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Welcome to our newest TV Chapter Members

Bonnie Burgess, Bill Chamberlain, Eric Garske, Ted Mackley, David McLaren, Tony Talerico and Carli Vankoll

August 9th at Banks Speedway

we will be holding a 50/50 raffle doors open at 4 pm. The money collected will go towards our youth activities contributions. If you want to volunteer to sell tickets up in the grand stands, please let Jenny know 503-969-7242 or email TVCOHA@Outlook.com. Thank you so much to the folks at Banks Speedway and of course all of the contributors and volunteers.



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A BIG THANK YOU to Rob Ward for being our July guest speaker. Rob is a drone pilot and brought some drones in for examples and also showed us some of his work through still photos and videography presentation.

Rob obtained a Remote Pilot Certificate by taking the FAA study course which costs \$100 . Then he had to obtain an FAA Tracking Number (FTN) by creating an Integrated Airman Certification and Rating Application (IACRA) profile prior to taking registering for a knowledge test. Scheduled an appointment with an FAA approved knowledge testing center and then passed the initial aeronautical knowledge test “Unmanned Aircraft General—Small (UAG)”. Once completed then he had to complete some forms and they process and send the National Remote Pilot certificate to you.

To become a pilot, you must;

- ◇ Be at least 16 years old
- ◇ Be able to read, speak, write and understand English
- ◇ Be in physical and mental condition to safely fly a drone
- ◇ Pass the initial aeronautical knowledge exam:
“Unmanned Aircraft General—Small (UAG)”

Certificate holders must complete an [online recurrent training](#) every 24 calendar months to maintain aeronautical knowledge recency.



Some things to note—

You must be a commercial pilot to be able to present your data anywhere besides a family gathering.

You must have a waiver to be able to fly over people outside. (Not inside)

You can only fly up to 400 feet high.

There are places that you must get a approval from the FAA prior to flying near.

You cannot land or take off in a wilderness.

You can fly in a National Forest.

You cannot harass people or wildlife.

Rob has done surveys for large areas for real estate and agriculture areas for vegetation index and thermal imaging. The drones can seed, spray or measure items. Drones can cover events like biking, running, fairs, concerts, car shows really whatever you can dream up, you can cover.

Rob showed us an event, All Hands All Brands for your Public Lands which is a habitat restoration project that he just did and he was able to show the work party cutting down willows and putting them in the beaver dam analogs plus other general clean up.

He has a software that stiches the video and stills together to make it a presentation and has recently added narration.

Rob has a Youtube Channel WhirlyBird Ops at <https://www.youtube.com/@whirlybirdops> and he has a website with a contact page whirlybirdops.com if you are interested in services.

Rob is FAA certified, a Veteran and fully insured.



Women of OHA 2025 Weekend Away

When & Where:

October 18 & 19 – Prineville

Host hotel:

Best Western Prineville

541-447-8080

Rates: \$168 (plus tax) for King, \$179 (plus tax) for 2 Queen

Arrive on October 18 for an evening meal and social time.

Sunday, October 19, will be a chukar hunt near Prineville in conjunction with OHA's Bend Chapter.

Registration is \$75. (Space is limited to 20 members.)

All meals are included. Lodging is not included, please make your own reservation at the host hotel.

NOTE: Do not make your hotel reservations until you have confirmation of registration and be sure to say you are with the Women of OHA to get the group rate.

Questions? Email Amy at amy@oregonhunters.org

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- Do not make your hotel reservations until you have confirmation of registration.
- Be sure to say you are with the Women of OHA to get the group rate when you do make your reservation.
- Participants will be required to purchase a hunting license and the appropriate upland bird stamps.
- We are working with ODFW to set up a shotgun skills course prior to the October weekend.
- All experience levels are welcome!

Our local shooting teams had a good showing at the Oregon State High School Clay Target League State Tournament.

Banks High School JV team earning a 3rd place and both Nevaeh Jimenez and Kyle Franck taking home 3rd place in High Gun. This spring they earned a 1st place for the Spring Trap Shooting in 2A conference.

Also in the 2A Conference—Newberg High School Asa Fischer placed 1st and Jesse Jensen place 2nd—in the JV Male. Varsity Female Ella Beaudry placed 3rd and Varsity Male Ayden Griesenauer placed 1st and 1st individual overall. Then both Newberg's Novice and JV teams placed 1st and Varsity took 3rd place.

In the 1A Conference—Yamhill-Carlton High School Varsity took 1st. Madison Gregor took 1st Varsity Female.

Amity High School JV placed 1st and JV Male Liam Christensen placed 2nd and JV Female Caden Christensen placed 1st.

Rainier Jr/Sr High School Varsity Male Tristin Stout took 1st place plus individual Overall.



For the USA High School Clay Target League Nationals—Oregon placed as following;

**Female—21st Madison Gregor Yamhill-Carlton HS
23rd Evie Kirkpatrick Oregon City HS**

**Male— 60th Gus Brunner Yamhill-Carlton HS
72nd Boone Sleight Mollala HS
139th Walter Dahme Yamhill-Carlton HS
180th Oscar Maley Crane HS
208th Grayson Luttrell Yamhill-Carlton HS
222nd Carter Schmetzky Wallowa HS**



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Chapter Dinner is August 19th at Prime Time, the guest speaker is TBA
Come at 6 for social hour and to eat, the guest speaker starts presenting at 7pm.



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