



North Dakota Hunter Educator's Association

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***VISION STATEMENT:***

*A proactive, informed group of ND volunteers who dedicate themselves to promoting quality education, who are recognized as leaders in enriching our hunting heritage with respect to safety, integrity and conservation.*



**Albino Male Buffalo born in Jamestown in May to Mother in background. If you go through Jamestown stop in and see them as well as another adult albino and baby which we were not able to get a photo of.**



**Williston District Rep. Ron Swenson (left) presenting one of the 2008 NDHEA raffle winners, Wade Hurley of Williston, with a shotgun from one of the winning tickets. Congratulations to Wade!!**



**North Unit of Theodore Roosevelt Nat'l Park. Wow, what a hunt this would make!!**

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## July Message from Terry Fasteen -President NDHEA

The 2008 raffle has been completed, the winners have been notified and prizes have been distributed. Your efforts helped to raise nearly \$20,000 before expenses for the mentored hunt program, family shooting day program and safety awareness program. Now we need you to step up once more and help to make the programs come alive for those participants across the State.

I encourage you to visit the NDHEA website we have set up for information on mentored hunts or e-mail [NDHEAMENTOR@gmail.com](mailto:NDHEAMENTOR@gmail.com) to express your interest in assisting in helping with a first time hunting experience, hosting or helping with a family shooting event. We are building support groups so you will not have to do things by yourself & will help with finding others to work with what ever event you wish to be a part of. We also need you to spread the word to students you have had or are still teaching. We need to use the money and we need your participation to do it responsibly.

The youth hunting seasons will be here shortly and would provide a great opportunity to recruit those youngsters into the outdoor ranks. I have made myself and four sections of land north of Mandan available for the youth deer season. If you have a young hunter in need of a place to hunt, steer them to the website and get them signed up before this opportunity is gone for the year.

Please enjoy the rest of the summer and help us bring some memories into a young person's life.

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From your Newsletter Editor-Neva Walsh

Hello to everyone. I just want to apologize for this newsletter being so late but to let you all know that I just had surgery and have had some complications with a fall so can only do a little at a time. So please bear with me.

Also, this is another plea to you all to please think about becoming next year's newsletter editor. With my health problems, I must give up doing the newsletter after 5 years and would sure feel better knowing that someone will be willing to step up and take over the position. I have enjoyed doing the newsletter and have found it very personally rewarding. It is so nice to hear from members with their thanks for a great newsletter. So the position does not go unrewarded. If you have any questions about the job, contact Terry Fasteen or myself or talk to any Board member. We would like someone to commit as soon as possible and be ready to take over at the beginning of 2009. Thank you all for being such a great group to work with.

Neva Walsh [mnwalsh@wil.midco.net](mailto:mnwalsh@wil.midco.net) or call: 572-4891

## Caps for Safety

The original fund raiser for NDHEA was cap sales. Once offered in blaze orange or camouflage, NDHEA now only offers the blaze color. The good news is they are available in a cooler mesh back model, or the newer low crown ball cap style with a warmer cloth back and Velcro sizing band.

To get yours, to sell some to students, or to give some to any class participants, just round up \$5.00 per cap and contact [ndheamentor@gmail.com](mailto:ndheamentor@gmail.com), call 952-2680, or write a note to Rod O'Clair, 1613 5 ½ Ave. NE, Jamestown, ND 58401.

NDHEA thanks you for your business.

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## Mentor Hunt Program Policy

Please note, based on questions received, the mentored hunt program is flexible. Make no mistake we want to recruit hunters. That is goal number one. The policies published are there for safety reasons and to help you if we were forced into unmanageable masses requesting mentoring.

Non-NDHEA persons can assist you in hunts just as they can in the shooting policy. There are times when one mentor can safely supervise more than one new recruit. We simply need to get more people in the field safely, and more people actively involved in shooting, hunting, and gun/bow, and wildlife activities. Do what you can to recruit hunter activity and keep it safe in the range and field. Put your practical experiences to use and take someone hunting. Don't read the policies wearing glasses that create restrictions but with the glasses that open opportunities.

One of the policy bullets that is causing some flinching states, in paraphrase, that NDHEA wants to recruit people that have no other means to get out to try hunting. Yes that is our focus and it is written so you, as a mentor, would not be overburdened with hunters just looking for new hunting locations. It does not mean you could not take out a 23 year old person whose family hunts but they want to learn from you to do it correctly and safely. It is not meant either to fund a hunting trip for you and a new buddy. Keep it honest, practical, and do what you think is right.

Remember to use your resources at the NDHEA website, [www.ndhea.org](http://www.ndhea.org), or to get questions answered by sending an email to [ndheamentor@gmail.com](mailto:ndheamentor@gmail.com). Hunter Ed monitors the mail and Neva Walsh has posted all forms and information in the website so you can download them. Seasons open soon!!!!

Rod O'Clair

NDHEA POLICY  
By Action of the Board of Directors

- Stipends will be awarded in lieu of hiring employees for the Editor of the Newsletter, Treasurer, and Raffle Manager. The stipend amount will be set annually by the Board of Directors (BOD). The stipend will not be awarded until the conditions of the duties are complete.
- Grants may be awarded to requests that support goals of the North Dakota Hunter Educators Association. These may include Conservation Camps, Shooting events, mentored hunts and shoots. See the Grants and donations policy adopted by the BOD
- The newsletter must be requested to be mailed or it will be emailed to all members and available to download from the NDHEA web page at [www.ndhea.org](http://www.ndhea.org)
- Committees will be assigned a budget by the President of NDHEA unless the Committee Chairperson submits a budget and it (that is) is approved by the BOD.
- Mileage for meetings of the BOD or Committees will be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.40 per mile.
- All BOD meetings will be held at (1:00PM at) the Game and Fish Department in Bismarck unless notice is provided to all members 10 days prior to the meeting.
- District Directors may approve legitimate hunter education expenses up to \$200.00 per quarter without prior approval. Purchases totaling greater than \$200.00 shall receive approval prior to the purchase from the Treasurer who will seek approval from the Executive Board.
- NDHEA will have a website as a means of communications to its members and the public.
- All purchase for equipment must be accompanied by a summary of make-model number-serial number-purchase price to be included in District equipment summary spread sheet.
- NDHEA will purchase one black powder rifle to be awarded at the annual meeting to one active member at the time of the drawing.
- NDHEA will provide for a hospitality room for Friday and Saturday night of the annual meeting.
- 5% of all donations will be added yearly to the educational CD'S until a balance of \$5,000.00 is achieved. At that time an annuity will be established to draw sponsorships from. The yearly deposits will be discontinued once a \$10,000.00 balance is maintained for two consecutive years.

**NOTE: The above draft policy was compiled at the last quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors in an effort to make a written policy to define the activities of the NDHEA. We would appreciate your input prior to our next quarterly meeting at which time we will take final action on this policy.**

## NDHEA POLICY GUIDANCE FOR GRANT REQUESTS

This will complement the application form.

The Grant request must have the name and contact information of the organization requesting funds.

The Organization requesting a grant must be registered with the North Dakota Secretary of State and must be a **not for profit** organization.

Grant requests from an organization must be sponsored by at least one member of NDHEA.

Requests must specify the purpose of the request.

The request must provide a service that meets one of the goals listed in the mission statement of NDHEA.

The request must provide a complete description of the event or the manner in which the funds will be used.

The request shall provide a date, time, and place for the event specified.

The request shall define the objective or goal of the request and how the outcomes will be measured.

The organization shall provide an after-action report listing the number of participants and how the funds were used.

The after-action report shall list the names of the NDHEA members participating in the event.

Grants will be issued on a 90/10 basis. 90% of the grant will be made up front. The final 10% of the grant will be made when the final report is provided to NDHEA.

Should an organization fail to provide a final report, the organization will not be given consideration for grants for 2 calendar years.

**REQUEST FOR FINACIAL ASSISTANCE**

Submit completed form to  
Secretary;  
North Dakota Hunter Educators Association  
PO Box 1612  
Jamestown ND 58402-1612

Person/Organization requesting funds: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Funds will be used for: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Event location: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated budget for event: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Requested amount of funds: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Alternative source of income: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**NDHEA USE ONLY:**

Request Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
Request Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Funds to be taken from:  
General Fund: \_\_\_\_\_  
Raffle Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attested: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE'S NEWS

Hello District 5

RAIN! We were having a nice thundershower with hopefully a good rain in Beulah on Friday afternoon (the 19th). It smelled wonderful. I left and traveled in rain to Minot to get ready to help out with the Pathway to Hunting. This is always a fun activity to get involved in. If you ever get a chance to pitch in do so as you will really enjoy yourself.

We are now operating on a budget as we should be. It will be different but it will work out. If you are in need of anything for classes or to help your class with a live shoot let me know and we will help you out.

Have a happy and safe fall hunting and enjoying our great outdoors.

Lori

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District 12 Notes

Classes are still ongoing with an online course in progress in Fargo. Another bow class yet to be finalized in August in West Fargo. Contact me if interested, and/or watch NDG&F reg. page . Seeing some real late fawns along with some late hatches. Hope they all make it. Sad to see the writing on the wall for CRP losses. Better push on legislators to keep what's left and make funds more competitive.

Enjoy summer while it lasts,  
Clayton

FROM: LYNDA MILLER & JACK KAVANEY of MVSSA

12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FAMILY SHOOTING SPORTS CAMP...was held August 9, 2008

We advertise this as a "FAMILY" event and say to bring the family and experience shooting .20ga. shotguns, .22 & .38 pistols, .22 rifles, .223 rifles, archery, .45 black powder, Clay pigeons, Cowboy Action Shooters, and trapping demonstrations. All events are at a controlled range and with hunter safety instructors. Attendees are shown firearms safety, gun handling, and techniques and principals of accurate shooting. We also host current Hunter Education Graduates for a field day at the event. In 2007 we had over 142 attendees, 92 teens and 50 adults.

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14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FIRST TIME PHEASANT HUNT.....to be held September 20, 2008

MVSSA/NRA FIRST TIME PHEASANT & CHUKAR HUNT ...Our group, along with the North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association (Central Dakota Chapter), will conduct a beginning hunter, Pheasant and Chukar Hunt. The

hunt is only for persons who would be making their first trip afield with the intent to personally harvest game. The hunt is limited to 20-24 participants, and they must have a Hunter Education Certificate. In 2007 we had 23 shooters, and they harvested 14 Pheasants, 23 Chukars and 1 Grouse. We are limited because we have 6 groups of 3-4 hunters, a parent, a hunter education instructor, a dog and its' handler and we only use one section of land.

Photo's below are of some of the Hunter Ed Instructors that assisted with the Pathways at the ND State Fair this year. Thanks to Jon Hanson for the pictures.



Pictured left to right back row: Roger Krueger, Lori Schweigert, Darwin Bucholz, Lance Jerome, John Riske. Front row L to R: Will Aide, Nathaniel Umphrey & Randy Meissner.



Pictured left to right are: Lance Jerome, Andy Robinson, Lori Schweigert, Earl Lien, Adnan Aldayel & Rodney O'Clair.



Pictured left to right are: Candace Miller, Nate Stroh, Amanda Bryson, Gary Leslie, Brittany Hendrickson, Jordan ?, Karla Meikle, Ken Rehling, Dick Cheatley & Dave Haugen.



Pictured left to right are: Dave Haugen, Karla Meikle, Jon Hanson, Zach Peterson, Mick Meyers, Pat Lothspeich, Gabe Dretsch & Matt Leer.

**NDHEA Quarterly Board Meeting**  
**12 July 2008**  
**North Dakota Game and Fish Headquarters**  
**Bismarck, ND**

1:10 PM Meeting called to order by President Fasteen

Agenda (MSC=Motion, Second, Carried)

No changes

Motion made to approve agenda. Baxter, Swenson: MSC

Roll Call: Present

Clint Baxter, Lori Schweigert, Scott Fasteen, Al Klatt, Terry Fasteen, Ron Swenson, Curt Walen, Lynda Miller, Lynn Lawler, Rod O'Clair

Absent: Larry Kaul, Clayton Thompson, Ernie Trudeau, Mark Walsh, Leland Bratlie, Dale Patrick, Dale Kilwein

Guests and committee members present: Neva Walsh, Don Meyer, Jon Hanson-ND G&F

Secretaries Report: Motion to approve minutes as presented in the newsletter.

Schweigert, Miller: MSC.

Treasurers Report – Rod O'Clair announced Mr. Trudeau conveyed that Ernie would complete and email a report to the board. No report given at the meeting.

Unfinished business:

Referring to a line from the minutes of the previous meeting, Schweigert questioned how the \$200 per District budget was to be interpreted. Following discussion, it was moved that "Districts will be given a quarterly budget of \$200.00." Discussion ensued. O'Clair, Schweigert: MSC

- A. Neva provided a printed spread sheet documenting the antelope tag raffle. Records show 3970 tickets sold with a gross income of \$19, 850. She congratulated members for the sale of tickets and recommended a few small changes. Net proceeds are not known at this time.  
Discussion and decisions should be made regarding ticket sales to minors and the time line and frame for the raffle to run.
- B. Tax Status reports, are not complete pending the location of an accounting error. Clint is working hard to locate the source of the headache and feels it may be in the bank statements vs. the closing of the books for 2007. He wants to check the statements to compare them to monthly accounting in the books. He and Ernie need more conversations to complete the process.
- C. Website committee and the committee make the final choice and hire the manager as soon as practical.  
MSC: O'Clair, Klatt
- D. Insurance coverage; A liability policy has been purchased from ND Farmers Union agents in Northwood but the policy has not been received. T. Fasteen will follow up.
- E. Draft donation policy; a set of draft policy statements on how the NDHEA would accept and make grants was reviewed, discussed and revised. It was moved to "Accept the grant policy as revised" so action could be taken on several grants that had been tabled from previous meetings. MSC: Walen, Schweigert

## New Business

- A. A motion to “approve two scholarships to the NDWF conservation camp.” MSC: Schweigert, Klatt
- B. A motion to “provide a grant to fund one scholarship to Becoming an Outdoor Woman.” MSC: Klatt, Swenson.
- C. Lynda Miller, on behalf of Missouri Valley Shooting Sports, gave a report on the 2007 family sports fest and presented location and Website; Moved to look at website hosting, managing, design offers, give to the date information on upcoming mentoring events. She asked if hunting released birds was considered fair chase hunting as outlined in the mentored hunts policy. As the birds are not planted at a precise spot, are free to wander and are not released from a bird release trap, a fair chase hunt is simulated if not an actuality and the mentored hunt committee will not question the hunt as being ethical. It should be billed however as a mentored shoot event and not a hunt. A motion was made to “provide \$600.00 to MVSS as NDHEA sponsorship to two events, a first time hunter shoot and a family fun shoot.” MSC: Schweigert, Lawler
- D. The NDHEA table sign is showing signs of its use and needs to be replaced and updated. Everyone is asked to provide Lori Schweigert and/or Don Meyer with suggestions prior to October so they can make a final draft design and look at replacement options. Lori Schweigert <ljschweigert@hotmail.com>, Don Meyer <dmm@lrlec.org>, Lori noted she would like to be notified by July 26 if you are going to the NDHEA Zap fun shoot on August 2, 2008. This is to prepare the food order. Registration cost is anticipated to be \$10.00 or less for NDHEA members and \$25.00 for non members. Non-members can also join NDHEA at the Zap gun club on the day of the shoot. The club is west of Beulah on HWY 200.
- E. Districts are asked to prepare and submit budgets for 2009 to the treasurer so a draft budget can be presented at the annual meeting.
- F. Guiding policy regarding NDHEA: A draft set of policy guidelines was prepared and presented to the board of directors. The draft was revised and will be found elsewhere in the newsletter. Please provide comment to Terry Fasteen prior to October 1, 2008.

## The following committees reported:

- A. Audit/Finance – NTR
- B. Caps – spreadsheet report provided showing 2008 sales at 13 for 353 caps.
- C. Grievance - NTR
- D. Historian – NTR
- E. Legislative – NTR
- F. Membership – A spreadsheet report provided to the treasurer showing regular memberships at 147, Life Members at 6 and Family membership at 12.
- G. Newsletter/Website – There were a number of problems emailing the newsletter to members. It was suggested the link to the website be emailed with a .pdf copy attached. That way if the attachment is stripped from the email, the recipient can still know the newsletter can be accessed on the website. A newsletter editor will be needed for the January edition of the newsletter. Please step up and put your computer passions to work for NDHEA. The only downside is the present newsletter will be difficult to improve on.
- H. Raffle committee – See above in minutes.
- I. Guest Reports – Jon Hanson showed the board several safety devices and advertising design/ gimmicks he picked up at the 2008 IHEA meeting. He has been sending FYI type emails to NDHEA members that have unique ideas attached. Jon discussed the instructor recruitment policies in ND and compared HE class ages, hunter ages and restrictions of states surrounding ND. ND is considered a very restrictive state regarding licensing and hunting requirements. Jon also shared that past Hunter Education Coordinator, E. Jim Carter, had been honored by IHEA by becoming a recipient of a lifetime achievement hall of fame award for his activities and contributions to IHEA. The award plaque was a beautiful statue carving.

The District Directors reported most classes were completed for the year however there are still classes to be given before the 2009 rush begins. Al Klatt reported a very large Grand Forks class was upcoming at he would accept help at it. He is also working on safety instruction with a Pheasants Forever event.

Adjourned at 4:00 pm. MSC: Schweigert, Klatt



Photo taken at Devils Lake of a metal sculpture in their city park.