

**CHESTER VALLEY DEER  
MANAGEMENT  
ASSOCIATION, INC.**

***MISSION:***

The Chester Valley Deer Management Association is a group of experienced and safety-conscious bow hunters organized to assist homeowners and farmers in the effort to manage the deer population, while participating in the traditional pastime of bow hunting.

By property managing the deer herd, the landowner, deer, and other wildlife species can derive benefit.

***Our organization is a Non-profit corporation and the services are provided to landowners at no-charge.***

***SAFETY:***

Members of the Chester Valley Deer Management Association are dedicated towards safety. The group is composed of experienced bow hunters who are proficient in the art of archery. Members that are admitted to the group are expected to possess the necessary archery skills to enable them to harvest deer in a safe, proficient, and humane manner.

The groups focus is on bow hunting only, ***we do not use firearms.*** Our organization believes that bow hunting can be a safe and effective means to aid in the control of the deer population in areas where deer populations are excessive, where public safety is of the utmost concern, and where privacy and discretion are desired.

***LIABILITY INSURANCE:***

Even though bow hunting has an extremely low accident rate, the Chester Valley Deer Management Association, Inc. insures each of its members under a one million dollar general liability insurance policy to protect participating landowners from lawsuit liability. In addition, each member must waive the liability of participating landowners against injuries that might occur on the landowner's property.

***DONATING VENISON:***

Our organization is proud to inform you that a significant portion of the annual harvest is donated to a Non-For-Profit Agency that provides venison to needy families and food banks. In addition to providing the venison for the benefit of this organization, our association pays a portion of the butchering cost for the harvested deer.

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***DEER POPULATION MANAGEMENT:***

As land development continues at a rapid pace, deer herds are forced into more condensed environments. Competition for food can place significant stress on the balance between the supporting vegetative system and the many species that rely on the system for survival. Lack of food supply can affect the health of the deer population as well as many other species.

*Excessive deer populations can attribute to the following:*

- Increased deer and vehicle collisions
- Damage to farm crops, ornamental trees, shrubbery, flowers, and vegetable gardens
- Damage to the supporting habitat for deer and other wildlife species
- Potential increased incidence of Lyme Disease, as the deer may carry ticks which could transmit Lyme disease

Our association believes that bow hunting can be a safe and effective method to aid in the effort of deer population management.

## ***WORKING WITH YOU:***

We are greatly appreciative to landowners who give us the opportunity to pursue our passion for the outdoors. Respect for you and your property is a primary goal of the organization. Our members are dedicated to following the rules as set-forth by the Pennsylvania Game Commission. Since each property and land-owner is unique we will also make every effort to work with you in adhering to your specific desires and needs.

It is important to understand that reducing the deer population is a long term effort. The Chester Valley Deer Management Association, Inc. is not a quick fix, and cannot guarantee a specific result relative to the deer population or the affects thereof. Our effort focuses on the harvest of excess antlerless deer. A mature doe can produce two or three fawns per year. In areas receiving little to no hunting, this compounding effect can increase deer populations at an alarming rate.

Please join us in this cooperative effort to manage the deer population on your property. Let us help you and your neighbors in working towards the goal of eliminating excess deer on your property. We look forward to working with you and hope to develop a long term relationship that is both beneficial to the property owner and the association.

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