



# Umpqua Chapter

*Protecting Our Hunting Heritage*

April 2016

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## **APRIL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

This month's speaker, Adam Raymond from USFS, is sure to have some very important information regarding elk habitat improvements on the Diamond Lake Ranger District and what the plan is to keep improving the habitat in this area. If you would like to hear about the habitat in this area please attend our chapter meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the ODFW Building on Diamond Lake. We hope to see you there.

Please make sure to visit us at one of our upcoming meetings:

- April 19<sup>th</sup>** -- Adam Raymond USFS re: Elk Habitat Improvements on Diamond Lake Ranger District and Officer and Board Member elections
- May 17<sup>th</sup>** -- Gavin Weaver re: Big Horn Sheep Hunt at Hart Mountain
- June 21<sup>st</sup>** -- To Be Announced
- July 19<sup>th</sup>** -- OHA Picnic at Roseburg Rod N Gun Club

Chapter member meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the ODFW Building on Diamond Lake Blvd. at 7:00 p.m. We look forward to hearing from you soon.



## **ELECTION TIME**

So the following board members are up for election this year. Please fill out and return the ballot that was included in your March newsletter by no later than April 19<sup>th</sup>.

President – Cindy Rooney

Secretary – Lindi Fields

Board #1 – Rob Hughey

Board #3 – Jeff Sebastian

Board #5 – Tom Tipton

Board #8 – Kelly Heard

Thank you to everyone who is willing to serve this chapter.

## **OREGON STATE POLICE GAME OFFICER UPDATE FOR 2015**

We were happy to welcome the OSP Game Officers to the March Umpqua Chapter general membership meeting. A large crowd of OHA members were addressed by Aaron Bainbridge, Jason Stone, Tom Willis and Sergeant Ashenfelter who is overseeing the crew from his duties in Springfield. As always they had a lot of great information to pass on about what is happening around the county and state in regards to poaching cases. Unfortunately 2015 was a horrible year for both deer and elk poaching cases.

It is with sincere gratitude to Officer Don Ferichs for the years of service that he has given to our county serving to protect and maintain our hunting heritage. Although we know that he will be greatly missed, his enthusiasm and love for the outdoors will be carried on by the rest of the OSP team. Our thoughts are with each them.

Unfortunately we had another unlucky member for the drawing. Sorry Brian Dowd, better luck next time. Remember for each meeting you attend you get another chance in the drawing.

## **ZINK CREEK FENCE REMOVAL PROJECT REMINDER**

Ladies and Gentlemen, finally we have a project for you to expel some wintery reserved energy and for a good cause. I know projects are few and far between in our area, but here is a great opportunity. Reserve your calendars for the weekend just before Memorial Day weekend in 2016. The primary work day will be Saturday, May 21, however we are planning to camp out and make it a social fun weekend. It will be a golden opportunity to get to know your fellow OHA members, relax and socialize in the evenings, and work hard during the day. Saturday evening the chapter will provide some form of BBQ protein, and if everybody that joins us can bring a dish, we will have a feast on the mountain so to speak. This project has been approved by, and has the support of the Tiller Ranger District, they very well may join us for the work and activities. There obviously will be more details to follow as we get closer, but this project is up Zink Creek which is up the South Umpqua. Please contact Jim Fields at (541) 829-8482 regarding this project. It is sure to be a great time. We hope to see you all there.

# REMINDER OF ODFW MEETING IN MAY

ODFW will host a series of public meetings around the state in early May to hear public comment on proposals for big game seasons.

At the meetings, ODFW staff will provide information about big game herd health and populations and propose the number of controlled big game hunting tags to issue for this year. Staff will also review concepts for possible changes to the 2017 big game regulations. Below is a list of the meeting schedule:

## 2016 Big Game Public Meeting Schedule

City	Date	Time	Location
Lakeview	May 3	6 - 8 pm	Eagles Lodge 27 South "E" Street, Lakeview OR
Redmond	May 3	6 - 8 pm	Redmond High School Community Room, 675 SW Rimrock, Redmond OR
Ontario	May 3	6 pm MDT	OSU Extension Office 710 SW 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Ontario OR
Burns	May 4	7 - 9 pm	Harney County Community Center 484 N Broadway, Burns OR
Heppner	May 4	6 - 9 pm	ODFW Heppner District Office 54173 Highway 74, Heppner OR
Enterprise	May 5	6 pm	Cook Memorial Library 2006 4 <sup>th</sup> St, La Grande OR
Klamath Falls	May 5	7 pm	Shasta Grange Hall 5831 Shasta Way, Klamath Falls OR
La Grande	May 5	6 pm	Cook Memorial Library 2006 4 <sup>th</sup> St, La Grande OR
Baker City	May 5	6 pm	Cook Memorial Library 2006 4 <sup>th</sup> St, La Grande OR

The Dalles	May 5	6 pm	The Dalles Screen Shop 3561 Klindt Dr, The Dalles OR
John Day	May 10	5:30 – 7 pm	John Day District State Forestry Office 415 Patterson Bridge Rd, John Day OR
Roseburg	May 10	6 – 7:30 pm	ODFW Roseburg District Office Conference Rm, 4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR
Springfield	May 10	6:30 – 8:30 pm	Oregon Dept. of Forestry 3150 East Main St, Springfield OR
Seaside	May 10	4 – 7 pm	Seaside Civic & Convention Center – Seamist Rm 415 First Ave., Seaside OR
Charleston	May 10	6:30 – 8:30 pm	North Bend Public Library 1800 Sherman Ave, North Bend OR
Clackamas	May 11	5:30 – 8 pm	ODFW Clackamas District Office Bldg 16 17330 SE Evelyn Street, Clackamas OR
Grants Pass	May 11	7 pm	Elmers Restaurant 175 NE Agness, Grants Pass OR
Pendleton	May 11	4 – 7 pm	Pendleton Convention Center 1601 Westgate, Pendleton OR
Newport	May 12	6 – 7 pm	ODFW Marine Resources Program Office 2040 SE Marine Science Dr, Newport OR
Salem	May 12	7 – 9 pm	ODFW Headquarters Office 4034 Fairview Industrial Dr SE, Salem OR
Medford	May 12	7 pm	The Eagles Lodge 2000 Table Rock Rd, Medford OR

## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

# RUM-SPICED VENISON CHOPS

by Fred Pariani

- 1 Tablespoon olive oil
- 1 Medium onion, finely chopped (1 cup)
- 2 jalapeno peppers or other hot chili peppers, seeded and finely chopped
- 4 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thymes leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/4 cup dark rum
- 2 Tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 4 bone-in or bone-out loin chops (6 oz. each) 1/2 to 3/4 inch thick

In a 10-inch nonstick skillet, heat oil over medium heat; add onion, jalapenos, garlic, thyme, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and bay leaf. Cook for 8 to 10 minutes, or until mixture is a deep golden brown, stirring frequently.

Increase heat to medium high, stir in rum, juice and salt. Cook for 1½ to 2½ minutes, or until most of the liquid has boiled away. Remove from heat. Remove and discard bay leaf. Cool marinade completely.

Place chops in shallow dish. Spread ½ of marinade over chops. Turn chops over and spread with remaining marinade. Cover with plastic wrap and chill for 4 hours.

Prepare grill for medium direct heat. Spray cooking grill with non-stick vegetable cooking spray. Do not remove marinade from meat. Grill chops covered, for 10 to 12 minutes, or until desired doneness, turning chops once.

Serves 4

Per serving: calories 192 \* protein: 27g \* carbohydrate: 6g \* fat: 6g \* cholesterol: 95 mg sodium: 184 mg. Exchanges: 3 very lean meat, 1 1/4 vegetable, 1 1/4 fat