This is the fifth edition of Go Hunt Hawai'i, a quarterly newsletter to connect hunters and the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW). Sign up to stay up to date on announcements, changes to hunting areas, research on animal populations and more.

**Wildlife Stamp Contest Winners Chosen**

DOFAW would like to thank all wildlife artists who submitted art entries for the 2018-19 Hawaii Wildlife Conservation and Game Bird Stamp Art Contest. A committee reviewed all submissions in the subject categories: Wild Turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*), and Feral Pig (*Sus scrofa scrofa*). Two winners were chosen last month, but other entries are also included.

*From left to right:*

**Row 1:** David K. Hayes, William Doughty, Lynn Capell

**Row 2:** Reyn Ojiri, Carol Tredway, Alfred Gray

**Row 3:** Reyn Ojiri, Carol Tredway, Dick Harrison

**Row 4 (WINNERS):** James Basham, Alvin Galvez

Photo: Celyne Moe
Announcements

BY THE NUMBERS

2017-18 Gamebird Harvest

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* Hawai‘i totals do not contain data from two locations in East Hawai‘i.

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YOUTH HUNT STORY

Aloha,

I wanted to share my 11 year old son (Kaysen Abara)’s photo of his first hunting adventure and the buck he was fortunate to shoot. This was such a great experience for my son and I. Although this was his second trip to Lana‘i, he doesn’t remember coming here because at that time he was 4 years old.

The youth hunt gave me an opportunity to bond with my son, share my upbringing, and have him experience the culture I grew up in (I was born and raised on Lana‘i). The hunt also allowed my son to experience failing (as his missed three opportunities on Saturday), learned persistence, and success, as we returned on Sunday where he was able to land his deer. Thank you so much for the work you folks do.

~ Flo Abara

GOAT HUNTING SEASON

Archery, muzzleloader and regular rifle hunting seasons have been announced for feral goats on Kaua‘i. The season length, bag limits, and hunting areas are listed in Title 13, Chapter 123, “Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting”.

SHOTGUN SHOOTING BASICS WORKSHOP

DLNR’s Hunter Education Program, in partnership with the Honolulu Trap Club, held a workshop at Koko Head Shooting Complex on Saturday, April 7, 2018. It introduced Hawai‘i Hunter Education graduates to basic shotgun shooting through hands-on experiences while reinforcing firearms safety principles. Due to high demand, more regularly scheduled shotgun workshops, as well as other advanced trainings, are expected to be held soon; details will be sent out via the email list.