can bring a covered dish or dessert. There will be some old time southern gospel music after lunch. Then, at 3 p.m. the colors will be presented by the Harlem High ROTC and we will remember our nation’s war dead in a Memorial Day ceremony, recognizing current service personnel and veterans, the men and women we have to thank for preserving our liberty. At 4 p.m. we will begin an hour of prayer for America, taking God at His Word that He spoke in II Chronicles 7:14. **ALL ARE WELCOME TO SHARE THIS SPECIAL DAY WITH US!** And since Monday is a holiday you won’t have hurry home Sunday to get ready for work. All participants may shoot our ranges again on Monday morning until noon. We’re planning an informal shoot-out Monday morning and if you think you can hang with the Appling Archers....bring it on! Oh, and you can help us take down and clean up if you will!*

We promise to do our very best to make this a memorable time for you and your family. We are fortunate to be able to give away some great prizes and all we ask is that you be present to win. The team event on Friday will pair you with strangers but you won’t be strangers long! You’ll need your team’s help to win the Grand Prize, a South Carolina hog hunt that money can’t buy! So go ahead and register to help us along with our planning. And as always.....bring plenty of arrows! We’ve always got something new up our sleeves!