



RENDEZVOUS 2024

Schedule subject to change without notice

Schedule of Events

Friday Aug 23

- 8:00a Trapper Education Field Day
9:00a Dealer Setup Begins
..... Bldg & Grounds Crew setup tables & chairs as needed
2:00p Front Desk Opens
6:00p Beef Roast, etc - Potluck Format By Donation
7:00p Demonstration **Chris Morgan - Wolf Skinning/Put Up**

Saturday Aug 24

- 8:00a Front Desk Opens
9:00a Demonstration **Nick Hagan - Beaver Coexistence
What It Is and What It Means for Trappers**
10:00a Demonstration **Tim McKenrick - Predator Hunting
and Thermal Optics**
11:00a Demonstration **Dave Wallace - Badger Trapping**
NOON Lunch Break
1:00p Annual Membership Meeting
2:00p Demonstration **Tim Viano - Dealing with the
Unknown on the Trap Line**
2:30p Youth Trap Setting Contest followed by Adult Trap Setting
3:30p Demonstration **Josh Jurek - Coyote Trapping**
4:00p Skillet Toss
4:30p Demonstration **Eian Thomas - Skunk Trapping**
5:00p Cookie Silent Auction Closes
5:30p Demonstration **Stephen Coale - Beaver Fleshing and Hooping**
6:30p Awards Banquet
7:00p Awards & Scholarship Presentations
7:30p Fur Fashion Show - Craig Swick - Paparazzi Fur & Leather
8:00p Fur Coat Drawing After the Fashion Show \$10/Ticket
8:00p 50/50 Drawing / Register for Auction
8:15p Live Auction

DRAWING FOR FREE \$100 after the auction

Sunday Aug 25

****SUNDAY IS PACK UP AND CLEAN UP DAY – EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO HELP****

---There will be a short Board of Directors meeting following cleanup---

SKILLET TOSS

Sign up at
the MTA Booth



Ladies only - All ages welcome!

1st Place - Certificate and \$25

2nd Place - Certificate and \$15

3rd Place - Certificate and \$10



Ladies - Be sure to enter the SKILLET TOSS. This event tests the skill of those ladies who can throw the skillet with accuracy. Prize money is awarded to the first three nearest the stake. Husbands are **NOT** allowed to stand at the end of the throwing field.

\$100 DRAWING

- Purchase a banquet ticket
- Attend Saturday banquet & auction
- Drawing \$100 will take place after the close of live auction
- Must be present to win
- Must be winner's original ticket
- One ticket per attendee
- Ticket ineligible if original holder has left ticket in care of another

Dave Wallace

of Kila has been a member of the MTA since its inception and is a District 1 sub-director. Specialty furs is one area trappers can make additional money. Badger is one of those species. Don't miss this demo.



DEMO BIOS

Chris Morgan

of Boulder is a lifetime member of the MTA and the current VP West. When he's not fighting to protect trapping you'll find him his happiest in the fur shed. He enjoys putting up fur nearly as much as he does catching it, and his awards for top cat and coyote are a testament to his attention to detail. Don't miss out on his wolf demo Friday night.



Josh Jurek

of Plains, is the MTA District 1 Director. Josh will go over what it takes to catch truckloads of coyotes in a short time. From scent control to strategy you'll see how to simplify your system to produce big numbers as well as adding bonus fur to the truck. Whether you're a long liner or a beginner you won't want to miss this demo.



Nick Nagan

grew up hunting and fishing in the Rocky Mountains with his father and grandfather. Born an orphan in South Korea, he was adopted in Livingston as an infant, later moving to western Colorado. After graduating high school, he moved back to Montana where he began trapping and hunting big game. He credits the MTA for opening many doors for him, including the one that led him to his current career, Riparian Restoration and Beaver Management, splitting his time between Montana and Colorado.



Tim McKenrick

of Boulder and the director of District 3, Tim was born in Pennsylvania and has been hunting, fishing and trapping since he was about 7. He started trapping muskrats with his dad and brother. Tim began calling coyotes and graduated to thermal hunting several years ago. He's also been working with the kids at YTC for the past 10 years.



Eian Thomas

of Bonner is known as the Skunk Man. He started trapping early on and is beyond knowledgeable about everything skunk related. He's already done all of the trial and errors so you don't have to. You won't want to miss his scent-free demo.



Stephen Coale

of Livingston, grew up in Pennsylvania and started trapping at the age of 8 with the guidance of his grandfather. He attended the UM graduating in 1982 with a BS in Forestry. He's a past President of the MTA. Over the years he has trapped in PA, MT, WY and NV, mainly as a predator trapper, but Beaver too. Stephen is the owner of the Montana Mexican John Ranch.



Tim Viano

of Kalispell grew up packing a single shot .22lr with a dog by his side, trapping smaller animals on the homestead like gophers, weasels and muskrats. Tim helped manage livestock - horses, hogs and cattle. He graduated from Flathead High School in 2000, and attended UM Western and received a Bachelors Degree. He currently operates a few businesses, one of them being a non-profit that manages wolves in Montana.