CHAPTER 2: Setting the Foundation

Page 28: (bottom) Reference to nickel-silver coins should read: “Also, from 1963 to 1972 a few nickel-silver coin medallions appear in top model bows.”


Page 31: First paragraph should read "In 1958, Fred Bear began using exotic woods in his bows starting with the 1958 Kodiak Special I-Beam Riser which had a dark Rosewood center lamination; a trend that would continue as he found ways to make his bows sexier.”

Page 33: (bottom) Under description of Micarta, add a last sentence “In the 1950s to early 1960s the use of paper-based micarta was used for limb tip overlays. I only address it specifically for the ’59 Kodiak, yet acknowledge its general use through that time period.”

Page 35: Last sentence should read “Another important factor confounding the dating of early Bear Archery bows is that multiple changes to serial number criteria occurred over many years.”

Page 37: For number 4, it should read “The nickel silver coin is flush with the wood and we know some of those coins were used in 1963-72.”

Page 38: The 1970 and 1971-72 table entries should read “BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN.”

CHAPTER 3: GRIZZLY

Page 47: Top photograph listed as 1953 Grizzly should read 1950 Grizzly.

Page 49: In the table row for 1949-50, Glass Color is listed as "Blonde" and should be replaced with "WOVEN REDDISH.” In the table row for 1952, Glass color is listed as “Blond/Tan” and should be replaced with "BLONDE/BLONDE.”

Page 50: In the table row for 1953, Glass Color is listed as “Reddish/Tan” and should be replaced with "RUST/RUST." Also, In the table row for 1954, Glass Color is listed as “Reddish/Tan” and should be replaced with "RUST/RUST." In the table row for 1963 Grizzly add “GREEN/WHITE” to Overlay Color cell.

Page 52: The Camo bow shown with the 1968 Grizzly Factory Camo label is not a Grizzly. It is a Tigercat.

CHAPTER 5: KODIAK DELUXE

Page 69: In the table row for 1950, Glass Color is listed as "REDDISH" and should be replaced with "WOVEN REDDISH.”

Page 74: The only photograph is labeled "A 1960 Kodiak Deluxe". The photograph is actually a 1960 Kodiak Special Deluxe.

Page 75: The photo in the center of the page, from the 1960 Bear Archery Catalog was only intended to show the Crystalight glass.
Page 76: Second paragraph - HA (56") IA (60") and LA (64") is the serial numbering sequence that started in 1959 and carried over well into the 1960 production before the numbering sequence was changed.

CHAPTER 6: KODIAK MAGNUM

Page 78: End of paragraph one should read: “This trend would change in mid-1972 when both logos would begin appearing on the belly side of the limbs. By 1973, the standing bear logo was now under a new US patent.”

Pages 83: All references to Nickel-Silver standing bear coins should read “From 1963 to 1972, some risers carried Nickel-Silver standing bear coins.”

Page 84: first sentence should read: "The serial numbers inscriptions changed to white in early 1974."

Page 89: Table entries for overlay color should read “WHITE/BLACK/WHITE GLASS” for 1970 and 1971-72 entries. All 1970 and 1971-72 table entries should read “BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN.”

CHAPTER 7: SUPER MAGNUM 48”

Page 100: All 1970 and 1971-72 table entries should read “BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN.” Data in tables followed Al Reader’s rule #3. Keep in mind Nickel-Silver may have been used less prevalently from 1963 to 1972 in high end bows but I am generalizing in the tables.

CHAPTER 8: KODIAK HUNTER

Page 106: All references to Nickel-Silver standing bear coins should read “From 1963 to 1972, some risers carried Nickel-Silver standing bear coins.”

Page 108: The sentence "At some point in about 1975, white serial number inscriptions begin to be used." should read: "By early 1974 white serial number inscriptions are applied."

Page 111: All 1970 and 1971-72 table entries should read “BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN.” Data in tables followed Al Reader’s rule #3. Keep in mind Nickel-Silver may have been used less prevalently from 1963 to 1972 in high end bows but I am generalizing in the tables.

CHAPTER 9: Super Kodiaks

Page 116: Logo discussion should read “This trend would change in 1972 when both logos would begin appearing on the belly side of the limbs. By 1973, the standing bear logo was now under a US patent.” All references to Nickel-Silver standing bear coins should read “From 1963 to 1972, some risers carried Nickel-Silver standing bear coins.”


Page 126: All 1970 and 1971-72 table entries should read “BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN.”

Page 127: In the table row for 2011 the second column for AMO LENGTH it should read 60" / 64"
CHAPTER 10: FRED BEAR WOOD TAKE-DOWN


Page 144: The word “dymondwood” should be capitalized to read Dymondwood™.” Add the superscripted ™.

CHAPTER 21: POLAR

Page 193: First paragraph, after: Add this sentence: “Polar bows with aluminum lamination came with and without wood backing.”

P2 202: In the table, First header should read: “Grayling Polar: Wedged (1950-52) or Single Shelf (1953) Straight Bow—Leather Handle Grip”

CHAPTER 22: CUB

Pg. 211: In the table, First header row in table should read: “Cub—Wedge, Leather Grip, 62” Straight Bow”. The second header should read: “Cub—Wedge (1955-56) or Double Shelf (1957), Leather Grip, 62” Semi-Recurved Bow”. The table rows for 1955, 1956 and 1957 should read BLACK/GREY (for 1955 and 1956) and BLACK/BLACK (for 1957) under GLASS COLOR.

CHAPTER 23: KODIAK SPECIAL

Page 218: Top photograph incorrectly labeled 1958 Kodiak Special. This is actually a 1957 Kodiak Special.

Page 219: Top photograph is incorrectly labeled 1959-1960 Kodiak Special - this bow should be labeled as “Early 1959 Kodiak Special (black underlays at tips)”. The sentence should read: “With a riser of zebrawood backed and faced in soft tinted green glass with black and tinted green overlays and an aluminum coin, it was stunning to look at.”

Page 220: The sentence should read “For 1962, a riser of Brazilian rosewood backed and faced in aqua glass with black and aqua tip overlays marks a new look for the Kodak Special.

Page 222: The sentence should read “Kodiak Specials were made in two lengths now (66” and 69”) and carried white glass and brown tips.”

Page 224: In the table rows for both 1955 and 1956 Kodiak Special: The cells for Glass Color it should read “GREY” and the cells for Overlay Color should read “BLACK/WHITE.” In the table rows for both 1957 and 1958 Kodiak Special the cells for Overlay Color should read “RED/BROWN/WHITE.” In the table row for 1958 Kodiak Special, remove "Two Tone Swirl" for cell under RISER WOOD column. In the table row for 1961 Kodiak Special, replace “Lime/Lime” with “Soft Tinted Green” for Glass Color cell. In the table row for 1962 Kodiak Special, replace “Lime/Lime” with “Aqua” for Glass Color cell.

Page 225: In the table rows for 1963, 1966 and 1967, for overlay color it should read “DARK BROWN/WHITE.”

Page 226: Top photo is a Kodiak Special, not a Kodiak Special Deluxe (no Crystalight clear glass on limbs).

CHAPTER 25: TAMERLANE
Page 235: In the row for 1964 remove serial # prefix 4B (69") and leave it blank. For each row, the column for overlay color should read as follows:

1963 - DARK BROWN/WHITE/DARK BROWN
1964 – BLACK or DARK BROWN/WHITE/BLACK or DARK BROWN
1965 - BLACK/WHITE/BLACK
1966 – BLACK or MEDIUM BROWN/WHITE/BLACK or MEDIUM BROWN
1967 and 1968 - BLACK/WHITE/BLACK

Page 241: For the last row in the table (1972 Victor) add: BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN OR BUTTON in the cell for "Medallion" and KL/KV in the cell for Serial # Prefix.

**CHAPTER 26: LITTLE BEAR**

Page 247: For the table rows for 1965 and 1966, the Serial # prefix should read 5T and 6T, respectively.

**CHAPTER 28: TARTAR**

Page 255: For the row for 1971 add: BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN
For the row for 1972 add: BRASS OR NICKEL SILVER STANDING BEAR COIN OR BUTTON

**CHAPTER 39: FRED BEAR MAGNESIUM TAKED-DOWNS**

Page 317: First sentence should read: "These Magnesium take-down handles did not carry any medallions until late-1972 when the Button medallion came into use on magnesium take-down handles.

Page 328: Add AS LAST PARAGRAPH “At some point there was a change to the magnesium riser where a reinforcing “rib” was added to the fadeouts following some mag. failures while using very heavy limbs. These are referred to as “Type II” mag. risers. Photos on page 326 (red C-handle) & 329 (yellow and green risers) show the “rib.”

Page 333: In the table row for 1972 the cell for "Medallion should read NONE or BUTTON (late)" while for the rows for 1973 and 1974 the cell for "Medallion" should read "BUTTON"

**CHAPTER 42: MINUTEMAN**

Page 355: For the Minuteman table remove "BLACK PLASTIC TIPS" from all of the overlay color cells and leave them blank.

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