



Gear Aid Honors Veterans through Support of Hunting with Heroes Inaugural Event

Gear Aid™ by McNett® is proud to announce support of the inaugural Hunting with Heroes weekend. The event took place during Veteran's Day weekend and featured fly fishing, pheasant hunting, clay and poker tournaments plus much more in honor of U.S. veterans.

Maupin, OR ([PRWEB](#)) January 12, 2012 -- [Gear Aid™](#), the care and maintenance brand by McNett®, recently offered its support to the inaugural Hunting with Heroes celebration. The event, which took place during Veterans Day weekend in Maupin, OR, featured free concerts, fly fishing, pheasant hunting, clay pigeon tournaments and poker games for U.S. veterans.

“The Hunting with Heroes weekend was a great way for us to give back and say ‘thank you’ to our veterans,” said Travis Huisman, chief operating officer at McNett. “This was the first event of its kind and judging from the smiles on everyone’s faces, it certainly will not be the last.”

The event began in Vancouver, WA as a convoy of veterans headed east led by the Patriot Guard Riders. From there they were greeted in The Dalles, OR by community members with waving flags, salutes and a free lunch. The convoy ended in Maupin, OR, where the veterans were honored by streets lined with singing children and patriotic tunes.

“There wasn’t a single dry-eye on the whole street,” said Husiman. “The level of community support was tremendous and made an impact on both military and civilian lives forever.”

Over 27 veterans from all parts of the United States participated in the [Hunting with Heroes](#) activities, which included fly casting lessons with the legendary Gary Loomis, pheasant hunting, clay pigeon tournaments and much more. Evening activities included poker tournaments and the "Night of the Patriot" concert to help honor any veteran that hadn't yet been “welcomed home.”

“I have never been overwhelmed in my entire born days. Since 1969 I never been welcomed home, but I certainly am now. Thank you everybody,” said one participant.

This was the inaugural Hunting with Heroes weekend and additional events are in the works. Sponsors included: Blaze Outdoor Adventures, CCVAC.net, Alpha Ecological, Gary Loomis, Buck Knives, Danner Boots, Fikkes Fly Hiker, Al Angelo Co., Warne Scope Mounts, McNett and many more. For more information, please visit: <http://youtu.be/mc77zYpFuD4>.

About McNett

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McNett’s corporate philanthropy efforts also include lending support to causes and organizations including: the National Breast Cancer Foundation, Rivers of Recovery, the Oceans for Youth Foundation and the Take a Kid Outside Program. McNett also recently "adopted" a squad of troops deployed to Afghanistan, to which the



company sends care packages and McNett gear monthly.

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