



Beaverhead PF Chapter 862 Newsletter

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Yesterday while driving cattle, I observed several rooster Pheasants just off the road only a few miles north of town. Continuing evidence our environment can support a surviving habitat in Beaverhead. Refreshing to see and reflect on our accomplishments and energy focused on improving public upland bird habitat in our county. Last week we were also pleased to have 9 members show up at our monthly Beaverhead PF Chapter meeting. Thanks. Key highlights included an update from Eric Hammer our Habitat Chairman, on 4 pieces of potential public habitat lands under our review for possible PF projects. Our guest speaker was Katie Tackett, Watershed Coordinator from the Beaverhead Watershed Committee (BWC). Katie briefed us on BWC's mission, how they collect and support project ideas and we all shared mutual attributes and collaboration benefiting both BWC and PF. We also secured an Internet page on our Montana PF web site*, check it out. Our March meeting will host Craig Fager, MTFWP Region 3 Biologist, as our guest speaker. Please plan to attend.

March is a big month for us and we need your support by attending our 2nd Annual Beaverhead Chapter PF Banquet on the 13th of March. We will be in the Lewis and Clark Room, on UMW's campus in Dillon. The gala begins at 5:30pm. This year's socializing format to the banquet features a habitat corner, door prizes including a Remington 870, 26 in. 12g pump shotgun, over 50 high-end items in our silent and live auction, including numerous guns, wildlife and fine art, jewelry, upland apparel, and upland and fishing hunting trips. Have Fun, socialize with fellow hunters, join our open bar and enjoy a prime rib dinner.

Your participation in our annual banquet is the critical means of supporting our chapter's financial needs. It is only with your continued support that we are able to accomplish our mission of establishing and managing local pheasant habitat, youth hunting activities and education, and land management policies and programs. By attending you will be part of this unique process in securing our mission and making a difference in our area. We hope you will come, bring your friends and have fun sharing your passions.

Also note we need volunteers to help at the beginning & end of the banquet. Stuff like helping at the door, selling raffle tickets or aiding with auction items. Half hour at the most. If you can help, please call Jerry Meacham's no. below. Thanks.

In closing do not forget our Chapter's monthly meetings, open to the public are every 4th Wednesday of the month, at 5:30pm at the Dillon Elk's lodge, 27 E. Center Str. Our March meeting is on the 24th. Please come join us. Contact Gary for further calendar updates.

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"Flushing pheasants" <http://www.mtstandard.com/articles/2009/10/04/bigskylife/hjaijjghhjheb.txt>

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