



Local Author Pens Traditional Bowyer's Bible



Mills County author Jim Hamm

Mills County resident Jim Hamm has a rather unusual occupation. Sure, he runs his ranch, gardens, hunts, drives a pickup, and like every other resident scans the sky for any sign of rain.

But his official day job is as a writer and publisher, having written ten books and dozens of magazine articles. His specialty is traditional archery, bows and arrows made from wood like they have been made for the past ten thousand years. As Hamm states,

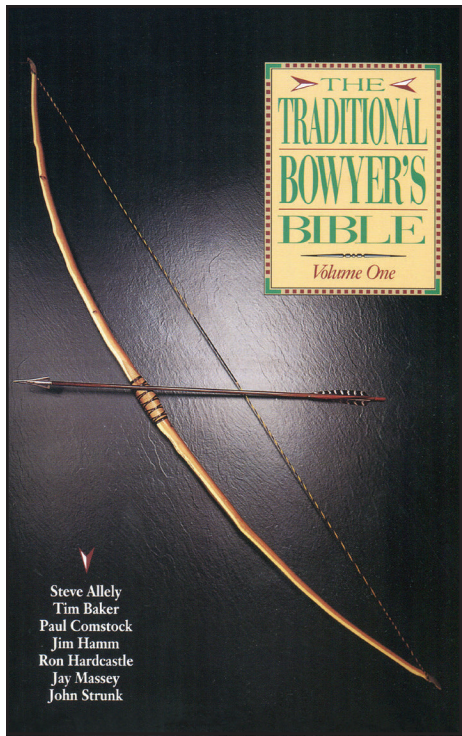
"If these bows weren't highly effective, none of our ancestors could have lived and none of us would be here." He notes that today traditional archers hunt on every continent, and take game as diverse as moose, leopards, and whitetails.

Jim and his wife, Donna, started Bois d'Arc Press in 1988 to publish Jim's first book, Bows and Arrows of the Native Americans. That was followed up with co-writing and editing the first of

four groundbreaking Traditional Bowyer's Bible volumes in 1992.

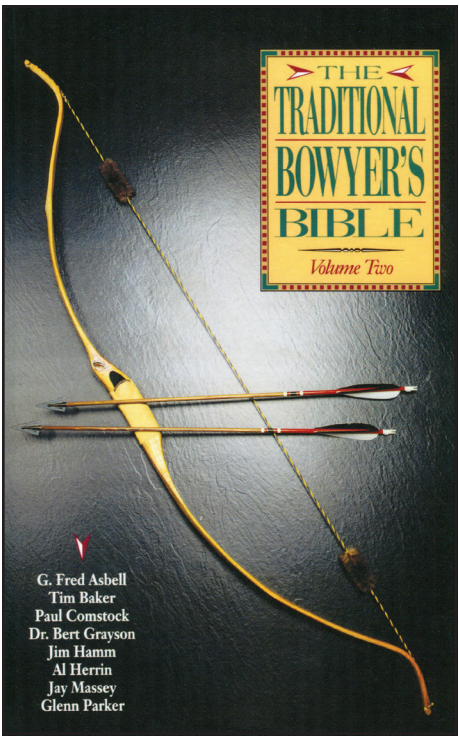
Today his books have become perennial best-sellers among archers worldwide, having been translated into German, French, and Italian, and kindled an international resurgence of the ancient art of bowmaking.

Hamm's book are available through Amazon.com, both in print versions and as Kindle e-books.



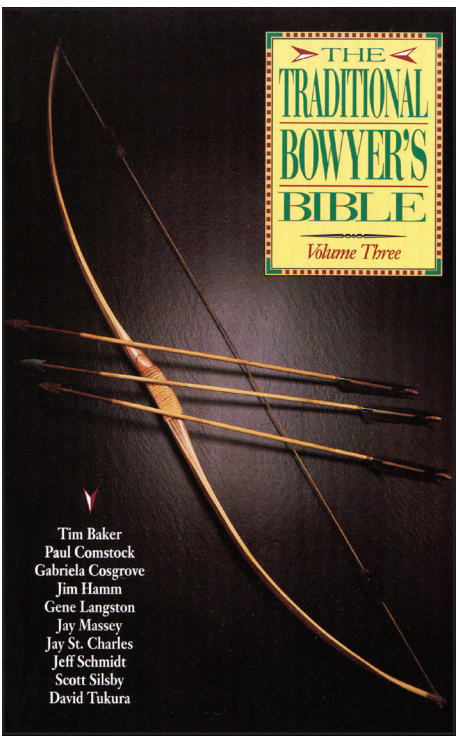
Traditional Bowyer's Bible, Volume 1

Cutting and Seasoning Wood
Bow Design and Performance
Yew Longbow
Osage Flatbow
Western Indian Bows
Tillering
Finishes
And much more.



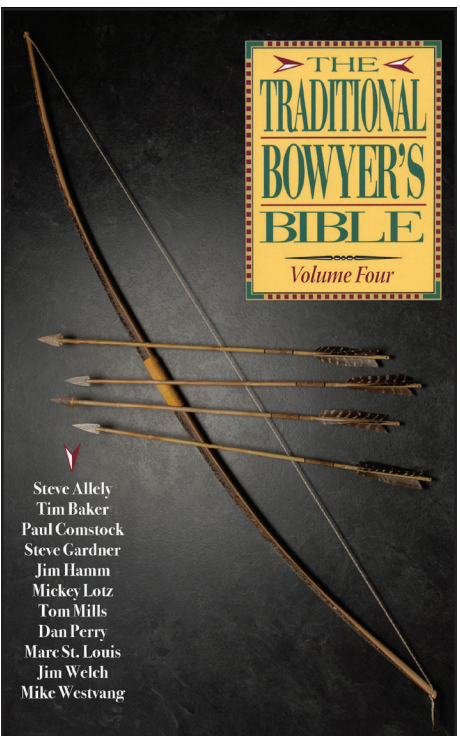
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Bows from Boards
Eastern Woodland Bows
Ancient European Bows
Bending Wood
Recurves
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Improving Accuracy
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Tools
Bows of the World
Plains Indian Bows
Take-down Bows
A Stone Age Bow
Wooden Arrows
Stone Points
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Bow Wood
Flight Bows
Laminated Wood Bows
Character Bows
Arrows of the World
Lessons from Target Archery
Ishi's Archery Tackle
And much more.