







son Bill and I each took our first archery Bull Elk. My son Jim took a Mule Deer, followed by more Mule Deer and Elk in the years after. I was recently married to Denise. The agreement was to go west every other year to hunt Elk; but that was a promise I failed to keep - sorry Denise. Archery Elk hunting during the rut became a passion. I got tired of driving, so we moved to Colorado in Nov 2004. I joined the USAF Academy Archery Club and the CBA in 2005. I enjoyed many hunts, CBA Jamborees and Banquets. In 2010, I volunteered as a CBA BOD Director at Large for 10 years. I have worked at most Jamborees, Banquets, ISE shows and other events. Most people know me as the "one who gets donations and works the auctions." Thanks to all the donors!

## MEMORABLE HUNTS

I have many memorable hunts:

- 1. My 2000 archery hunt with my boys where we took two bulls and a deer;
- Helping my son Nick take his first Cow Elk with a bow in 2011 followed by a 5x5 2. Bull with his bow in 2017;
- 3. A successful Idaho Bear hunt with Dave Guskey, one of our CBA founders. And let me add that without the support of my wife, Denise, for the past thirty years none of this would have been possible.

# WHY I LIKE THE CBA

I like the CBA because of its members and the mission we carry to promote and save the great sport of bowhunting as well as working with great people. In addition, I am a member of the Pope & Young Club and the Colorado Traditional Archers Society (CTAS) – all great clubs to support.

Kurt joined the CBA in 2006, after moving to Colorado. He has been a member ever since. Kurt has received the following CBA Awards:

• CBA Service Award 2013 & 2020

## HISTORY WITH COLORADO BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION

#### **Leadership** positions held for the CBA

Director at Large: Kurt became an active CBA Board member as a director at Large, in 2011. Kurt was an active CBA Director at Large from 2011 to 2019.

Corporate Donations for CBA Events: He solicited and coordinated many of the donations for the live auctions, silent auctions, and raffles; working both the live and silent auctions and raffles; coordinating banquet vendors; developing banquet programs; developing Contracts and Posters for donated Trips/Hunts; working close-out collections; and writing hundreds of thank you letters to donors. He established a successful corporate donation program/process for the annual CBA Banquet and Jamboree, continuing to obtain support from in state and out of state outfitters, local business, and companies like Sitka Gear, Black Canyon Bows, Pronghorn Bows, Day One Camo, Cabela's, Bass Pro, Dicks, Scheels, Western Archery, Archery Hut, No Limits Archery, Caribou Gear, Black Canyon Bows, Stalker Stick bows, Sportsman's Warehouse, and especially Mike Hays, Marv Clyncke and Wayne Depperschmidt for their continued support. There were many more not listed above. Also developed a CBA Donor Award program, developing an award plaque for donors who contributed annually.

Club Affiliates Director multiple years while on the board.

Contributed to the revised CBA Handbook

2019 Banguet Co-Chair for the 50th Anniversary CBA Awards Banguet

Area Representative: 2022 to current

**Programs & events** the candidate has volunteered (Jamborees, Banquets, Shoots, etc.) 2011: Attended the CBA Banquet (Colorado Springs) and worked Silent Auction

with Dave Iverson

2012-2018: Committee member for both the CBA Banquet and Jamboree securing donations of compound bows, recurves, long bows, archery equipment, hunts, items from Bass Pro and Cabela's for these events (Ignacio, Northglenn, Glenwood Springs, Denver, Pueblo, Northglenn, & Fort Collins).

Jamboree Set Up and helped with many functions at the Jamboree.

2019: Banquet Co-Chair for the 50th Anniversary CBA Awards Banquet in Grand Junction; committee member for the CBA Jamboree securing donations of compound bows, recurve, long bows, archery equipment, and hunts., Worked the Jamboree Set Up and helped with many functions at the Jamboree.

2020: Committee member for the CBA Banquet prior to cancellation due to COVID

<u>2021</u>: Helped solicit CBA Banquet donations for the live and silent auction/raffles

2022-2023: Committee member for both the CBA Banquet and Jamboree securing compound bows, recurve, long bows, archery equipment, hunts, items for the event (Loveland).

#### **Banquets, Jamborees & other events**

Kurt has helped the CBA raise over \$200,000 with all the donations and gifts he has obtained for the CBA. No one in recent memory has helped get so many items for the CBA and/or helped the CBA generate so many funds from these efforts.

Kurt has worked setup and tear down for the CBA Booth and Shooting Range at the Denver ISE show for several years. He also helped with children shooting bows at this event.

Kurt helped with the Cabela's Lone Tree Grand Opening: Coordinated, setup, and manned the CBA Booth. Provided information on behalf of the CBA and CBA mission to multiple organizations/individuals. A year later, set up a shooting range at the Cabela's Lone Tree location. He also worked with the Bass Pro Shops in Colorado Springs at one of their seminars led by Fred Eichler and Wayne Carlton.

## **Articles** written by Kurt

- 1. "Nick's Fist Elk" Son's First Elk with a Bow (Dec 2011) CBA magazine
- 2. "Successful Hunt" helped write this article for the CBA magazine (Dec 2011), for a CBA member from Denmark
- 3. "First Bull" son's first bull (Oct 2018) CBA magazine
- "My Idaho Bear Hunt with Dave Gusky" (Dec 2019) CBA magazine 4.
- 5. Co-authored CBA Banquet articles for the CBA magazine

# OTHER ORGANIZATIONS KURT HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN

#### **International Bowhunters Education Program (IBEP)** instructor, 1990s

Kurt is a qualified IBEP course instructor. Kurt gave 15-plus training sessions for the IBEP course during the 1990s taught at Ft Belvoir, VA; as part of the Ft Belvoir hunting program, the Belvoir Bowhunters, and the Virginia Bowhunters Association, covering all topics to include shot placement, blood trailing, and bowhunter ethics.

### **Belvoir Bowhunters**

As Activities Director and Vice President (1985-1993) of the Belvoir Bowhunters, helped edit, write and distribute monthly articles for the club newsletter. After moving to Colorado, he wrote an article about "Hunting the Flat Tops" in 2007 and it was published in the Belvoir Bowhunters Newsletter. Kurt was a Charter/ Founding Member of the Belvoir Bowhunters (Ft Belvoir, VA, 1984 to present)







