



Effective on May 1, 2018

Genesis 27:3 NLT - Take your bow and a quiver full of arrows, and go out into the open country to hunt some wild game for me.

Purpose

Majestic Outdoors is an organization that focuses on teaching young people about hunting, land stewardship, wildlife conservation, relationships and to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through His creation, the Great Outdoors.

MEMBERSHIP

We appreciate our Volunteers, Partners, Sponsors and Donors!

We offer our Partners and Donors along with their spouse and children through the age of 18, the opportunity to hunt the land we have been blessed with to use for this ministry. Partners/Donors requesting hunting privileges must complete an application. Upon application approval and the \$1,100.00 minimum donation has been met, they will be given a work detail, member card and key.

Partners and Donors who have not satisfied the \$1,100.00 or more requirement will forfeit their hunting privileges.

Approved Partners and Donors will be subject to approval on an annual basis and will herein be called "Members".

Donations are due as follows:

March 1st - \$500.00

April 1st - \$250.00

May 1st - \$250.00

June 1st - \$100.00

Donations not paid in full by June 1st will result in member spot being filled and are non-refundable.

75% of Partner/Donor donations are tax deductible (\$825)

Dues Increase Schedule

With the increased price of leases, insurance and the cost of operations that have incurred over the last few years, we have no choice but to increase our dues. We have not had an increase in dues in 11 years, so it is time. The following is a schedule of what to expect for the next couple of years:

2018-19 \$100 = \$1,100 (Deductible \$825)

2019-20 \$150 = \$1,250 (Deductible \$937.50)

Acts 10:12-13 NIV "It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles and birds. Then a voice told him, "Get up, Peter, Kill and eat."

ORGANIZATIONAL RULES

- 1 Steve Sparks will be the Founder/President/CEO of Majestic Outdoors Ministries, Inc until he resigns.
- 2 The rules to hunt Majestic Outdoors property can be revised whenever the President and/or Ministry Board of Directors decide it is in the best interest of the ministry.
- 3 No alcoholic beverages allowed. Failure to comply will result in the offending person being asked to leave the premises. A meeting with the Board will be required before being allowed back onto the property.
- 4 All gates to the property must be closed and locked at all times. Do not drive around gates or leave gates open for any reason.
- 5 **HOUSEKEEPING:**
 - A **PLEASE KEEP CAMPHOUSE, BUNKHOUSE & BATHHOUSE CLEAN!!!** This will include: sweeping all floors, garbage, dishes, etc... MT & Steve are not the janitors here!!!
 - B **SHOOTING HOUSES: EVERYONE** is responsible for keeping these clean!!! PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR TRASH, SPIT BOTTLES AND PEE BOTTLES IN THEM!!!!!! If you take it in the woods with you, bring it out with you!!!
- 6 Hunter orange must be worn to and from stand during gun season. Anyone not wearing hunter orange will be charged a fine of \$200 and 30 days suspension from hunting.
- 7 There will be NO shooting from the road unless it is in an area you have signed out. Anyone shooting from the road will be fined \$200.00 and an automatic 30 day suspension.
- 8 Sighting in of all firearms will be done only at the shooting range. Shooting range will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. during bow and gun season.
- 9 There will be no motorized vehicles driven on green fields unless it is to retrieve a harvested animal.
- 10 There will be no "mud-riding" on any roads, fire lanes, creeks, branches, streams or mudholes of any kind.
- 11 There will be NO "Joy Riding" during deer or turkey season.
- 12 Animals - We respect everyone's love for their animals as they are part of your family. However, there are many people that are allergic to different animal species. If you bring your animal to the camp, we respectfully ask that it/they remain on a leash or in a crate and stay outside of the camphouse & bunkhouse.
- 13 No hunting dogs allowed during deer season! The only exception to this is the use of a tracking dog when looking for a downed deer.
- 14 All items left in the woods (stands, blinds, feeders, cameras, etc..) **MUST** have owners name on it in a **VISIBLE** place. Items not properly marked will be removed immediately and brought back to the camphouse.
- 15 During deer & turkey season, 9:00 p.m. is quiet time! Noise will be held to a minimum both inside & outside of the camphouse, bunkhouse and personal campers.

Sign In/Out

We use a two system sign in/out procedure. Everyone must sign in/out of Log Book and on Map.

When signing out on map, be sure you put your Name or initials in block.

- 1 Please make sure you sign in/out of Log Book AND add/erase your name on map.
- 2 **NO ONE WILL SIGN IN ANOTHER MEMBER FOR ANY REASON IN THE MORNINGS!!!**
- 3 Everyone must sign in before entering property for any reason during all seasons of hunting and sign back out before leaving the property.
- 4 Sign in time is 4:00 a.m. Those who forfeit the comfort of their bed at home and spend the night at the camp will be allowed to sign out **after** 8:00 p.m. the night before.
- 5 Everyone may sign out up to 40 acres of woods at a time. You must not hunt any section other than the section you signed out. You can only sign out 1 food plot in your area.
- 6 Everyone may sign out up to 80 acres of clearcut at a time. You must not hunt any section other than the section you signed out.
- 7 If you change hunting location, fill out a new entry in sign in book. **DO NOT "SCRIBBLE" OR SCRATCH OUT LOCATION OF WHERE YOU HUNTED IN SIGN OUT LOG!!!** We use this data to monitor hunting pressure in certain areas. Anyone "scribbling or scratching out" will pay a \$20.00 fine.
- 8 During deer season, Wednesdays will be designated as a scouting day. You may sign out up to 80 acres in one area. You will be able to hunt in that area.

WORK DAYS AND ROUTES

- 1 Everyone **must** turn in a Work Time Card after each day work has been completed. This card is located in the Members Area on the website at www.majoutdoors.com. If you do not turn in a Work Time Card, you will not be given credit for the work completed and will have to pay the penalty stated below.
- 2 Each member will be required to have a minimum of **32 hours** between May 1st thru October 1st. If you do not complete 32 hours, you will be assessed an additional **\$25.00** per hour fine for each hour missed. Fines must be paid before a member can hunt. 32 hours of work time does not include volunteer hours for events or booth sets/shows.
- 3 Work routes will be assigned by section leaders in each section. Everyone will be assigned a route to be responsible for along with other projects. Section Leaders must approve work completion before your time is turned in.
- 4 Everyone is needed/expected on youth events and food plot planting days. There are tasks that must be completed before our events. Please get with property managers for assignments.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Everyone **must** turn in a Volunteer Time Card during or after each event. This also includes any prep work that is done to prepare for the event. This card is located in the Members Area on the website at www.majoutdoors.com. Our Event dates are listed later in the rules so everyone can be prepared and know when to plan. Volunteer hours are for any event, booth set ups festivals/shows of any kind.

STANDS - Climbers, Ground Blinds, Shooting Houses, Lock- on, Ladder Stands

- 1** Your safety is our concern! Safety harnesses must be worn when hunting from a climber or lock-on stand. Anyone that is caught not wearing a safety harness or has an accident/fall without being attached to the tree, will be fined \$1,000.00 and suspended for an indefinite amount of time. Hunter will NOT be able to hunt until the fine is paid IN FULL!!!! Members are responsible for their children's safety and will be penalized if your child is caught not wearing a harness.

Safety Requirements:

- A** Be sure to have a connecting rope attached from your bottom platform to the top climber of your stand.
- B** Be sure the attached rope is no longer than your stand to sit stride. This usually will be 18 to 24 inches, depending on your height.
- C** Always stay attached to the tree when climbing up or down. This only takes a few extra minutes to climb up or down. If you have a "Life Line" that you leave on the tree you climb, be sure you are attached to the "Climber's Knot" and slide up/down as you go.
- D** Use pull up ropes to get your gun and daypack in/out of stand. Tie rope around butt stock of gun behind trigger guard. Gun will be pointed down. **NEVER, NEVER CLIMB WITH A BULLET IN YOUR CHAMBER!**
- E** Your gun should be the last thing you pull up.
- 2** NO homemade wooden ladder stands shall be placed on our property for any reason.
- 3** Manufactured ladder stands must be anchored to the tree by a chain or ratchet strap. **NO NAILS, ROPES, OR BOLTS MAY BE USED.**
- 4** If a stand does NOT belong to you, you MUST have permission from the owner of the stand to hunt from it!!
- 5** Any stand on food plots and/or clear cuts are for everyone's use.
- 6** All ladder stands, ground blinds and shooting houses are for everyone's use DURING OUR SCHEDULED EVENTS.
- 7** Stands labeled Majestic Outdoors are available for everyone to use.
- 8** Shooting houses are for everyone's use.
- 9** Shooting houses will be built by the pattern we have designed. If you would like to build a/some shooting house(s), get with the property manager in your section for the blue print or you can pay for the materials to have it built. Approximate cost is \$400.
- 10** No ladders or climbing sticks may be left attached to any tree next to a food plot without the stand attached. This eliminates someone from "locking" everyone out from using this field if that is the only tree available to climb. Any situation discovered like this, items will be removed from tree.
- 11** Any shooting house, ladder stand, tripod, etc... installed on food plots must be authorized by Section Leader of that section before it is placed.
- 12 Under no circumstances are there to be anything screwed into a tree!** This includes, but not limited to, tree steps, bow hangers, camera hangers or anything else that can penetrate into the tree itself. This will leave a hole in the tree and can cause pine beetles to form a colony in the tree which in turn will desimate an entire area. Our timber companies and landowners will not be happy with us if this happens!
- 13 PER OUR LANDOWNERS: DO NOT CONTINUALLY CLIMB THE SAME TREE REPETITIVELY!!** This damages the protective bark and increases the chances of a pine beetle colony setting up.

HARVEST PICTURES, DATA & RECORDS

Collecting proper harvest data allows us to monitor proper buck:doe ratio and age structure spread throughout our entire property to ensure that we have a sustainable herd to pass on to future generations. This data will be analyzed in February to assist us in making proper adjustments for the following season.

Below are the proper steps in collecting harvest data:

- 1 Pictures **MUST** be taken with the hunter before deer is cleaned. This includes does!
- 2 Deer must be weighed before & after dressing. Record weights on paper harvest tag.
- 3 After dressing deer, at least one lower jawbone must be removed before the animal is taken from the property. If you cannot pull the jawbone, contact Steve Sparks to pull it BEFORE you leave property.
- 4 Jawbone must be tagged with the hard white plastic tag and placed in the jawbone box outside of skinning shed.
- 5 Confirm that the paper harvest tag and the hard white plastic tag numbers match.
- 6 Fill out paper harvest tag in its entirety, both front & back. If the jawbone and harvest tag are not filled out COMPLETELY, there will be a \$50.00 fine for member/guest.
- 7 Fill out harvest sheet in camphouse. Confirm paper tag, plastic tag and number on kill sheet match.
- 8 Take a picture of your harvest tag, both front & back, then place paper harvest tag in guest fee box when complete with all steps.
- 9 Anyone caught sneaking a harvested animal off of the property will be expelled immediately and will not be allowed on the property again.
- 10 Harvest data must be entered on the Harvest Kill Sheet in the Members Area of our website.

OBSERVATION DATA

PLEASE fill out the data on the website!!! This data will be seen by Steve Sparks **ONLY!!!** This information is very valuable and will assist us in making better decisions on managing our deer herd & turkey flock.

WALK-IN COOLER & SKINNING SHED

We have been blessed and fortunate enough to have a pretty nice skinning shed & walk-in cooler for everyone's convenience. We need to be good stewards of this resource and take care of them! The following are the rules for each of these tools we get to utilize:

SKINNING SHED

- 1** Spray floor with water before hanging deer. This will keep blood from sticking to concrete.
- 2** Clean all tools, gambrel, jawbone removal tool, jawbone clippers, etc... before storing.
- 3** Spray all blood from floor, including underneath the sink, counter top & sink.
- 4** Empty and clean gut bucket when finished. There will be a \$50 fine for any guts left in bucket.
- 5** Turn scales off when complete.
- 6** Turn off water!!!
- 7** Roll hose up!!!
- 8** Lights will turn off automatically.

WALK-IN COOLER INSTRUCTIONS

All animals **MUST** be tagged when put in cooler!!! Any animal not tagged will become property of Steve Sparks.

- A** Turn breaker on – Outside on the right
- B** DO NOT TURN FAN SWITCH OFF!!!
- C** Spray cooler floor out after hanging animal
- D** Make sure wheel on top of door catches in latch
- E** Turn off light – Outside on front

Any animal left in cooler for more than **3 days** will become property of Steve Sparks. We've had to many deer that was forgotten during the season and ruined and this will not happen again!

After removing animal:

Wash cooler out completely including drain

Turn off breaker, if there are no more animals in cooler.

Roll hose back up

Leave door opened

Supplemental Feeding Stations

The supplemental feeding of any animals is a great way to keep any herd or flock in good health during the hard times of the year when natural vegetation has been depleted or has turned hard and woody and is not palatable (nutritious) for the animals. With a proper feeding program, this will not only give nutrition to the animals, it will also attract and hold them in certain areas on our property. It will also allow our does to have richer milk for better fawn survivability and recruitment this spring along with recouping our bucks coming out of the rigors from the rut.

Many people have a concern for disease when starting a feeding station. In Alabama, there are no known diseases in our herd except the Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD), otherwise referred to as "Blue Tongue" and is caused by a biting gnat (midge). Every year, there is a small portion of deer that die due to EHD and is almost unpreventable.

Further supplemental feeding policies will be implemented as we progress with our program.

- 1 If you would like to work with us on a supplemental feeding program, only our Section Leaders will be allowed to authorize the area intended for this feeding. The more people that would like to participate in this program, the cheaper the cost will be as it allows us to purchase in bulk verses individual bags of feed and minerals.
- 2 Supplemental feeding/baiting will take place ONLY between February 11 - March 5 & May 1 - September 30.
- 3 Anyone caught feeding/baiting during deer or turkey season will be expelled immediately with no portion of their dues being refunded!!!
- 4 No feed will be placed on the ground! Feeders must be trough or gravity feeders.
- 5 Any stations that are set up must meet the guidelines below:
 - A Stations must have a mixture of deer feed & corn. At least a 50/50 mix to begin, and tapering off to a pure feed once deer are eating it. Feed must be an approved product designed especially for deer. Steve has a lot of information and pricing on these products.
 - B Stations must contain an approved granular mineral. Watering troughs are optional.
 - C Any pictures that are taken on feed stations will be shared with Steve only for data collection. This includes Bucks, Does, Fawns, Turkeys and any predators.

LAWLEY HARVEST RULES

ADULT MEMBERS & GUEST

Any buck harvested by an adult on any Lawley property must be 3 1/2 years of age!

Any buck harvested below 3 1/2 years old will result in a \$250 fine and a 14 day suspension!

Above Blue Line Rule

FIREARMS

ADULTS

No does may be harvested above the blue line by adults with a firearm

CHILDREN (up to 18 years of age) & LADIES

Bucks:

Children & Ladies that have **NEVER** harvested a buck will be allowed 1 buck of choice.

Children & Ladies that have harvested a buck will be allowed to harvest **1** buck 2 1/2 years or older per season. All bucks after this must be 3 1/2 years old.

Does:

1 doe per season

BOW AND ARROW : Compound, Recurve or Cross Bow

Members will be allowed to harvest a total of 2 does with a bow!

1 doe may be killed with a bow outside of the bow only area **OR**

2 does may be killed in the bow only area

MEMBERS & GUEST
Below Blue Line Rule

BUCK HARVEST

BOW AND ARROW :

Any buck with 3 points or more on one side

FIREARMS:

Any buck 3 1/2 years old regardless of points

- 1 Any buck harvested below 3 1/2 years old will result in a \$250 fine and a 14 day suspension!

CHILDREN (up to 18 years of age) & LADIES

1st Buck - Hunters Choice if **NEVER** harvested a buck

CHILDREN (up to 18 years of age) & LADIES THAT HAVE HARVESTED A BUCK

1st Buck of season - 3 points on one side

2nd & 3rd bucks after this must meet club requirement of 3 1/2 years old

DOE HARVEST

NO DOES MAY BE HARVESTED AFTER JANUARY 1ST!!!! January 2 - February 10 is buck only!!!

1 Doe per season with a firearm

LADIES and CHILDREN (up to 18 years of age)

1 Doe per season with a firearm

BOW AND ARROW : Compound, Recurve or Cross Bow

2 Does per season

If any hunter opps to give up their doe with a firearm, they may harvest a 3rd doe with a bow below the blue line.

FOOD PLOTS

- 1 Does may **NOT** be harvested on a food plot with a firearm by any adult without prior approval. **Special Exceptions:** Disabled, children, ladies, senior citizen (62 over) and bowhunters.
- 2 There must be a 50 yard "buffer" zone around food plots when harvesting a doe with a firearm.
- 3 If you are eligible to harvest a doe on a food plot, there must be a minimum of two deer on the field or an identifiable mature doe. This is to reduce the number of yearling deer harvested. **NO GUESSING!**
- 4 Game and trail cameras must not be placed on or within 100 yards of food plots from October 15th until January 31st. This will reduce human presence/pressure on plots. **Any cameras placed on a food plot between Oct. 15 & Feb. 10th must be approved by someone on Leadership Team ONLY! This will be for a specific purpose for observation data.**
- 5 No one should scout, visit, walk, drive or disturb any food plot from October 15th until February 10th. Take the most direct route in/out to stands on food plots. This reduces human scent which is hunting pressure. **PLEASE do not walk around in our food plots!!! We guarantee there are tracks in the field and there is no reason to look for them.**

GUESTS (Deer Season) - Buck ONLY! No Does! Special Exceptions: Disabled, children, ladies, senior citizen (62 over)

- 1** No guests allowed on opening weekend of gun season.
- 2** Guests must fill out all release forms necessary PRIOR to the hunt and put in guest fee box.
- 3** Guests fee is \$25 per day. This includes half-day hunts. Fee must be paid before the hunt. Members are responsible for guests, guest fees and explaining ALL rules.
- 4** Any guest that harvests a buck will pay a \$150.00 harvest fee to Majestic Outdoors. Member is responsible if not paid by guest. Exception will be our Men's Retreat.
- 5** Member's parents may come as a guest 3 times free of charge and 3 times as a paying guest.
- 6** Young people between the ages of 8-18 are not considered guests and are not required to pay a fee.

- 7** No guest may hunt more than 3 days in any one season with the exception of attending our Men's Retreat in January.
- 8** Guest must follow same buck harvest rules as members.
- 9** Any violation of rules by a guest will have to be approved by someone on Leadership Team before being allowed to hunt on Majestic Outdoors property again.
- 10** Guests will be allowed to kill 1 buck per season with the exception of our Men's Retreat.
Member is responsible for paying all harvest fees, guest fee and serving any other penalties that guest
- 11** violates. This includes, but not limited to, any suspensions required that is listed in our rules. Guests are subject to the same penalties as members.

TURKEY SEASON - 2019

- 1** NO JAKES! This is a 1 year old bird that usually has a 2-4 inch beard, uneven tail fan and a choppy or broken up gobble.
- 2** Sign in on map only indicates where you are starting your hunt. There may be more than one hunter in each section on the map.
- 3** Courtesy: If you hear someone working a Gobbler, DO NOT try to intercept it.
- 4** Picture must be made of hunter and Gobbler before it is cleaned.
- 5** After Gobbler has been cleaned, record harvest data on kill sheet in camphouse and on website.
- 6** Harvest data must contain the following information:
 - Weight
 - Beard Length (Measure each beard if more than one)
 - Left Spur
 - Right Spur

TURKEY SEASON GUEST - 2019

- 1** There will be a \$25.00 guest fee whether the guest is just calling or carrying a gun
- 2** Member's parents may come as a guest 3 times free of charge and 3 times as a paying guest
- 3** Any guest that harvest a gobbler will pay a \$150.00 harvest fee to Majestic Outdoors. Member is responsible if not paid by guest.
- 4** No guest may hunt more than 3 days during turkey season.
- 5** Guest will be allowed to harvest **1** gobbler the entire season.

PENALTIES

Any violation of any rules will come before the Ministry Board and/or Leadership Team for discussion of penalties, unless otherwise stated in the rules.

Anyone with an outstanding penalty fee will not be able to hunt.

1st Offense \$150.00 (unless otherwise stated)

2nd Offense \$250.00 plus 14 day suspension

3rd Offense \$500.00

Stated Penalties (as listed in the rules)

No Hunter Orange - \$200 and 30 days suspension.

Shooting from the road - \$200.00 and 30 day suspension.

Improper use of Safety Harness - \$1,000.00 fine and suspended for an indefinite amount of time.

Improper harvest tags info - \$50.00

Buck harvested below 3 1/2 years old - \$250 fine and a 14 day suspension!

West Section - Buck harvest below 4.5 years old - \$300 and banned from the West section for rest of season.

Alcoholic beverages - will result in being asked to leave the premises. A meeting with the Board will be required before being allowed back onto the property.

WEST SECTION TROPHY AREA

The West section has seen very little hunting pressure due to lack of deer population, proper habitat and predator issues. We need to increase our deer numbers.

In the 2016-17 season, we started a 3 year project to improve this area. Therefore, we will have very strict guidelines for hunting in this section.

PLAN

Approximately 800 acres of West section will be used for this project.

Trap heavy for predators

Plant summer crop consisting of Soybeans, Lab-Lab & Iron Clay Cowpeas.

Heavy supplemental feeding and mineral program.

Collect camera survey data to know buck/doe ratio, age structure, travel patterns & predator issues by using camera surveys. Adjacent landowners will share pictures with each other to collect enough data to determine the direction & adjustments that need to be made to this project.

Harvest

No bucks will be killed below 4 1/2 years old on the West section except during our youth events.

No does will be killed until enough data is collected to adjust harvest except during our youth events.

PENALTIES

Penalties will be \$300 and banned from the West section for any deer killed below the above listed harvest criteria.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Any event that is scheduled will take priority over normal club operation. Event dates are subject to change, added to or cancelled. These dates are as follows, but are not limited to:

March 9 - 11, 2018	Youth Turkey Hunt (Ages 10-15)
March 30 - 31, 2018	Turkey Tournament (Fundraiser)
May 26, 2018	8th Annual Field Day
September 15, 2018	Fishing Tournament (Fundraiser)
November 9-11. 2018	Statewide Youth Hunt (Ages 10-15)
December 7 - 9, 2018	Hunt w/ Teens 1 (Ages 14-18)
January 4 - 6, 2019	Hunt w/ Teens 2 (Ages 14-18)
January 17 - 19, 2019	6th Annual Men's Retreat

- 1** During our scheduled events, normal club operation is suspended so we can focus on our event. No members will hunt during an event unless you are participating in the event.
- 2** All registered participants will be given priority when signing out for an area to hunt.
- 3** Members will follow the same guidelines as our guests during scheduled events. This will include, but not limited to: Registering your children prior to the event, Weapons check in/out procedure, checking in/out upon arrival and/or departure from our event.
- 4** In order to reduce distractions during our messages, all club facilities will be closed during this time. This includes checking in/out, firing range and all motorized vehicles. These times are brief and are our main focus. We want to show respect for the people who have taken the time to come speak to our group.
- 5 Event Harvest:** Harvest rules during our event will be determined prior to the event.
- 6** Everyone that is 16 years of age or older must have a valid hunting license before being allowed to hunt.

RIGHT OF WAY PASSAGE ACROSS MR. LEONARD:

Mr. Jim Leonard has given us permission to cross his property. Anyone caught hunting on his property will be automatically dismissed from Majestic Outdoors Ministries, Inc. and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law by Mr. Leonard and Majestic Outdoors Ministries, Inc.

Under no circumstance is anyone allowed to go around gates on this property. There will be a \$500.00 fine for anyone caught going around gates.

We seem to have an issue locking the gate back correctly at the entrance to Mr. Leonard's property off of Hearthstone Drive.

These locks must be linked together to complete the full circle. This will allow everyone that has access to be able to get in/out whenever needed.

If you do not lock this gate back properly, EVERYONE who has been through this gate will be subject to a \$200.00 fine and will NOT be allowed to go back onto the West Section of property. See photo below on proper way to lock gate.

