

The official publication of The Golden Ram Sportsman's Club



October 2nd, 2019: Archery Hog reservations available by phone

October 5th, 2019: Archery Hog hunting at Hedgpeth begins and extends through November 10th

November 15th, 2019: Phone-in reservations for our rifle Hog seasons begin at 10:00 a.m.

November 9th, 2019: Fall Turkey season begins on the Tyson-O'Ferrall, Bar Z, Challenge & Timberland Ranches

November 19th, 2019: Check w/the office! We hope to begin taking phone-in reservations for flooded blinds beginning at 10:00 a.m.

#### **DUCK HUNTING**

Our duck units are as follows:

- · Riego Road
- · Sankey Road East

Member maps and rules will be distributed electronically after the rice harvest - details coming.



Bar-Z Clean-up Crew - June 2019



A huge thank you goes out to the Bar-Z clean-up crew organized by Patrolman Mike Simonini. The crew worked hard on the weekend of June 8<sup>th</sup> to make the camp safe for the season. They cut back brush, eliminated poison oak and limbed up a lot of trees in camp.

It was a great turnout of 17 guys for the clean-up weekend. The BBQ was a success and all that attended had a great time. It's a great way for new members to get to know others in the club and swap hunting stories. GR provided (7) Tri Tip and (30) ears of corns and Kenn's wife made homemade potato salad for the group.

Many thanks to Mike Simonini, Austin Simonini, Kenn Lipke, Tyler Lipke, Bret Beaudreau, Pat Hutton, Tom Aldon, Bob Disco, Ron Aquila, Greg Matthews. Kyle Matthews, Gary Fontaine, Jim Polmanteer, Pat Abernathy, Mike Abernathy, Dan Rogers, and Bill Haynes.

Everyone who helped out was able to get a free season trailer pass. If interested in attending next year send an email or call the office.

### Family Weekend –June 2019 (8th Annual)



Special thanks to all those who led the various activities, including Buck Buchanan, Dan Verlinden, Colton Finn, Landon Finn and Lydia Finn. We couldn't have done it without you!!!

The weather was perfect for a busy weekend of archery instruction, shooting at the range, survival training, swimming, fishing, canoeing and making survival bracelets.

The pot-luck dinner Saturday evening is getting big and better every year. Everyone brought their favorite dish and shared with the group. There was a definite "wild game" theme to the dinner and there was no shortage of delicious options to try.

The grand finale for Saturday evening was our kid's raffle prize giveaway draw. If your family wants to participate and/or help with next year's event let us know and we'll get you registered.

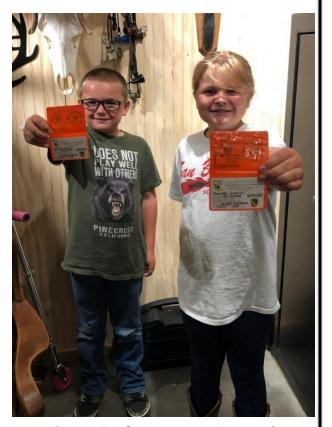


Family Weekend Winners

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Above: Juliana Simonini was the winner of the youth grand prize .22 caliber rifle and Parker King won a crossbow.



Above: In this picture, Austin & Juliana Simonini proudly display their hunting licenses.

# **Hog Hunting:**

Phone in for Archery reservations starting October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Phone in for Rifle reservations starting November 15th, 2019

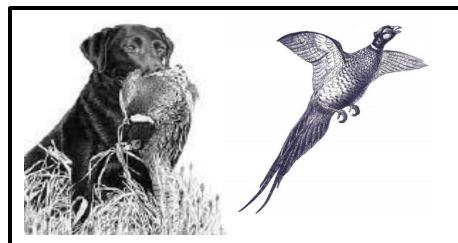
#### **Hedgpeth:**

Archery: October 5th-November 10th

Rifle: November 28<sup>th</sup> - February 28<sup>th</sup> (or until we take 60 hogs) \*the harvest limit at Hedgpeth remains one (1) hog per member, per year, for all membership types.

NO EXCEPTIONS

**Cholame:** November 1st - November 30th



2019 Pheasant Hunting

Available November 2 – December 29 \$13 per bird

Golden Ram members will again hunt Pheasant in 2019 using the facilities of Raahauge's Pheasant and Sporting Clays Club located at 25835 County Road 8, Dunnigan, California 95937

Members simply call into the Golden Ram Office to schedule their hunt any time from November 2 through December 29 and pay \$13/bird (maximum of 3 birds per member). Once the office has confirmed your reservation you will be provided with the details needed for your hunt at the Pheasant Club.



#### News from the Office

Members and new members: Please get your paperwork in promptly. AII paperwork including new member contracts and releases need to be signed and returned to the office as soon as possible. During the summer fall period you need to plan for at least 7 days between your payment and the time you will receive your membership card. You cannot visit a ranch to hunt without your membership fees being paid in full and you must also be in



possession of your membership card.

### Holiday office closure dates:

- May 27 Memorial Day
- July 3 & 4
- September 2 Labor Day (Monday)
- October 12 Columbus Day (Monday)
- November 28 & 29 Thanksgiving (Thursday & Friday)
- December 23 December 25 Christmas (Monday through Wednesday)
- December 31 through January 2 New Year's Day (Tuesday through Wednesday)
- Jan 20 Martin Luther King Day (Monday)



We encourage our Golden Ram membership to support the Fregoso Outdoor Foundation. If you know of a veteran who has an interest in the outdoors please visit the veteran center link below to apply.

www.fregosofoundation.org

**REMEMBER**: Membership cards must be in possession at all times. Call the office if you have not received yours!



You must allow 7 days between payment of your dues and receipt of your membership card.

No access to the ranches without your card.

### **Extreme Fire Danger**

Since the fire danger will be extremely high this season due to all of the rain, we will have vehicle restrictions due to high grass on some roads. We will post them and expect everyone to follow the rules.



- We cannot afford to have any accidental fires.
- No campfires of any type will be allowed unless there has been at least a full day of rain. Please check with a patrolman.
- Absolutely NO SMOKING OUTSIDE OF CAMP!!!
- It is extremely important that we are very careful when on the ranch and obey the club rules. WATCH YOUR SPEED!
- NO TRAILERS are to be left for the season in the center camping area and around the Bar-Z lake. If you have questions please ask a patrolman.
- You can leave your trailer at Bar-Z during deer season in the back by the corral but it MUST be off the ranch when the season is over. (General Deer, Bear, Turkey and Late Season Archery or Muzzle Loader)

#### Passing of George Bonanno

Many of you may already know that our dear friend George Bonanno recently passed away in July. George and his wife Betty were long time members of Golden Ram from the time they joined in the early 80's.

George served his country on a submarine in the navy during the war and then was a San Francisco police officer for a 30-year career. As everyone knew he was an ardent SF Giants fan. In his retirement George enjoyed hunting and cooking and many members were the recipiences of some of George's great meals while in hunt camp.

We would just like to say thank you and we will never forget all the effort and time that George and his wife Betty spent supporting Golden Ram.

# HELP STOP TRESPASSING & UNAUTHORIZED GUESTS:

Recently we have had significant problems with trespassing and unauthorized guests on Golden Ram properties. Trespassers very quickly lead to our second problem which is poaching. Trespassers are stealing from our members. Our members have invested their hard-earned money so they have the privilege of hunting, fishing and camping on Golden Ram properties. Anyone who hasn't paid a membership is stealing from you, the member.

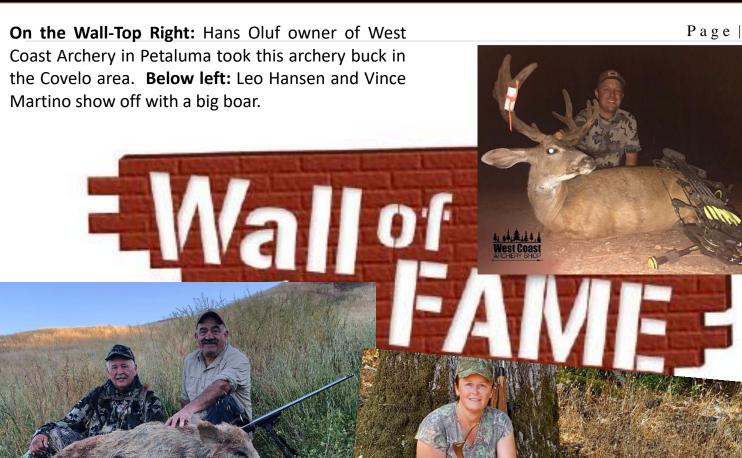
Common lies from trespassers & unauthorized guests	Here's the truth
<ul> <li>He's just a buddy of mine</li> <li>He's my brother in-law</li> <li>He's my nephew</li> </ul>	Family and non-family memberships do not include guest privileges
I just wanted a little company	<ul> <li>Unauthorized guests are trespassers and poachers</li> </ul>
• He's my son but he's 28 years old	<ul> <li>Family memberships include spouses and children under age 21 living at home who are students.</li> <li>An adult child cannot hunt under a family membership</li> </ul>
I forgot to make a reservation and to sign-in	<ul> <li>Failing to make a reservation or sign in is trespassing.</li> </ul>
He used to be a member	<ul> <li>So what? He isn't a member now!!</li> <li>Any member that has been cancelled due to nonpayment cannot be taken as guest by another member. Once you have been cancelled you are no longer allowed on Golden Ram properties and will be treated as a trespasser.</li> </ul>

Always show your membership card to Patrolman and other members. If another member asks to see your membership card don't be offended. Be glad he cares enough to make sure your membership is protected from others who may try to steal the benefits of a legitimate membership from you. Ask each other to see a membership ID card.

YOU CAN BUY A GOLDEN RAM HAT OR T-SHIRT BY VISITING THE WEBSITE









**Right:** Dave Cook with an early season D-zone buck. Left: Matt Rogers shows what hard work can get in the A-zone. **Above Right:** Patti Silva says that it's not just the boys who have fun in the A-zone.



horned 3 x 3 in the A-zone