



Dinners and Academy Right Around the Corner!

Happy Holidays! Another year has flown by and the New Year will be here before we know it and that means instructor dinners/lunches aren't far behind. We have a partial list to share and will get you the rest once we finalized our dates, times and locations. Here's what we have so far for you to put on your calendar.

Eastern Region:

Elko - Saturday, January 14, 2012;
GBC Solarium, Great Basin College
(same location as last two years)

Ely - TBA

Eureka - TBA

Southern Region:

Instructors and guests must RSVP for the following SR events by calling Martin (702) 486-5127 ext. 3501 or Ivy (702) 486-5127 ext. 3503.

Las Vegas – Saturday, January 7, 2012;
Clark County Shooting Range Education Center, shooting from 12:00p.m.-3:00p.m., dinner from 3:00p.m.– 4:00p.m., awards/2012 class scheduling beginning around 4:30p.m.

Tonopah – Wednesday, January 11, 2012;
The Kaminski home, dinner at 6:30p.m.

Caliente, Panaca, Pioche – Thursday, January 12, 2012;
The Knotty Pine Restaurant, Caliente; noon

Pahrump – Friday, January 27, 2012;
Red Sky BBQ, Pahrump; 6:00p.m.

Western Region:

Reno - Wednesday, January 18, 2012;
Santa Fe Restaurant, Reno; 5:00p.m. meet & greet, 6:00p.m. dinner

Winnemucca - Thursday, January 26, 2012
The Martin, Winnemucca; 5:00p.m. meet & greet, 6:00p.m. dinner

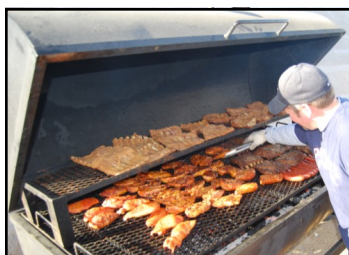
We also have some **Academy** news to share. We're back in northeast Nevada in 2012 and due to scheduling conflicts with camps we've used previously we've decided to go back to basics and try a true



campout. Joe Doucette has made reservations for the main campground at South Fork State Recreation Area <http://parks.nv.gov/sf.htm> from Friday, June 22, thru Sunday, June 24, 2012. State Parks will close that part of the recreation area down to the public so we will have it all to ourselves.

SFSRA is located 16 miles south of Elko on State Route 228. There are 28 campsites, showers and bathrooms and limited

electrical power. There is a spot for the cook station and we will set up a tent big enough for 100 people where we'll hold our meetings and meals. We will also provide a wall tent and another large enclosure or two for those who don't own a tent or RV or can use them for breakout sessions instead. We will have one of our events trailers with a generator, so we should have plenty of power and also access to the park headquarters building if we need it. Being right on the water will make it easy to conduct our Angler Ed activities and should prompt everyone to bring their tackle to wet a line in their spare time. Our agenda theme will center on camping skills and other subject matter inherent to spending time outdoors. Let us know if you have any suggestions for agenda topics.



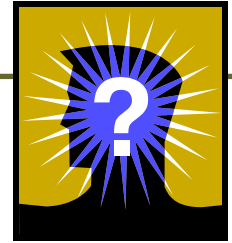
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Stuff You Need to Know



Hunter-ed.com Issuing New Online Certificate

Hunter-ed.com, one of the Internet courses students can use to complete their home study requirement before attending class recently changed the look of their *Online Course Completion Confirmation* that students must present to get into class. Other than the new look there is no difference in the course and requires no changes from you, the instructor.

hunter-ed.com
Nevada Online Course Completion Confirmation

Confirmation Number: 8V721246 Date Issued: September 14, 2011 Expires: December 14, 2011 Email Code: FFFKTR8T0TM

This confirmation is presented to **BILL KE-TESTING** in recognition of successful completion of the Hunter Ed Nevada Course.

Last Name: KE-TESTING First Name: BILL MI: []

Address: 14886 PROCTON RD City: DALLAS State: TX Zip: 75244

DOB (yy/mm/dd): 2011-01-01 Gender: M Eye Color: [] Hair Color: [] Ethnicity: [] Height: [] Weight: []

I hereby certify that I am personally responsible for completing the work associated with the Hunter Ed Nevada Course. Further understood that: 1) it is illegal to enter or compete with this information contained on this confirmation; 2) it is a violation for anyone but me to use this confirmation.

BILL KE-TESTING's Signature: _____ Date: _____

This Online Course Completion Confirmation is recognized and approved by the Nevada Department of Wildlife as proof of home work.

This Online Course Completion Confirmation is NOT your Nevada Hunter Education Certificate, and it is not valid for license purchase. To complete your hunter education certification, you must attend a final Hunter Education Class.

To sign up for a Hunter Education Class, visit the Nevada Department of Wildlife's Hunter Education Classes web page. Hunter Education Classes are offered year-round throughout Nevada. Registration is required, and there is a \$5 class fee payable at the class. Your Hunter Education Class must take place within 90 days of completing this online course.

Bring your Online Course Completion Confirmation to the Hunter Education Class—you will not be admitted without it. After successfully completing the Hunter Education Class, you will receive your Nevada Hunter Education Certificate from the Nevada Department of Wildlife.

We've included an example of the new *Hunter-ed.com Online Course Completion Confirmation* in this mailing so you know what it looks like when a student presents one. Again, no difference other than the new design.

Revised Class Score Card

Yet another item in this mailing is a revised *Class Score Card* and instruction sheet. We had a lengthy discussion at the academy about the card and the

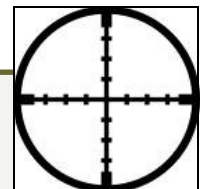
enclosed revised card is the result of that discussion and instructor input. Thank you to all who sent in their comments. I hope you find the card and instructions easy to understand and self-explanatory. If not please don't hesitate to give me a call if you have any questions or comments. Once you get the new score cards, please discontinue using the old ones.

NDOW Conserve Wildlife License Plate

After many years of work and waiting the official NDOW license plate is **finally available**. \$25 from every new plate sold and \$20 from every renewal goes to support NDOW's Wildlife Education and Volunteer programs. And besides that, it's the best looking plate out there! Consider getting one for every vehicle you own and show your support for the Nevada Department of Wildlife!



Sighting In—A Forum for Hunter Ed Instructors



"Sighting In" features stories written by Hunter Ed instructors like you. If you would like to share information, classroom tips, favorite recipes or even a recent hunting expedition with fellow instructors, please email Carolyn your short article at cmont@ndow.org.

Beginning Muzzleloader Class a Success — Martin Olson— Southern Region HE Coordinator

In spring 2011 NDOW's first beginner's muzzleloader class was held at the Clark County Shooting Range. All instructors teaching the class were first required to complete a NRA range safety officer training. A short curriculum was then developed including a workbook instructing students on the basics of muzzleloader shooting. After a brief classroom orientation students head outside to the range to fire flintlock, percussion cap and inline muzzleloaders.

The initial round of classes has proven a huge success and more will be offered in the future. Thanks go out to instructors Dwight Kirk, Phil Hiller and Robert Gaudet for taking the class from concept to reality. More training classes are under development, including a beginning rifle course and shotgun course.

If you're interested in getting involved in any of these training courses, please contact Martin Olson, Southern Region Hunter Education Coordinator.



Phil Hiller



Dwight Kirk



Bob Gaudet

Outdoors Shows, Conventions and YOU

NDOW will be a participant in or co-sponsor of at least two big outdoor shows in 2012. The Wild Sheep Foundation (WSF) will hold its annual "Sheep Show" January 19 -21 in Reno, while the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's (RMEF) 28th Annual Elk Camp and first ever Las Vegas International Sportsmen's Outdoor Expo will kick off a five year run in Sin City, February 2—4. NDOW staff will be busy working these shows and we need your help!

If you've never attended one of these shows this is your chance to do so for free AND help educate your fellow sportsmen, women and children at the same time. Typically staff mans the NDOW booth and/or Operation Game Thief trailer to answer questions, distribute information and generally represent NDOW and the great state of Nevada. But at next year's shows NDOW is also a partner in youth and family events designed to better engage participants in the learning process.

We'll especially need your assistance at Elk Camp, where as a co-sponsor, we're responsible for RMEF's Kid's Camp program. NDOW has responsibility for a 40'x50' area where we're planning a number of fun, interactive and informative activities that will give families a "hands on" experience that will hopefully whet their interest in the outdoors.

One of those activities is a catch-and-release fishing pond where participants will be able to try their hand at landing a rainbow trout. For that activity alone we can keep as many as 16 volunteers busy at any one time over the three days.

We worked out the bugs at last year's RMEF show in Reno and hope to build on what worked well and do our best to give families an experience to remember and bring 'em back again and again. All in all these shows are a great way to see what's going on in the hunting/fishing world and a chance to shop numerous vendors, guides/outfitters and visit with fellow anglers and hunters.

Another event on the list of volunteer opportunities is the 2012 Nevada National Archery in the Schools Program State Tournament slated for February 9 at the South Point Hotel Casino. We had nearly 350 participants at the 2011 tournament and expect that number to push the 400 mark in 2012. This is made possible by the National Field Archery Association, which allows us to use their lanes at no cost. What the organization does ask is that we provide some help setting up targets for their event.

To make this tournament a success we will need lane officials, labor help, assistance with registration and a couple of folks who can help with minor bow repairs.

If you are interested in helping with any of these events, please contact the following individuals ASAP:



Pictures from the 2011 RMEF Kid's Camp— fly tying, laser shot, the casting pond and 'hands on' wildlife education and crafts

We Could Use Your Help at These Events— Call Now!

Wild Sheep Foundation Show (Reno—Jan. 19-21)	John McKay	775-688-1553
Sportsmen's Expo/RMEF (Las Vegas—Feb. 2-4):	Martin Olson	702-486-5127 x 3501
	Doug Nielsen	702-486-5127 x 3500
Archery Tournament (Las Vegas—Feb. 9):	Doug Nielsen	702-486-5127 x 3500

New Faces in NDOW's Conservation Education Division

Welcome the New Con Ed Division Chief

I have already been at the helm since May, but I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I'm Teresa Moiola, the new Conservation Education Division chief for NDOW.

I'm a Reno native and a third generation Nevadan. Some of my fondest childhood memories are fishing for bass in the Rubies, trout in the Truckee and accompanying my dad and granddad on hunting trips. I have traversed much of Nevada's wilderness and continue to camp and explore as time permits. Hunting and fishing were a big part of my family tradition as is the case for many Nevada families. I am deeply appreciative of the volunteers who keep that tradition alive through our hunter and angler education programs. It is extremely important to educate the next generation of Nevada's sportsmen and women.

I hold a BA in Public Relations/Journalism from the University of Nevada Reno. I also completed the course work for a BS in Biological Science, with work in wildlife biology among other areas of science from UNR.



I most recently served as the Director of Public Information and Marketing for the Nevada Department of Cultural Affairs, where I directed a statewide public education and marketing program for the past six years. Prior to that, I served as the Assistant State Controller for the Nevada Office of the State Controller for three years and before that in the Washoe County Manager's Office.

I have jumped into Wildlife feet first, in my first month I was at the reigns of bear dog Stryker at a bear release. Since then I have helped spawn fish at Marlette Lake, witnessed a bighorn sheep release and handed out candy in the Nevada Day Parade. I hope that my career at NDOW continues to be this exciting.

Meet the New Southern Region Volunteer Coordinator

Jennifer Johnson joined the Southern Region in May as the regions volunteer coordinator. She comes to us from Vernal, Utah and is currently working toward her master's degree from University of Nevada Las Vegas in Environmental science. She enjoys hiking, kayaking, and taking flying lessons.



This year she will be heading up the sampling of Chronic Wasting Disease. If you know of any interested volunteers that would enjoy helping with the sampling they can contact her at (702) 486-5127 extension 3850.



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