

KANSAS NIGHT HUNTERS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER



WELCOME TO OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER!

We have decided to start sending out a newsletter periodically to keep our members informed with our ongoing & upcoming events, things we are working on, and future plans.

WWW.KSNIGHTHUNTERS.ORG

Events in Progress.

KNHA KANSAS NIGHT HUNTERS ASSOCIATION 1/25+ CHANCES

LIFE MEMBER GIVEAWAY

\$20/MO OR \$100 TO ENTER ALL 6 MONTHS MUST BE A LIFE MEMBER TO ENTER

JUL **ATHLON** RANGE CRAFT CRONOGRAPH

AUG **RXP22** 22 PISTOL

SEP **\$250 CABELAS** GIFT CARD

OCT **LITTLE BIRD** AB RIMFIRE SUPPRESSOR

NOV **ATHLON MIDAS** G2 UHD 12x50

DEC **MYSTERY PRIZE**

← SIGN UP TO BE A LIFE MEMBER
SIGN UP TO ENTER GIVEAWAY →
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We have our Life Member Monthly Giveaway underway right now. We will be drawing for a monthly prize from July through December. Life members can enter for \$20 per month, or \$100 to enter for all six months. If you are not a Life Member, join as one now and be automatically entered in the drawing for all six months. Enter the drawing here. [LIFE MEMBER GIVEAWAY](#)

Not a Life Member? Join or upgrade your membership here. [KNHA Memberships](#)

"Founding 25"

Thank you for your lifetime investment and commitment to Night Hunting, and KNHA's Mission. These 25 individuals will forever be known as the Founding 25 and their contribution will forever be a part of the KNHA legacy.

Christopher Whitney
Tyson Lang
Marcus Seirer
Kyle Martin
Gene Kimmi
Andrew Askew
Matt Thompson
Beau Van Loenen
Geoffrey Cagle
Richard Hewitt
Andrew Vesterberg
Ryan Werth
Sage Tremblay
Tyson Seirer
John Carroll
Danny Eilert
Jason Fitzpatrick
Brad Kiser
Ty Gruwell
Mark A. Westermann
Benton Riffel
Brett Sander
Brett Walker
Monroe Schmidt
Luke Deneke

Upcoming Events

The 2026-27 season opens on September 1st and runs to September 4th. It will close for youth deer and muzzle loader season and reopen again September 28th to December 1st. It will be closed for deer firearm season and open again on December 14th, coming to an end on March 31st, 2027.

We have two *Introduction to Night Hunting* classes scheduled for Friday, Aug. 21st at 7:00 PM and Saturday, Aug. 22nd at 1:30 PM in Effingham, KS. If you are interested in attending, you can sign up here.

[Intro. to Night Hunting Workshop Effingham](#)

We are working to get a class scheduled in the Brown/Nemaha county area for the Aug/Sept time frame. Keep an eye on our website on the events page for upcoming classes.

<https://www.ksnighthunters.org/event-list>

If anyone is interested in having an *Introduction to Night Hunting Class* in your area, contact us by email at ksnighthunters@gmail.com, and we can work with you to get a class scheduled.

Issues being Hunted

Here are some of the issues the Board of Directors are working on at this time.

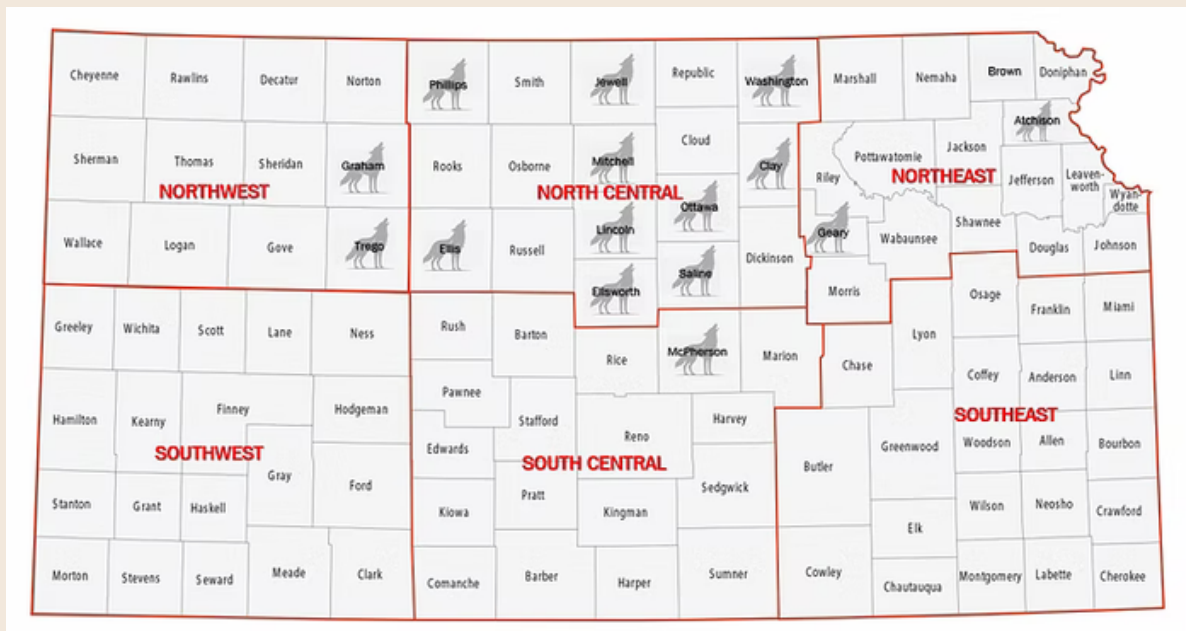
- **Permit fees and the addition of raccoons to the Night Vision Season.**

We were not able to get raccoons added to the Night Vision Season at this time, but some of the commissioners at the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks do seem interested in pursuing this option. We will be watching future agendas of the KDWP and will be attending meetings where they plan to discuss this further.

Our petition to add raccoons to the night vision season is still active. If you have not signed it, please do so. [Petition · Kansas Night Hunting Season - United States · Change.org](#).

We were successful in getting the fee increase on a Night Vision Permit to sunset with the existing statute that the extended night season is running on. The fee of \$27.50 for residents and \$52.50 for non-residents, will sunset in 2 years if the extended season is allowed to sunset. This may give the commission extra incentive to vote in the extended season permanently.





• **Creating chapters of the Kansas Night Hunters Association.**

We have been working with members who have an interest in starting chapters in their areas. At least three members are required to start a chapter. Current chapters include Atchison, Clay, Dickinson, Ellis, Ellsworth, Geary, Graham, Jewell, Lincoln, Mitchell, McPherson, Ottawa, Phillips, Saline, Trego, and Washington County. Chapters will operate as an extension of the state chapter starting out. It is our intention to only hold one annual state banquet each year at this time until we have enough chapter presence to hold regional banquets. If you are interested in starting a chapter in your area, contact us here. <https://www.ksnighthunters.org/chapters> If you do not have enough members to start a chapter, but are interested in joining one, let us know and we can get you in touch with the closest chapter.

• **Gun shop raffles.**

We are working with area gun shops to set up raffles that could include guns, suppressors or store credits. We hope to create partnerships with these stores that will draw business to them and, in turn, they will help promote the Kansas Night Hunters Association.



Annual Banquet

We have been working on implementing a web based program to run our next banquet. This program will facilitate faster registration, online check in and check out, eliminating standing in lines allowing you to settle up and pay bills at the end of the night right from your table. It will allow us to have on-line silent auctions, informational descriptions and pictures for every item at the banquet and detailed instructions for each raffle game and other options that will alleviate concerns brought to our attention from the 1st banquet. A search for a venue for our next banquet is underway. We have heard member requests to move the banquet to various locations. An issue we have run into is the time and attention it takes to put on an exceptional banquet for our members, at a location a distance from where we live. With a venue further away, we would need to rent the venue extra days to set up and tear down and enlisting additional help from volunteers. We are taking all this into consideration as we plan for the next banquet in 2027. In the future, we hope to have a Banquet Committee set up to help with the planning and execution of our banquets.





Issues in our Scope

These are future goals that we will be working on.

- **Develop an online merchant store.**

This will be a place where members can purchase truck magnets, custom reloading blocks, and other merchandise that we have developed.

- **Conduct mentored youth night hunts.**

We will start offering some youth mentored hunts after the season opens in September for any youths 17 and under. Keep an eye out for announcements on our Facebook page and on the website.

- **Work with KDWP to include night hunting activities into the KS Hunter Education Program.**

We will be working on new media and other avenues to make our *Introduction to Night Hunting Class* more available across the state.

- **KNHA Chapter Grants.**

KNHA is looking to offer grant funding to support local habitat projects and shooting sports programs in areas where we have a chapter presence.

- **KNHA Podcast.**

We are looking to create a Podcast for members and the public to tune into and learn more about what we are doing and find ways to connect with our members. Share stories and spread awareness to support our mission.



Last Stand

Through all the events and projects, our goals are to increase membership and build a strong association for our members. We would like to ask our members to help us accomplish these two goals by spreading the word about our association to help it grow. We would also like to hear any comments or concerns you may have. The Kansas Night Hunters Association can only be as strong as its members are willing to make it. Recruitment and retention of members is a top priority for KNHA. This is the primary focus of KNHA and needs to occur at every opportunity and at all levels. Membership is our most important asset, and you are critical to the success of our mission. The longevity and success of KNHA depends on the ability to recruit and retain members.

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