

CLATSOP COUNTY CHAPTER

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CHAPTER MEETINGS

Third Thursdays
Hong Kong Restaurant
2813 Marine Dr, Astoria OR 97103
5:30 pm no-host dinner and social
6:30 pm meeting

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all our current, past, and future members of our Clatsop County Chapter—Oregon Hunters Association! I'm very thankful to Chapter member Tami Jo George for reviving this newsletter for us and hopeful for regular issues to follow.

First, I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to all of you who attended and / or helped with our 2024 banquet. This was our first banquet post-COVID and it was very heartening for our chapter to see such great support. I would also like to acknowledge this event would not have happened without all of you stepping up to participate.

Second, a TREMENDOUS thank you to all who donated merchandise, cash, services, firearms, and SO much more! Our Banquet went longer than anticipated in part due to EVERYONE'S generosity! Please view Page 2 to see the list of Donors who deserve our recognition and patronage.

Last, but not least, we are gearing up for our 2025 OHA CLATSOP COUNTY CHAPTER ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP BANQUET set for

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. Doors open at 4 pm. Dinner at 6 pm.

If you would like to attend, please submit the enclosed Ticket Order form with your payment or to purchase tickets online, see our soon to be revived website:

https://clatsopcountyoha.com/

There will be an EARLY BIRD drawing for those whose ticket orders are completed and/or postmarked on or before **Saturday**, **March 1**, **2025!** The prize will be drawn at the Banquet.

Thank you for being a member, stay safe, and we hope to see you April 5th at the Banquet.

Sincerely,

Troy Laws, Interim President

UPCOMING EVENTS

2025 BANQUET
Saturday, April 5, 2025
Clatsop County Fairgrounds
92937 Walluski Loop
Astoria, Oregon 97103

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ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

Volunteers are ALWAYS welcome!

Text or call Debbie Laws at 503.440.9934

 Newsletter ads or articles
 Looking forward to adding BOTH to future newsletters.

Text or call Tami Jo George at 541.540.0130

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OHA TAKES AIM AT OREGON GUN CONTROL BILLS

By Amy Patrick, OHA Policy Director Amy@oregonhunters.org

As the 2025 legislative session begins, it is shaping up to be heavily focused on firearms. At the time of this writing, OHA is tracking 20 bills related to firearms ownership, with more expected over the coming weeks.

A few of the bigger bills, so far:

HB 3075 - Measure 114 return. This bill was killed by the Senate Republican walkout in 2023. The bill brings all the components of Measure 114: the permit-to-purchase scheme, the registration of permits, the mandatory training course to qualify for a permit, a waiting period, and other added restrictions, including a stipulation that any legal challenge can only be filed in Marion County.

HB 3076 - Gun Dealer Licenses study bill. Currently worded as a study bill, but thanks to a press release by the anti-firearms groups, we know that this bill is intended to be a vehicle for greater restrictions on firearms dealers.

SB 429 - 72 Hour Wait Time. This bill requires a background check to be completed, approval number returned to the gun dealer, and a 72-hour wait time before a firearm can be transferred.

SB 697 - Age Restriction for Firearms Ownership. Restricts firearms ownership below the age of 21.

SB 698 - Restricts Concealed Carry. Enables public buildings to limit the affirmative defense of concealed carry.

While many of these bills would be litigated should they pass, the fight to protect firearm ownership rights and mitigate the impacts to our hunting and sport shooting activities will be ongoing for the next six month of legislative session.

Measure 114 continues to be on hold during the litigation process. The next ruling is due back at any time from the Oregon Court of Appeals as to whether it will continue to uphold the Harney Country ruling that the measure's components are unconstitutional.

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IN THE SPOTTING SCOPE

This is the first of what we hope will be many member spotlights sharing their hunting experiences.

Fittingly, the first article of 2025 is one of our newest Clatsop County Chapter members who also happens to be our Newsletter Editor with her first ever blacktail buck.

Tami Jo George and her husband Michael started their membership by volunteering at the 2024 banquet and have been attending meetings since including planning for the 2025 banquet!

Blessed with 600 series tags, Tami Jo and Michael went on their first hunt of the year on the second Saturday in 2025 with success! The morning hunt was lots of hiking through the Willamette Valley brush on private land with sign but neither hide nor hair of the elusive "ghosts".

The afternoon hunt had a nice spot to sit and wait. When a spike appeared, it took a couple of blinks to confirm a "ghost" had materialized! Tami Jo was able to bag her buck with one shot using her Howa 6.5 Creedmoor rifle won at the 2023 OHA State Banquet.

Next up ... an antlerless elk damage tag to fill by her 60th March birthday!

Please submit your pictures and stories for future newsletters to:

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OHA Member Tami Jo George with her first blacktail buck 1.11.2025

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