

OREGON SHED HUNTERS



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BIGGEST SHED CONTEST WINNERS FOR 2007!

What a great year of shed hunting it was! From all over the state of Oregon, and other states as well, we saw some tremendous sheds found and/or submitted to OSH in 2007. The same holds true for the annual photo contest. We had some really unique photos to choose from.

OSH is very happy with the response we have seen over the past couple years and we couldn't have made it happen without our members and sponsors. A special thank you goes out to Leupold, Nosler, Sportsman's Warehouse, Outwest Taxidermy, Boone and Crockett, and Cent-Wise Sporting Goods. We would also

started calculating the percent increase above the minimum record book scores to see who would come out on top.

On behalf of our sponsors, OSH is happy to announce the 2007 Biggest Shed Contest Winners. They are as follows:

- 1st Prize - Patrick McGanty from McMinnville, OR won a Deer Shoulder Mount courtesy of Outwest Taxidermy with a Western Blacktail Deer shed that scored 70 0/8.



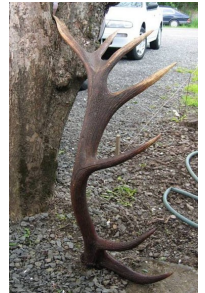
- 2nd Prize - Mark Wheeling from Coos Bay, OR won a pair of Leupold Katmai Binoculars with a Roosevelt Elk shed that scored 168 6/8.



- 3rd Prize - Parry Hurliman from Tillamook, OR won a Nosler \$200 Gift Card with a Roosevelt Elk shed that scored 164 3/8.



- 4th Prize - Del Starr of Portland, OR won a Sportsman's Warehouse \$100 Gift Card with a Cascade Roosevelt Elk shed that scored 164 2/8.



- 5th Prize - Vernon Doughman from Eugene, OR won an Antler Plaque courtesy of Outwest Taxidermy with a Roosevelt Elk shed that scored 159 1/8.



- 6th Prize - Tim Gill from Ukiah, OR won a Leep Big Game Pack courtesy of Cent-Wise Sporting Goods with a Rocky Mountain Elk shed that scored 193 7/8.



Congratulations again to these folks and thank you for taking part in the 2007 Biggest Shed Contest. Remember that the contest rules have changed. Be sure to check out the OSH webpage to get the updates as well as the prizes for 2008!

like to thank our webmaster and his support group for their continued support in making OSH successful. We hope the 2008 season is bigger and better, which appears to be the case already!

For 2007, the Biggest Shed Contest included competition among different species categories. As we mentioned in the last newsletter, this has changed for 2008 so that most species categories will have their own set of prizes.

Throughout 2007 we received numerous shed entries and pictures in the mail as well as lots of great sheds featured on the OSH Webpage Forum. The shed and photo entries trickled in from month to month with an overwhelming response as the deadline of December 31st approached.

In early January of 2008 we

2007 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

As stated on page one, we had a really good selection of photos to choose from for the 2007 photo contest. In 2006 we selected one winner, but for 2007 we had a difficult time choosing just one.

OSH narrowed the original entries down to the top five photos and then we opened the voting. Some of the sponsors were involved in the voting as well as people for the local shed hunting community. The results were pretty much unanimous for two photos. Congratulations to Blaine Hendrickson and Scott Tibbs on their outstanding photos!

Blaine Hendrickson



Scott Tibbs



OSH AT THE EUGENE BOAT AND SPORTSMAN'S SHOW

OSH participated in the 2008 Eugene Boat and Sportsman's Show February 1st-3rd. We targeted this show knowing that the shed hunting community around the Eugene area is rapidly growing. From experienced shed hunters to beginners, we saw them all. We handed out over 400 flyers and got just over a dozen new members. The three day event was pretty much non-stop with avid outdoorsmen and women from all over the central valley.

The primary goal for us at this show, and any show that we participate in, is to let people know about OSH and what we are all about. These shows are our opportunity to



not only share good shed hunting stories and take in shed entries for our upcoming record book and contests, but also educate those new shed hunters on our ethical shed hunting emphasis.

Thank you to those of you who stopped by and brought in sheds for us to drool over. Next year we are looking at doing the Central Oregon Show again and possibly going to the Medford Show. If you have a banquet or smaller show in your town that we might be interested in be sure to let us know about it!



SECOND ANNUAL OSH GROUP SHED HUNT

The Second Annual OSH Group Shed Hunt was held on Saturday, March 8, 2008. Troy and I would like to thank all of you who were able to attend and make it successful. This is the second year in a

row that we hunted the same general area. We had about 50 people join us this year from all parts of the state including places such as Eugene, Burns, Pendleton, Tillamook, Madras, Bend, LaPine, Prineville, and Myrtle Point. We had several other folks that wanted to come along, but had prior commitments.

It was a great day weather-wise (60+ degrees) for a full day of hiking in the high desert! It looked like everyone (including the kids and dogs) had fun. Again, thank you for making it a success.

The day started off by meeting at Troy's shop between 7-8 am. Those that showed up at 7am had an hour of telling stories, eating donuts, and looking at Troy's shed and big game collection. Several others brought sheds to show off also. Then it was off to do some shed hunting.



It was a full day of hiking. Some folks came back for lunch and then left to go find more sheds. We all met back at camp around 4 pm. And, boy did the sheds roll in! As a group we found about 70 sheds. It was actually difficult to figure up the final tally with so many people and sheds...which is a good problem to have! Several matching sets

were found and nearly half of the final tally were fresh brownies! One heck of a hunt it was.

After an hour or so of looking at everybody's finds, OSH gave away prizes in the following categories:

1. Most Sheds - OSH membership with cooler
2. Biggest Matched Set - OSH t-shirt with cooler
3. Biggest Shed - Danner t-shirts
4. Smallest Shed - Danner t-shirt
5. Farthest Distance Driven - Custom muley framed photo/Outwest Taxidermy hat

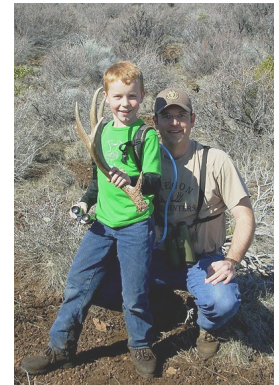


The most sheds found by an individual over the day turned out to be a tie. The tie-breaker came down to the flip of a coin. The most sheds found was 5. The biggest matched

set was a big and heavy set found stacked on top of each other. The smallest shed was won by Camerguy with a shed about 1.5 inches long. He thought it was a mushroom at first

glance. The biggest shed was a three-way tie with all of them winning a prize. The most miles traveled was won by a couple who joined us from Pendleton. They won a custom burnt-wood framed photo of a big muley buck that Cameraguy captured and an Outwest Taxidermy hat. Cameraguy and his wife Gayle were also presented with a Special Thank You Award (\$100 gift card to Sportsman's Warehouse) for helping OSH keep the webpage running smoothly for us over the past couple years. We truly appreciate their help!

After the prizes were all awarded we had a potluck barbecue and sat around the fire.



Some folks stayed the night and went shed hunting on Sunday, while the majority of us left for home. What a great weekend of fun. Thanks again for all the support in making this event successful. We look forward to next year! Be sure to check the forum for some more photos and stories from other hunters that made the trip!



NEW CONTEST PRIZES FOR 2008

On behalf of our sponsors we are proud to announce the prizes for the 2008 Biggest Shed Contests. This year we wanted to take the contest to the "next level". It was a lot of leg work but we feel that we have put together a very respectable set of prizes for the 2008 season.

As was mentioned in our last newsletter, the contest rules are different for the 2008 contest. We are offering contests within five different categories. Here's how it breaks down.

Oregon Shed Hunters 2008 Contest Prizes

Mule Deer

1. Deer Shoulder Mount (or \$450 off a shoulder mount) courtesy of Outwest Taxidermy
2. \$100 Nosler Products
3. \$50 Sportsman's Warehouse Gift Card
4. Hard Rifle Case
5. Leupold Hat

Blacktail Deer

1. Deer Shoulder Mount (or \$475 off a shoulder mount) courtesy of Vaughan Taxidermy
2. \$100 Nosler Products
3. \$50 Sportsman's Warehouse Gift Card
4. Danner Package (T-shirts, Socks, Boot Grease, Decal)
5. Leupold Hat

Whitetail Deer

1. Elk or Deer European Mount courtesy of Vaughan Taxidermy (valued at \$225)
2. Deer Plaque Mount courtesy of Outwest Taxidermy (valued at \$100)
3. \$50 Sportsman's Warehouse Gift Card
4. Danner Package (T-shirts, Socks, Boot Grease, Decal)
5. Leupold Hat

Rocky Mtn Elk

1. Leupold Gold Ring 15-30 x 50 Spotting Scope (valued at \$500)
2. Elk Plaque Mount courtesy of Outwest Taxidermy (\$150)
3. Hydration Pack courtesy of Cent-Wise Sporting Goods (valued at \$75)
4. \$50 Sportsman's Warehouse Gift Card
5. Leupold Hat

Roosevelt Elk

1. Elk or Deer Shoulder Mount courtesy of Vaughan Taxidermy (valued up to \$750)
2. Camelback Hydration Pack courtesy of OSH (valued at \$75)
3. \$50 Sportsman's Warehouse Gift Card
4. Danner Package (T-shirts, Socks, Boot Grease, Decal)
5. Leupold Hat

Remember that the contests are open to sheds that have been found in any given year, not just 2008. So you can enter a shed that you found 10 years ago. Let us know what you think at osh@oregonshedhunters.com

