

OREGON HUNTERS ASSOCIATION

BEND CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

April 2018



NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

May 3, 2018

Normally our meetings are at Kelly D's in Bend, Kelly's is working on resolving a temporary issue, so check our website or the Facebook page prior to attending the May meeting and make sure you know where we will be!

JR Lorimor was our first speaker this month at the chapter meeting. Three Rivers Archers, a youth archery club in La Pine is looking forward to volunteering with the Bend chapter OHA on events where the kids can get involved. Bend, OHA has stepped up to be a contributing sponsor for these kids and the funds go for such things as insurance, hosting functions, gear for some of the kids with scholarships and replacement targets. Three Rivers Archers teach hunting skills, based on hunting ethics, practices, navigation and reading maps, and they do lots of target practicing too. Several of the archery kids have competed on the national level and will continue to encourage others to join and excel. The Three Rivers Archery club has grown and there are many kids waiting for spots to join, Three Rivers Archery is looking into opening several more clubs in Prineville, Redmond, Lakeview and Baker, Oregon. Unfortunately the club does not have enough certified coaches to run the clubs. There are requirements for how many coaches to archery kids are required. Getting certified is an 8 hour course, the next one scheduled on April 22 at the La Pine Parks and recreation center.

You can contact **JR Lorimor** if you are interested in getting certified for this awesome group. Volunteering is the right thing!

JR



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The 2018 Mule Deer Classic

Once again was a complete success! Proving that hard work, lots of volunteers, generous donations and a room full of guests in attendance can assure a profitable banquet & auction! 409 attendees enjoyed a wonderful dinner and perused the abundant general raffle tables, tossing tickets into the bucket in hopes of taking some thing home. They then headed on into the game room to turn the wheel, throw a few darts and toss a hat, all to win a chance at desired prizes. Adding raffle tickets purchased into boxes along the way, they picked up a drink and headed to the other two sections of silent auctions, more raffle tickets for rifles and other anxiously desired objects, fun trips baskets and dinners, hunting equipment, outdoor sports equipment etc. Next walking to the front of the banquet room, the oral treasures were to be found. A spread of tables filled with all kinds of wonderful things to bid on. A great time was had by all, good friends, great food and lots of laughs and bidding wars! If you didn't go





Mule Deer Classic

On behalf of the Bend Chapter of the Oregon Hunters Association, we extend our deep appreciation for making the 26th annual Mule Deer Classic banquet and fundraiser extremely successful.

The banquet was another sold out event with Four Hundred -Nine attendees, 22 of whom were young hunters who will be the guardians for hunters' rights and future habitat preservation.

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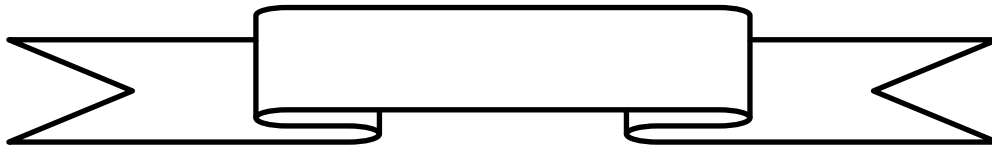
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T and M Travel, Tom and Marilyn Hamper, all the Pens
Pine Valley Plumbing, the very cool OHA Glasses
Carl Buddig, those great Meat Sticks
Napa View, Bob Buddenbohn, those awesome Optics Cloths

The donations were received too late to get put into the program, so we wanted to be sure and
 acknowledge their
 donation!

MDC “Safe of Guns”

This year the Safe Of Guns was a smashing success!

The **Safe Of Guns** raffle has become so popular that the majority of raffle tickets were sold with registrations and the rest within 35 minutes of the doors opening. A record to say the least! It is recommended next year to purchase your raffle tickets when you register to attend the banquet. They go fast! Other raffles for firearms are always on the program for purchase on the registration form and at the banquet, so there are ample opportunities to win.



“Sizing Up Spring Bears” Dave Jarschke,

This month Dave talked about Black Bear through out the west coast states, specifically along the Snake River drainage. “Its one of my favorite hunting seasons. The weather is usually pretty favorable and there’s lots to do.” Black bear are not always black, Dave showed us a slides taken on his trips bear hunting, explaining that they have various colors.

He explained how you can tell the difference between sows and boars. “After a few years Sows have a narrow space between their ears and their snout stays more slender and long looking, where a boars ears appear to be smaller and off to the side and their heads becoming rounder and square shaped like a pumpkin head. You need to use your “binos” and spotting scope.” Bears can be long lived in the wild, the oldest bear in the past two years of OFW’s tooth study is 31 years old. The average age of bears killed from 2016-2017 was 5.34 years old. There has been 1-31yr old, 1-27yr old, 25-20 yrs old and 125 15+yrs old bears harvested and reported through hunting and damage control in Oregon.

Dave showed us how to measure a bear head and how to measure a hide to score them. The slide show included pictures of numerous bear, owls, fish, turkey and beautiful countryside scenery, we heard expert advice on bear hunting and what to look for.

Some years he sees lots of bears and enjoys taking photos of them. He enjoys fishing, Elk watching, Morel Mushroom hunting, wildflowers and experiencing the Grouse drumming and strutting and turkey hunting as well if time allows. The seasons coincide with one another making it a great trip. Thanks to

Bend Chapter Board Elections

The Bend chapter has elections every year for board positions that are due to expire. Half on odd years and half on even years. We’re currently looking for members that would like to become more involved and possibly fill a position.

If you think you may be interested in a position but are hesitant about jumping in feet first just let us know. Current board members would be happy to mentor you or just sit down and discuss with you what the position involves so you can make a more informed decision We want our chapter to continue to stay strong and successful but that requires others to lend a hand.

The Bend chapter is now accepting nominations for the following board positions. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please contact Bob Dixon, VP @ 503-572-2805.

- President
- 2nd Vice President
- Treasurer
- Media Tech

Please take a turn at helping our chapter



Work, Work, Work. Seems like that's all I do! Cant a guy find some time to go hunting around here?

Take your camera when you go hunting!
Send one into your Bend chapter secretary so she can put it here!
Everyone wants to see your harvest. REALLY !!

Come on, you know you'd like to see it in print!

Send your photos to: dixichick1@icloud.com
Tell us where you took it and what happened!



Left- Bend chapter members, Scott Conrad and Don Greene, get a great start to 2018 angling. Two beautiful 2018 Springers from the Columbia River, March 31.

Way to go guys!
What time is dinner?

May Speakers

“What’s in **your** pack?”

Randy Yow, Steve James, Greg Petsch and Sereena Thompson will be speaking about what they put in their packs while hunting. You’ll get hints and suggestions that will help you when you need it!
This will prove to be very informative

Monthly Door Prize

The April door prize winner was

Charlie Sottosanti

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Bob Stearn of Bend.

Bob was **not** present to win!





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OHA, PO Box 6618, Bend Oregon 97708

Or email to: bvlittlefield@bendcable.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

How much hunting or outdoor experience do you have? _____

Why would you like to be considered? (example, volunteer work, conservation efforts, and other things you have done to "give back" to the outdoor and or hunting community)

**NW Ladies Hunting Camp
July 27-29th, Dry Creek Ranch La Pine, Oregon
Deadline for being considered June 1, 2018**

I am available to attend on July 27 through the 29th and will commit to attending this event if I am awarded a scholarship from Bend OHA.



Oregon

Kate Brown, Governor

Department of Transportation

Office of the Director

355 Capitol St NE

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March 15, 2018

Bill Littlefield
Oregon Hunters Association – Bend Chapter
PO Box 6618
Bend, OR 97708

Dear Mr. Littlefield,

I want to recognize and offer my sincere thanks to the Bend Chapter of the Oregon Hunters Association for work to maintain and repair the wildlife fencing along US 97 at Lava Butte. Your efforts are helping improve safety for everyone – deer and wildlife as well as travelers, along this busy highway.

The work the Oregon Hunters Association performs on a regular basis is making a positive difference. We appreciate your volunteerism and dedication, which improves our transportation system, our economy, and our natural resources.

Our partnership with the Oregon Hunters Association is a point of pride for all of us. On behalf of the 4,500 employees of the Oregon Department of Transportation, we thank you and look forward to our continued partnership in making Oregon a better and safer place to live, work, and visit.

Sincerely,



Matthew L. Garrett
Director

Cc:

Tammy Baney, Oregon Transportation Commission Chair

Great job OHA volunteers!

Thank you for all the hours and hard work you put in to help wildlife and humans alike!

ODOT's **Cidney Bowman** & **Bob Bryant** present an award of appreciation to the Bend chapter for all their work and effort. Receiving for the chapter is Eric Brown, project coordinator





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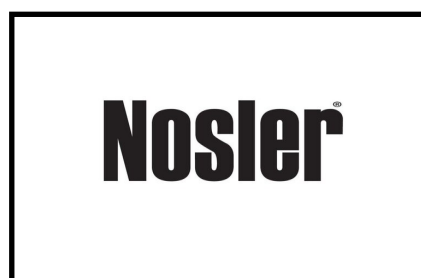
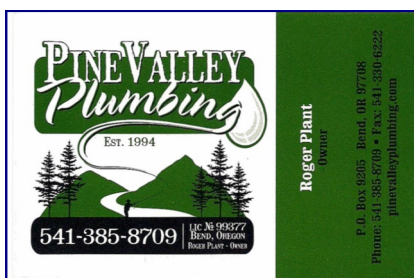
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Deer Fence Maintenance, Lava Butte to Sunriver Junction **April 8, 2018**

6 OHA members conducted the spring patrol on the Deer Fence today with our primary emphasis placed on re-placing 117' of 3' hog wire that was destroyed where the pickup went through the fence in December.



On the Northeast side of Cottonwood was a widow maker that had the top resting into a tree on the opposite side of the fence. Roger Points trimmed up the branches. Bob Dixon (OHA certified sawyer through USFS) cut the base of the branch causing it to fall to the ground. Using a ladder a rope was tied onto the branch higher up the limb and then using a Jeep the branch was quickly pulled backwards causing it to land on the fence trail. It was quickly bucked up



Participants:

Eric Brown, Greg Petsch, Roger Points, Bob Dixon, Gary Holtz & Jon Nash

4 hours for each
2 – Side by Sides & 3 Quads used
5 – Vehicles for transportation

= 30 hours
= 22.5 miles
= 160 miles



Roger Points, Jon Nash and Greg Petsch installing the bottom hog wire material.



This is the electric strip on Cottonwood on the west side of the highway. In the Yellow area are 3 strips of metal that are “u shaped”. One of the metal strips was found along the roadway and was placed next to the fence.

Overall, the fence is in great shape. A few brackets were re-secured and a couple of branches lying over the fence were removed.

Eric R. Brown, Chapter Volunteer Coordinator
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SUNDAY, APRIL 22.

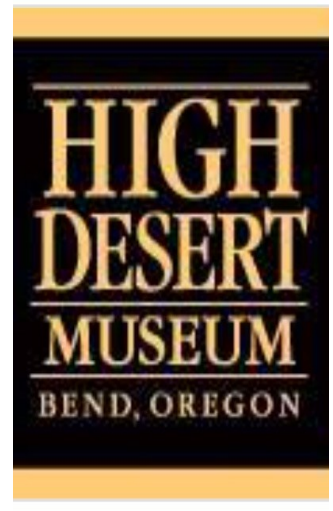
(no fishing is allowed on Saturday the 21st)

The date is fixed now, so every year it will be the 22 of
April.

Treasurer's Report

John Bambe was pleased to
report that the current Bend chapter's OHA checking
account balance was \$117,104.00 as of April 5, 2018 due
to the success of the annual MDC Banquet.

Final expenses for the banquet have not yet been paid.
Net profits have not yet been determined.



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Sisters Buck and Pole Project for May 12, 2018
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Today Rod Adams, Fred Newton and I met up with Monty Gregg, USFS Wildlife Biologist at the Sisters Buck and Pole project off Cold Springs Road. Cold Springs Road is approximately 5 miles west of Sisters on Hwy 20 when travelling towards Black Butte Ranch you will see the Cold Springs sign at the end of a passing lane and you will turn left (West). Travel approximately 1.2 miles on Cold Springs Road to the project site. The project is directly off the roadway on the North side with camping available on the South Side. A trail approximately ½ mile in distance travels around the Aspen stand.



The Buck and Pole fence will run next to the Cold Springs Road as well. Half of the trail is fairly clear of debris. There is also approximately a ¼ mile of trail that has a lot of debris alongside which we communicated to Monty that it would be best if that material was moved to facilitate easy travel for ATV's that will be hauling material. There was also a concern that workers would be tripping in the debris. Monty will be working with Heart of Oregon the week prior to the work party and there goal is to notch Bucks and put them in place around the site along with the Poles. He would also like to drill and nail the Bucks.

We suggested that notching the Bucks was important but also requested that time be spent widening the trail. We also looked at the dispersed camping sites just across the road from the project. This is a picture from Cold Springs Road looking at the side road to get into the dispersed site. Go approximately 200 yards to get to the sites. This is only a partial view of the camping sites. Ground is clear and has easy access and room to put several RV's at location. For those wanting to come out for the day only this is an easy drive to the site.



Spikes are on order and will be delivered to Monty when they arrive. I will purchase drill bits and hand them off to Rod Adams. **If there are any members available April 16 or 17 we could go to the site and do some clearing beside the trail where the fence will be placed. Some chainsaw work to do but mostly tossing down limbs to the side.**

A few ATV's will be needed for the project day for transporting generators, spikes and possibly dragging Bucks and Poles. Motor Vehicle Use Map #2 for the Deschutes shows what roads you can travel on with an ATV if you want to do an evening ride.

What volunteers should bring:

- 1.Cordless Drill and Chargers
- 2.Generators needed
- 3.Pound Hammer

For those arriving Friday if it has not already been done building a section or two of Buck and Pole in 3 locations around the project will help with Saturdays work when work parties are divided up. A gate will need to put in also. Monty indicated that his crew may be able to get this done.

Who is coming to work?

- Bend Chapter OHA
- Capital Chapter OHA (Unknown number at this time)
- Ochoco Chapter OHA (Possibly a couple but unknown at this time)
- Oregon Youth Challenge (28 eager Cadets)
- Oregon Back Country Hunters and Anglers (Unknown at this time but we are very hopeful)
- RMEF (Unknown)
- NWTF (I have asked Monty to see if we can get any members)

Lastly there will be a discussion about having a Dinner Potluck after the work party on Saturday. This is always a big hit with great food to be consumed. If this is to happen we can possibly talk Rich from Capital Chapter into bringing his BBQ (It is BIG!) Not a huge incentive but for those working at this project there should be a raffle (FREE) taking place where each worker will turn



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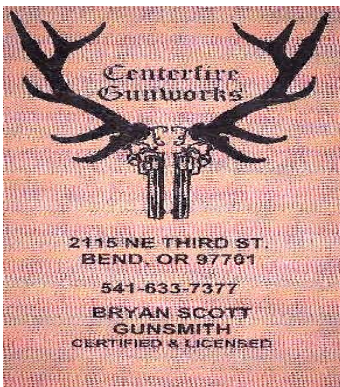
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Presidents Report

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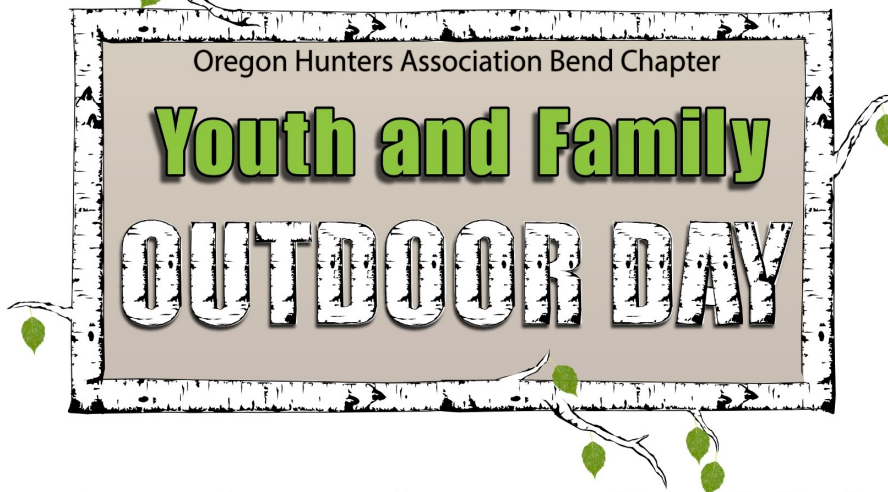
Be sure to pay your annual dues and keep your memberships current!

You don't want to miss out!

Bill Littlefield, would like to encourage all members to come to the monthly meetings and join in on our many chapter activities!

Come and benefit from all that OHA is doing to help preserve and improve hunting in Oregon!

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Activities Coordinator:

Kevin Borst 541-480-7323





Raise 'Em Outdoors Oregon Summer Camp 2018

What:

Intro to Shooting Sports, Hunting,
and Fishing. Family Camp Out.

When:

July 13-15, 2018

Where:

Deep Canyon Ranch - Terrebonne,
OR



Raise' Em Outdoors

Raise'em Outdoors to hold hunting and fishing youth camp in Oregon Raise'em Outdoors, Inc. (REO) a Virginia based non-profit, with a mission to get kids outside, is holding a two-day, two-night summer camp for kids ages 5 to 17 and their families at Deep Canyon Ranch in Terrebonne, Oregon. Interactive educational stations will be set up to teach skills in archery, fishing, rifle shooting, and wildlife conservation.

The camp will run from **Friday night, July 13, 2018 beginning at 6:00 pm and ending Sunday, July 15th around 2:00 pm.** Tent camping is welcome. The registration fee of

\$25 per child and \$15 for adults helps cover cost of insurance and some meals.

This is REO's second annual camp to be held in Oregon. Erin Crooks, the founder of REO was born and raised in Coos County, Oregon. She is an avid sportswomen, passionate about inspiring the next generation of outdoor sports enthusiasts. Erin is also a mom and military spouse. She held her first ever REO camp last summer on the Umpqua river near Elkton, Oregon.

REO is expanding camp offerings in 2018 with five camps total, to be held in Georgia, Texas, Oregon, and two in Virginia where Erin Crooks resides. When REO is not holding summer camps, the 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization collects new and used hunting and fishing gear and sends them to families in need. Erin will be driving across country from camp to camp this summer with her six year old son Gus, and their black lab, Crockett. Contact:

Erin Crooks

**Families can register for a 2018 REO
camp on the website:
raiseemoutdoors.com.**

All children attending a camp must be accompanied by an adult. This is a family event and parents will have the opportunity to learn and share right along with their kids. Sponsorship opportunities are available and donations to : REO can be made via their website





Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Program, ONGYCP, **class #55 assists at the MDC Banquet**

Pictured above are the 14 cadets, chosen for their achievements in school in order to attend. They assisted during the March 24th Mule Deer Classic Banquet and auction wherever needed. OHA member Doug Stout pictured at right, previously trained the cadets to properly handle the firearms for the event, so their assistance was extremely valuable and helped the event run smoothly. Once again these cadets were given a one year membership to OHA as a thank you in hopes that they may become valuable future members, advocates for animal habitat and tomorrow's responsible hunters.

The Bend chapter of OHA **Thanks** these cadets for their assistance and wishes all the cadets from

TWO WORTHY VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR FOR **THE BEND CHAPTER**

Recently at the Bend Mule Deer Classic Banquet, it was announced that **Greg and Mary Petsch** were given the chapter "**Volunteer Of The Year**" award. Both Greg and Mary are instrumental in the success of our banquet with both putting in hundreds of hours to make this event a success. Each year that they have been doing the banquet, we have far exceeded our goals. Greg is almost always at the volunteer projects and somehow he finds time to be a Hunters Education Instructor.

Congratulations to Greg and May Petsch!
Thank you for all your hard work!

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CALENDAR

04/17	Youth Outdoor Day meeting
05/01	Youth Outdoor Day meeting
05/03	Bend Chapter monthly meeting
05/15	Youth Outdoor Day meeting
05/29	Youth Outdoor Day meeting
05/12	Buck & Pole Project (come for the weekend!)
06/02	<u>Youth and Family Outdoor Day</u>