

NDG&F October 2nd Newsletter

Hunters Use Caution on Roadways

North Dakota hunters are reminded to be cautious on roadways, as farmers and ranchers are currently busy with fall farm duties.

With most hunting seasons open and producers harvesting crops, moving cattle and hauling bales, road traffic is sure to be heavy at times. With that in mind, hunters are asked to move to the side of the road and allow wide farm vehicles to pass, park their vehicles in a place that will not block a roadway, field approach or gate, pick up trash and empty shells, and not clean game in the road ditch or approach.

In addition, hunters should avoid driving off-trail through tall vegetation due to dry ground conditions.

Graner Bottoms Ramp Closed

The Graner Bottoms boat ramp located south of Mandan will close Monday, Oct. 1 for approximately 2-3 weeks for major reconstruction.

The timing of the project coincides with lower releases from Garrison Dam, which will create lower river levels needed to aid in the ramp construction.

Although this work may cause a temporary inconvenience for anglers, the new ramp will be a major improvement over the existing facilities.

Bow Hunting for Women

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department is still accepting registrations for the Becoming an Outdoors-Woman bow hunting workshop Oct. 24-28 at Lake Metigoshe State Park.

The workshop is for women with no or minimal archery experience. Participants will achieve the necessary education, experience and confidence to archery hunt alone. Participants must have previously taken the beginning archery course or have demonstrated a minimum level of proficiency, and must provide their own archery equipment. Workshop fees of \$135 include lodging and instruction.

BOW workshops are designed primarily for women with an interest in learning skills associated with hunting, fishing and outdoor endeavors. Although open to anyone age 18 or older, the workshops are tailored primarily to women who have never tried these activities or who are beginners hoping to improve their skills.

[Women interested in attending a workshop](#) can enroll online, or print an information brochure and enrollment form, at the Game and Fish website, gf.nd.gov. More information is available by contacting Nancy Boldt at (701) 328-6312, Brittany Fish at (701) 527-3075, or email ndgf@nd.gov.

Order 2013 OUTDOORS Calendars

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department is taking orders for its *North Dakota OUTDOORS* calendar, the source for all hunting season and application dates for 2013. Along with outstanding color photographs of North Dakota wildlife and scenery, it also includes sunrise-sunset times and moon phases.

To order, send \$3 for each, plus \$1 postage, to: Calendar, North Dakota Game and Fish Department, 100 N. Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, ND 58501-5095. Be sure to include a three-line return address with your order, or the post office may not deliver our return mailing.

The calendar is the *North Dakota OUTDOORS* magazine's December issue, so current subscribers will automatically receive it in the mail.

Residents Only on PLOTS, State WMAs Oct. 13-19

Out-of-state hunters are reminded that state law does not allow nonresidents to hunt on North Dakota Game and Fish Department owned or managed lands during the first week of the pheasant season.

Private Land Open to Sportsmen acreage and state wildlife management areas are open to hunting by resident hunters only from Oct. 13-19. Nonresidents, however, can still hunt those days on other state-owned and federal lands, or private land.

The law applies to all small game, waterfowl, furbearer and big game hunting on PLOTS and state wildlife management areas during the first seven days of the pheasant season. Starting Oct. 20 this year, nonresidents may hunt on PLOTS and WMAs as long as the appropriate season is open.