

# BIG GAME HUNTERS NEWSLETTER

September 2010  
Newsletter

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## NEW MEMBERS

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## From the President

Welcome to Dennis Ludwig, Sam Wright and Jim Riddle, our newest Big Game Hunters Members.

As the Fall approaches, a number of changes will occur. For years the location of the Big Game Hunters General Meetings was the Viking. With the completion of the building at the Homesite, General Meetings have been held at the Homesite on occasion and now at the new venue, Spazios at Westport, 12031 Lackland Rd. When you call in your reservation, the location will be given to you.

August 15th was the date for one of the longest traditions of the Big Game Hunters—The Annual Target Shoot. For those who attended, everyone had a good time thanks to Matt Burke and his crew. For those unable to attend, plan for next year as the target shoot is one of the highlights of the Big Game Hunters year.

As you are aware, the Big



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Game Hunters formed a foundation, the Big Game Hunters Foundation, which conducts the Auction each year and donates the proceeds to various worthwhile organizations. This year the Big Game Hunters Foundation donated \$9000 to organizations which are active in the outdoors and youth hunting activities. If you are aware of an organization interested in these donations for next year, contact a Big Game Hunters Foundation Officer in January of 2011.

This is the time of the year that Big Game Hunter Members become intense

regarding food plot management. If you have a plan/schedule/procedure/system for food plots, please forward them to the Newsletter for possible inclusion in the Newsletter next month.

### BGH Shirts

The New Big Game Hunters shirts will be available to order at the next General Meeting, see Adam Wedel or for more information, call Adam at (314) 913-0499

You can also read the Newsletter at [www.bghf.net](http://www.bghf.net)

## Share the Harvest Donations Top 2 Million Pounds



**Missouri** Hunters donated more than a quarter of a million pounds of venison to needy Missourians during the 2009-2010 hunting season, pushing the total for the program to more than 2 million pounds. Program coordinator David Murphy says he would like to see that much donated annually.

Now in its 18<sup>th</sup> year, Share the Harvest orchestrates the efforts of thousands of hunters, local organizations and

meat processors to get ground venison to people in need. In its first year, the program collected several hundred pounds of venison. The program grew rapidly after the Conservation Federation of Missouri and the Conservation Department adopted it. Today, Share the Harvest nets more than 200,000 pounds of venison yearly.

This year's final tally was more than 252,000 pounds.

More than 5,000 hunters donated meat through more than 100 participating meat processors in approximately 74 counties. Providing enough protein, especially meat, for needy Missourians is one of charitable organizations' biggest challenges. Share the Harvest allows hunters to donate whole deer at little or no cost, making a mountain of lean red meat available to community food banks, and other charities.

*"As the light grows dimmer and the trail begins to fade, my sweetest dreams are those of yesteryear, at deer camp."*

*-- Jim Slinsky*

## Homesite

The Big Game Hunters would like to thank Paul Sullentrops wife, Anita, for another donation of coffee for the Club House.

Your Club thanks the 11 dedicated persons that attended the Saturday July 17<sup>th</sup> work day in preparation

for the clubs picnic the next day. Pavilion Gutter Boards replaced by a skilled crew, grass mowed and trimmed, kids pool placed and filled, the club house made ready, etc. Thanks to all that helped.

Your Club would also like to thank the 22 individuals that

helped on the Aug 14<sup>th</sup> work day at the Homesite in preparation for the Annual Target Shoot.

Thanks, Rich Franke  
Homesite Chairman

## John Gibbs- BGH, 2009 Hunter of the Year

Congratulations to John Gibbs, the 2009 Big Game Hunters, Hunter of the Year Recipient.

The Big Game Hunters reinstated the Hunter of the year awards dinner this year and it was held at Spazios Restaurant in West Port.

After a delightful dinner, John shared a tremendous video presentation of his 2009 award winning hunts.

John has been filming his hunts for years and was able to edit all

of this amazing footage into a 50 minute presentation that would make any Outdoor Channel producer envious.

John harvested Elk, Tahr, Chamois, Fallow deer and Red Stag from New Zealand, where I think the scenery was just as impressive as the size of the animals taken.

His travels took him to Montana for a Mule Deer and Antelope hunt, then on to Whitetail in Texas, Illinois and Missouri.

### New Zealand, Red Stag



## Calendar of Events

September 8, 2010—General Meeting with Special Guest  
Jared Roberts (Nosler Bullets)

October 2 and 3, 2010—Hunter Education Classes at the Homesite  
(Club House only)

October 13, 2010—General Meeting

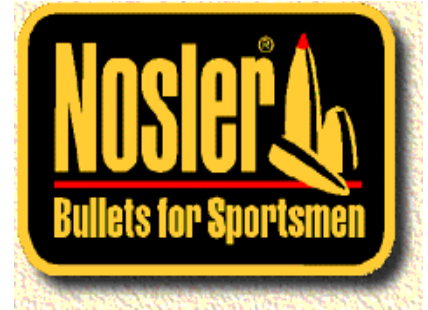
October 30 and 31, 2010—Hunter Education Classes at the Homesite  
(Club House only)

December 4, 2010—Christmas Party at the Homesite

January 21 thru 23, 2011—Annual Fishing Trip, Trout Hollow Lodge,  
Lake Taneycomo Hollister, Mo

February 4, 2011—Wild Game Dinner at the Moolah Shrine Center

March 4, 2011—Auction



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Special Guest Sept. 8th

## From the Members

Big Game Hunters Member, George Frenzel is looking to Sell or Trade a Man's Diamond Ring for guns of equal value or for \$1100.00 . If you would like more information, you can contact George at (636) 629-2815.

Big Game Hunters Member, Mike Patrick has accidentally left his lucky hunting chair at the Annual Target shoot. It is a green fold up chair.. If anyone has any information on the chairs whereabouts, Call Mike Patrick at (636) 942-1110

*"Go afield with a good attitude, with respect for the wildlife you hunt and for the forest and fields in which you walk. Immerse yourself in the outdoor experience. It will cleanse your soul and make you a better person."*  
-- Fred Bear

## BGH Trail Cam Photos



Photo by, John Gibbs



Photo by, John Gibbs



Photo by, Brett Grimm



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## Big Game Hunters Home site

3129 Frisco Hill Rd.  
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Visit us on the web:  
[www.bghf.net](http://www.bghf.net)

### General Meetings

2010/2011 Second Wednesday of ;

September, October, November, December, January, April and May

For Reservations call (636) 230-4201

### Board of Directors Meetings

2010/2011 Third Wednesday of each month

(Be sure to confirm date and location)

Call the Club President for Reservations

### Wild Game Dinner

Just a reminder to all you wild game hunters that our Annual Dinner is February 2011 which will be here before you know it. We are asking everyone to keep in mind that we are already looking for meat and fish donations. Since we ran short at the last dinner we are asking early this year. So please set some aside this year to help with next years dinner. It's a great excuse to tell your mate that you need to go hunting to help the club. Save the Date Feb. 4, 2011. Thanks Rich and Donna



We would like to include your stories, pictures, tips and reviews. If you have a Hunting or Fishing report, pictures or stories from a recent adventure. Articles need to be 250 words or less and is due by the 15th of the month. Please send them to Brett Grimm, [brett@heartlandhunters.com](mailto:brett@heartlandhunters.com) or Jim Mraz, [jem@tarltoncorp.com](mailto:jem@tarltoncorp.com).

If you would like to receive the Newsletter strictly by e-mail to help the club save some money, please let us know via e-mail. You can view the latest Newsletter anytime at [www.bghf.net](http://www.bghf.net)

### BGH Big Buck Contest

Don't forget the 2010 Big Game Hunters Big Buck Contest. If you shoot a buck in your home state, contact Jim Mraz to have your deer scored and you may have a chance to win a BGH Big Buck prize. There are three different categories to enter; Archery, Muzzleloader and Rifle.



### Shriners Sporting Clays Tournament

The Shriners are hosting a Sporting Clays Tournament and Gun Raffle Saturday October 2nd, 9:00am at St. Louis Skeet and Trap Club. It will consist of 12 Stands of Sporting Clays, Gun Raffles, Silent Auction, Lunch and Refreshments following the shoot. It is \$95 per person,. For more information contact Bob Grimm at (314) 795-6198