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Welcome to our newest TV Chapter Members

John Conroy & Family, Nick Finke, Dylan Hansen, Corey Niemela, Trygve Olsen and Tim Thurber.

Christmas Party—For those attending the Christmas party—reminder that it is December 4th doors open at 4pm out at Carpenter Creek Farm & Winery.

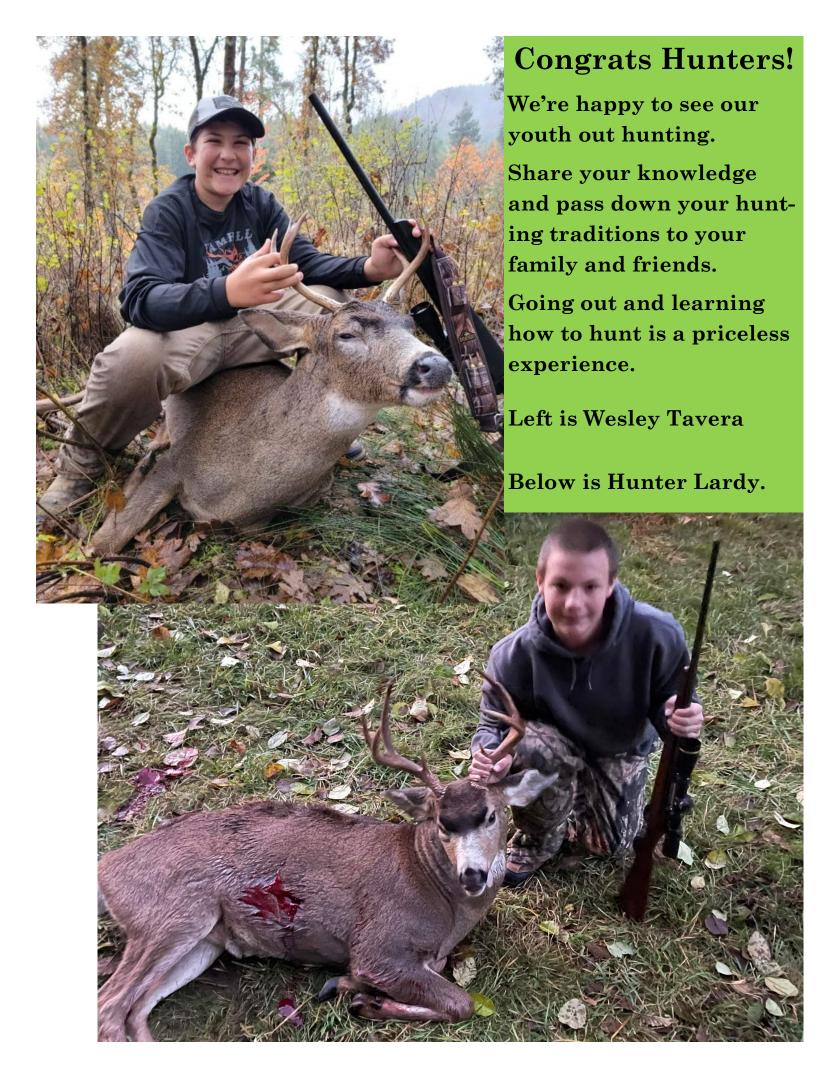
Dinner for 13 and over is \$40 per person and 12 and under are \$10 per person. You must preregister to attend as there is limited attendance.

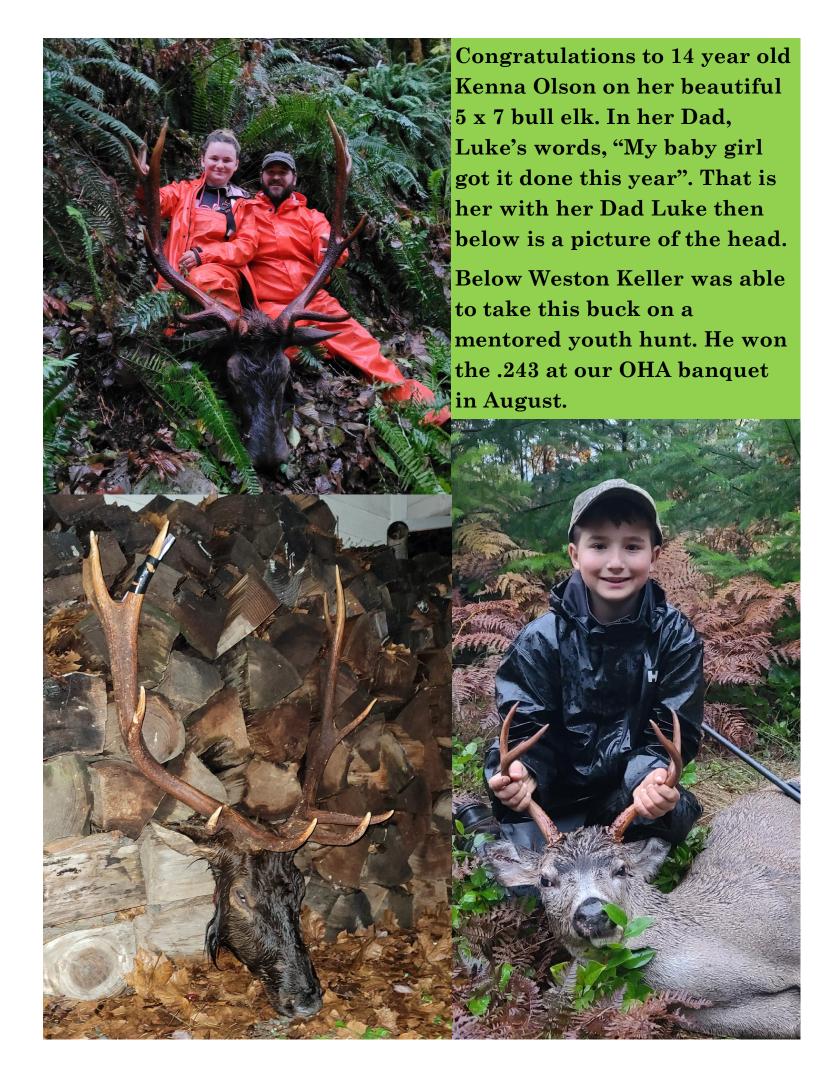
We will have Santa, Raffles, Silent Auction and other fun activities for all who attend. It is in a barn with a propane heater so dress warmly and ladies—open toed shoes may not be the best option for footwear to stay warm.











NEW #2 RECORD FOR ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK IN OREGON

The antiers of a Union County bull elk have been officially scored at 406 6/8 which would make it the second place record for a typical Rocky Mountain elk in Oregon.

The bull's skull and antiers were found by a cone collecting crew on private timberland in the Catherine Creek Unit during the summer and turned in to ODFW. ODFW hopes to eventually display the bull's record antiers in one of our offices and thanks taxidermist Brody Turner for working with us to get them ready for display.







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OHA spreads message on extreme IP13

By Al Elkins & Amy Patrick, OHA Lobbyists Alvinelkins@yahoo.com

Many questions persist regarding IP13 and its ramifications for the hunting, fishing, and trapping communities within the state.

Make no mistake, this initiative is not about animal rights and preventing animal abuse; this is an attempt to force Oregonians to adopt a vegan lifestyle or rely on meat and dairy products shipped in from other states. Gone would be the days of self-sufficiently raising or harvesting your own animals for your freezer.

We will continue to carry the message that Oregonians have the right to live self-sufficient lifestyles, to hunt and fish or raise our own animals, and to lessen our reliance on the national food network and its recent tenuousness.

Here's what you can do to help us fight this radical initiative:

- 1) Make sure the people in your circle (family, friends, and coworkers) are aware of the ramifications and understand the reasons not to sign any petition related to IP13.
- 2) Talk about the importance of our selfreliant lifestyle with people who are not familiar. Being less reliant on the national food network and understanding where

our food comes from is a conversation that resonates well with people even if they don't hunt or fish.

- 3) Register to vote! (https://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/registration.aspx?lang=en)
- 4) Donate to OHA's Hunter Victory fund (www.oregonhunters.org/donate) for this and other legislative or legal battles.
- 5) Continue to access our IP13 webpage (www.oregonhunters.org/initiative-petition-13) for the latest in news, talking points, and sharable graphics.

Oregon conservation groups explore forming coalition

Oregon representatives of hunting, fishing, trapping, and shooting organizations recently met with Bill Gaines of the California Hunting & Conservation Coalition (CHCC), a very successful coalition of similar organizations. Gaines explained the makeup of the 36-member group, how they make decisions, and their ongoing work with the agencies and commissions that oversee hunting and fishing in California. He also gave an overview of how the group defends the rights of those that hunt and fish and the effectiveness of the coalition in doing so.

OHA and the other Oregon groups represented at the meeting are developing a framework for an Oregon coalition, and we will share the development of this coalition as it takes shape.

OPRD reviewing its park hunting rules

By Mike Totey, Conservation Director mtotey@oregonhunters.org

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is currently reviewing and clarifying rules for hunting on state parks managed lands. The proposal does not eliminate any existing hunting opportunities that are currently available on OPRD lands. The rule revision seeks to more clearly describe where hunting is allowed, what type of hunting is allowed, and the weapons that can be used. The update will include improved maps of the OPRD lands that are open to hunting.

The goal of the process is to clarify the rules, and move from written descriptions of the open areas to a map-based system. OPRD is planning to make these new maps available to the public in a variety of formats, including commercial platforms like onX.

Public comment on the proposed rules and associated maps will start on Dec. 1, and run through early 2022. For more, go to https://www.oregon.gov/oprd/CAC/Documents/2021-11-9c.pdf

You're Invited to the February Oregon Sportsmen's Caucus Fund-Raiser. See the January Tracker for details.



CWD detected in two Idaho mule deer

By Mike Totey, Conservation Director mtotey@oregonhunters.org

Two mule deer bucks harvested in October in the Slate Creek drainage near Lucile in Idaho County, Idaho, tested positive for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), according to Idaho Fish and Game. This is the first confirmed detection of CWD in a state adjoining Oregon, and cause for concern.

CWD, known to exist in the western United States for over 40 years, is fatal to deer, elk, moose and caribou.

To sample for CWD, lymph node tissue from fresh or frozen harvested heads are extracted. Meat or muscle tissue cannot be used to test for CWD. Samples from the diseased mule deer were tested at the Colorado State University Veterinary Diagnostic Lab and are being verified by the National Veterinary Services Laboratories in Ames, Iowa.

The passage of an OHA-supported bill to authorize game check stations will be a critical part of efforts to monitor for this disease and others in Oregon.

For more, visit https://idfg.idaho.gov/ press/chronic-wasting-disease-detectedtwo-idaho-mule-deer

Monument proposed in Wheeler County

By Mike Totey, Conservation Director mtotey@oregonhunters.org

Oregon Senators Merkley and Wyden introduced legislation in early November to create a new national monument in the Painted Hills area of Wheeler County that would be known as the Sutton Mountain National Monument.

The legislation would create a national monument in an area that is currently a wilderness study area.

The proposed legislation does not eliminate hunting, fishing, grazing or any existing improved access.

The legislation protects the area from new energy site development (wind farms or solar farms that the Biden administration is promoting on public lands) or mining.

It would also support active management to improve the area for wildlife and fire resiliency.

Concerns remain that the legislation could be altered before its final approval (if passed), or that it could attract an influx of visitors to the area, which the bill is promoting along with some of the community members in Wheeler County.

OHA will track the legislation and

advocate for wildlife, habitat and hunting

For more information about the proposal, visit https://www.merkley.senate.gov/news/press-releases/merkley-wyden-introduce-bill-to-support-oregon-conservation-economic-development-2021



Check out these new designs and get free shipping at www.oregonhunters.org/store

If you're a proud Oregon Hunter, wear it on your sleeve

By Tyler Dungannon & Jordan Hicks TD@oregonhunters.org

OHA is proud to offer new shirts that were designed and printed in Oregon. Primed for all-day comfort, these garments have an unmatched softness with a Triblend fabric weave.

Made of 4.5oz Poly, Cotton and Rayon, it's breathable, doesn't bind, and stretches with your movement with its low-ribbed neck and shoulder-to-shoulder taping. It has a removable label for comfort.

Both the Old Glory Bull and Oregon Hunter shirts feature an OHA logo on the back collar.

The Old Glory Bull shirts come in men's military green heather, graphite heather (gray) and black heather. OHA is offering women's Old Glory Bull shirts in black heather and vivid teal heather (\$22 each).

Show that you're a hunter of the Beaver State (or Duck state) with OHA's new Oregon Hunter shirt in black heather (\$20).

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