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Welcome to our newest TV Chapter Members

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Pacific NW Sportsmen's Show is coming to the Expo Center February 15-19th, 2023. This year OHA state, Tualatin Valley and Pioneer chapters are sharing a booth so come find us in booth 1053. Admission prices this year are Adults(17+) \$15, Juniors (6-16) \$5, Children 5 and under are Free, Military \$10. Go online to purchase tickets or sign up for the \$2 Adult discount coupon.



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Great News!

Columbia Sportswear has created a new access day for Sporting License holders at the employee store. All current license holders for hunting, fishing, clamming and crabbing are invited to show their license on Monday's for access to the Employee Store.



Product Partnership Donation:

Work Sharp is donating over 500 Knife & Tool Sharpeners to the Oregon Hunters Association! We are proud to support your fund-raising efforts to keep our public lands accessible, wildlife vibrant and our hunting rights intact here in Oregon.

In addition to supporting your upcoming banquet events with product donations, we would also like to extend this 30% discount to all OHA Members! Just a small thank you from all of us here at Team Work Sharp. Stay Sharp Out There!

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**Our 2023 annual fundraising banquet date is March 25, 2023 at the
Wingspan Event Center in Hillsboro
Doors open at 4:15**

**You can call or email Melody Kind to reserve your seats now 503-502-0611
Prices are for Youth Dinner 6-17 years \$25 each, Adult Dinner only \$65 each,
Adult Dinner Pkg + \$50 in gen raffle tickets is \$115,**

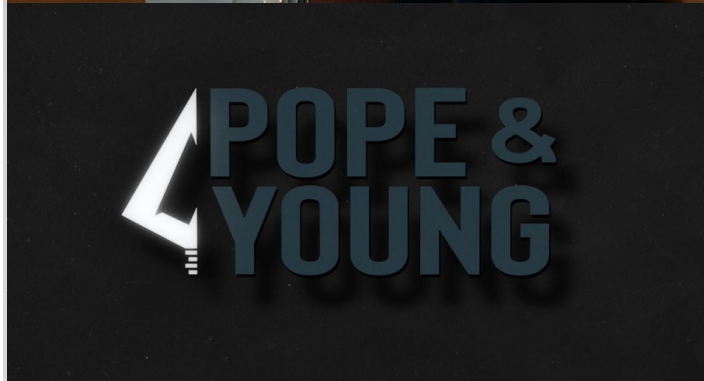
2 Adults Dinner Pkg 2 Dinners + \$100 gen Raffle tickets is \$175.

**To Reserve a Table of 8 with 8 Dinners, \$100 in gen raffle tickets x 8,
plus One Rifle Winner per Table is \$1260.**

www.TualatinValleyOHA.com Call 503-502-0611



****There is another event at the Wingspan the same day, doors open at 4:15pm, if
you come before that time then you will have to pay the \$10 parking fee however if
you come after then you do not have to pay the parking fee.**



A big THANK YOU to Tim Rozewski for being our January guest speaker.

Tim an official measurer and Director of Records for the Pope & Young Club and he was an OHA President years ago. Hunting is a core value with Tim and he is passionate about Preserving, Promoting and Protecting Hunting. Pope and Young has documented and preserved bowhunting game records for over 60 years. They have document all 29 North American big game species harvested with recurve, longbow, and compound bow in their record books. Hand drawn vertical hunting. The Pope & Young Club Mission is **“To ensure bowhunting for future generations by preserving & promoting its heritage and values”**

From its beginnings, the Pope and Young Club established, defined and maintains an ethical code of hunting referred to as FAIR CHASE. The concept of fair chase bowhunting is the very core of the Club’s belief system and one of their major advocacy focuses.

The fair chase philosophy reaches to the very foundations of the hunting spirit; it should be a dominant factor in the personal hunting ethic of every responsible individual; it is key to bowhunting’s future with deep roots in America’s hunting heritage.

Simply defined, fair chase is the ethical, sportsmanlike, and lawful pursuit of free-ranging wild game animals in a manner which does not give the hunter an improper or unfair advantage over the animal.

The club will promote the sport of bowhunting among all walks of life, young and old, inner city and rural America, man and woman, novice and expert to ensure bowhunting is always part of the North American fabric. Helping Americans embrace the outdoor lifestyle, they will promote the benefits of free range, natural and organic nourishment that wild game can provide, and celebrate the ethical harvest and use of such game. They will always invite and encourage others to experience the adrenaline rush of intimate encounters with Big Game only found through bowhunting.

Hunting is under attack. There is no guarantee that our lifestyle and our heritage will be around for the next generation unless we actively defend it.

Preserve Promote Protect

Our VP, Kirk Nolan, wants me to remind everyone to go out and get someone new signed up for OHA. Our goal is to become the largest OHA chapter in 2023 and we are within 40 members of achieving that goal.

OHA is going to continue to offer the Gun Calendar Raffle for 2024 which includes a complimentary membership or can count towards membership renewal, not to mention you have a chance to win one of 52 guns drawn for every Raffle ticket purchased. The raffle ticket is \$50. You can enter yourself and give the membership portion to someone new or renew your own. You can contact any of the board members to purchase gun calendars, they will have it available for online purchase soon.

You will be able to purchase them at our Chapter meetings or at the Annual Banquet—You can also upgrade to a family membership for an extra \$10. If you have any questions, feel free to ask us about it and if we don't know then we'll ask the State and get back with you with an answer.

Measure 114 currently has a temporary restraining order in place until the State notifies the Judge that they are prepared to begin the new system, then at that time the judge will schedule a preliminary injunction hearing to determine the ruling. There is also a preliminary injunction against the “large capacity” magazine ban portion of the measure and the injunction will be in place until a full hearing can be held on that part of the measure.

So for now, measure 114 is on hold.

Coastal Farm & Ranch Raffle is a Howa Lightweight
(4 lbs 7 oz) in 6.5 Creedmoor





Here are a few more Christmas party pics above President Tony Kind and wife/director Shelley are sitting on son Mark & his girlfriend Natalie. Below are Milo & Joy Kind right with son Wayne, Wayne's girlfriend Gabby grandkids Weston and Maverick and daughter Nicole. Right congrats to Mike Lyda on his Blackbuck.





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OHA introduces bills, follows close to 100

CWD, cougars, bobcats, wildlife crossing bills highlight OHA's efforts

By Amy Patrick, OHA Policy Director
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The 2023 legislative session has officially begun with more than 4,000 bills filed the first week and potentially hundreds more waiting to be filed in the next few weeks. The session will last until the end of June, providing six months of political engagement on a myriad of topics. In this protracting landscape of bills, OHA is actively tracking close to 100 bills that affect our interests of wildlife, habitat and hunting heritage.

OHA has authored several bills this session, providing us the opportunity to play offense on issues such as establishing funding for enhanced, in-state testing for Chronic Wasting Disease, restructuring the Fish & Wildlife Commission, and attempting to secure a ballot referral for a constitutional protection to fish, hunt, harvest and gather.

OHA will support the plethora of concepts that have been put forth to approve cougar hunting with hounds on a county-by-county basis by utilizing a county-wide election. There are no less than six bills addressing this topic, each with slight differences in the process but all unified with the intent to allow hound hunting for cougars. However, a bill has been filed attempting to further restrict

hound hunting by making it illegal to utilize hounds in the pursuit of lynx and bobcat; OHA will oppose this bill.

Protecting wildlife migration and reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions has long been an area of focus for OHA. In 2022, OHA supported the \$7 million wildlife crossing bill, and in 2023 we will be supporting the follow-up legislation that requests an additional \$5 million while tasking Oregon Department of Transportation and Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife with prioritizing projects that support wildlife mobility and habitat connectivity.

OHA will engage on numerous other bills throughout the session, all with a focus on our mission of protecting Oregon's wildlife, habitat, and hunting heritage.

OHA files briefs challenging Measure 114

By Amy Patrick, OHA Policy Director
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OHA filed two amicus briefs in early January, supporting the lawsuit against Measure 114 brought by National Shooting Sports Foundation and Oregon State Shooting Association, both members of the sportsmen's coalition formed to fight the measure.

The first brief was filed in conjunction with Ducks Unlimited; the second was filed with other members of the coalition, including Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Ducks Unlimited, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, National Deer Association, Oregon Wild Sheep Foundation, Delta Waterfowl, Safari Club

International, and Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation.

Two OHA members provided depositions to the amicus briefs that gave individual voices to our arguments. Kelly Parkman, Hoodview Chapter president and Learn to Hunt founder, spoke to the detrimental effects Measure 114 would have on new hunters and those wanting to expand their hunting skills into new areas of game that require specific firearms. James Nash, outfitter/guide and podcast personality, wrote eloquently about his experiences as an outfitter/guide, hunter, and veteran, all of which would be negatively impacted by the measure.

OHA worked with two lawyers to

prepare the briefs, Mike McLane and Matt Wand, both of Lynch Murphy McLane LLP in Bend, who support sportsmen's priorities. OHA was able to file both briefs with the recent donations made to our Victory Fund. To donate to this effort, and the numerous others on the horizon, you can donate to OHA's Victory Fund on the OHA website. Visit <https://oregonhunters.org/donate>

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FEBRUARY KICKS OFF BANQUET SEASON!



Enjoy a fun evening among friends and check out auctions and raffles featuring trips, great gear and more at an OHA chapter banquet near you soon.

Watch for 2023 fund-raiser updates at:
<https://oregonhunters.org/events-2>

OHA's 2023 banquets will feature the Coastal Farm & Ranch Raffle for a Howa Lightweight (4 lbs 7 oz) in 6.5 Creedmoor.



OHA 40TH ANNIVERSARY GUN RAFFLES
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2023 OHA BANQUETS

TBD	Lake County	
TBD	Emerald Valley	
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Feb. 25	Columbia Co.	949-553-7271
Feb. 25	Hoodview	503-314-3090
Feb. 25	Redmond	SOLD OUT!
Mar. 4	Pioneer	SOLD OUT!
Mar. 11	Union-Wallowa*	541-786-1283
Mar. 11	Bend	541-480-9848
Mar. 18	Josephine Co.	541-821-1511
Mar. 18	Yamhill County	503-490-2489
Mar. 18	Clatsop County	503-440-9934
Mar. 25	Tualatin Valley	503-502-0611
Apr. 1	Baker	541-403-0402
Apr. 1	Tioga	541-267-2577
Apr. 8	Umpqua	541-580-5660
Apr. 15	Mid-Willamette	541-971-3351
Apr. 22	Capitol **	503-851-8409
Apr. 29	Blue Mountain	541-231-4384
Apr. 29	Klamath	541-884-5773
May 6	Tillamook	503-801-3779
May 6	OHA State Convention, *** Chinook Winds Casino,	541-772-7313
June 3	Rogue Valley	541-773-8736


* OREGON MOUNTAIN GOAT TAG AUCTION
** A&H STATEWIDE DEER TAG AUCTION
*** A&H STATEWIDE ELK TAG AUCTION

OHA protects hunting on Elliott Forest

To initiate the forest management on the Elliott State Research Forest, the Department of State Lands and Oregon State University are seeking an Incidental Take Permit (ITP). In order to get the ITP, they must have an approved Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP).

OHA has submitted written comments on the draft HCP in support of the preferred alternative, which will allow the forest to remain open to public access and hunting throughout the duration of the 80-year HCP.

The forest consists of 83,000 acres

in Coos and Douglas counties that were formerly managed by the Oregon Department of Forestry to generate revenue for the state's Common School Fund. After much political wrangling, the State Land Board finally agreed to turn over management of the forest to OSU to manage as a research forest. 

Throughout this process, OHA has had a representative on an advisory committee, former state Vice President Ken McCall, to ensure that the future plans for the forest would include the access and inclusion of hunting. —MIKE TOTY

OHA stands up for mountain goat hunters

OHA staff testified at the January Fish & Wildlife Commission meeting in support of re-issuing three tags to Rocky Mountain goat hunters who were not able to hunt due to fire closures in Hat Point

and Goat Mountain in 2022.

OHA applauded ODFW staff for their effort to restore once-in-a-lifetime hunts for those who were impacted by land closures. —TYLER DUNGANNON

OHA weighs in for wildlife

OHA members went before the Deschutes County Commission two weeks in a row in January, first giving input regarding the priority of the Goal 5 Wildlife Inventory Update that had been shelved for political reasons. OHA members showed up wearing OHA hats and jackets, and the commission noticed to the degree that additional opportunity for comment was provided the next week.

OHA members, mainly from the Redmond and Bend chapters, both in person, and through email comments, reminded commissioners that our mule deer, elk and eagle wildlife inventories were last updated in the 1990s and are not the best scientific data.

The overwhelming message from OHA was that development and recreation pressure is bringing more conflicts between land use and wildlife protection and that protection of wildlife is a widely shared value in Deschutes County.

Our thanks go to OHA Southeast Director Mary Jo Hedrick and to OHA president Steve Hagan for not letting this fall through the cracks. And thanks to the Bend and Redmond chapters who showed up in January when they could have been out chukar hunting. —GARY LEWIS



First Gun Calendar winners announced

OHA drew the winners of the 2023 Gun Calendar Raffle on Jan. 4 at the OHA State Office.

Winners are posted every Wednesday on OHA's Facebook page and website. Here are January's winners:

- **Christensen Mesa .28 Nosler:**
Jeffrey Martin, Baker City
- **Pointer Acrius Over/Under:**
Perry M. DeLapp, Jr., Salem
- **Taurus The Judge revolver:**
Joshua Raby, Portland
- **Browning Hells Canyon Speed:**
Jimmy Borah, Klamath Falls



Sales of the 2024 OHA Gun Raffle Calendar will begin in February, at sports shows, participating OHA banquets, and by calling the OHA state office at 541-772-7313 or visiting OHA's website at: www.oregonhunters.org/store

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Tony Kind & Kirk Nolan are going to talk Turkey Hunting.
Come eat dinner with the board at 6 pm the meeting starts at 7pm.



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