

January 2021 Newsletter

Colorado Draw Deadline Approaches

Limited license big game applications will **OPEN** March 1st, 2021. If we haven't already done so, we will get packets out to those of you who have 2021 hunts on the books that require a draw application. All adult and youth applicants will be required to purchase a qualifying license during the application process.

The Limited license big game application **DEADLINE** is April 6th, 2021. As long as we have all of your information, we will ensure your application is submitted on time. All resident and non-resident draw applications for all big game will only be accepted online; therefore, we will require a credit card authorization for each of you applying for a Limited license. For all of our Spring turkey hunters, your license can be purchased online or via telephone starting March 1, 2021. Please ensure these are purchased prior to arriving in camp.



FIRST and FOREMOST, we would like to thank all of you that were able to make it into our camps in 2020 and a very special thank you to our entire staff during these crazy times. After 23 years of operation and a worldwide pandemic, we continue to build friendships and provide high success rate hunts with the help and support of our excellent staff and their families. 2020 proved to be very challenging for most of us, but we adapted and overcame many hurdles and

obstacles while harvesting well over 200 animals including deer, elk, pronghorn and turkey at J&D Outfitters and Cross Mountain Outfitters. Despite challenges, we were still able to conduct our annual youth hunts, putting over 20 youth hunters in the field, and as an annual tradition, we honored our veterans with our wounded veteran hunt.

FUN FACT: A deer fawn can stand 20 minutes after birth, walk in an hour, run a bit in 24 hours, and outrun a man in 5 days.

Our Commitment To You

At J&D Outfitters and Guide Service, Inc., we require very high standards, loyalty, honesty, respect, and strong work ethics from our guides and staff. We are especially proud of the teamwork and support between our guides and staff for the past 23 years in providing quality hunting experiences for our clients. Teamwork is the backbone of our operation as we continue to uphold our core values and strive to offer our customers the best service, quality and value they deserve.



MOVING FORWARD

As fast as 2020 came and went, we will not let any dust settle for 2021. We are moving forward with about 90% of our hunts booked for the year. We continue to expand our operations throughout Colorado and Kansas, as you can see with the addition of Four Mile Ranch in Colorado and some additional turkey and whitetail deer ground in Kansas. We have joined forces with one of our neighboring outfitters in Kansas and are now able to offer additional hunts for Rio turkeys and some archery whitetail deer hunts during the rut. The dates available for archery deer in Kansas are November 13-17 and 19-23. We want to take a moment to thank you for being a loyal J&D Outfitters and Cross Mountain Outfitters client. We will always strive to offer "Quality Big Game Hunts" for our clients in the western United States. "Fly High. Shoot Straight. And, Stay Safe."

Colorado & Kansas

2021 SPRING TURKEY



Spring Turkey season is almost upon us and is coming fast and loud. We have expanded our Kansas operation to offer more opportunities for Rio's, and Colorado promises to be another good year for Merriam's.

FEATURED RECIPE

Elk Tenderloin Jalapeno Wraps

- Vicky & Les

Ingredients:

elk tenderloin, cream cheese, jalapenos, bacon, steak seasoning, raspberry jelly, butter, Worcestershire

1. Slice trimmed tenderloin into 1\4 inch thick slices.
2. Pound sliced loin with meat mallet.
3. Spread Philadelphia cream cheese on each slice.
4. Place a jalapeno slice (fresh or pickled) in the center.
5. Roll up and wrap with bacon (preferably thin cut).
6. Season with McCormick's steak seasoning.
7. Put on grill with bacon seam facing down, searing should seal bacon, or if you choose to use toothpicks, soak them in water first to prevent burning.

Dipping Sauce:

2 scoops raspberry jelly, 1 scoop butter, 1 TBSP Worcestershire sauce. Stir over medium heat. Dip & Enjoy!

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We are fortunate in 2021 to add Four Mile Ranch as another Ranching for Wildlife operation. This ranch will allow us to offer more weapon of choice opportunities from hunting bugling bulls during the rut in September and early October to hunting migrating herds of elk in November and December. Additionally, we will offer hunts for velvet mule deer in early September, as well as rutting mulies through mid-December. We will also provide flexible dates for pronghorn hunts, and cow elk tags will be available September through December. Many variations of combination hunts will be offered that allows our clients to hunt multiple species during the same hunt.

"We are fortunate this year to add another Ranching for Wildlife operation underneath our Cross Mountain Outfitters umbrella."



FIREHOOK

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

The idea behind Firehook comes from a passionate conservationist and philanthropist. The goal of Firehook is to bring Outdoor Sports Women and Men and Wildlife Organizations together in a Massive Conservation Fundraising Campaign where funds will be provided to various conservation projects around the world. The easy-to-use Firehook App can be downloaded (for a 7-day free trial) with the option for businesses and individuals to subscribe monthly. Through Firehook, get connected with multiple businesses in the outdoor industry. Firehook is the only non-profit conservation organization available on Apple and Android platforms. Join today @ www.firehook.org.



Hooray for The Ladies

Watch out fellas! Hunting has never been the purview of men alone. In places like pioneer Alaska, women such as "Alaska Nellie" and Fannie Quigley learned to hunt and became legends for their skills in the wild. The most recent information on the number of female hunters shows it is holding steady at over 1.1 million, or about 10% of hunters in the United States. These ladies are stepping up and gaining ground fast with some great trophies being harvested with us at J&D Outfitters and Cross Mountain Outfitters. From the prairies to the mountains, they are proving they have the knowledge and skills required to give you men a run for your money.

