

OHIO VETERANS OUTDOORS NEWSLETTER



Chasin' Tail

Had a small group of guys running around the woods looking for the ever elusive chicken of the tree (I just made that up). Ended up with 9 total, although it was not a limit, it was great time getting to know these amazing Vets. Thank you to the landowners who regularly let us hunt their properties.



Following the foray in the woods, the OVO crew built a wheelchair ramp at Headquarters for our annual deer hunt.



A Couple Slickheads

In the 5th Annual Archery Deer Hunt we weren't lucky enough to tag any bucks, but we had a great time and we put a couple doe on the ground—Ol' T-bone would be proud! That's meat in the freezer, and you can't eat the horns anyway.

Unfortunately, we had some last-minute cancellations due to COVID quarantines, but we had seven Vets come out, including five new to OVO. Andre and OVO-regular

Frank rounded out the roster on a weekend filled with great food, volunteers, and weather. A huge thank you to Chris Bosma for keeping our bellies full of ribs, brisket, and steaks!! This event would not be possible without the very gracious landowners who allow us to hunt their properties—an even huger thank you to them!



PS: We'll leave out the landowner's name here so the Jodies can't snake our secret spots!

Wop Wop Wop

That is Wop with an "O" not an "A", perv. We made our yearly excursion to the Howard County (IN) Vietnam Veterans Organization Reunion to honor our Veterans who did not receive a proper welcome home and those that didn't make it home at all.

The Huey 369 organization did a great demo and flyover, then gave rides in 'Nam-era Hueys around the fairgrounds—if you've never flown on a Huey, you need to come with us next year!

Once again we are asking you for support! This time to purchase our own Huey to use when the side-by-side just can't get all the Vets to their tree stands...and to put one of



our bada\$\$ decals on it, of course! This was our first reunion without Mike Higgins; you were missed brother, rest in peace and Welcome Home!

How To Get Involved

OVO is always looking for volunteers and participants. If you are interested in volunteering or you are a Vet who would like to take advantage of the opportunities OVO provides, please contact us at <u>mail@ohvetsoutdoors.org</u> or click "Interested" on the Facebook Event.

Who We Are

Ohio Veterans Outdoors, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization created by and for combat-wounded, ill, and injured Veterans of the US Armed Forces.

Mission

Promote wounded veteran wellness through outdoor experiences and education.

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We want to recognize all of the great companies that support our Mission and Organization. If you see something underlined, it is a link to a webpage. Please, click the link and support those that support us in anyway you can!

Website: www.ohvetsoutdoors.org

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Upcoming Events:

December 11-12th: 5th Annual Scott Rhoades Memorial Duck Hunt

December 19: 5th Annual Deer Gun Hunt

January 22, 23 2021: 5th Annual Pheasant Hunt, <u>Olde English</u> <u>Outfitters</u>, Greenville, OH

February 18-21: Arkansas Light Goose Hunt, Weiner, AR

April 29-May 2: 5th Annual Spring Turkey Hunt, Jackson, OH

May 7: Lake Erie walleye fishing:Double Dipper& DrillingEyesMarblehead, OH

Support OVO

For those who don't know the sleepy man in the picture to the right, meet Army Vet and OVO board member, Eric Anderson. To no one's surprise, five minutes before this picture was taken, he was asked to do the dishes! Like a seasoned non-comm, he must have delegated that task!

Actually, this was a well-earned nap after tagging a beautiful bull elk on public land in CO. Big thank you to the Stowe family of Dove Creek, CO for the best elk camp food and guides West of the Mississippi! We look forward to taking a handful of bowhunting Vets back to CO again this fall.





Remember when you are shopping on Amazon this holiday season, use AmazonSmile (Settings/AmazonSmile/ Enable). This way your gift of Shake Weights for Grandma will support OVO with .5% of your eligible purchase total!



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