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OHEIA NEWSLETTER

The mission of the Oregon Hunter Education Instructors Association (OHEIA) is to continually strive to improve the teaching of safe, ethical and responsible hunting through the Hunter Education program.

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President's Message

By Hedge Jarvis, President

Today, writing this message finds your President wishing for Spring. I am hopeful as I see promises of it with the new flowers and budding trees.

Your Board of Directors has been busy the past few months developing a new "mission statement", reviewing the by-laws, planning for the statewide conference and developing protocol for our new website.

I hope you noted our new mission statement printed above. The statewide conference held recently at Sunriver was well attended. Again this year OHEIA hosted a fun-filled Saturday evening with our quick and silver-tongued auctioneer and his assistants with an auction and several raffles. The figures are not finalized yet, but we felt our efforts were very successful.

The funds raised at this auction will be used in grants to fund special projects to help make them a reality. If you would like to apply for a grant, please contact our secretary for an application.

Thank you to James Reed and Myrna Britton, and the cadre of ODFW staff for all the hard work in planning, organizing and keeping up with all the last-minute emergencies to present a good training event.

Our principal speaker at the conference was Dave Oakes, who did a great job of directing

his motivational presentation to his audience of Hunter Education instructors. He described the best learning environment as a style of 50% lecture and 50% involvement. He recommends teaching from an outline and stresses "preparedness, practice and rehearsal" to deliver a good presentation. Also, when in front of your audience, don't forget to look your best. We found Dave to be very helpful in his team building directions.

Breakfast speakers were Kerry Mohr (Huntercourse.com) and Kurt Kalkomey (Hunter-ED.com), each discussing their online courses and future plans.



Breakout sessions were available to conference attendees on the new on-line class registration, time management, independent study field day training, technology in the classroom, map presentation, outdoor skills, how to do powerful presentations; and, of course, all were complemented with fine food and good company. I'm sure everyone found the same problem I did, in not enough time to do everything.

A side activity participated in by Instructors was sharing a powerpoint presentation with an idea they found to be a useful classroom tool. This was a fun event and shared some unique teaching ideas. These ideas are available to any instructor to use. Just let James know, he'll get you a copy.

A goal of the Board is to revisit the by-laws. We feel any changes will be minor in nature. OHEIA members will be informed of any proposed changes, rationale, and you will vote on them.

Other goals include review of "policy and procedure" and "instructor training." If you have specific concerns in these areas, please contact a board member and express them. We will be representing you.

Board members, Chris Friend and Larry Ranstead are heading up the long-talked-about website for OHEIA. Although it's still under construction, the site is up and functioning as you read this message. To access the website go to oheia.org.

OHEIA was organized to assist you, the instructor. Working together, we can continue to improve our hunter education program. We welcome your input on anything of interest to make the program better.

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Jackson County Activities

By Diana Bauman

Here are a couple of things from Jackson County.....

FRIENDS OF NRA BANQUET

On Saturday evening, May 21, 2011 in Medford, there will be a Friends of NRA banquet and auction to raise funds, half of which stays in OR to be used to fund grants in combination with funds from the other 24 FNRA banquets held throughout the state. Monies from the FNRA 2009 banquets totaled \$208,000. This money was granted back to Hunter Education Programs, 4 H clubs, Shooting ranges, Jr. ROTC programs, Youth shooting clubs, the Eddie Eagle program, the YHEC program (Youth Hunter Education

Challenge), to name a very few. It is a worthwhile cause and a fun filled evening. For more details contact the Rogue Valley FNRA Chairman Tom Maddox at 541-821-8215.

FREE FISHING WEEKEND -

DATE: June 11 & 12, 2011
WHERE: Hyatt Lake, BLM Campground at the group shelter. Camping is free...free breakfast and fishing activities. Breakfast will be served on Saturday and Sunday from 7am to 11am.

Fishing Activities are on Saturday only 9am to 2pm.

BLM people, Angler Ed Instructors, Hunter Ed instructors and other Volunteers will be helping kids make painted T-Shirts and/or getting them set for fishing with loaner equipment or for boat rides. Info call Diana Bauman at 541-772-4970.

For Hunter Education Courses in Jackson County area they are on the ODFW website at www.dfw.state.or.us.



Life as a child

Around the age of 10 my dad got me one of those compound bow beginner kits. The first month I went around sticking arrows in anything that could get stuck by an arrow. Did you know that a 1955 40-horse Farmall tractor tire will take 6 rounds before it goes down?

Getting quickly bored, as 10-year olds do, I moved to taking strips of cut-up T-shirt doused in chainsaw gas, which I tied around my arrows, and soon was sending flaming arrows all over the place.

I was shooting flaming arrows into a large rotten oak stump in our backyard. I look over and see under the carport a shiny brand new can of starting fluid (ether).

The light bulb went off in my head. I grabbed the can and set it on the stump. I thought it would probably just spray out in a disappointing manner. Let's face it, Ether doesn't really "sound" flammable. So, I went back into Dad's workshop and got a 1-lb can of dad's muzzleloader black powder.

My thinking (if you follow me so far) was to set the can of ether on the stump, open up the can of black powder and sprinkle a little bit around the ether can, but it dumped out on me.

NO BIGGIE — a 1-lb can of powder and a 16-oz can of ether should make a loud pop — kinda like a firecracker, you

know?

But, you know, maybe not. So I went back into Dad's shop and got a second can of powder and dumped it too. Now we're cookin'!

I stepped back about 15 ft, lit the 2-stroke arrow. I drew the nock to my cheek and took aim. As I released I heard a clunk as the arrow launched from my bow. In a slow motion time frame, I turned to see my dad getting out of his truck ... OH SHOOT! He just got home from work.

So help me, it took 10 minutes for that arrow to go from my bow to the can. My dad was now walking toward me in slow motion with a "what are you doing" look on his face. I turned back toward my target just in time to see the arrow pierce the starting fluid can right at the bottom. Right through the main pile of black powder and into the can.

When the shock wave hit it knocked me off my feet. I caught a half a millisecond glimpse of the violence during the initial explosion, and I will tell you there was dust, grass and bugs all hovering one-foot above the ground as far as I could see. It was like a little low-to-the-ground layer of dust fog full of grasshoppers, spiders, and a worm or two. The daylight turned PURPLE. Repeat — purple!!

So here I am, on the ground, blown

completely out of my shoes, my thundercats t-shirt shredded, and my dad is on the other side of the carport having what I can only assume is a Vietnam flashback.

His hat has blown off and is 30-ft behind in the driveway. All windows on the north side of the house are blown out and there is a slow rolling mushroom cloud about 2000 ft over our backyard. There is a Honda 3-wheeler parked on the other side of the yard and the fenders are drooped down and are now touching the tires.

I wish I knew what I said to my dad...not that it really mattered, — I couldn't hear inside my head. I don't think he could hear either. I said something, felt a sharp pain, and then woke up later. I felt a sharp pain, blacked out, woke up later ... repeated this for about an hour.

I remember Mom had to give me CPR, and dad screaming "bring him back so I can kill him."

One thing is for sure ... I never had to mow around that stump again. Mom had been after dad about that stump for years and dad had never done anything about it.

Dad sold his muzzleloader a week or so later. I still have some sort of bone growth abnormality, either from the blast or the beating, or both.

I guess what I'm trying to say is, get your kids into archery. It's good discipline and will teach them skills they can use later on in life.

Get that kid into an archery class!

WEBSITE News

A long awaited event of a website for OHEIA is definitely coming to fruition.

Larry Ranstead and Chris Friend are heading up this effort. It sounds so easy to have a website — by alas my friends, this project takes a great deal of dedication, commitment, creativity, and sheer will to accomplish.

The site is not officially announced yet, but the construction is well past the half way point. Our hats off to Larry and Chris for their superman efforts.

Anyone who has information that you want on the website is asked to email Larry (email on front panel of this newsletter) with your requests and the details.

Stay tuned!!! Great things are about to happen.

WWW.OHEIA.ORG

Hunter Ed Instructor Tips for the Classroom

By Ted Bork

Field day exercise

Ted shares:... After going through my obstacle course the first few times, the natural instinct of the students is to "race" or to hurry through.

Here's how to slow them down and get them thinking. Put weights in backpacks and tell them they have got a deer and are packing it out.

Also give them big gunny sacks of "meat" to lug around. Then tell them one of their party

approached the animal before checking it and the wounded deer wounded them as well.

Now, sling his or her arm and inform them they are a distance from camp and now have extra weight and a wounded comrade, but still the same amount of firearms to handle.

Watching these kids try to figure out how to get through the obstacle course with a one-armed partner and sacks of meat to handle, while some



are weighed down with backpacks, is a true learning experience! They have to work as a team, maintain muzzle control, and use their brains as much as their

brown.

After they all make it through we hold a discussion on the effort it took and we look for ways to improve. Give kudos if needed. This exercise keeps the students moving, thinking, discussing and learning from their mistakes. Once again we have found it a valuable tool and something the students really enjoy (**parents as well, we've noticed**).

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News Release from OSP – Nine Indicted on Wildlife Crimes in Lane County

NINE INDICTED, ARRAIGNED IN LANE COUNTY ON NUMEROUS WILDLIFE CRIMES, RACKETEERING AND OTHER CRIMINAL OFFENSES

Oregon State Police (OSP) Fish & Wildlife Division troopers from the Springfield, Albany, Bend, Oakridge, Florence and Roseburg offices completed a 15-month investigation into unlawful hunting activities that led to the indictment of nine people by a Lane County Grand Jury. The 9 Springfield-area residents were arraigned Thursday, April 28, on numerous criminal charges including wildlife crimes, ID theft, computer crimes and racketeering in Lane County Circuit Court.

The investigation led by Trooper Marc Boyd of the OSP Springfield Area Command office alleges a long criminal conspiracy involving the illegal harvest of approximately 300 deer in the McKenzie wildlife management unit over the last five years. Search warrants

served at three separate locations during January 2011 in both Springfield and Eugene led to the seizure of 18 hunting rifles, 108 sets of antlers, timber company keys, numerous hunting licenses and tags, approximately 1600 pounds of processed wild game meat, and two whole unlawfully taken cow elk.

Additional charges may be still be pending in both Lane and Harney counties.

A break came when a citizen reported a mistake in ODFW sending a game tooth envelope ...

The offenses allegedly occurred during 2009 and 2010 in Lane County on both Bureau of Land Management and private timber lands. The wildlife unlawfully taken and/or possessed were Elk, Antelope, and Bear, and primarily Black tail deer. Many of the deer were taken to fill tags for people who either do not hunt or who had

their identification stolen for the purpose of illegally obtaining hunting licenses and tags in their name.

A break in the case came when one of the victims of identification theft received an ODFW big game tooth envelope in the U.S. mail and contacted the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to advise them of their mistake. The initial investigation indicated hunting licenses and tags were bought in the reporting person's name without their consent or knowledge.

The above mentioned crimes are punishable by the following:

- All wildlife offenses are a class A misdemeanor and punishable by up to one year in jail and \$6250 in fines for each count.
- Racketeering is a class A felony punishable by up to twenty years in jail and \$375,000 in fines for each count.
- Identification Theft is a class C felony punishable by up to five years in jail and \$125,000 in fines for each count.

- Forgery in the Second Degree is a class A misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and \$6250 in fines for each count.

- Computer Crime in this case is a class A misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and \$6250 in fines.

- "Attempted" wildlife offenses are B misdemeanors punishable by up to 6 months in jail and \$2500 in fines for each count.

- Restitution may be pursued for the unlawfully taken/possessed game mammals and other actions as provided by law. Each antelope, deer and bear have a value of \$800, each elk \$1500. Enhanced restitution amounts for deer with at least four points on one antler is \$7500 and each elk with at least 6 points on one antler is \$15,000.

Cases involving illegal conduct such as this should be reported to the Turn-In-Poachers (TIP) line (800-452-7888) for the protection and future enjoyment of our natural resources.

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Treasurer's Report By Rich Morgan

Hello Members —

As you all know it's time to renew your membership dues for 2011. Below is a form you can use to do this.

At the conference we signed up 25 new members. Of those 25, two joined as life members. They are Tom Liming and Andy Millar. Welcome to the Life Member ranks Tom and Andy.

At the conference 51 members paid their dues through 2011, 18 paid through 2012, and one paid through 2013 and two joined as life members..Membership count to date is 70 life members. Two annual members who paid through 2013, and 23 who paid through 2012. There are 89 members who have renewed through 2011.

Now, there are 47 members who are paid through May, 2011, **who I am asking to renew your memberships.**

Membership Renewal—2011

**OREGON HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR'S ASSOCIATION, INC.
 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2011 - 2012**

If this is a renewal, you may **CHECK BOX** and enter your **NAME. E-MAIL ADDRESS,** and **YEAR PAID** only.

NAME _____ **INSTRUCTOR #** _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ *STATE* _____ *ZIP* _____

PHONE _____ **COUNTY** _____

E-MAIL _____

YEAR/YEARS PAID _____ **LAST 4 C/C #** _____ **CHECK #** _____ **CASH \$** _____

I am enclosing my \$10.00 annual, \$20.00 for two years, or \$100.00 Life membership dues in order to help strengthen hunter education and to assist my fellow instructors. Please, mail dues to Rich Morgan, address above.

SIGNED _____ **DATE** ____/____/____

Multnomah County *By Larry Ranstead*

I am very pleased to share that Multnomah County has two new instructors this year: David Himes, and Rod Briece. We also have a new junior instructor, but her paperwork has not yet cleared, so I am unable to officially announce her until it is official. She has been helping with classes for over a year now and will make a fine instructor. We should all be promoting our upcoming junior instructors who will replace us when we move on to other duties, whether they be here or "up there."

We have completed three classes since January and have four more currently running. One future class is filled and two more are quickly filling up for the summer. All our classes average between 20 to 25 students.

We service Multnomah, some of Clackamas, Washington counties, and lower Washington State.

Have you ever wondered

.... **If you fail, and succeed, which have you done?**

.... **Why is there an expiration date on sour cream?**

.... **What was the best thing before sliced bread?**

Archery News *By James Beck*

The Bend Bowmen are hosting the Hunter's Classic Archery Shoot on July 16-17, 2011.

The planned location is the outdoor range on the West side of Bend, just past the Inn of the 7th Mountain.

Typically in the past the Bend Bowmen have used the gravel pit off of road 41. As always, the turns will be clearly signed and marked all the way from Century Drive.

The best directions are "From Bend, head west on Century Drive toward Mt. Bachelor. Take a left at Forest Service road 41 and then follow the signs."

If you need assistance or information, contact me at jbeck@jodeco.com.

Next Archery education class is tentatively planned for mid-July.

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CHECK OUR WEBSITE OFTEN
POST YOUR CALENDAR EVENTS
SHARE WITH YOUR FELLOW INSTRUCTORS

Central Oregon Update *By Brian Ferry*

Like other areas of the state, the last few months have been busy as instructor's plan, coordinate, and teach classes. Through April, 12 courses, including one independent study class, have been completed.

Bill Layton, a Redmond Instructor, successfully offered and completed ODFW Range Officer training at the Redmond Rod & Gun Club's rifle and pistol facility. At least 6 additional HE courses are planned for Bend, Redmond, and LaPine in May, with more courses on tap in Crook and

Deschutes Counties during June - Sept.

In addition to HE classes, several instructors have volunteered to help ODFW with the upcoming 3-day Becoming an Outdoor Woman's Workshop at the Suttle Lake Methodist Camp.

A strong contingent of Central Oregon Hunter Ed instructors attended the April annual statewide instructor conference at Sunriver.

The surroundings were a great backdrop. ODFW



provided a strong program and the staff at Sunriver made us welcome at an outstanding facility.

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**Control the Muzzle
Unloaded
Finger Off the Trigger**



OREGON LEGISLATION ACTIVITY



In May the Senate Judiciary Committee held hearings on House Bill 2787, House Bill 2792, and House Bill 2797 in Room 343 at 8:45 a.m. As reported last:

[House Bill 2787A Engrossed](#), sponsored by state Representatives Jeff Barker (D-28) and Kim Thatcher (R-25), would prohibit a public body from releasing personal information that identifies the holder of or applicant for a Concealed Handgun License.

[House Bill 2792 A-Engrossed](#), also sponsored by Representative Kim Thatcher, would allow non-residents who are authorized to carry concealed a handgun in another state with the same protections provided to persons with an Oregon Concealed Handgun License. This legislation is an important recognition of non-residents' right to self-defense while visiting Oregon and the realization that out-of-state permit holders should not be considered criminals simply for crossing state lines.

[House Bill 2797 A-Engrossed](#), sponsored by state Representatives Kim Thatcher and Greg Smith (R-57), would describe "readily accessible" for the purpose of prohibition on possessing a readily accessible, concealed handgun within a vehicle, when that vehicle is a snowmobile, motorcycle, or all-terrain vehicle. A handgun would not be considered "readily accessible" if it is in a locked container within or affixed to the vehicle or if it is equipped with a triggerlock or other locking mechanism that prevents the discharge of the firearm. This bill would also modify the offense of operating a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle while carrying a firearm or bow to a Class B traffic violation.

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