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# ELK CALLING CONTEST



**SATURDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 4, 2023**  
**1:00 PM**

**COMPETITIONS HELD DURING  
THE WESTERN HUNTING &  
CONSERVATION EXPO**

**SALT PALACE  
CONVENTION CENTER  
SALT LAKE CITY  
ROOM 250-A**

The Western Hunting and Conservation Expo will host the Hunt Expo Elk Calling Contest. Participants and attendees can expect fun, prizes, an excellent contest, and world class calling! Everyone is invited! Hosted by World Champion Elk Caller and 2-time Eastern US Elk Champion Chad Schearer and his wife, professional scorer Marsha Schearer.

**REGISTRATION:** On-site registration at the Mule Deer Foundation Booth on the convention floor. Booth #1605 Registration is open until 12:00 PM the day of the event.

**CONTEST RULES:** 4 Divisions: Pee Wee (10 and under); Youth (11-17); Amateur Adult (18 & over); Pro (Anyone receiving compensation from a call manufacturer). **NOTE:** A caller may enter only one division. Prizes will be awarded to the winner in each division. A minimum of three contestants is required for each division. If fewer than three contestants register, that division will be eliminated and the contestants will have the option to upgrade to a higher division. A form 4473 FFL will be required to claim firearms prizes and youth must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to claim firearm prize.

**CONTEST RULES:** Only vocal calling or sounds produced by hand-held or breath-operated instruments may be used. Electronic devices and the use of props such as trees, breaking branches and other devices are prohibited. Calls, grunt tubes, or other instruments used may be a maximum of 4 inches in diameter and no more than 36 inches long.

**CALLS:** Contestants will base their calls on the following sequences: 45 seconds for cow/calf sound, followed by 45 seconds for bull sounds. Calling times for Pee Wee Division will be 30 seconds per call. When caller makes his or her first call, the time will start. Any contestant exceeding this time will be disqualified. Callers must produce sounds specified by the announcer within 15 seconds from the time the announcer asks. When the caller makes his/her first sound, an official of the contest will start a time clock.

**CALLING SEQUENCE:** Each contestant will draw a number from a hat. One more number than the actual number of the contestants will be placed in the hat. The contestant that draws #1 will draw again and call twice. Contestant #1 will be scored but the score will not count. Scoring will begin with contestant #2. This process will provide judges a chance to tune their ears. If a contestant misses his/her calling sequence, he/she will be disqualified.

**SCORING:** Judges will evaluate each sequence of calls and score them from 1 to 20 (1 the lowest, 20 the highest score). An odd number of judges will be used, with 3 minimum.

**TIES:** All ties will be settled with a call-off. Call-Off scores are not added into the total scores.

\*ALL FIREARM WINNERS ARE REQUIRED TO PASS A BACKGROUND CHECK

## CLASSES & PRIZES

- 1 PEE-WEE (10 & Under)**  
1 - Buckle, Winchester Wildcat .22  
2 - Vortex Bino's  
3 - King's Backpack & Elk Calls
- 2 YOUTH (Ages 11-17)**  
1 - Buckle, Browning BL-22 Rifle  
2 - Vortex 10x42 Bino's  
3 - King's Camo Backpack & Elk Calls
- 3 AMATEUR (Anyone)**  
1 - Buckle, Browning X-Bolt 6.8 Western  
2 - Vortex 10x42 Viper Bino's  
3 - King's Camo Backpack & Elk Calls
- 4 PRO**  
(Anyone receiving compensation from a call manufacturer)  
1 - Buckle, Browning X-Bolt 6.8 Western  
2 - Vortex 10x42 Viper Bino's  
3 - King's Camo Backpack & Elk Calls



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