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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- DSC S.A.F.E.T.Y. Event May 3, 2014
- Youth Wildlife Conservation Experience Jan. 9, 2014

Teacher Training

New Teacher Training (Details on Page 3)

- TPWD Angler Education
- TPWD Boater Education Instructor
- TPWD Hunter Education Instructor
- National Archery in Schools Program
- Dutch Oven Cooking CPR/First Aid

Hunting is Wildlife Conservation!

As many of you know, the Dallas Safari Club is a big supporter of youth education programs. The DSC was recently in the news regarding the auctioning of a permit hunt. If you are interested in reading about this particular hunt please look at the web reference below:

http://gametrails.org/9-essential-factsabout-the-dsc-rhino-permit-auction/

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Job Posting! Wanted: Orienteering and GPS Curriculum Writer

Every three years the DEF reviews and updates the Outdoor Adventures curriculum. I need a teacher who loves to orienteer and use a GPS unit to assist in updating the curriculum. Contact me ASAP: scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org







Explore Bowhunting Teacher Workshop Limited Space Available

November 25, 2013 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Dallas Safari Club, 13709 Gamma Road, Dallas, TX 75244

Workshop is <u>FREE</u> Explore Bowhunter Kits (\$2000.00 value) will be given to several teachers attending the workshop.

Special Note:

Explore Bowhunting is an outdoor conservation education program focusing on interactions with people and wildlife. Explore Bowhunting teaches students how to interact with the natural world by developing basic skills used to bowhunt which focus on getting close to animals. Not only does Explore Bowhunting teach students how to interact with nature using ageless hunting skills, but it also teaches an appreciation of what is around them and enhances their enjoyment with the outdoors.

Teaching materials will be provided to every participant in this workshop.

RSVP to Scot McClure by Nov. 11th scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org



Teacher Training RSVP

940-465-0366

RSVP for each training. I have provided several dates for each training. Please check your schedules and let me know today! The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Instructor and Boat Safety will require some home work prior to the training. I will review the requirements for each upon your RSVP.

RSVP: scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org

Teacher Training in North Texas for Fall 2013 – Location – DFW Area

Texas Archery in Schools Program..... 8:00 – 4:30 TBA

Additional Hunter Instructor Classes

COLLEGE STATION	Sat Nov 16, 2013	8:00 AM	(979) 845-4865
WHITSETT	Sat Nov 16, 2013	8:00 AM	(210) 413-1101
COLLEGE STATION	Thu Dec 12, 2013	8:00 AM	(979) 845-4865
CORPUS CHRISTI	Sat Feb 1, 2014	8:00 AM	(361) 853-8644
SAN ANTONIO	Sat Nov 2, 2013	9:00 AM	(210) 602-8032
WACO	Sat Mar 22, 2014	8:00 AM	(254) 722-5660

Additional Angler Education Instructor Classes

Nov. 16, 2013, 9:00 – 3:00, Texas A&M Corpus Christi, Caleb Harris, caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov 512-389-4472

Nov. 16, 3013, 8:30 – 1:00, North Texas Education Center, Grand Prairie, Keira Quam, keira.quam@tpwd.texas.gov

Nov. 16, 2013, 9:00 – 1:30, Bass Pro – Pearland, TX, Greg Akins, greg.akins@tpwd.texas.gov, 281-534-0123

Additional NASP - BAI Courses - contact burnie.kessner@tpwd.state.tx.us

Nov. 2, 2013 – 7:45-4:00, Murchison, TX – Murchison ISD

Nov. 16, 2013 – 7:45-4:00, Henderson, TX – Full Armor Christian Academy

Nov. 22, 2013 – 7:45-4:00, Dripping Springs, TX – Dripping Springs High School

Dec. 7, 2013 - 7:45-4:00, Georgetown, TX

Dutch Oven Cooking – Campfire Cooking

Nov. 23, 2013 – 10:00 – 11:30, Ray Roberts Lake – Isle Du Bois, Kelly Lauderdale, kelly.lauderdale@tpwd.texas.gov

Dec. 7, 2013 – 2:00 -3:00, Lockhart State Park – Josh Oyer, josh.oyer@tpwd.texas.gov



NEWS!

Tread Lightly! is a national nonprofit organization with a mission to promote responsible recreation through ethics education and stewardship programs. Tread Lightly!'s award-winning educational message, along with its training and restoration initiatives are strategically designed to instill an ethic of responsibility in outdoor enthusiasts and the industries that serve them.

http://treadlightly.org/

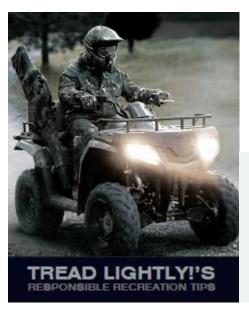
Tread Lighlty has provided a link below on a great public safety brochure for Outdoor Adventure teachers to share with their students. A small sample of the great guidelines in the brochure is provided.

Download the brochure TODAY!

Hunting with an ATV

copy and paste this link into Google Chrome

https://www.dropbox.com/s/tjdxo5n65xwtic4/huntatv tips.pdf



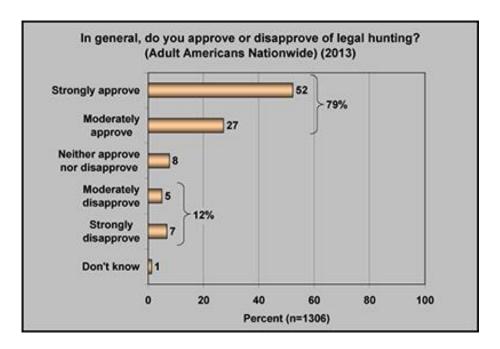
- When retrieving game, don't travel crosscountry on you ATV. Get as close as possible on a trail or road and then travel by foot to the site of your kill.
- Never ride with a loaded firearm. When traveling on the trail, keep your firearm secure in a protective case separate from the ammunition.

Responsive Management News

Approval of Hunting Highest Since 1995

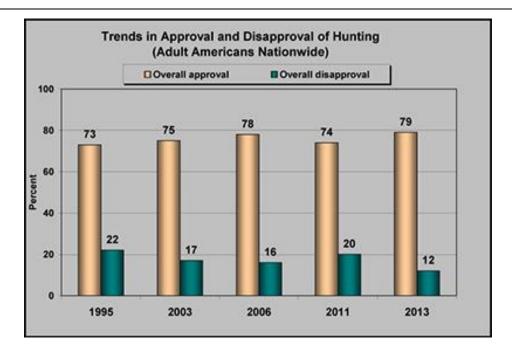
79% of Americans Approve of Hunting

A recently released nationwide scientific survey by Responsive Management shows that 79% of Americans 18 years old and older approve of hunting, up five percentage points from 74% in 2011. This marks the highest level of support for hunting since 1995, according to data compiled by Responsive Management.



Source: Responsive Management, 2013

Responsive Management has been tracking trends in public approval of hunting since 1995, which has remained generally consistent during this time: 73% in 1995, 75% in 2003, 78% in 2006, 74% in 2011, and now at 79% (see graph below). At 79%, approval is the highest since Responsive Management has tracked it. The reasons for this increase are still unclear, but it may be related to the recent increase in hunting and shooting participation that has occurred.



Source: Responsive Management, 1995, 2003, 2006, 2011, 2013

Since 2006, hunting participation has increased by 9%, according to the *National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation* (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2011). Meanwhile, shooting participation has increased by 18% since 2009 (Responsive Management, 2013). Other studies on public opinion on hunting conducted by Responsive Management show that the strongest correlation with approval of hunting is knowing a hunter--over and above demographic variables or any other factor. With the increased number of hunters in the field and sport shooters at the range, it is possible that this increase is being reflected in support for hunting as well.

Overall, the most recent study found that more than half of Americans (52%) strongly approve of hunting (79% strongly or moderately approve). At the other end of the spectrum, 12% disapprove (strongly or moderately) of hunting. Another 9% gave a neutral answer.

Methodology

Conducted in February 2013, the study surveyed 1,306 Americans 18 years old and older using random digit dialing and supplemental cell phone sampling. The sampling error is +/- 3.00 percentage points. The survey was the fifth in a series of surveys by Responsive Management to track trends in public approval of hunting.