

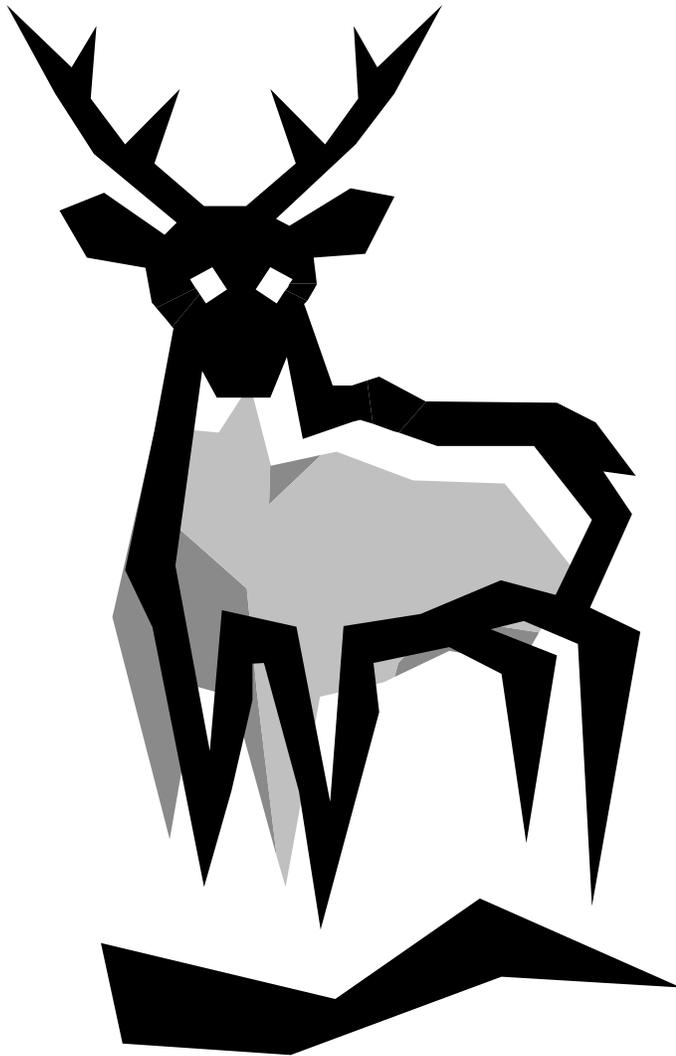
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Are You Sure It's a Blacktail Deer?

The deer we commonly see around Cohasset is the black-tailed deer, or blacktail deer, and the California mule deer. The black-tailed deer is also found in western Oregon, Washington, coastal and interior British Columbia, and north into the Alaskan panhandle, and is the most common deer in California. The Cali-

fornia mule deer is only found in California.

Over the years, there's been a lot of doubt about just what the black-tailed deer was. It was once believed to be a subspecies of the North American mule deer; however, recent DNA testing has proven this not to be the case. By testing the DNA of the three species of North American deer (blacktail, white-tail and mule deer), researchers have now determined that it was the mating of whitetail does and blacktail bucks that gave rise to the mule deer, and not the

opposite as was once suspected,

It is now believed that millions of years ago the whitetail deer expanded its range down the east coast of the United States, across Mexico, and then back up the west coast, where it eventually evolved into the blacktail deer. Thousands of years later as the recently evolved blacktail's range spread eastward and the whitetail's range again expanded westward, the two deer species overlapped. At this point the blacktail bucks displaced the whitetail bucks, and bred the

whitetail does. Researchers now believe that this hybridization produced what is now commonly known as the mule deer.

What makes it more confusing is that we have at least two species of mule deer in northern California: the Rocky Mountain mule deer and the California mule deer. Even worse, some references call the California mule deer a subspecies of the Rocky Mountain mule deer. The Rocky Mountain species is found in Modoc and Lassen counties and down the eastern side of the Sierra to Inyo County. Now to confuse the issue even more, the California mule deer and the blacktail both occupy the Sierra Nevada from the northern part of Butte County to the southern part of Amador County. Cohasset is smack dab in the ranges of California mule deer and blacktail deer. Give up? Me too! So what do we have here? Both of them.

What about telling the difference between the blacktail and California mule deer? As its name implies, the tail of the blacktail is very black and the tail of the California mule deer is brown with a white along its sides. The California mule deer is larger than the blacktail, but its pretty hard to tell unless you see them side by side. In their ranges, Fish and Game makes no distinction between the two as far as hunting them, bag limits and so on.

It's pretty easy to tell the difference between male whitetails and male blacktails. The antlers of the blacktail and mule deer are similar in that they fork, whereas the antlers of the whitetail have tines that branch upward from the main antler.

Report by Bob Tate



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The Cohasset Community Center is available to rent for private functions. The rate is \$125 per day, and \$60 for a half-day (5 hours).

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CCA Home Page

What's Happening?

Thanksgiving is around the corner... family, food, traditions, a warm fire, Pilgrims and Native Americans happily interacting (hmm .. maybe that's my grade school innocence there), and don't forget the popular "Horn of Plenty."

The familiar "Cornucopia" has become a symbol of harvest, abundance, fertility, and joy. It begs reveling in the fruits of our labors and it's sweet and wonderful when it works out that way. The thing is, some years it's apropos; and others it's not.

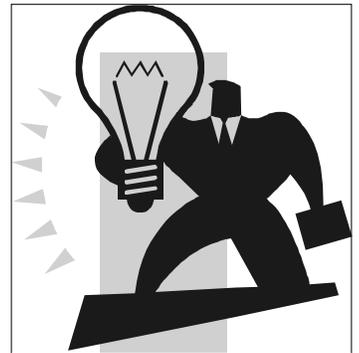
The reality is, this Thanksgiving will find some gazing into a "Horn of Paucity"... an empty, seemingly cavernous horn. Perhaps there's been a recent misfortune, losing someone we love, failing health, or the not so uncommon economic hardship that so many more families and neighbors are enduring this year. Unfortunately they have little to be grateful for; a not-so-bountiful harvest if any fruits at all to rejoice in.

Originally I had considered writing something trite for this Thanksgiving 2010 column (Like "What am I thankful for?"), which I know is far more upbeat, so please allow me to apologize for being a bit dark, but I'm hopeful that as many of us rejoice in our thankfulness at the end of this month, we might also be thoughtful of our friends and neighbors who haven't been so lucky this year.

This is the perfect season for thinking about, and helping out, our neighbors, being mindful and even reaching out to our less fortunate neighbors and friends who are having a downright bad year. I'm suggesting it just might be the finest way to celebrate the Thanksgiving tradition. I hope you'll agree.

Wishing you all a fruitful harvest and compassionate holiday feeling!

Mike Dufloth, Editor



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Government & Police News



Supervisor News

by Maureen Kirk,
Butte County Supervisor, District 3

It is mid-October and we are watching the Giants/Phillies game. There was about ¼ inch of rain today. It looks like the fire season has been extremely mild in Butte County...

unless we get some strong, dry north winds. Don't take anything for granted until we get in the true rainy season.

I am taking our new Chief Administrative Officer, Paul Hahn, on a tour of my District. I proudly plan to take him to Cohasset and show him the fire station, the school, the community center, and the church. We will also go off on a couple of side roads to get a sense of the neighborhoods.

The Board of Supervisors plans to adopt the 2030 General Plan on October 26. The next important step is the zoning. This will be discussed in the spring. There are some zoning issues of which I want you to be aware. If you are Timber Mountain, the proposed change is TM-160, which means one parcel per 160 acres. If you are smaller TM, your parcel is allowed but you will be legally non-conforming. You will not be able to split a parcel smaller than 160. Please check on the Internet, at www.buttegeneralplan.net, and check zoning. You can put in your parcel or address, and it will tell you the proposed zoning for your parcel. If you have concerns, please let me know as soon as possible.

We will be updating our ordinances, too. This includes a marijuana ordinance, and we are waiting the outcome of Prop 19 on the November ballot.

The State Budget seems to have not affected the County as much as it could have. There were some troubling vetoes, especially CALWORKS childcare allocations. There are some parents who have finished the formal program and are working but still need help with childcare. Without childcare assistance, they may have to go back on welfare. There were also vetoes on mental health allocations for children and Prop 36 drug court allocations. Things can change, so we have been very conservative with our budget. We are balanced this year.

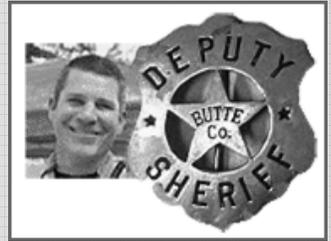
For those of you who did not get the AT&T DSL, I am still working on the expansion. Things move very slowly.

Don't forget to vote November 2. There are some important propositions and State Government positions. Benjamin Franklin said, "The doors of wisdom are never shut." Vote wisely.

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Police Beat

by Butte County Sheriff's
Detective Doug Patterson



It has been a while since I have provided you with calls for service in the Cohasset community. The following are the calls for service between September and mid-October:

- 9-6: **Medical in the 8900 block of Cohasset Road**
- 9-7: **Vandalism of a water truck, trailer, and bulldozer on SPI land off the H-line**
- 9-7: **Threats made on Mud Creek**
- 9-8: **Search and Rescue Call-Out for a lost minor**
- 9-14: **Stolen gun 400 block of Mud Creek**
- 9-15: **Internet fraud 9600 block of Cohasset Road**
- 9-17: **Marijuana raids off H-Line and Ponderosa Way. All Mexican National grows**
- 9-17: **Burglary at the radio transmitter building**
- 9-19: **Alarm at the Cohasset School**
- 9-27: **Medical 8800 block of Cohasset Road**
- 9-29: **Threats on Roe Road**
- 10-3: **Animal control issue 10000 block of Cohasset Road**
- 10-7: **Explosions/large caliber gunshots on Roe Road**

It is that time of year when many Cohasset homeowners are harvesting medical marijuana. Because of the value of marijuana, several thugs attempt rip-offs of medical marijuana gardens. Butte County has seen several marijuana rip-offs over the past couple of weeks. Most of these rip-offs are very violent. Several suspects have been apprehended this year and the majority of them are from out of the area. I cannot express enough that if you have been robbed of your medical marijuana, please call law enforcement. Don't think because it is marijuana that law enforcement will not investigate the crime. We treat a marijuana garden rip-off the same as any other type of robbery. Robbery is defined as taking property (marijuana) from someone by force or fear. Call 911 if you are actively being robbed or you can call the non-emergency line at 538-7322 if the robbery occurred and the threat is long gone.

Please be safe.

Detective Doug Patterson
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Cohasset Community Association EPC News

Are You Prepared for the Approaching Winter Season?

As our temperatures begin dropping into the 30s, it is time to think about preparing ourselves and our homes for winter. As you may remember, this committee was formed after the January storm that left us without power or phones for a week. Our committee has been working hard trying to do what we can for the community; however, we need you to do some basics also.

Let's review the basics of preparing for winter:

- Have 3-5 days of non-perishable food on hand for you and your family;
- Have a gallon of drinking water for each person in your home for at least 3 days, and preferably enough for 5 days;
- Make sure that you have an alternate cooking source if you have an electric stove, unless you have a generator. If you are going to rely on an outside-type cooking source, DO NOT bring it in to use it indoors;
- Have enough medication, both prescription and over-the-counter, on hand for at least 1 week;
- Have enough food and water for your large and small animals;
- Clean your chimney or flue or have it cleaned professionally;
- Do you have a fully charged fire extinguisher?
- Do you have a battery powered radio, a battery powered flashlight or lantern and enough spare batteries to keep them operating as needed for up to 7 days?
- Do you have an old-fashioned, non-electric telephone?
- Have you checked the tread on your tires? Are they rated for mud and snow? Do you have the correct size snow chains for your vehicles, and do you know how to put them on?
- Have you checked your windshield wipers to see if they need replacement? Make certain that your windshield wiper solution is the type that won't freeze. Make certain that you have anti-freeze in all your vehicles' radiators;
- If you have a generator, have you checked the fluid levels and started it recently to make certain that it is



running correctly? Do you have fuel, stored in an appropriate container?

- If you have children, and are not home if we have an outage, do they know what to do and whom to contact for help?

These are just a few things for you to consider. Remember, if you have someone who would need assistance, or you are someone who would need help, please contact one of the E.P.C. members to give us your name, phone number and address.

One last thing – If you signed up for the Emergency Phone Notification through the sheriff's office web site, please check and see if you are still on it. I found out that our information had been deleted. Go to www.buttecounty.net/sheriffs, and click "Events" on the left side under the Sheriff-Coroner menu. Then click "Community Emergency Notification Signup Page." Enter your address, using Cohasset as the city, and after the computer verifies your address, enter your name and phone numbers. Thanks to Marilyn Colson, one of our EPC volunteers and quilt maker, for tracking this information down for us!

Until next month, take care and be safe.

Here are the names of a few E.P.C. members to contact if needed: Linda Hartsong: 891-8337, Kathy Lawson: 343-1479, Bob and Maggie Krehbiel: 342-6547, and Liz Weber: 891-3337.

Report by Maggie Krehbiel



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Events & November Calendar



West African Rhythms & Dance

Learn all about West African music. Have fun, meet old friends and make new acquaintances. Dance to great West African music with hosts Lansana & Tania.

This recurring event is held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, 10am at the CCA Building. All ages are welcome. We'll see you all Sunday November 14th & 28th.

For more info, call Ruth at 891-3481.



Cohasset Brew Club Meets Tuesday, November 2nd, at 7PM

The fest beers of October were a joy to taste and we got a sneak preview of what some of the strong beers in November and December might be like. We use the generic term "strong beer" because there are so many beers that can fall under this label that it would take up too much space to list all the categories. If you think you would enjoy a certain beer in the cold months ahead and it has a warming effect as you drink it, it probably qualifies as a strong beer. For more

detailed information, go to www.bjcp.org and see how many styles of beer there are and what makes them special.

The November 2nd meeting will be all about these strong beers, and the December 7th meeting (both meetings to be held at the CCA building at 7 PM) will also feature strong beers plus any spiced beer and all mead categories. These tasting events will surely get all attendees in the holiday spirit. See you there!

Report by David Westphal, leastrise@att.net or call 530-343-4951.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Reminder!	1 7-8pm <i>Cohasset 4-H Meeting</i>	2 7-9pm <i>Brew Club</i>	3 Excellent	4 7-9pm <i>Cohasset Volunteer Fire Dept Mtg</i>	5	6
7 10:30am <i>Church Service</i>	8	9 5-6pm <i>School Acquisition Meeting</i>	10 12pm-2pm <i>Commodities Distribution</i>	11 7-9pm <i>CCA Board Mtg</i>	12	13
14 10:30am <i>Church Service</i> 10:00am <i>African Dance</i>	15	16 8pm <i>Emergency Preparedness Mtg</i>	17	18 7-9pm <i>Cohasset Volunteer Fire Dept. Mtg</i>	19 Don't Forget	20 5:30-9pm <i>Community Pot-luck Dinner</i>
21 10:30am <i>Church Service</i>	22	23	24	25 Hot!	26	27
28 10:30am <i>Church Service</i> 10:00am <i>Africa Dance</i>	29	30 8pm <i>Emergency Preparedness Mtg</i>				

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CCA Fall Book & Soup Sale

Sunday, December 5th
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\$5.00 a bag bargains
Several hearty soups for you to enjoy
EPC emergency kit sale
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