

# BIG GAME HUNTERS NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter

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## From the President

Charles H. Steib

One cannot pick up a newspaper, turn on a television or turn on a radio these days without reading or hearing about Jobs and Taxes. Hunters and anglers in Missouri support 45,939 jobs each year. The annual expenditures related to wildlife, fish and forest recreation support 64,186 jobs in Missouri. This is understandable given that in Missouri 2.9 Million residents and non-residents, aged 16 years and older, participate in hunting, fishing and wildlife associated recreation. Whitetail deer hunting expenditures alone annually support over 11,824 jobs in Missouri. In fact, more Missourians hunt or fish than the number of people who attend St. Louis Rams or Kansas City Chiefs games.

Hunters and anglers in Missouri generated \$269 million dollars in state and local taxes since 1980, The Missouri Department of Conservation has paid more than \$14 million dollars to Missouri Counties in lieu of taxes. In fiscal year 2009, over \$1.47 million was paid to Missouri Counties for forest cropland payments, levee and drainage district payments, in-lieu-of-property tax payments and county aid road trust payments. Whitetail hunting in Missouri generates \$1.1 billion dollars of business activity, annually, resulting in \$83 Million dollars in state and local tax revenue each year.

Are jobs and taxes important? You bet they are! And, BGH members play a major role in both areas.

(Special thanks to Dave Murphy, Executive Director of the Conservation Federation of Missouri and Aaron Jefferies of the MDC for the research data herein.)



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

# Big Game Hunters at the MDC Hunting Day at Powder Valley



Doug Bay, Keri Ernst, Jill Erlinger and Rick O'Dell manned the Big Game Hunters Booth at the MDC Hunters Workshop at Powder Valley on August 20th

"A downed Animal is most certainly the object of a hunting trip, but it becomes an anticlimax when compared to the many other pleasures of the hunt"  
-- Fred Bear

## Target Shoot Pictures

Photos by Christine Hart



The crew getting ready for a day of shooting



Bill Schmitz on "The Quail Walk"



Doug Bay on the Archery Range



Barb, Jay, Rich and Russ Relaxing between Shots



Range officers Mark Palubiak and Joe Crawley



Chuck Jones and Brett Grimm



Jay Ernst with a winning shot!

The Big Game Hunters are now on Facebook, Sign up today!

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## Calendar of Events

October 12, 2011—General Meeting at Spazios Call (636) 230-4201 for reservations  
Presentation, Loren Rutledge, Hunter of the Year Presentation

October 29 & 30, 2011—Hunter Ed Classes – Registration through MDC website or Busch  
Wildlife Office

November 9, 2011—General Meeting at Spazios Call (636) 230-4201 for reservations  
Speaker, NEW Deer Biologist for the MDC, Jason Summers

December 3, 2011—Annual Christmas Party at the Home Site

January 21 & 22, 2012—Missouri CCW & NRA Basic Pistol at the Homesite. The range will  
be closed on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

February 3, 2012—Wild Game Dinner at the Shrine Center contact Donna (636) 240-5404

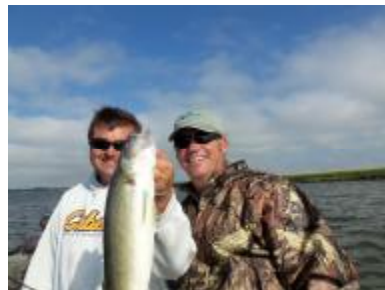
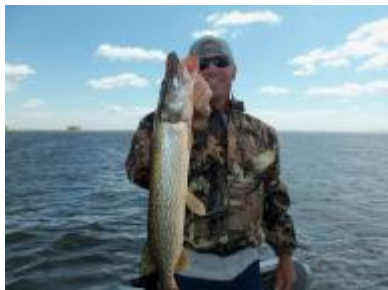
March 2, 2012 — Big Game Hunters Foundation Auction



John Juelfs caught several  
Smallmouth over 4lbs on a  
summer trip to Table Rock

## Fishing Trip Pictures – Tom Cook

Tom fished Devils Lake in Minnewaukan, ND with Perch Eyes Guide Service and said  
he would definitely return for more big walleye, pike and white bass in the near future!



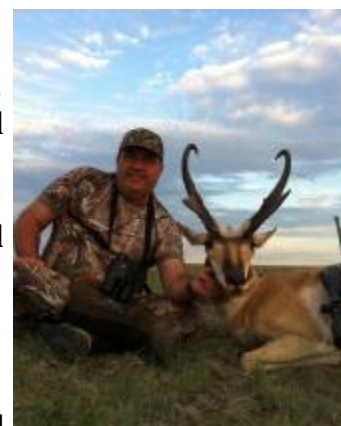
"Here I am, safely  
returned over those  
peaks from a journey  
far more beautiful  
and strange than  
anything I had hoped  
for or imagined--how  
is it that this safe  
return brings such  
regret?"  
-- Peter Matthiessen

## Hunting Report – Glen Smith and John Gibbs



Glen Smith

Glen Smith and I just returned from a New Mexico Antelope with  
Provencio Outdoor Adventures hunt that I purchased at the 2011  
BGHF Auction. James Provencio and his brother Jerome did a good  
job guiding us in some rather adverse conditions. The ranch only had  
1.2 inches of rain since February. Most of the 38,000 acre ranch had  
no food on it (and no antelope). Glen and I both managed to shoot  
nice bucks. We did quite well considering the impact the drought had  
on the quality of the animals. The buck I shot green scored 82 and  
was estimated to be 4.5 years old. Under better conditions he would  
have exceeded the B&C minimum. James and Jerome worked hard  
to get us on good bucks and it was enjoyable hunting with them. If  
you are interested in hunting antelope, elk, mule deer, oryx or aoudad  
in New Mexico give James a call at 505-264-3534.



John Gibbs

## Deer Hunting – Trail Cam Pictures



Photo by, Matt Ludwig



Photo by, John Juelfs



Photo by, Dan Ketterer

## BGH Home site

The electronic keypad to the BGH club house is currently under repair. If you need to get into the clubhouse, there is a keypad on the main door to the club house with a temporary code to use until the electronic keypad is fixed. The code is 2 and 4 at the same time, then 3.

## General Meetings

At Spazios, unless otherwise indicated. Starts at 6:30pm the second Wednesday of; January, April, May, September, October, November and December. For Reservations call (636) 230-4201 by Monday of that week. Cost, \$25.00

## Board of Directors Meetings

The September Meeting will be at Spazios and Starts at 6:30pm the third Wednesday of each month. Call the President for reservations or more information. Cost, \$25.00.

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[www.bghf.net](http://www.bghf.net)

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## BGH Big Buck Contest

Don't forget the 2011 Big Game Hunters Big Buck Contest. If you shoot a buck in your home state, contact Jim Mraz to have your deer scored. Categories for Archery, Muzzleloader and Rifle.



## BGH Shirts

Big Game Hunters shirts are available,  
Contact Doug Bay  
(314) 378-6508

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).

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