

Neighborhood Deer Hunt Watch

City leaders are desperate to conceal the ugly reality of neighborhood bow hunts, because nothing is more threatening than the truth.

In past years, many Ohio citizens who live in cities where bow hunting is allowed, have contacted us to tell us about the horrors they have witnessed on their property.

To make matters worse they have been bullied and threatened to make sure they keep quiet about what they have witnessed.

Facts to consider:

“Studies show that archery hunting is not effective at reducing deer densities below 50 deer/mile squared. No one has shown me a program that challenges this fact with data anywhere in the country. It will only serve as a recreational purpose.”

-Wildlife Biologist Anthony Denicola Ph.D

Hunting to control population is a manufactured myth, used to justify hunting.

Bow hunting is the most cruel way to kill a deer. Twenty two published scientific surveys and studies (many conducted by state wildlife agencies) show that the average wounding rate for bow hunting is 50%. *More than one out of every two deer shot is never retrieved.*

City leaders have worked with the Division of Wildlife, secretly, to come up with a self-serving regional plan that protects the jobs of game agents, and that benefits hunters. Should mayors put their own political agendas ahead of the interests of residents? Should mayors ignore established facts of wildlife biology and environmental science to satisfy the demands of the hunting lobby? Should violence be proffered as a

community service? Should quiet neighborhoods become animal killing fields, also putting the lives of citizens at risk? The psychological harm to children who witness this cannot be overestimated.

Crossbows are deadly weapons that can fire an arrow a distance of over 1,000 yards (equal to 10 football fields), at speeds of 325 ft. per second, over 200 mph. Deer shot with arrows do not die instantly and they do not know property lines. When a deer is hit with an arrow, they panic and, in severe pain, run off at high speeds. They will flee through yards, over fences, into glass doors and into streets, creating a safety hazard.

We need your help on the front lines. It's time to expose the truth about urban bow hunts. Let's put our collective power into action. This is the year of doing things differently and implementing a different strategy. Every single one of us has incredible power.

We will be a formidable force, ONCE UNITED. That is key! Please put a sign in your yard and keep watch for trespassing hunters, wounded deer impaled with arrows or dead deer found on your property. Take a picture and document everything and then contact us, DDOH, with your stories.

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