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# Welcome to our newest TV Chapter Members

Nicholas Aurzada, Alexis Christianson, Grace Christianson, Lauren Christianson, Arturo Cortez & Family, James Hanus, Lauren Ranf, Magic Rodriquez, Bryan Simmons and Tony Walters & Family









A Great Big THANK YOU goes to Dr. Bob Bullard—from Cornelius Veterinary Clinic on talking with us about our furry hunting partners. He handed out a great Pet First Aid Kit sheet of items that should be included in a pet first aid kit. He talked about basic care and general guidelines for keeping your animal healthy and happy.

For most of us they are members of the family and not just pets. He provided a lot of great information about every facet of your pets health. Some was pretty intuitive like feeding your pet a nutritious diet. He also shared that the majority of skin issues are flea related and that your pets should be on a flea regiment from 10 weeks old through life. Allergies are very hard to diagnose because much of it is flea related as well. Ear Care is very important and harder to clear up completely once infection sets in. He says that people need better education sharing that their dog should have their ears washed once a week as a preventative. Lay your pet on their side flush it and massage it in for a minute, then wipe out.



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#### Dr Bob's First Aid Kit

#### Supplies

- 3X3 gauze sponges
- Rectal thermometer(digital) and case
- Antibiotic ointment ("Quadratop", Triple antibiotic ointment, etc.)
- Sterile non-adherent ("Telfa") pads
- "Vetwrap" or "Coban" elastic bandage material
- · Gauze, cast padding, or similar
- 1" roll adhesive tape
- Leash (inexpensive slip leash)
- Povidone Iodine("Betadine") surgical scrub or surgical scrub prep pads
- Bandage scissors

#### Medications

- Flea/Tick Preventative
- Famotadine ("Pepcid AC") 10 mg (1 tablet q 12 hrs /40 lb dog prn -vomiting)
- Loperimide ("Imodium AD") 2 mg tablets (1 tablet /40-60 lbs q6-8 hrs prn diarrhea)
- Diphenhydramine ("Benadryl") 25 or 50 mg (1-2 mg/lb 2-3X/day prn allergic rxns) OR
- Dimenhydrinate(Dramamine) 50mg (1 per 20 lbs prn motion sickness). May cause sedation.
- Any medications your pet is currently taking.

#### Optional Items to Consider

- Bottle of contact lens saline solution to use as eyewash
- Antibiotic eye drops or ointment from your DVM
- Rx "Rimadyl", "Metacam,", or other NSAID for arthritic dogs(consult with your DVM)
- Kelly forceps
- "Elastikon" adhesive stretch tape
- Emergency blanket

It is also a good idea to take a copy of your pet's rabies certificate and microchip number with you and a photo. Remember to pack human first aid supplies for yourself also! Your first aid kit is a convenient place to carry Band-Aids, bandage material, suntan lotion, etc.

If you are going to a region where rattle snakes are, there is a rattle snake vaccine available that will give your dogs, over 30lbs, a real fighting chance if they have it prior to getting bit. Pets under 30 lbs. should not go to rattlesnake areas. If they are bitten, the survival rate is very low.

Left is Dr. Bullard's First Aid Kit for taking your dogs out with you whether showing them, hunting, camping, training or just for play.





Congratulations to Don on his 23lb Salmon.

Thank you to Banks
Speedway for the
raffles, we did well on
both dates. Thank you
to the volunteers as
well, we can't do it
without you!



# Hiking Trails Around Oregon to Prepare for Hunting Season

by Hannah Dinell

This list is meant to offer some opportunities to get in shape for upcoming hunting seasons. It is not at all comprehensive, and if you know of a trail that you think would help other women get prepared, feel free to contact us, and we can add it to a future list.

#### Portland area: Angel's Rest (4.5 miles, 1489 ft. elevation gain)

This trail is one of the first you will encounter in the Columbia Gorge after leaving the Portland area. It's short and steep, which means it will not eat up the whole day. It can get crowded, especially on weekends, but getting there early is a great way to avoid crowds. Try this one with a weighted hunting pack!

### Central Oregon: Lookout Mountain/Round Mountain (6.9 miles, 1512 ft. elevation gain)

This trail is in good shape and not too far outside Prineville. This hike can be shortened or lengthened depending on your time and fitness level. Keep your eyes open for wildlife!

## Southwestern Oregon: Roxy Ann Peak (5.1 miles, 1007 ft. elevation gain)

This trail is easily accessible from Medford and can be done after work during the week to avoid crowds. Another great one to try with a weighted pack!

## Northeastern Oregon: Killamacue Lake (5.8 miles, 1827 ft. elevation gain)

This is a steep one! Give it a try if you want to push yourself. This hike can be accessed from Baker City or La Grande.

## Southcentral Oregon: Bullard Canyon Trail (4.1 miles one way, 639 ft. elevation gain)

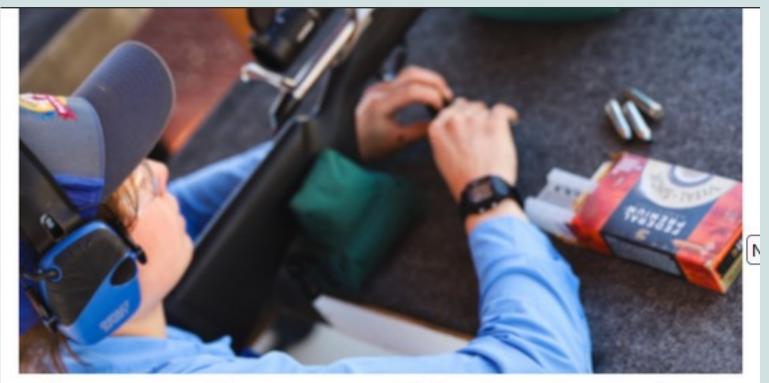
A point-to-point trail right outside Lakeview. You can go as far as you'd like before heading back.

Make sure to bring some water and sun protection on this one!

## The whole state: Any forest road

Hiking forest roads, especially with a weighted pack, is an excellent way to get familiar with the area you'll be hunting in and work on fitness for the hunting season! **OnX** is a great app to help you find an area to hike in and navigate once you're out there.

Prior to going on your hunt, make sure to review your tags and hunting dates. Review your hunt unit maps and scout the area. Drive the roads and familiarize yourself with the area. Hike a little and check out the area, look for sign, sight lines, water and the general bed down areas and just get prepared for the upcoming hunts. Try not to leave things for the last minute.



# Learn How to Sight-in Your Rifle!



AUGUST 27TH OR SEPTEMBER 10TH



5:30 PM-9:00 PM



Tillamook State Forest (Meeting in Timber, OR)





If you are new to hunting or are interested in hunting with leadfree ammunition this season, these events are for you!

These workshops include:

- A breakdown of the sight-in process
- · An overview of shooting form
- The chance to test or sight-in with lead-free ammunition, provided at no cost!

To learn more, please scan:

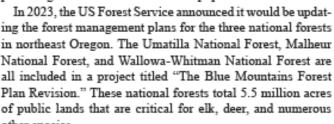


Young guns sharpened their shooting skills just in time for game bird seasons at the OHA Yamhill County annual youth shotgun shoot on Aug. 16.

# OHA weighs in on Blue Mt plan OHA stands up for sage grouse

By Mike Totey, Conservation Director mtotey@oregonhunters.org

OHA and our allies are organizing opposition to proposed National Forest management plans for the Blue Mountains that fall well short of providing for abundant deer and elk populations.



OHA has been looking forward to this process for some time, because these are some of our most valuable game habitat and hunting areas in the state. Unfortunately, the "Preliminary Draft Proposed Malheur, Umatilla, and Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Land Management Plans" fall short on many of the critical aspects needed to promote and sustain healthy elk, deer, and other game populations, and they do virtually nothing to promote one of the most prominent recreational uses on the forests: hunting.

The draft plans don't even include wildlife as a component of the plans. Hunting is barely mentioned.

One of the few references to providing anything for elk states "Utilize vegetation management and other activities to improve distribution of elk and encourage elk to remain on public lands." OHA can support this statement for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is minimizing damage to surrounding private lands. However, this same statement was a key factor for OHA's objection to a recent Forest Service project that stated the same intent, but then deliberately chose not to implement the actions that would encourage elk to remain on public lands.

OHA and numerous partners are joining forces to get our priorities heard to include critical components like elk security cover, fawning and calving area protection, and forage availability and production. Working through this process for any one forest is complex and difficult. Attempting to cover multiple national forests in one revision process adds to the complexity. 🕻 results for the birds, hunters and the agency.

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OHA staff provided both written and oral comments on the 2025 sage grouse hunting permit numbers to the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission. Nearly every time the Commission discusses sage grouse in Oregon, they fall into a deliberation on hunting. And every time, OHA staff, along with ODFW biologists and OSU researchers, set the record straight. Hunting sage grouse in Oregon does not negatively impact sage grouse populations. Instead, it actually benefits the sage grouse conservation program by providing valuable information from wing samples submitted by successful hunters.

Hunting sage grouse involves applying for a hunt, waiting for draw results, and if successful in the drawing, purchasing a sage grouse permit and travelling to Oregon's outback to enjoy your hunt. This all happens in a relatively short time span, making it challenging for many to pull hunting and travel plans together.

Unfortunately, this year the Commission added another step, holding up this process to discuss finalizing permit numbers at its August meeting. Normally, those decisions are made much earlier, then adopted as a temporary rule when the Commission meets at a later date. Not only did the Commission add another unnecessary step to the process, it also set in motion a pathway where both hunters and ODFW staff are under an even more compressed timeframe.

OHA pushed back on the need for this added step and delay. We strongly recommended that the Commission return to the previous process and drop this additional step. Time will tell if we were effective or not. In the meantime, ODFW staff have been scrambling to notify successful hunters, get wing sample envelopes distributed through the mail, and follow up with individuals where hunts were modified.

Oregon continues to take a very conservative approach to our sage grouse hunting opportunity. This approach is based on a strong framework for establishing and reviewing permit numbers, setting an initial hunt plan, and then after current survey and population modelling work is completed for the year, finalizing the hunt permit numbers for the year. This is a rigorous and time-consuming process, but it yields the best



## Submit a CWD sample for a chance to win a Weatherby

OHA is offering a drawing for a Weatherby Vanguard 7mm Rem in First Lite Specter (value \$1,150) to hunters who submit chronic wasting disease samples between Aug. 1, 2025 and April 1, 2026. You get one automatic entry for every sample that you submit.

OHA is invested in keeping Oregon a CWD-free state for as long as possible, but early detection of the disease if and when found in Oregon is critical to limit the spread. CWD is a fatal disease capable of drastic negative impacts on deer, elk and moose populations.

It's easy to submit CWD samples at ODFW check stations, ODFW field and district offices (call first), and cooperating taxidermists and meat processors.

A list of current cooperating taxidermists and meat processors can be found at https://tinyurl.com/65dej2tz

Hunters can help by not transporting certain parts of deer or elk. It is now illegal to bring certain parts home from another state. Check the big game regulations to see which parts to leave behind.

For more information, go to ODFW's website https://myodfw.com/CWD

## New '25 Gun Calendar winners announced

The latest winners in OHA's 2025 Gun Calendar Raffle have been announced, and the 2026 OHA Gun Raffle Calendar is on sale now! Call 541-772-7313 or visit https://oregonhunters.org/shop/#raffles

See weekly winners on OHA's website or download our app, which you can also use to enter OHA contests and get timely notifications.

- ★ Weatherby Badlands .25-06 Jeff Price, Tualatin Valley Chapter
- ★ Winchester XPR Compact 7mm-08 Rem Mac Mclaren
- \* Sig Sauer P320 M18

James Sibley, Clatsop County Chapter

★ Howa 1500 Kryptek .223

Albert Rich, Hoodview Chapter

★ Browning Abolt 3 Composite Stalker 7mm Jacob Stewart, Ochoco Chapter



OHA Bend Chapter members Rex Parks
(left) and John Bambe (right) accept OHA's
Chapter of the Year Award from OHA
Field Director Bryan Cook at the Chapter
Leadership Summit on July 26. Bend
Chapter volunteers logged more than 1,665
hours of habitat-related work last year.

## OHA honors members with '24 State Awards

OHA recognized outstanding volunteer efforts with the announcement of statewide annual awards at the OHA Chapter Summit on July 26. Chapters, state board members and staff nominate deserving individuals, and then vote from the nominees on the ballot. See the writeup for each award in the September-October Oregon Hunter, also online at: https://oregonhunters.org/publications

MEMBER OF THE YEAR – WILDLIFE:
Mitch Coultus, Pioneer Chapter
MEMBER OF THE YEAR – ORGANIZATIONAL:
Brian Andrews, Pioneer Chapter
LANDOWNER OF THE YEAR – CITIZEN:
David Sill

LANDOWNER OF THE YEAR – CORPORATE: Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc. (CTC), Agent for Hill Timber Limited Partnership YOUTH MEMBER OF THE YEAR:

Cooper Sorenson, Pioneer Chapter SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS:

- Bill Beckley, Bend Chapter
- JR Lorimor, Bend Chapter
- Haley Fetzer, Mid-Columbia Chapter
- Randy Haflich, Columbia County Chapter
- Duane & Peggy Johnson, Pioneer Chapter CHAPTER OF THE YEAR: Bend Chapter

# A GUN A WEEK! Don't Miss Out!



# GUN RAFFLE CALENDAR.

OHA will give away

A GUN A WEEK in 2026!

For \$50 you get:

- 2026 Gun Raffle Calendar.
- Chance to win 1 of 52 guns raffled (\$599-\$1,800).
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  toward life pledge)

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Come at 6 for social hour and to eat, the guest speaker starts presenting at 7pm.

































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