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GO HUNT

CONNECTING HUNTERS & RESOURCE MANAGERS

This is the twelfth 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). <u>Sign up</u> to stay up to date on announcements, changes to hunting areas, research on animal populations and more.

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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Game Bird Survey on Kekaha GMA

We conducted a volunteer game bird survey on October 27, 2021 in the Kekaha GMA. We wanted to thank the volunteers who took the time out of their busy schedules to assist with the survey.

Volunteers: Kevin Vidinha, Nick Croft, lessie Abirached. Jeff Emoto, Wesley Masumura, Diane Masumura, Tyrus Masumoto, Mel Matsumoto, Derek Rapozo, Cory Morgan Moises Lopez, James Carveiro, Kawehi Harris, Marques, Teddy Perreira, Les Ibara, Corey Lum Won, Amy Lauren Lum Won, Joel Andres, loe Moranz

Aerial view of Kekaha GMA.



2021 Pheasant Release Project on Kauaʻi

Kaua'i DOFAW would like to recognize and thank the volunteers who helped with year's pheasant release this project. DOFAW brought in 600 Ring-necked and 150 Melanistic Mutants (Blue) day old pheasant chicks on June 19 and with the help of volunteers reared them for 6 weeks. After the 6 weeks the chicks were then brought up to the flypen and were cared for and released into the hunting area. Without the help of volunteers this project could not take place.

Volunteers: Chris Coscarella, Chloe Coscarella, Sean Igne, Corey Lum Won, Amy Lauren Lum Won, Mark Sueyasu, Wayne Sueyasu, Leslie Sueyasu, Jeff Emoto, Hope Newton, Adam







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Game Bird Propagation Project on Oʻahu

On O'ahu, a total of 100 Ringnecked Pheasants, 100 Melanistic (blue) Mutant Pheasants, and 100 Chukar Partridges were released at the Kuaokalā GMA. DOFAW would like to thank the volunteers who helped with game bird this year's project.

Volunteers: Gordon Lau, Steve Dewald, Lisa Dewald, Stephen Dewald, Jakob Dewald, Tom Mendes, Mitch Moniz, Mark Petritz, Holly Petritz, Evelyn Petritz, Madelyn Petritz, Rodney Mau, Tay Soares, Brian Tokunaga, Bryan M. Tom, Charlie Lee, Jacob Choo, Choo, Glenn Nelson Ching, Gerard Patary, Raymond Santiago, Donovan Santiago, Michael Cruz.

Game bird release process.



NEW UPDATED GO HUNT PORTAL: APPLY FOR HUNTS & PURCHASE TAGS ONLINE

Hunters can now purchase tags, permits, and apply for hunts online through a new service provided by Hawaii's DLNR. The service can be accessed from the Hunt section of the Division of Forestry & Wildlife website, where users can click <u>"Purchase Tags &</u> <u>Permits"</u> and/or <u>"Apply for Hunts"</u>.

Users can log in and select the tags or permits they want to purchase, and submit applications for hunting. Required information can be entered into the online form, and payment can be made through the website. After payment, users can simply download their purchased tags, permits, or applications. Should the user misplace their downloaded copy, she or he can find the tag or permit at anytime from the portal's My Tags & Permits page.

Available Tags		Available Hunt Applications
Big Island	Kaua'i Island	Lānaʻi
Puʻuanahulu Sheep Ram Tag	Annual Archery Permit (Unit G, F, & K)	Axis Deer & Mouflon Sheep Season - Archery
Puʻunahulu Goat Tag	Goat/Deer/Pig Permit (Unit E & H)	Axis Deer & Mouflon Sheep Season - Youth
Turkey Tag	Muzzleloader Permit (Unit F)	Axis Deer & Mouflon Sheep Season - Muzzleloader
	Feral Pig Hunts – Season Permit (Unit A)	Axis Deer & Mouflon Sheep Season - General Rifle

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HUNTING STAMP CONTEST

DOFAW SEEKING ART ENTRIES

The 2022-2023 Hunting Stamp contest is still open! The subjects for this year are the Chukar Partridge (*Alectoris chukar*) and the 'l'iwi (*Vestiaria coccinea*).

Artists interested in entering the contest must submit their paintings by February 25, 2022. The winner will be notified on March 2022, with a maximum prize of \$1,000.

For more information, click <u>HERE</u>.

DOFAW would like to thank all wildlife artists who submitted art entries for the 2020-2021 Hawai'i Hunting Stamp Contest. A committee reviewed all submissions in the subject categories: Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*), and Mouflon Sheep (*Orvis musimon*). Two winners were chosen, shown here:

LĀNA'I

AXIS DEER & MOUFLON SHEEP SEASON

Applications for a combination 2022 Lāna'i Axis Deer and Mouflon Sheep hunting season will be available to the public online beginning Monday, January 10, 2022.

For more information click <u>HERE</u>.

For season length, bag limits, and other information for all hunts, please see <u>Title 13, Chapter 123, "Rules</u> <u>Regulating Game Mammal Hunting".</u>



Timothy Turenne



Michael Bailey

HAWAI'I ISLAND

SPRING TURKEY SEASON

The 2022 Spring Bearded Turkey Hunting Season opened on January 1, 2022 and will run until April 15, 2022.

You can now purchase your Tags online through the new <u>GO HUNT</u> <u>PORTAL</u>.

GMAC

COMMISSION UPDATES

The Maui and West Hawai'i Commissioner seats are still vacant! The State Game Management Advisory Commission (GMAC) is seeking applicants. If you are interested in serving on the GMAC, please fill out the online application <u>HERE</u>.

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