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Randy Newberg, Progressive Bucking Bass, Axe Throwing, Passport Promotion, Les Schwab Kids Free Trout Pond & Bi-Mart Sale Highlight Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show

Redmond, OR – The 27th annual Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show presented by Leupold and sponsored by Progressive opens with more features and more things to do, see and experience at the First Interstate Bank Center and Deschutes County Fair & Expo in Redmond, March 5-8, 2026.

Back again to share his hunting expertise and outdoor wisdom is North America's leading voice in public access and public lands hunting, Randy Newberg. Randy's at the show all days and is presenting seminars on a variety of topics. Check out the show's seminar schedule for seminar times and topics (www.COSportsmensShow.com). We're thrilled he's joining us for another year in Central Oregon. Randy's one of the most accessible and friendly outdoor celebrities in the business. He genuinely enjoys talking to fellow hunters.

Making their debut at this year's show is BendAxe! It's free with admission into the show for ages 12 and older. Under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Take your turn in hitting the target in the custom-built BendAxe trailer. And if you need some instruction they're happy to help.

The Les Schwab Kids Free Trout Pond is a perennial favorite and has become a generational feature with grandparents bringing their grandkids to fish the pond. Thanks to Les Schwab, everything's provided and kids are welcome to take up-to two trout home or release them, it's their choice. Free with admission into the show.

The largest RV sale east of the Cascades is at the Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show. Multiple dealers and hundreds of RVs are for sale at show-only deals. It's all here, Class A, B and C motorhomes, travel trailers of all sizes and descriptions, toy haulers, overland rigs, fifth wheels, minis and more! Land your best RV deal of 2026 at the Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show.

Get your picture taken on Progressive's Bucking Bass! It's free with admission into the show and the photos are keepsake quality. Get a family pic or a fun memory of the show.

A second theater has been added to this year's seminar series. The Green Theater will feature a variety of hunting sessions while the Blue Theater is all about fishing. There's a focus on Central Oregon opportunities and tactics delivered by some of the top local, regional and national experts in their respective fields.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) is hosting its Passport Promotion for the second year at the show. After you come through the front gates onto the fairgrounds be sure to stop in the Cascade Lakes North building just on the left (there are signs) and pick-up your free passport. Then as you wander around the show get your passport stamped at the various stations (they'll tell you which ones) and return the completed passport to the ODFW display on your way out of the show and win a free prize!



The past two years new world records have been certified at the show's Head and Horns Competition. In 2024 it was a world record Columbia black tail and in '25 it was one of the most coveted world records in hunting, a Pope & Young, Rocky Mountain Elk (aka "American Elk"). The Head and Horns Competition, now in its 33rd year, lays claim to more than 23,000 entries and too many records to name. It's been a show favorite and it's easy to enter. Just bring your antlers, horns, bear or cougar skull or turkey beard in and for \$40 the Competition's certified measurers will score your entry and enter it automatically into the competition. There are hundreds of amazing prizes to be awarded thanks to the Head and Horns Competition sponsors: Fort Knox Safes, Leupold, Ruger, Danner, Benchmade and Lacrosse. The Head and Horns Competition is located in the Cascade Lakes North Building.

There are several shows-within-a-show underway at the Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show including the annual boat sale. The area's top dealers combine to bring a complete collection of boats for sale at show-only deals. Fishing boats, heavy gauge welded aluminum models, wakeboard and wake surfing boats, pontoons, drift boats, rafts and more will be at the show. It's the biggest boat sale east of the Cascades and another great reason to attend the show.

The star of the show are the hundreds of exhibitors including retailers, rod manufacturers, camping equipment companies, optics manufacturers, guides and outfitters, apparel companies, international fishing and hunting operations, ATV dealers, safe companies, handcrafted furniture makers, truck accessories and overlanding gear stores, marine accessory businesses, knife makers, gun dealers, fishing tackle manufacturers, shelters and storage builders, raft companies, art and home décor vendors and much, much more! This is a huge event and is loaded with thousands of show-only specials to help you save! Many are small businesses with no middle-man and others have negotiated big, one-time buys just for the show and received substantial discounts that are passed on to attendees.

One show special that's been wildly popular over the last several years is Bi-Mart's ammo sale. Dozens of pallets of ammo in popular calibers are on sale and attract hunters and shooters from the Willamette Valley to Idaho. For many, this is where they make their annual ammo buy. You can purchase a wagon in the Bi-Mart booth that will help you in getting your ammo to your vehicle.

Don't miss the Wall of Kings display, it's where ODFW and the Head and Horns Competition is located. This display is in a class all its own with the most complete and impressive collection of big game trophies anywhere in North America. Hunters pile in to ogle these magnificent trophies, all taken in the West.

The Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show is an ideal stop to plan your vacation. There are destination organizations to connect with, Alaskan and Canadian travel opportunities, African safaris, trips to New Zealand and nearby adventures to connect with. You can book right at the show or at least get a conversation started for future plans.



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As an added perk, ODFW is also offering additional entries in their “Experience Of A Lifetime” sweepstakes. This sweepstakes, started last year, awards two lucky recipients and their guests, an opportunity to participate in a unique research project in a marine reserve or in the field surveying mountain goats. These are truly “once-in-a-lifetime experiences” where winners will get to fish where no one else is allowed to with ODFW staff to survey local fish populations, or go into the backcountry with field biologists to survey mountain goat populations. It’s free and you get one entry if you enter online BUT if you complete the ODFW Passport at the show you win a second chance to enter!

The show runs March 5-8, 2026 at the First Interstate Bank Center and Deschutes County Fair and Expo in Redmond. Show hours are: Thursday and Friday – noon to 8PM; Saturday 10AM-8PM and Sunday 10AM-4PM. Tickets are available online through the website at www.COSportsmensShow.com or at the gate at the fairgrounds. Tickets prices are General Admission (17 and older) \$15, Youth (6-16) \$5 and Children (5 and younger) FREE. Pioneer License holders are FREE. Just show your Pioneer License (electronic or paper) at the ticket window along with your driver’s license and get admitted into the show FREE. There’s also a “Heroes Discount” for \$8 for all active and retired military, vets, police, fire and rescue and first responders with a valid I.D. A 2-day pass can also be purchased for \$20.

A \$2 discount coupon is available online at www.COSportsmensShow.com

Parking is always FREE.

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