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look to be getting any easier. Let's get right to it.

I enjoyed a very nice early August weekend shooting with the Cherry Valley folks. My daughter Sara and I headed up to Big Bear and enjoyed a very peaceful and quiet weekend in the woods. The shoot was well done as always and a lot of fun. I shot about like always...I lost. But, a good time was had by all.

I traveled to northern California to attend and host the California State Outdoor Sportsman's Legislative

Caucus. There has been quite a bit said about this already, but it is always good to speak with a few members of our state legislature and some of the local CDFW Warden community. It was a little somber as this was always Robert Moore's event and this is the first one without him, but he left quite a legacy for all of us to follow. Huge thanks to Rodney York, Mark Rubio, Heather Gore and John Sklarr for their support at the event. Legislative efforts are our most important challenge right now.



There have been several meetings of various state committees and commissions since last letter. All of that is being watched and covered closely by our Legislative Director Amanda Duchardt, and her team. There is a lot of frustration in the air right now. As you no doubt heard, AB28 passed the legislature and is on the Governor's desk. He is sure to sign it, but you can always take time to write him and voice your displeasure. This bill puts an 11% excise tax on all of the guns and ammo bought in the state of California this newsletter. This is going to be a really fun shoot starting Jan 1st 2024. This new tax on law abiding gun owners will go to a gun violence prevention program. While I have my opinions about where it will REALLY end up...I will stick to my script. This is a problem bill and my biggest fear is that it somehow migrates to archery. Rest assured we will keep you informed of any additional developments, but hunting just got more expensive.

the Federal Government abolishing funding for all Hunter Education and Archery programs in our local schools.

Team it's been a busy couple of months and it doesn't We have watched this closely and have been getting feedback from Bill Gaines concerning this ridiculous mandate. I have asked Lori to put a piece in the newsletter letting you know what Senators and Congressmen/women are doing to clear this up. Senator John Cornyn of R-Texas has written a letter which both Democrats and Republicans have signed to get the Department of Education Administration to reevaluate their mandate before the legislature takes action to fix the problem. It looks very good at this point but may take a little time. More to follow as it develops.

> It is my intention to attend the Fish and Game Commission meeting in San Jose this next month. More to follow on that. I encourage anyone with a day to spare to attend that meeting. If you have never attended a meeting it's a great experience. It gives you some perspective on what our sport is up against. As I always teach in Hunter Ed..."Be a safe, responsible, knowledgeable and INVOLVED hunter."

Hopefully all of you had a chance to shoot the State 900!

This is always a very well attended shoot and there surly will be some great scores as the weather really cooperated this year. We didn't have the blistering heat down south that we usually do and I think shooting may have been just a little easier. I'm looking forward to seeing the scores!

We have one last shoot for the year and that's the State Unmarked 3D in November. Look for the flyer in and the proceeds will be going to our legislative defense fund. I know Amanda and her team are planning a great event. Get online and register now. This will be held at Oranco. There is plenty of room for camping and fun so come on out!

Next year is rolling around quick. Make sure to get registered and find a room for all of the great 2024 events. Sportsman's Show, Vegas, State Trad, and the I know many of you have been very concerned about HOF Meeting and Banquet just to name a few. Also keep your eyes open for State CBH/SAA petitions from your Regional Secretary. Continued on page 6

Legislative Team Update

by Amanda Duchardt, CBH/SAA Legislative Director

Greetings CBH/SAA friends and family! The Legislative Committee has LOTS of updates for you this month and MOST of it is good news so grab a beverage of your choice and settle in for the ride.

First, thanks to bipartisan efforts in Washington DC, there appears to be a fix for language in the 2022 Bipartisan Safer **Communities Act (BSCA)** that the Department of Education (DOE) interpreted in a manner to excluded federal funding for hunter education, wilderness courses, archery in schools, school sponsored shooting teams, and other critical enrichment programs. For the last few months, the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus has been working to ensure a legislative fix to the BSCA moves quickly through Congress and on September 26, the House passed the Protecting Hunting Heritage and Education Act (H.R. 5110) on an impressive vote of 424 – 1. The following day, the Senate also unanimously passed the bill, which now heads to the President's desk for signature. The bipartisan H.R. 5110 will ensure that critical enrichment programs for millions of students are eligible to receive federal funding under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and will resolve the funding limitations under the BSCA.

Next, if you've been following along with our Legislative Alert emails and Voter Voice updates, you are already aware that on September 7, AB 28 - legislation which will impose an 11% excise tax on the purchase of all firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition passed out of the Senate with the absolute minimum number of votes required. Within hours it was passed back to the Assembly for a dizzyingly quick approval of amendments. After a few weeks on Governor Newson's desk, AB 28 was signed into law and the new tax will go into effect on July 1, 2024. Thank you for doing your part to help us try to kill this legislation. This legislation WILL be challenged in the courts. Our California Hunting and Conservation Coalition (CHCC) partners at California Rifle and Pistol Association (CRPA) and other pro-second amendment organizations are already preparing their challenge based on the premise that you cannot tax an enumerated right. This will be a tricky proposition because firearms, ammo, and other outdoor equipment are already subject to the Robertson-Pittman excise tax to fund conservation efforts.

In happier news, the California 9th Circuit ruled that AB 2571, (which was signed into law last year prohibiting the marketing of firearms to minors) is probably unconstitutional.

This decision reversed the previous lower court ruling and the case has been sent back down to the lower court for further proceedings. The ruling, based on the 1st Amendment (freedom of speech) noted that:

- •California permits minors under supervision to possess and use firearms for hunting and other lawful activities, Section 22949.80 facially regulates speech that concerns lawful activity and is not misleading.
- •Next, the panel held that section 22949.80 does not directly and materially advance California's substantial interests in reducing gun violence and the unlawful use of firearms by minors.
- •There was no evidence in the record that a minor in California has ever unlawfully bought a gun, let alone because of an ad.
- •Finally, the panel held that section 22949.80 was more extensive than necessary because it swept in truthful ads about lawful use of firearms for adults and minors alike.
- •Judge VanDyke wrote separately to emphasize that laws like section 2249.80, which attempt to use the coercive power of the state to eliminate a viewpoint from public discourse, deserve strict scrutiny.

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Legislative Committee Update from page 4 Last month, we reported that we are also keeping a close eye on AB 262 – legislation related to children's camps' safety and regulation. We are pleased to announce that shortly after this article was published, the author of the bill pulled it from consideration. CBH/SAA and our partners in the CHCC believe that AB 262 was highly dangerous legislation due to its potential to result in unnecessary, burdensome, and costly regulations being placed on youth recreational camps – including those which introduce and educate youth on wildlife conservation and our hunting, fishing, shooting and archery pastimes.

Finally, a couple SoCal locals brought to our attention that the Catalina Island Conservancy is working with the CDFW to secure permission to eradicate mule deer on Catalina Island. Our lobbyist Bill Gaines has been tracking these efforts for several years, but the issue is picking up steam and Catalina locals and hunters are looking for support to stop the wholesale slaughter of these deer. CDFW is drafting an environmental document to support the decision and we will keep you posed on the opportunity to provide public comment. CBH/SAA supports wildlife management decisions backed by scientific data and research and there are concerns that the science behind the Conservancy's plan is flawed. Hunting on Catalina is a unique experience and as I flip though the pages of the CBH/SAA Big Game Record Book, I see the success of Island pig and goat hunts that I and future generations will never get to experience. There is no doubt that pigs are incredibly destructive to native habitats and removing them from the Island was a sound wildlife management decision, but we will strive to protect this unique deer hunting opportunity and ensure that our wildlife is responsibly managed for all. Sign the change.org petition here: https://www.change.org/p/stop-the-slaughter-ofmule-deer-on-catalina-island

REMINDER: The Legislative Team is gearing up for the State Unmarked 3D Championship Tournament and Legislative Defense Fundraiser on November 5, at Oranco Bowmen archery range in Chino, CA. Online preregistration is open now through November 1 at http://www.runreg.com/cbhsaa-state-unmarked-3d-championship-2023. Check out the event flyer in this newsletter.

Reminder: Whether you've been involved in archery or hunting your whole life, or are new to this sport, you have something of value to add to the conversation and I encourage you to reach out to me and the CBH Legislative Committee and share your knowledge and experience! We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Help Prevent the Spread of Chronic Wasting Disease to California

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is requesting help from deer hunters to collect retropharyngeal lymph nodes from their deer harvests and submit those samples to CDFW's Wildlife Health Lab for CWD testing. This can be done in one of three ways:

- 1.Bring your harvest, or just the head, to a CDFW operated sampling station or office: wildlife.ca.gov/CWD/Sampling-Station.
- 2.Bring your harvest and the head to a participating meat processor or taxidermist: wildlife.ca.gov/ CWD/Meat-Processors-Taxidermists. Cont pg 6

Have a special story?

A special accomplishment? A meaningful story about hunting trip or tournament?

The deadline for the October Newsletter is August 25th!



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In The News

Republicans, Democrats unite to oppose Biden admin's crackdown on hunting, archery

Bipartisan lawmakers say Biden administration is misinterpreting 2022 gun control bill to punish students enrolled in hunting, archery and even culinary classes

Credit: Thomas Catenacci Fox News Published September 6, 2023

Senate Republicans and Democrats fired off two letters late Tuesday in opposition of the <u>Biden</u> <u>administration's crackdown</u> on school hunting education and archery programs nationwide.

The letters, led by Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, stated that the Department of Education misinterpreted legislation regarding funding for such programs and called on Senate Appropriations Committee leaders to restore funding. The first letter to Education Secretary Miguel Cardona was signed by nine Republicans and nine Democrats, while the second to Appropriations leadership was signed by six Republicans and 11 Democrats.

"Unfortunately, and contrary to Congressional intent, the Department of Education has misinterpreted the language to exclude certain educational activities from receiving federal resources," Cornyn and 17 other lawmakers wrote to Cardona.

"This is concerning because of the important role these enrichment programs can play in students' lives," they continued. "Archery is an inclusive extracurricular activity that empowers students from all backgrounds to learn a sport and compete. Hunter safety classes and programs play an important role in teaching safety, wildlife management, landowner relations and personal responsibility to students."

Fox News Digital reported in July that the Education Department shared federal guidance to hunting education groups highlighting that hunting and archery programs in schools would be stripped of funding. The guidance explained that the administration interpreted the 2022 Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) to mean such programs can no longer receive taxpayer funds.

In the guidance, obtained first by Fox News Digital, senior agency official Sarah Martinez wrote that archery, hunter education and wilderness safety courses use weapons that are "technically dangerous weapons" and therefore, "may not be funded under" the 1965 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), which is the primary source of federal aid for elementary and secondary education across the country.

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3. Collect and submit samples yourself by following these instructions for sample collection and submission: wildlife.ca.gov/CWD/Collect-Submit-Samples.

Not only do hunters contribute millions of dollars to wildlife conservation, but they also play an important role in wildlife management efforts. Hunters are often the first people to report sick and injured wildlife, assist with citizen science and volunteer for habitat restoration projects. CDFW appreciates your contributions and asks you to assist in our efforts to keep CWD away from California. For more information on California's CWD efforts, please visit our website at wildlife.ca.gov/CWD.

If you have any questions about our CWD surveillance program or collecting and submitting samples, please contact CDFW at CWD@wildlife.ca.gov or 916-358-2790



President's Message from page 3- Petitions are due on October 1st every year and there quite a few this year. A few are a little controversial so make sure your region is voting the way you want. Get Involved! I hope everyone had a productive hunting season. I know from experience that life tends to get in the way. I know mine is about to change like you can't even imagine...LOL. I usually end this thing some archery nonsense, but this one will end with a quote...

"If your dreams don't scare the shit out of you then they're not big enough..."

Team I say age is just a number. If you are coin operated and don't have enough time to shoot archery and enjoy your life then you're on the wrong path. FIX IT!

That's my advice for the day. Take care and all the best, Bowles

Republicans, Democrats from page 6- According to advocates, many schools that offer such courses have already nixed them from curriculums due to the federal guidance.

"We ask that the Department interpret the language as Congress intended and no longer ask educational entities to seek other funding sources for educational enrichment programs that align with the intent of ESEA — supporting student achievement and student well-being," the letter to Cardona continued.

Cornyn and Thom Tillis, R-N.C., were the two Republican sponsors of the BSCA, and Sens. Chris Murphy and <u>Kyrsten Sinema</u>, <u>D-Ariz.</u>, were the Democratic sponsors. Tillis and Sinema signed the letter to Cardona on Tuesday alongside Cornyn.

The BSCA — a bill that was criticized as a "gun control" bill but touted by proponents as an effort to promote "safer, more inclusive and positive" schools — was passed overwhelmingly by Congress and signed into law by President Biden in June 2022 after mass shootings at a grocery market in Buffalo, New York, and a school in Uvalde, Texas.

The law included an amendment to a subsection in the ESEA listing prohibited uses for federal school funding. That amendment prohibits ESEA funds from helping provide any person with a dangerous weapon or to provide "training in the use of a dangerous weapon," but, according to Cornyn, was included to prevent ESEA funding for school resource officer training.

"These courses can play an important role in teaching firearm safety, wildlife conservation, and personal responsibility," Cornyn and 16 of his colleagues wrote in the second letter Tuesday addressed to the Senate Appropriations Committee. "The intent of BSCA was not to preclude students from participating in these kinds of opportunities."

They noted that, in addition to archery and hunting programs, the <u>Education Department's interpretation</u> of the BSCA may "be used to prohibit schools from providing kitchen knives that are larger than 2 ½ inches long in culinary classes."

The lawmakers called on the Appropriations Committee to include language in the upcoming FY24 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill to reject the Education Department's interpretation of BSCA.

The second letter was signed by Cornyn, Tillis, Sinema and Murphy, in addition to several other Republicans and Democrats.

The Department of Education did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

House approves bill striking down Biden's crackdown on hunting and archery in overwhelmingly bipartisan vote

Biden admin interpreted 2022 gun control bill to strip funding from schools with hunting and archery programs

Credit: Thomas Catenacci Fox News
Published September 27, 2023

The House voted late Tuesday evening in favor of legislation striking down the Biden administration's decision to block federal funding for school shooting sports courses.

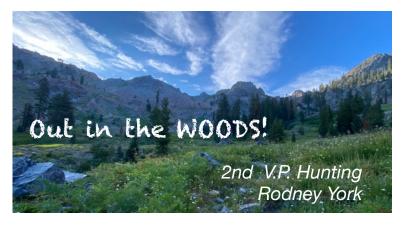
In a 424-1 vote, the House approved the <u>Protecting Hunting Heritage and Education Act</u> with 216 Republicans and 208 Democrats voting in favor, and just one lawmaker, Rep. Veronica Escobar, D-Texas, voting against. Rep. Mark Green, R-Tenn., introduced the bill on Aug. 1, days after a Fox News Digital report in late July revealed the Department of Education was withholding funds for school hunting and archery courses.

"Hunters and fishers are the best conservationists," Green told Fox News Digital after the vote Tuesday. "Hunting, whether it be with a firearm or bow, is one of the most effective ways to control wildlife populations, protect our beautiful lands, and connect with nature. My Protecting Hunting Heritage and Education Act is critical for our children."

He added in a separate statement that American students should be encouraged to "participate in enriching athletic activities that foster an appreciation for nature and the ability to focus on a goal." According to Green, in his state alone, the Biden administration's funding decision impacts an estimated 50,000 students.

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Fall Successes

Hopefully memories from your time in the field linger longer than skunk scent. These fond recollections are part of the



Vince DeMicle Elk [Above]

approaches we should look back as did, "Fredrick the Mouse," in the beloved book of the same name, and warm ours and others hearts. Some may come to mind now. The simple but enjoyable sound of a breeze rustling through the aspen above head. The smells, so crisp and distinct as you inhaled the clean, fresh air after the first rain. Being serenaded to sleep by choreographed elk bugles and the chorus of united coyotes.

reason we hunt. As winter

Yes, these are but a few, yet a great start to initiate your thoughts and the pictures your brain captured of wild places.

What beautiful memories your mind can so easily propagate! To follow are some of the photos of animals harvested this past season. Your *Big Game Committee* looks forward to receiving photos of the trophies you were fortunate to harvest. Please EMAIL them directly to Rodney York @ ry69bgc@gmail.com

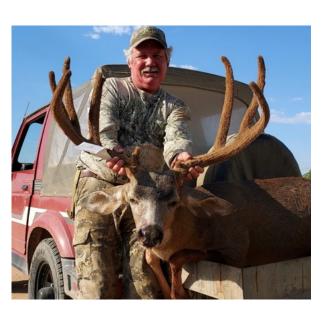


Dennis Kerby BlackTail Deer [Above]
Mule Deer [Below]





Dennis Harper Black Bear [Above] Jake Patterson Whitetail [Left]





Brian Morris Blacktail Deer [Above]



Vince DeMicle Black bear [Above]

And The Ones that GOT AWAY (So Far...)







Jake Patterson Pronghorn [above] Elk [below]





Tammy Kerby Mule Deer



Fins, Feathers, and Fur Equals-FUN & FAMILY JBarr

Your options are almost limitless when it comes to small-game hunting. It is truly hunting season all year long. You do have to be aware of what is in season and what species are open all year. You also need to comply with bow equipment, arrows, and the broadheads that DFW requires by law. Most critters make great table fare. Catfish, ducks and rabbits are delicious, while others like carp, crow, and chipmunks, for example, are not what you really want to see on the dinner table.

Small-game archery hunting can be enjoyed with the whole family, with friends, or a great reason to get outdoors alone. The excitement is in the journey from start to finish. I have been asked, "How do I get started? Where do I go? What arrow can I use?" These are great questions.

If you are interested in our "Eagle" program, it's a whole different level of hunting challenges. You harvest species and turn them in by going to the CBH website. Go to: https://cbhbqc.com/Home/ Index, then click on the "Small Game" tab, then look for the information about species, records, and application, or go to https://cbhbgc.com/SmallGame/ SmallGameRules, which goes directly to the application page. Check out the rules and enter your species information online. Once this is done, you will receive by mail, a Small Game Club certificate that will indicate the species for your records and keepsake. When you have reached thirty-five distinct species, you will be entered into the Eagle Society. and also listed in the Big Game Record Book. And, you will also be presented with the AMAZING trophy

at the next Big Game Banquet. This award will also have room for your 50th species harvested when earned, you will be entered into the double eagle society and be presented at the following Big Game Banquet. And a third spot on the trophy is for your 75th species. Again you'll be entered into the Triple Eagle Society with the few elite archers who have achieved this challenge.

"How Do I Get Started?" First, determine what your desire is, fins, feathers, or fur. Let us start with Fins, like catfish. You will need a bowfishing setup. Contact your local bow shop to get set up if you do not have one already.

"Where can I bow fish for catfish?" First, there are only three waters you can legally bowfish catfish, Big Bear Lake, Lake Isabella, and the Sacramento River Delta. The best time to bowfish is in warmer temperatures. The catfish will feed closer to the surface around shore; they love weedy areas in the shallows and around any plant life on the surface. Catfish will also be mixed in with the carp near the surface when they are all feeding.

"Feathers" may be your choice. Pheasant for example, a recurve is the preferred method, compounds work well too. California state law requires a flu flu arrow used when pheasant hunting. The fletching of a flu-flu arrow creates wind drag that will minimize the arrow's trajectory. Shooting a flu-flu accurately is no easy task and takes lots and lots of practice, practice, and practice to get your 20-yard, 30-yard and beyond shots dialed in. Broadhead is best for penetration.

From my experience, I have used "G5" game heads and worked at close range. ARCHERY Pheasant season is October 15th – November 5th, / December 25th – January 21st, 2023. General Statewide season is November 11 – December 24th (2023). You are allowed two males per day for the first two days of the season. The Department of Fish and Game offers special hunts you can sign up for. Pheasant love agricultural areas, and the grassland is best.

"Fur" may be your choice. Cottontail Rabbit the season is July 1st – January 28th statewide. The limit is 5 per day, and only 10 in possession. Continued on page 11

Fins Feathers and Fur -cont. from page 6-Cottontails are just about everywhere. Public land with low brush with food and water is best. Early morning and late evening will increase your chances. Grab your favorite bow, a few arrows, and let's get outdoors. Game heads like JUDU, G5 work within 30 yards. Outside of that, I would use a broadhead.

Small Game does not seem so small anymore, does it? Hunting is not for everyone; Archery is not for everyone. Hunting was a way of life and survival since the beginning of time. Hunting traditions are passed down through generations, they help preserve cultural heritage. Responsible hunting practices can play a huge role in conservation and environmental stewardship. There are many conservation groups besides CBHSAA, like National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF), and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF). More are listed by area here: https://www.causeiq.com/directory/wildlife-protection-organizations-list/california-state/



FRED BEAR [1902 - 1988]





Pheasant Nuggets

Ingredients:

- •2 Pounds pheasant breast, cut into strips
- •1Teaspoon meat tenderizer
- •1 Cup all-purpose flour
- ·seasoned salt and pepper to taste
- •1/2 Cup dry potato flakes
- •½ (16 ounce) Package buttery round crackers, crushed
- •1 egg
- •1/2 Cup Milk

Directions:

Preheat a deep fryer for 375 to 400 degrees F (190 to 200 degrees C).

Sprinkle the pheasant meat with meat tenderizer and pound lightly with a mallet to make all the pieces uniform and the same thickness. Using a medium bowl, combine the flour, seasoned salt, pepper, potato flakes and crushed cracker crumbs. Mix well and set aside.

In a separate medium bowl, combine the egg and the milk and whisk until smooth. Dip the pheasant meat strips into the egg mixture then dredge each strip into the flour mixture. Coat well and thoroughly and lay out on a plate so the strips can be easily transferred to the deep fryer.

Place the strips in a deep fryer set at 375 to 400 degrees F (190 to 200 degrees C) until golden brown. (Note: You can also pan fry these in a skillet over medium high to high heat with 1 cup oil for pan frying, but you may need to flip them if they are not submerged in oil.)

House Approves bill- from page 7- According to advocates, many schools that offer such courses have already nixed them from curriculums due to the federal guidance.

"The Department of Education and Secretary Cardona are blatantly misconstruing the law to withhold funding from schools that choose to teach beneficial courses like hunter safety and archery," Lawrence Keane, the National Shooting Sports Foundation's senior vice president, told Fox News Digital in July.

"Congress must hold Secretary Cardona and the department accountable for violating the letter and spirit of the law to unilaterally deny America's students access to these valuable programs as part of the Administration's continued attacks on the Second Amendment," Keane added. Tommy Floyd, the president of the National Archery in the Schools Program, said his organization boasts roughly 1.3 million students from nearly 9,000 schools across 49 states who are enrolled in archery courses.

However, the Department of Education has doubled down on its interpretation of the BSCA, saying it would only reverse course if legislation was passed explicitly revising the 2022 law to allow funding for shooting sport programs in schools.

The BSCA — a bill that was criticized as a "gun control" bill but touted by proponents as an effort to promote "safer, more inclusive and positive" schools — was passed overwhelmingly by Congress and signed into law by President Biden in June 2022 after mass shootings at a grocery market in Buffalo, New York, and a school in Uvalde, Texas.

The law included an amendment to a subsection in the ESEA listing that prohibited uses for federal school funding. That amendment prohibits ESEA funds from helping provide any person with a dangerous weapon or to provide "training in the use of a dangerous weapon," but, according to the BSCA's sponsors, was included to prevent ESEA funding for school resource officer training.

Earlier this month, three of the four BSCA Senate sponsors — Sens. John Cornyn, R-Texas; Thom Tillis, R-N.C.; and Kyrsten Sinema, I-Ariz. — introduced companion legislation to Green's bill.

"The Biden administration's misinterpretation of these provisions has jeopardized educational enrichment programs like hunting and archery, which play a critical role in our next generation's development and well-being," Cornyn said Tuesday after the House vote. "This legislation would ensure these programs remain available in schools across the nation, and I urge the Senate to pass it as soon as possible." One more newsworthy article on page13

Democratic Sens. Jon Tester of Montana, Joe Manchin of West Virginia, Sherrod Brown of Ohio, Bob Casey of Pennsylvania, Maggie Hassan of New Hampshire, Tim Kaine of Virginia, Martin Heinrich of New Mexico, Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin, Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota and Mark Kelly of Arizona have all spoken out against the Biden administration's interpretation of the BSCA.

Red Roasted SALMON

With Reverse Marinade [York]



Cook Salmon as desired, Then serve smothered in (**Reverse Marinade**) with "*Trader Joe*'s" Cheddar Jalapeno Bread [Shown below]

Prepare by Dicing up "topping" and place the following in a one cup glass container: combine

- 2) Roasted red peppers (without seeds)
- 2) Fresno chili peppers
- 2) Splashes of vinegar
- 2) Garlic cloves
- 2) Lemons cut in 6 wedges each
- 1/4 cup olive oil



Stop the Slaughter of Mule Deer on Catalina Island

September 23, 2023 Petition to California Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Tim



Why this petition matters.

Catalina Island, located off of the coast of Southern California, is home to a resident population of mule deer brought to the island in the early 20th century. Mule deer in California belong to the people of California. **Population** management falls under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). An agreement was entered into by the Catalina Island Conservancy in 1998 under the Private Lands Wildlife Managment Program (PLM). to administrate issues pertaining to the deer population. The Catalina Island Conservancy is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) organization formed in the 1970's whose stated mission is to provide a balance of conservation. education, and recreation for Catalina and the general public. The Catalina Island Conservancy has applied to the CDFW to slaughter 100% of the mule deer on Catalina Island.

FINAL APPROVAL HAS NOT BEEN GRANTED. NOW IT THE TIME TO ACT!!

The application process includes a report covering a 5 year period (2017-2022). The approval process is very near completion and has been in place without transparent public disclosure for some time. Recent attempts have been made to appear to consult with concerned citizens. In fact they have waited until they are very close to approval (1-3 months). It does not grant the public, as legal stakeholders, the time needed to access further information in a transparent

manner, engage in constructive criticism and problem solving as well as register their humane concerns with the planned slaughter of the mule deer on Catalina Island.

THEY ARE NOT TRYING TO KILL THEIR DEER, THEY ARE TRYING TO KILL YOUR DEER

There are several areas of concern that we, as citizens of the State of California, urge the CDFW to consider sufficient to deny the current application by the Catalina Island Conservancy to slaughter the deer. These include, but are not limited to, questions about scientific integrity, cultural relativity, humane considerations, and our legal rights as citizens of California to be a greater part of the process.

READY, FIRE, AIM!!

THEIR REPORT IS SERIOUSLY FLAWED

The emphasis of the report is the need to protect and save rare and endangered plants on the island. This is an important and huge challenge in an era of climate change and increasing public access to the lands and the resulting affects. The report submitted to the CDFW is clearly a predetermined conclusion supported by assumptions. It is filled with photos designed to create an emotional response but lacking in comprehensive integrity. Just a small fraction of the potential questions raised include things such as.....

Olf plant exclosures were used to determine the effect of deer browse, is there any data related to the other animals that could be excluded due to the fencing as well? Squirrels? Fox? The money making Bison?? Many island birds are ground dwellers and even those that aren't could be impacted by the fencing

Flax-leaved broom spread. The report attempts to name deer as a culprit. This invasive plant, brought to the island by humans, spreads rapidly along roadsides, What is the effect of the massive increase in people traversing the entire island in a matter of days potentially spreading seeds on the soles of their boots? This argument is lacking in actual scientific integrity while attempting to elicit support for their point of view. This is not how science works. Continued on page 14

Stop the Slaughter from page 13:

successfully manage the population through hunting to achieve a target yearly percentage deemed necessary to protect rare and endangered flora. presents some of the perceived issues with increasing hunting pressure such as cost of getting to the island, lack of local hunting guides, challenges in getting guns to the island, as problems that cannot be solved. Is there any evidence that they tried to solve these problems? These are not issues that don't have solutions. They didn't try to solve these problems because they didn't want to solve these problems. If it's "impossible" to control the deer to an acceptable percentage how is it suddenly possible to slaughter them all. This defies common logic.

These are just a few of the many many questions being asked by the public. Are these questions answered in some data not yet made available to the public? Maybe. WE DON'T KNOW. Is there healthy scientific debate that still comes to the conclusion that killing all of the deer is the only solution? WE DON'T KNOW. Are there emerging scientific schools of thought questioning the "kill em all" response to species deemed "invasive"? (the answer is yes but is not mentioned in THIS report) WE DON'T KNOW. And that's the point.

WE DON'T KNOW AND WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO **KNOW**

A 119 page report contains only a few short statements related to the cultural relevance of the deer to the people of Catalina Island. To quote "Only a small number of Catalina residents hunt and deer are not an essential part of culture, diet, or economy for the current generation." "Some senior residents express loss of self-sufficiency that while true in the past is no longer so" It claims if we really had to live off the land we would hunt all of the deer in a month. These statements are highly subjective, inaccurate, and inflammatory. . The are designed to paint a picture of Island culture as ignorant, outdated, fading and not worthy of consideration in the decision-making process. Nothing could be further from the truth. The relationship that Islanders have with the land is long term, deep, and almost impossibly important to describe. It is actively being passed on to the youth who are in no way passive or disinterested. The "seniors" are the best-underutilized resource of information regarding actual deer population, locations, and behaviors. There are intelligent, inquisitive, and motivated people who deserve to have their voices heard and questions answered.

The Catalina Island Conservancy failed to LET THE CDFW KNOW THAT THIS IS YOU!!! Depopulate? Remove?? The report uses soft language to describe a proposed process that is anything but. They plan to slaughter all of the deer. They plan to kill all of the deer. Pictures of deer with cactus spines in their legs are disguised as concern for deer health. Pictures of high fawn mortality though tragic, are part of the reality of the natural world. What's not being said is that two large areas of concern are the burn area from the fire of 2007 These two areas are zones that for and Avalon. obvious public safety reasons cannot allow hunting. What is the plan then? Do we actually need to see pictures of pregnant does dving a slow and painful death from poison? What is exactly the plan? Again we simply do not know. Let the CDFW know that the humane treatment of the mule deer on Catalina is essential.

> In summary we as citizens need to let the Catalina Island Conservancy and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife know that the current application to slaughter the deer on Catalina Island must be denied. There are alternatives that have not been sufficiently explored. The application is seriously flawed.

WE CAN DO THIS! NOW IS THE TIME!! **SPREAD THE WORD!!!**

BY **SIGNING THIS PETITION** [click blue area] YOU REQUEST THAT THE APPLICATION BY THE CATALINA ISLAND CONSERVANCY TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE TO SLAUGHTER ALL OF THE DEER ON CATALINA ISLAND BE DENIED. THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA ARE LEGAL STAKEHOLDERS IN THIS DECISION. WE HAVE BEEN LEFT OUT OF THE PROCESS TO WHICH WE ARE LEGALLY ENTITLED. ATTEMPTS TO APPEAR TO INCLUDE THE PUBLIC ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS AND LACK OF TRANSPARENCY. WE BELIEVE THAT ALL LIFE BOTH PLANT AND ANIMAL IS SACRED AND THAT FUTURE EFFORTS TO MANAGE THE DEER POPULATION ON CATALINA ISLAND INCLUDE THESE VALUES

If no one voices their concerns, no one will hear, no one will act, no change will happen!

GET YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS

(Raffle benefitting the CBH/SAA Legislative Defense Fund)



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2023

REGISTRATION OPENS AT: 7:30 AM- SHOOT STARTS AT: 9:00AM

SHOOT DETAILS

42 3-D Targets 1 Arrow Per Target Awards for all CBH Shooting **Divisions and Styles**

ORANCO BOWMEN

17504 POMONA RICON RD, CHINO, CA

REGISTRATION

Must provide proof of CBH or NFAA membership to be eligible for awards.

DETAILS



On-site Registration Available

Online Registration Deadline Nov. 1

Scan QR Code to register

FEES

Adult 18+: \$25

Youth under 17: \$15

Guest Adult 18+: \$35

Guest Youth under 17: \$25

RANGE DETAILS

Dry Camping Available

Breakfast Available

Lunch Available

Hosted By: CBH/SAA LEGISLATIVE DEFENSE TEAM

For Information contact Amanda Duchardt at cbhlegteam@gmail.com

www.cbhsaa.net



Registration begins: 7:00 am Shooting Starts: 9:00 am Gate opens at 6:45 am

Gate is locked promptly at 9:15 am
Emergency exit- Lock (red tape) combination # 0000

Shooting Rain or Shine



Registration Fees

Singles - \$30.00

Couples - \$40.00

Family - \$45.00

Family defined as parents and children under 18 years of age, maximum 4 members

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and drinks available on range

Pre-registration includes 5 free mulligans

NO Smoking or Alcohol allowed on range

For more information contact: Garret Perkins (559) 232-2166

BIG BIG Raffle! WIN ONE OF 3 HIGH-QUALITY Firearms

Winners will be drawn during Turkey Shoot Need <u>not</u> be present to win.

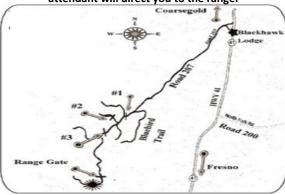
Raffle tickets only \$10 each
FIRST PLACE
Henry Golden Boy

SECOND PLACE
Winchester SXP Hybrid Hunter 20 Gauge

THIRD PLACE
Desert Sand 9mm
Trade-in value at Sportsman's Warehouse

Directions to range:

North on HWY 41- turn left at Blackhawk Lodge (Road 207), follow road until you reach locked gate where attendant will direct you to the range.



Name: Name: Name:		Male/Female Age Male/Female Age Male/Female Age
Phone #: _ Address	Email:	Male/Telliale Age
	Send completed registration form and check (by N	lovember 21st) to: Steve & Kim Imrie 3170 Hillcrest Court
Total Regi	stration fees \$ (includes 5 free mulliga	ans per shooter) Madera, CA 93637



Charity 3-D 2023

Sunday Dec 3 @9:00 Registration @7:00 42 unmarked, One arrow - Awards to 3rd Refreshments on the Range.



You're welcome to Come out on Saturday, shoot the practice butts, dry camp on Saturday night, and bring a few things to swap or sell.

STYLES

BB Barebow
FS Freestyle
BHFS Bowhunter FS
FSL FS Limited
FSLR FSL Recurve
BBR Barebow Recurve
T Traditional
LW Longbow Wood
LAC Longbow Alum/Carbon
ROTS Recurve Off The Shelf

FEES

\$ 5.00 and unwrapped gift or \$ 15.00 per entry Cubs & Pee Wees

\$ 5.00 or FREE with gift



Giffs should be worth a minimum of \$ 10.00

Info or camping access - Pete 909-223-5822 - ob.vicepres@outlook.com

Bows may be chronographed for 300 FPS compliance

RAIN DATE - Following Weekend www.orancobowmen.org

Conejo Valley Archers Spring Classic March 9-10, 2024

Three Archery Tournaments in One!

Thrice the Challenge!

Thrice the Fun!

NFAA Field Round • 3-D Round • American 900 Round

Open and Traditional Money
Classes (M/F) for Each Tourney!
Over \$3,360 in Prize \$\$\$!

Schedule	Saturday (9th)	Sunday (10th)
Registration Opens	7:00-8:30	7:00-8:00
Ranges Open: 3D and Field Ranges	7:30-4:30	7:30-12:30
900 Round — Practice Round	8:30	8:30
900 Round — Start	9:00	9:00
Score Cards Due	4:30	2:00
Awards		2:30

Shoot one, two, *or all three* Tournaments over two days.

Shooting Styles (Non-Money Class): NFAA Bow Classes (FS, FSL, FSLR, BB, FSBH, TRAD, LB, BBR)

American 900 Round	3-D Round	
5 ends of 6 arrows/dist.	25 targets	
4 minutes per end	Unmarked yardage	
122cm targets (5-ring option)	No Range Finders!	
3 yardage distances:	2 arrows per target	
⇒ Senior+ 40-50-60y	Traditional: 33y max	
⇒ Adult 40-50-60y	Compound: 50y max	
⇒ Y.A. 40-50-60y	Cub/Youth: 25y max	
⇒ Youth 30-40-50y	Money Classes shoot Adult	
⇒ Cub 10-20-30y	stakes by style (Comp. or Trad.) and cannot purchase	
Money Classes Shoot Adult	Mulligans or a Doe Tag	

NFAA Round
28 targets - 50/50 field/hunter
Marked yardage
4 arrows per target
5-4-3 scoring
Money Classes shoot Adult
stakes by style (Comp. or
Trad.) and use 6-5-4-3 "Pro"
scoring (X=6)



Entries and Extras	Fees		
Each Tournament	(non-money class)		
Adult/Senior	\$25		
	(\$75 for all 3 tourneys)		
Under 17 years old	\$20		
	(\$60 for all 3 tourneys)		
3D Mulligan (2 Max)	\$1 each		
3D Doe Tag (1 Max)	\$1		
All Money Classes	(money class)		
Each Tournament	\$50 ª		
	(\$150 for all 3 tourneys)		
^a \$20 of each money class entry fee added to Pot			

Awards for all Divisions (using NFAA rules) (M/F) (Senior+, Adult, Y.A., Youth, & Cub)

Grand Champion: Total Score for all three tournaments (non-money class only)

Money Classes: Separate Men's and Women's Open (sights, releases, and stabilizers okay) *and* Trad Classes for *each* tournament. The Trad Money Class will include longbows and all recurve bow types (barebows only; arrow rests allowed). <u>Must be present on awards day</u>.

Food and beverages available on the range.

RV Park (full hookup) and camping by range at Tapo Canyon Park (reservation strongly recommended): http://www.ventura.org/inland-parks/tapo-canyon-simi-valley

Vendors Welcome! E-mail CVASC@cvarchers.com to reserve your space.

Payments: Pre-registration and pre-payment will be available through www.cvarchers.com.

Visit: www.cvarchers.com for more information about the tournaments, the structure for the Money Classes, pre-registration instructions, and any hotel information.

Questions? E-mail CVASC@cvarchers.com

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2024 CBH/SAA Annual Meeting & Hall of Fame Banquet

February 23-25, 2024

Visalia Marriott at the Convention Center

300 South Court, Visalia, Ca. 93291

Legislative Meeting Friday, 2-23-24 from 1-5pm

General Meeting Saturday and Sunday, 2-24 & 25 at 8am both days

You do not have to attend the meetings to attend the banquet, but you need to pay for dinner to attend banquet

Saturday evening, Feb 24th Presentation of Inductees-California Archery Hall of Fame Inductees are; Rick Berg, Don Kouns, Robert Moore & Johnnie Waddles

Reservations must be made by 1-31-24 For room reservations: Phone: 1-559-636-1111 Single King/Two Queens \$149 + tax Rooms available Thursday thru Saturday Ask for the room block under California Bowmen Hunters or you may use the direct link on our website; www.cbhsaa.net LIMITED number of rooms at these rates. Tear here & mail your dinner reservations to: (check payable to CBH) Mail to: CBH/SAA, 7710 Camino Vista, Shingletown, Ca. 96088 Or, you may pay online at www.cbhsaa.net via the Paypal link No Host Cocktails begin at 5:30 pm, Dinner/Presentations/Inductions start at 6:30 pm Choices available: # dinners _____ x \$47 = \$ _____ Tri Tip

 Chicken
 # dinners
 x \$47 = \$

 Child's Plate/chicken strips
 # dinners
 x \$20 = \$

 Total \$ Your Name: Additional attendees names: Your contact phone # or email:

Deadline for dinner reservations February 10th, either to reserve or cancel NO Walk On for dinner...Must pay for dinner in order to attend banquet Questions? Contact Pam Severtson 530-474-3324 or mpsevertson@frontiernet.net



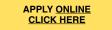
CALIFORNIA BOWMEN HUNTERS/STATE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please check one below;	APPLY ONLINE	Date:
"Associate Bowhunter"	CLICK HERE	Region:
"Associate Target"		Club:
Name (Head of Household):		Phone: ()
Address:City	/:	Zip:
Email Address-print very clear:		
Your newsletter will be emailed to you, in color, around the 15	5th of the month.	
<u>Adult</u> Membership - Head of Household only		Amount \$45.00
or <u>Family</u> Membership - please list all members to receive members	ership cards	<u>Amount \$55.00</u>
Spouse:		
Youth (under 18):	Birthdate:	
Youth (under 18):	Birthdate:	
Youth (under 18):	Birthdate:	
or		
Youth Without Parent or Guardian Name:	Birthdate:	<u>Amount \$25.00</u>
Additional Contributions:		
\$ California Legislative Defense Fund \$ C	California Hall of Fame	\$ CBH/SAA Range Fund
\$ California Archery Foundation (501-C3 tax deductible	e) \$ Other	
Please make your check payable to CBH/SAA and mail to; CBH/SAA Secretary 7710 Camino Vista Shingletown, Ca. 96088	Website: www.c	30-474-3324 tson@frontiernet.net
You may also join online by visiting www.cbhsaa.net and click		
For credit/debit card payment, call 530-474-3324 or complete b		
Card #	Expiration date:/	3 digit code on back:
In order to compete in the State Field, State Target and State Includes CBH/SAA and Regional dues. Contact NFAA at www.		
Adult and Youth USA Members: In order to compete for award must pay the CBH/SAA membership fees as noted above.	ds in State Field, State Ta	rget, State Indoor and State Broadhead, you
A CBH/SAA membership allows you to compete in the State B Traditional.	roadhead, 3D Unmarked	Championship, State 3D Marked & State

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CALIFORNIA BOWMEN HUNTERS & STATE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION (CBH/SAA) REGION





NATIONAL FIELD ARCHERY ASSOCIATION (NFAA)

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

	CBH/SAA	Region	NFAA		Total
Head of Household or Single Member Adult 1st Add On	\$35.00 \$ 7.00	\$10.00 -0-	\$40.00 \$10.00	+ + (Spouse or chil	\$85.00+ d) \$17.00+
2 or more add ons	-0-	-0-	\$ 5.00-	+ (Ea child)	\$ 5.00+
Additional Adults Living at Home	\$7.00	-0-	\$40.00	+	\$47.00 +
Youth w/o Parent Or Guardian	\$25	-0-	\$15.00		\$40.00
Date					
NAME (Head of Household) _			CLUB/	UNATTACHED	
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Add 3 or More –Youth* _		Birthdate		Amount	\$ 5.00+
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Adult Child in Household**				Amount	\$47.00+
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Make Check Payable To: NFA	<u>A</u>				
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NFAA membership includes t	he "Archery" magazine				
CBH/SAA publishes a month				. The newsletter will be	emailed to you each

Being a member of NFAA/CBH/SAA allows you to compete in all State and National Championship Tournaments

Month. Please print email address very clear! Thank you.

^{*}List additional members on back of form.

^{**} College Students and unmarried Armed Services Members count as Adults living in house for CBH/SAA. +NFAA dues increase effective 11/1/17. CBH/SAA dues increase effective 4/1/23.

Upcoming Shoot Schedule Page 1

Date	Club	Event	Marked	Targets	Arrows
10/1/23	Santa Cruz Archers	Bad Boys of Branciforte 3D Shoot	Yes	29	2
10/07 - 10/08/23	Oranco Bowmen	Tomahawk 3-D	Yes	84	1 or 2
10/8/23	San Francisco Archers	Bug Shoot	Yes	42	2
10/14/23	Yahi Bowmen	Fall Fling	No	28	3
10/14/23	Bowhunters Unlimited	Boo Shoot	No	28	2
10/14/23	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	Field-Hunter-Animal Round Shoot (Modified)	Yes		
10/14/23	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	3-D Shoot	Yes	35	2
10/15/23	Pasadena Roving Archers	15th Annual Traditional 3D Tournament	No	35-40	2
10/15/23	Pasadena Roving Archers	George Papac Memorial Traditional Rendezvous Tournament	No	40	2
10/28/23	Sonoma County Bowmen	A Shot in the Dark	Yes	14	3
10/29/23	San Diego Archers	Iron Turkey 3D Challenge & Honor Our Military Shoot	No	34	1
11/5/23	Maya Archers	Stick Bow Classic	No	30	2
11/5/23	CBH/SAA - Oranco Bowmen	State Un-Marked 3-D Championship	No	42	1
11/11 - 11/12/23	Fresno Field Archers	Gene Foster Traditional Rendezvous	No	42	2
11/11/23	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	Turkey Shoot	Yes	28	2
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11/14/23	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	3-D Shoot	No	35	2
11/19/23	Nevada County Sportsmen's Club	Turkey Shoot	Yes	28	2
11/19/23	Redwood Bowmen Assn	39th Annual Al Souza Turkey Shoot	Yes	28	3

Note: This schedule is accurate as of the print date, however shoots are added throughout the month. For an up-to-date Schedule please visit www.cbhsaa.net Click "Calendar/Resource

Upcoming Shoot Schedule Page 2

Date	Club	Event	Marked	Target s	Arrows
12/01 - 12/03/ 23	South Bay Archery Lessons	South Bay Archery Lessons' Anniversary "Shoot For A Cure" Charity Tournament Benefiting The American Cancer Society (ACS) 2023	Yes	1	45
12/3/23	Oranco Bowmen	Charity 3-D and Toy Donation	No	42	1
12/3/23	Madera Field Archers	Turkey Shoot	Yes	28	3
12/9/23	Bowhunters Unlimited	Toys for Tots	No	28	2
12/9/23	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	3-D Final Point Series and Championship Shoot	Yes	28	2
12/9/23	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	4th Point Series Championship	Yes	28	2
12/9/23	Nevada County Sportsmen's Club	Ham Shoot	Yes	28	2
12/10/2	Fresno Field Archers	Toys For Local Tots	Yes	28	2
12/23/2	Santa Ynez Valley Bow Club	3-D Animals-Hunting and Target Scenario Shoot	Yes	28	2
02/23 - 02/25/ 2024	CBH/SAA	Annual Meeting and Hall of Fame Banquet			
03/9 - 03/10/					
24	Conejo Valley Archers	Spring Classic	Yes	54	
4/21/24	El Dorado Hills Bowmen	North American Animal 3D Shoot	Yes	28	3
6/2/24	Santa Cruz Archers	3D in the Redwoods	No	29	2
10/6/24	Santa Cruz Archers	Bad Boys of Branciforte 3-D	Yes	29	2



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Thank You for your Donations to the CBHSAA Legislative Defense Fund! By Amanda Duchardt - Legislative Coordinator

The CBH/SAA Legislative Team would like to extend our wholehearted thanks all those that donated to the Legislative Defense Fund. It is our goal to promote wildlife conservation and protect our archery and hunting heritage within the state political system. With your donations, the CBH/SAA Legislative Team can attend important meetings and react to issues that are impacting our sport. We can also meet our financial obligations to Gaines and Associates, who represent us in the state capital and FGC meetings throughout the State. Additionally, it is our responsibility to cover expenses such as when we need to retain a legal team to protect us and our sport. This is why your donations, in any amount, are so important. Again, we thank those listed below in addition to those that donated previously for their support!

This Month's Donations Include:
Amanda Duchardt \$50
THANK YOU!

JOIN TODAY! www.cbhsaa.net JOIN TODAY!