OREGON HUNTERS ASSOCIATION

BEND CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

May 2018



NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

JUNE 7, 2018

The next meeting will be at The Black Bear Restaurant in Bend. The location for our future meetings is still up in the air for now. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Come at 6:00 and have some dinner and socialize before the meeting.

We had four guest speakers this month talking to us about "What they put into their pack" when going out on a hunt. Although there were different kinds of packs and equipment according to personal preference, all were mindful to pack the items they would use and might need on the days' journey. **Greg Petsch**, the Bend Chapter banquet coordinator, **Randy and Candy Yow** from "Extreme Desire" and **Bob Dixon**, Vice President of our Bend Chapter all shared what they make sure to have in their pack.

Greg Petsch

Greg emptied the pack he uses on his bear hunts. The contents included: Trekking poles, spotting scope and tripod, foam pad to sit on, hydration pack to drink as you go, Tyvek (8x10 for shelter or to keep the animal clean), bone saw, quarter bags, 2 headlamps for hands free working, extra batteries for everything! light sticks, GPS radio, Power Aid, sandwich, water, he takes dry packets of Vitamin water mix. Snacks -trail mix, raisins, protein bars, wool gloves, beanie, neck gator if cold, Ziploc bags, wipes, knives, blades, 50ft parachute cord, first aid kit, fire starters, pitch wood, lighter, cotton balls soaked in Vaseline, TP and hand warmers, plastic bags, whistle, shoelaces, extra buckle, poncho, space bag, layers of clothing, map, compass, flagging, small Leatherman tool, Tums, Tylenol, Nyquil, and remember lots of water!

Candy and Randy Yow

The best way to think about it is, if I was stuck out in the backcountry for 24 hours, could I survive and be semicomfortable. Water, food, something to stay warm with or build a fire. Here is a long list below of what we put in

our pack but the best way to think about it is, "what do you really need or don't need and what would make you more comfortable without adding weight or bulk. Each person will be different, remember we hike a lot and get way back in there, we are trying to be prepared for the worse case situations without the pack being too heavy. The main thing is safety, comfort and to have fun!"

Candy and Randy Yow use butterfly Rawhide Gear packs. They take everything to camp, then put into their packs what they think they will use that day, being prepared for anything.

Water for 24 hours, Food for 24 hours, binoculars. range finder/batteries. GPS/batteries, compass, Radio/batteries 2 Cameras/batteries, optics cloth, TP, electrical tape, mirror, flint, an extra bag to put over the head- no blood, a fifth bag for extra meat, groundcover, flare, head lamps/batteries, orange bag to put on pack in case you put it down, you wont loose it- easy to see. Packaged kill kit, short tripod, tall shooting sticks, Zip lock bags, reading glasses, bee poison kit, calling bugles - several, trade using them to see which works best, First Aid Kit/personal meds, super glue, self protection/pistol and ammo, knives, game bags, trash bags, cord or rope, electrical tape, flagging tape, rubber gloves, fire starter/ pitch, Whistle, Hand warmers, hat, gloves hydration and a water filter, extra warm clothing, just in case. License/ tags/ ID/pen.





Bob carries a Kuiu Ultra 3000 pack (3 lbs 7oz) "This allows me to loosen the pack bag and pull it from the frame, the meat sling sets against the frame. I place the meat into the sling and tighten it up against the frame and then tighten the bag back up against the meat. I find that I have lots of room left in the pack for clothing as it comes off. The pack also comes in 1800 & 6000 cu. in. The pack has an optional rifle or bow sling. This is what I put in my pack":

A pad to sit on, Garmin GPS/ Radio, extra rifle ammo, compass, headlamp, small flash light, light stick, batteries for all electronics, head set for radio, lens brush & cloth, TP in drv bag, energy snacks in drv bag. rehydration powder mix, water bladder, meals in small cooler bag (boiled eggs, meat/ sandwich, v8 etc.) flagging, walking sticks, 2L Camelback filtration bottle, spotting scope with light weight tripod, survival kit in dry bag (fire starters, soaked cotton balls, space blanket, electrical tape, whistle). Processing kit in dry bag, dry bag for meat, four ultra light game bags, one woven game bag to place knives on, Cutters Edge and Havalon filet knife, folding bone saw, gloves, different size Ziploc bags, small garbage bag, 550 cord, tag holder, pen, First Aid kit super glue, Tylenol, some Chapstick, and a Bandana).

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Presidents message May 2018

OHA members:

It has been a pleasure serving as your chapter president for these past several years. I appreciate the friendships and support that you have afforded me and OHA. As my term comes to an end, I want to let you know that we are in need of someone to step up and take the reins as our new chapter president.

The Bend chapter is doing very well. The board is strong. The membership is growing. The bank accounts are full since we had our best banquet ever! Many of the chapter's responsibilities are delegated to several small working groups or individuals that do a great job of accomplishing their tasks for the chapter.

The primary duties of the president are to communicate between the chapter and the state board or state office of OHA (which does not amount to much), between the chapter and third parties that the chapter may be engaged with and to share information received with the chapter board for consideration. The president also leads the general chapter meetings and the board meetings. Basically, it's a figure-head role. On average, I have invested about 10 hours per month in my role as president.

In addition, I will be moving into a board position we created several years ago called "past president." While serving in this capacity, I will be available to assist, support or mentor the new president when he/she is elected to the position and I will be a voting member of the board on chapter issues and funding requests. This is intended to provide support for a smooth transition.

If you or someone you know is passionate about hunting and not afraid of giving back to support the hunters of Oregon, please contact me or one of the other chapter board members. Let's have a discussion. It's really not a bad job and it has quite a few rewards.

Bill Littlefield

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. Wouldn't you like to get involved? 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 *Treasurer

*2nd Vice President *Media Tech Please take a turn at helping our chapter continue to grow, to be productive

and active in our community.

Monthly Door Prize

The May door prize winner was Rod Adams Rod won a \$25 Gift certificate to Sportsman's Warehouse.

Come to the meeting and win! Come see what all the fuss is about!

JUNE SPEAKERS

The June Speakers will beCandy Yow,from the TV show Extreme Desire, speaking
about "Women in Hunting"andKarl Findling,from Oregon Pack Works, speaking about
the "Public Land Crisis"

Come to our next meeting and hear all about what's going on!



May Membership Raffle

The name drawn this month for \$350.00 of sporting merchandise was <u>Blake Mitchell</u> of La Pine. Blake was **not** present to win! Where were you Blake? Get to the meetings! (You know you want to!)

Left- Nancy Doran

Every year, biologists with the MD DNR - Wildlife and Heritage Service visit the dens of radio collared bears in order to tag cubs and check on the general health of the sows and their cubs. We change the radio collars on the females, as well as ear tag and PIT tag the cubs. A PIT tag is the same microchip that a lot of people put in their pets. The cubs are born in the middle of winter and when we enter the dens, this is their first exposure to people and daylight. We immobilize the sow before we enter the den and then we remove the cubs, weigh them, take some measurements, apply ear tags and insert PIT tags. We have to keep the cubs warm and safe until we place them back into the den with their mom. Once we're finished, we put Vick's Vapo-Rub on the sow's nose so she doesn't smell the human scent we've left behind and we tuck the cubs all back into the den with her.

That's amazing Nancy. Thank you for sharing your wonderful Experiences.





April 23, 2018

Oregon Hunters Association Bend Chapter

Ladies and gentlemen:

On behalf of the ODFW Bend/LaPine Hunter Education Instructors, we want to thank the Bend chapter of Oregon Hunters Association for buying two youth 20 ga pump shotguns for use during our field day. The Mossberg composite and Remington wood shotguns will be of tremendous help in conducting the shotgun course. We find that many students in our classes have never handled a shotgun; having these two new guns will ensure that the students have a positive experience.

We also thank Dave Jarschke, our Hunter Ed coordinator, and Doug Stout, one of our Hunter Ed instructors, for helping us obtain these new shotguns.

Sincerely,

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Volunteer with OHA



Sisters, Oregon Buck & Pole Project

May 11-12- 2018

We had a very successful work project last weekend. This turned out to be a large collaborative effort with 25 Bend OHA members coming out to build about a ½ mile of buck and pole fence. That's about 225 spans approximately 10 ft. apart and 8 ft. high, 6 poles each span. Helping us was a wide selection of others including; 6 Capitol Chapter master fence builders with years of experience, 28 very helpful OYCP cadets and handlers, 3 RMEF members from Bend and Prineville, 2 Backcountry Hunters and Anglers (also OHA members), 1 National Wild Turkey Federation and 2 USFS employees.

The Forest Service had completed logging the Ponderosa Pine to pay for the thinning of the small pine trees in the Aspen grove to be protected from grazing, along with the purchase of the bucks and poles, then burned the slash and scattered fires around to stimulate new Aspen growth. They did an awful lot of work to clear the perimeter for working and put the bucks in place around the grove.

The Bend Chapter bought the spikes for the fence, drill bits, steaks for the pot luck dinner on Saturday night and misc. other supplies for the Project. Friday included pulling all of the poles around the fence line and making a gate to start from. Saturday the main work started at 7:30 and we all gathered at the fence for a picture at 4:20. It was complete! We had a safe, productive and satisfying day of work with a whole new fence to be proud of, for erecting and future visits through the years to look at and a beautiful Aspen grove that has got a new spurt of growth. Thanks to Monty Gregg of USFS who steered this project from beginning to end, Eric Brown who set it up and made it flow together, the members of the Capitol Chapter who came and EVERYONE who showed up to help.

This Chapter would not be what we are without your continued support.

Thanks for doing a bang-up job of this! Drive by and take a look at it sometime. The Aspen Grove is beautiful! It's about 1 ½ miles South on the Cold Springs cut-off Road, between Sisters and Indian Ford.

Rod Adams





The Sisters Buck and Pole project was incredible! We had a lot of fun and a pot luck to boot! Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity and to get out and meet some really great people? Come to a meeting and see what's going on! We have a few projects coming up that allow us to enjoy the beautiful outdoors and really make a difference. OHA meetings always include something new, information on hunting, hunting areas/ habitats and the latest news on wildlife issues. We have guest speakers every month on subjects you will want to hear about! Please join us.







Rod Adams, Bend OHA member recently met with Ian Sexton, from **Big Cat Sticker Shack**, who graciously donated his time and expense to make up this banner which will be seen at our future work parties.

Treasurer's Report

John Bambe was pleased to report that the current Bend chapter's OHA checking account balance was \$112,660.00 as of May 1, 2018.

The approximate profit after Banquet expenses was \$55,000.00. Thank you to all who contributed and attended the annual event. Funds will be used for education, animal habitat, preservation and the continuing work of OHA. Come to the meetings and hear what OHA is doing.

















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Kevin Borst left, in the Fossil Unit the weekend of May 12, 2018.

"I was up at 6:10, busying myself outside in camp while breakfast was in preparation. I thought I heard a turkey call... maybe. I went in and got my gun, made a few turkey calls and sure enough a few turkeys came moving into sight. I had a turkey and was done by 7:00am." That's how its done!

"While Turkey hunting and Mushroom hunting we spotted Turkey, a Bob Cat, and an Elk that almost walked through camp."

Spring is here and Summer is right around the corner!

What have you harvested this year so far? We know you probably got a few great pictures! We would all enjoy seeing what our members brought home and would like to hear a little about how much fun they had doing it!

Don't be shy, share with your chapter!

Please send a picture and short bio to: dixichick1@icloud.com.





FOX BUTTE FENCE REMOVAL PROJECT

For two eight hour days volunteers from BLM, OHA, RMEF and Pam (Protect Animal Migration) worked to remove buried chicken wire attached to Hog wire with bitterbrush growing between the two.

The volunteers cleaned 20 acres of land, totaling 2260 pounds of fencing, all of which was recycled. "It was hard work but very rewarding." The group tries to help private land owners understand that safe fencing is crucial for wildlife. Elk were heard bugling nearby so it was certain that the efforts of these volunteers was important.

Other such projects are being planned for the future. If you would like to help out, please contact **Jim Moores** with OHA and PAM (541) 610-2850





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Presidents Report

The Bend chapter currently has 472 members. 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!

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 Terrebone, 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

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

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 Raiseemoutdoors.com 541-260-4049 REO 1545 Galvani Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23454.



Families can register for a 2018 REO camp on the website: <u>raiseemoutdoors.com.</u>

<u>All children attending a camp must be</u> <u>accompanied by an adult.</u> 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 raiseemoutdoors.com



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CALENDAR

| 05/29 | Youth and Family Day meeting |
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| 06/02 | Youth and Family Outdoor Day |
| 06/07 | Monthly Chapter meeting |
| 07/13-15 | Raise Em Outdoors Youth Camp |
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Kevin Borst 541-480-7323



