



Halter
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THE SPORTSMAN



GETTING READY FOR ANOTHER GREAT SEASON...

A big thank you again to all of our members for another successful 2022/2023 hunting season. Once again, we had another challenge to conquer “the bird flu.” Everyone pulled together and we pulled through. We hope this upcoming hunting season we will not have any issues. But be certain if anything else can possibly arise your wonderful Manager, Al Benson, and the entire Halter Staff will make it another great season. No problem too big for this crew.



On May 19th, the Des Plaines Wetlands Conservancy hosted the first annual Cowboy Shootout to help benefit the DWC funding the future campaign.

With over 135 people in attendance our members and their guests enjoyed a day of all things cowboy. The competition consisted of mounted shooting from a full-size fiberglass horse driven through a cowboy town (yes you read that correctly) bull riding and fast draw. The day also included Mariachi, the country band, Southern Comfort, a demonstration of a “real” mounted shooting exhibition, and Hall of Fame rodeo act, Bobby Kerr, and his Mustang show.

In typical fashion, Halter pulled out all the stops with first a rate barbecue and the event concluded with three buckle winners and \$140,000 raised for DWC’s funding the future campaign.



OPENING DAY



ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO HALTER'S ANNUAL OPENING DAY PIG ROAST. COME AND ENJOY THE OPENING DAY FESTIVITIES.

**COME HUNGRY AND
READY TO PARTY!**

8TH OCTOBER
SUNDAY 11 AM

RSVP BY OCT. 1ST:
+262-697-0070

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2023 DOG TRIAL

Halter Wildlife's third annual dog trial is just around the corner. We would like to highlight 2022's winners, 1st place retriever: Marc Lubkeman with springer spaniel "Cooper" and 1st place pointer: Grant Alderman with "Ava"

Put your dog to the test with bird recovery, retrieve, obedience, and water retrieval. Each dog will get a 20-minute run, we will place 2 chukars for each dog.

Rules:

- No electric collars
- Dogs must be on leash until their run starts
- When the dog is finished with the run after 20 minutes, they must be leashed and brought back to the vehicle

Scoring:

- 10 points will be given for each bird found
- 10 points for each retrieve
- 10 points for obedience
- 10 points for water work (water retrieval)

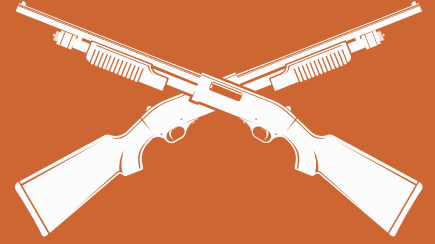
Call Halter at (262) 697-0070 to register!



HALTER'S DOUBLE BARREL BOURBON

We are pleased to share that the Halter Wildlife custom made Bourbon was a great hit. The excitement that was had by all our members and their guests, made this year's sales a great success. We purchased two wonderful barrels that were then married to bring us in 415 custom bottles. As of this month there are only 28 bottles left. We will be taking this year off and will revisit creating another wonderful tasting custom liquor for the 2024/2025 hunting season. Again, thank you for all of your support. It was a lot of fun.

HALTER 2023 GUN RAFFLE



Our 2022/2023 Gun raffle was a great success. We would like to give a big shout out to Mr. Mike Miller, the winner of this year's gun.

WHAT'S NEW AT HALTER OUTFITTERS

PREMIUM GOODS ESTABLISHED 2020

Halter Outfitters is adding a couple new things this year. We have been accepted as an Orvis Dealer. This is very exciting for us. Orvis has a new addition to their stores that Halter is very excited about. Orvis just added Italian made Crispi Boots for men and women.

We plan on having these beauties in our Pro Shop for our opening day. We will have a small selection of styles in house, but will have a catalog on hand to order.

Halter has also just become a dealer for Dogtra E-collars. Stop on by to inquire about collar models.

In addition to new items, we will also have Pulsar Thermal Imaging products. Come in and check out the scope and binocular models we carry.



New Pulsar Thermal Imaging Inventory.

Thermion 2 XQ50 Pro

Resolution: 384x288
Magnification: 3-12x



Thermion 2 XP50 Pro

Resolution: 640x480
Magnification: 2-16x



Merger LRF XL50

Resolution: HD 1024x768
Magnification: 2.5-20x





Halter Wildlife Newsletter



HALTER HITS A BULLSEYE WITH NEW SHOOTING PAVILION

This summer the club has updated the rifle and pistol range located in the Back Forty.

The pavilion covers two new shooting benches with built-in rifle racks, and a bench for observers at the hundred yard mark and has been dedicated to one of Halter's most special members, **William "Bill" Ivy**. Bill passed away in 2021. He was a longtime member of the Halter Wildlife Board, and held the position of treasurer for nine years. Due to Bill's experience and significant personal time he spent at the club, Halter has maintained excellent financial health over the years.

Many of our members knew of Bill's love of shooting, from black powder to large caliber rifles, and chances are you would find Bill at the rifle range, shooting or helping others with their rifles and sighting in for their upcoming hunts.

It's only fitting that our updated amenity of the rifle range be named in honor of Bill.



FROM DEB'S KITCHEN

Roast Pheasant

This roast pheasant recipe is quick, simple, and has an autumn feel. It is very good roasted with diced potatoes, carrots, and seasonal squash

Ingredients

- 2 sprigs rosemary, leaves stripped and chopped
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme
- 1 cup olive oil
- 1 whole pheasant, cleaned
- salt and ground black pepper to taste

Cooking Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 250° F
2. Stir rosemary and thyme into olive oil in a liquid measure; set aside.
3. Rub pheasant inside and out with salt and pepper. Place into a close-fitting roasting pan. Pour herb oil over pheasant.
4. Bake in the preheated oven for 1 hr., then cover with aluminum foil and continue baking until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the thigh, near the bone, reads 180° F, about 1 hr. more. Baste pheasant with pan juices every 30 minutes during baking.
5. Remove from the oven, cover with a doubled sheet of aluminum foil, and allow to rest in a warm area for 10 minutes before slicing.



FOR OUR LADIES...

Halter has completed the renovation of the ladies room. After completing the men's locker room renovation in 2022. We set our focus on taking care of our ladies.

The renovation included New counters, sinks, faucets, mirrors, light fixtures, tile, paint, and millwork. By opening day, the walls will have updated artwork.

A big thank you to those members, Greg Randall, Andy Halik, Bob Parenti, and Tony Vuolo for their efforts on the project.



PLANTING SEASON UPDATE

The crew has been busy all spring and summer preparing and planting the fields. Unfortunately our little corner of Pleasant Prairie has seen an unusual drought. Most of the crops are doing well. Many have been re-planted 2 to 4 times and are growing. The upside of a drought is, we can plant many of the areas that are usually too wet. The downside is, we haven't had enough rain to make them grow but with that being said, we have planted several new areas and some of them look very good. We still have a month and a half left of the growing season and with timely rain, crops could be great. I am optimistic and looking forward to the hunting season.

HALTER EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: KYLE VAVRA



ABOUT KYLE VAVRA
KYLE WORKS ON THE GROUNDS OFF-SEASON AND GUIDE DURING HUNTING SEASON. HE HAS BEEN AT HALTER SINCE 1999

Tell us about your Family

I have been married for 16 years to my wife, Kristy. We have 2 Children, my daughter Aubrey just turned 15 and my son Austin who is 12. My daughter loves to play guitar and shoots league trap for her high school. My son plays both travel baseball and travel hockey and loves to be my hunting buddy. We currently have 9 dogs and that keeps us on our toes!

What do you do at Halter?

I am a full-time laborer in the off season and a full-time guide during the hunting season. Off season, I assist with field planting and prep so that we have good cover for the hunting season. I also work on maintaining the grounds and all that goes with it.

What are your Hobbies?

My favorite thing to do is watch my kids play sports. It's so enjoyable watching them grow both on the field and off. Baseball,

hockey and trap take up a majority of our time outside of work because we are constantly traveling, but I wouldn't have it any other way. When I do have time outside of sports, I enjoy hunting of all sorts whenever I have the chance. I also co-own a waterfowl business in North Dakota and spend the month of October there.

What do you enjoy most about Halter?

I have worked for Halter for almost 24 years and throughout this time I have obtained a bonus family here. We have all watched each other grow and have some of the best memories. I enjoy talking and building relationships with members and their guests. I particularly enjoy conversations with members during hunts and hearing about their journeys and life experiences.

I love that every day is different and a challenge at the same time and there is always an adventure around the corner.