



R3 News

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The NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife's R3 Program will provide monthly newsletters jam-packed with upcoming events, conservation news, division staff & mentor highlights, and resources to promote your hunting, fishing, and/ or shooting sport participation.

December Events:

Intro to Shooting Sports is offered to beginner female shooting sport participants 18 years old and older. This event is held at Hudson Farm Club in Andover on December 4, 2021. **Registration is currently closed.**

Women's Intro to Upland Game Workshop in Andover, NJ is a two-day event offered to beginner female hunters who are interested in expanding their hunting participation. **Registration is currently closed**

Women's Coastal Waterfowl Virtual Workshop is a three-week program throughout November offered to women focusing on coastal waterfowl hunting. Video content and online meetings cover various topics for beginner and intermediate waterfowl hunters. This event is offered once a year, with an actual mentored waterfowl hunt held on December 3-4, 2021 at the Division's Sedge Island facility.

As the weather gets colder, hunting seasons come to an end; we will be making the switch to virtual workshops 'til Spring!

November Events:

Women's Intro to Upland Game Workshop at the Game Creek Hunt Farms in Woodstown, NJ was a free upland pheasant hunt offered to new and beginner female hunters. This event is offered every November!

Women's Intro to Upland Game Workshop in Andover, NJ was a free two-day event offered to beginner female hunters who are interested in expanding their hunting participation. This workshop is offered every year!

Field to Freezer: Deer Processing Workshop was a hands-on event offered on November 28, 2021 in Hackettstown NJ. Participants were shown the procedures on how to skin, process, grind, cut and package venison.



Other events can be found below!
[NJOP & R3 Events](#)

Ready to pass on the Outdoor Heritage?



The R3 Program is actively searching for mentors who are interested in sharing their knowledge in outdoor recreation.



Mentor responsibilities include but are not limited to assisting program staff in workshops, working one-on-one with mentee, or serving as a virtual mentor for mentees.



Join the R3 Community comprised of like-minded individuals throughout the State. Time spent mentoring enables you to receive year-end incentives.

R3 Recipes to Share!

Venison Ribs – Crockpot Instead of throwing rib meat in a grinder, leave it on the bone and try your hand at these Crockpot Venison Ribs!

Ingredients:

- 1 cup red wine
- 1 cup beef broth
- ½ cup coffee
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1 teaspoon oregano
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- 1 teaspoon chili peppers
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 ½ cup barbecue sauce

Directions:

1. Place all ingredients except BBQ sauce in plastic bag with ribs and let sit in refrigerator overnight
2. Remove ribs, reserve 1 cup of the liquid and mix with the BBQ sauce; set aside.
3. Place ribs on a baking sheet, bone side down and bake in a 375 °F oven for 25 minutes.
4. Remove from oven and place ribs and sauce into crockpot and mix well.
5. Cook on low for 4 hours.

Do you have a recipe you would like to share?

Send the recipe to
R3mentoredhunt@dep.nj.gov to be featured
in next month's newsletter!

December = Firearm Deer Season

Season	Regulation Set	Zones	Dates	Bag Limits	Additional Information
Youth Day Firearm	ALL	ALL Zones Listed Below	Nov. 20, 2021 (See page 20 for details.)	1 deer only (can be either sex)	Must be accompanied by licensed/permitted, non-hunting adult. (See page 20 for details.)
Permit Muzzleloader	8	10, 11, 13*, 14, 15, 36, 49, 50, 51	Antlerless Only: Nov. 22–24, 26 and Dec. 6–11, 2021 Either Sex: Nov. 29–30; Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2021; Jan. 1–Feb. 12, 2022	Unlimited antlerless and 1 antlered (2 deer may be taken at a time)	To harvest an antlered deer, a Buck Permit - Muzzleloader is also required. Buck Permit is valid in any zone for which hunter has a zone-specific Muzzleloader Permit. Only 1 buck is permitted.
	7	7, 8, 9*, 12, 17, 41	Antlerless Only: Dec. 6–11, 2021 Either Sex: Nov. 29–30; Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2021; Jan. 1–Feb. 12, 2022		
	6	5, 19, 25, 42, 48	Nov. 29–30; Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2021; Jan. 1–31, 2022	9 antlerless deer and 1 antlered (2 deer may be taken at a time)	Deer MUST be tagged immediately and reported by 7 p.m. on day harvested. Any coyote harvested must be reported by 8 p.m. Reporting of gray fox harvests requested.
	5	2, 16, 27*, 28*, 29*, 31*, 35*, 47*	Nov. 29–30; Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2021; Jan. 1–7, 2022	5 antlerless and 1 antlered	Deer harvest must be reported prior to pursuing additional deer, except in zones where it is legal to take two deer at a time.
	3 4	6, 30*, 55, 63*, 65		2 antlerless OR 1 antlerless and 1 antlered	
	2	1, 3*, 4, 18, 22, 26	Nov. 29–30; Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2021	2 deer (only 1 may be antlerless)	
	0	21, 23, 24, 34*, 43, 45, 46	Nov. 29–30; Dec. 18–24, 27–31, 2021	1 deer only (can be either sex)	
Permit Shotgun	8	10, 11, 13*, 14, 15, 36, 49, 50, 51	Antlerless Only: Nov. 22–24, 26 and Dec. 6–11, 2021 Either Sex: Dec. 15–17, 2021; Jan. 1–Feb. 12, 2022	Unlimited antlerless and 1 antlered (2 deer may be taken at a time)	To harvest an antlered deer, a Buck Permit - Shotgun is also required. Buck Permit is valid in any zone for which hunter has a zone-specific Shotgun Permit. Only 1 buck is permitted, see exception below. Note: Shotgun Buck Permit becomes VOID if 2 antlered deer were harvested during Six-day Firearm Season.
	7	7, 8, 9*, 12, 17, 41	Antlerless Only: Dec. 6–11, 2021 Either Sex: Dec. 15–17; Jan. 1–Feb. 12, 2022		
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	0 2	1, 3*, 4, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 34*, 43, 45, 46		1 deer only (can be either sex)	
Six-day Firearm	ALL	ALL zones listed above	Dec. 6–11, 2021	2 antlered deer Only 1 buck at a time may be taken. Once harvest of first antlered deer is reported, the hunter may pursue a second antlered deer.	NOTE: If 2 bucks are harvested, the buck bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season becomes ZERO. Deer MUST be tagged immediately and reported by 7 p.m. on day harvested. Any coyote harvested must be reported by 8 p.m. Reporting of gray fox harvests requested.

Monthly Fun Fact:

New Jersey has more than 750,000 acres of public land (state, federal, county and municipal) available to deer hunters. Find more information on where to hunt in New Jersey [HERE](#).