



International Game Warden Association

2026 Annual Convention - Omaha Nebraska

Itinerary (*subject to change*)



Sunday, July 19, 2026:

Registration Desk 3 – 8 pm

Monday, July 20:

Registration Desk 6:45 am – 5 pm

Hornaday Tour 7 am – 7 pm

Henry Doorly Zoo Day Excursion 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

NAWEOA Board Meeting 8 am – 5 pm

Youth Room Open 7 – 10:30 pm

Hospitality Room 7 – 11 pm

(hosted by: TN Wildlife Officers Assn, Golight, Galloway Financial Services)

Tuesday, July 21:

Youth Room 7:30 am – 5 pm

Registration Desk 8 am – 5 pm

Opening Ceremonies & Fallen Officer Tribute 8 – 10 am

Officer March & Group Photo 10 – 10:30 am

Officer and Spouse Luncheon 11 am – 1 pm

Keynote Address (Echelon Front) 1 – 6 pm

Women Wardens Networking 6 – 7 pm

Youth Room Open 7 – 10:30 pm

Hospitality Room 7 – 11 pm

(hosted by: CO Wildlife Employees Protective Assn, SD Conservation Officers Assn)

Wednesday, July 22:

Jurisdictional Rep Breakfast 7 – 8 am

Youth Room 7:30 am – Noon

Registration Desk 8 am – 5 pm

Training: Decision Making for Wildlife Enforcement Officers 8 – 10 am
(Ray Dierking and Taylor Dixon - NGPC)

Training: High Profile Boat Accident 8 – 10 am
(Shawn Elmore - GA DNR)

Training: Case review – Operation No Trace 8 – 10 am
(John Lee – NGPC & Jeremy Ten Kley - USFWS)

NAWEOA Business Meeting 10:30 am – Noon

Warden Skills Competition
(w/ supper provided; food trucks available for lunch on-site) 1 – 6 pm

Youth Room Open 7 – 10:30 pm

Hospitality Room 7 – 11 pm
(hosted by: WY Game Wardens Assn / MO Conservation Agents Assn)

Vendor Area (soft open during hospitality)

Thursday, July 23:

Torch Run 6 – 9:30 am

Registration Desk 8 am – 5 pm

Vendor Area Open 9:30 am – 5 pm

Youth Room 10 am – 5 pm

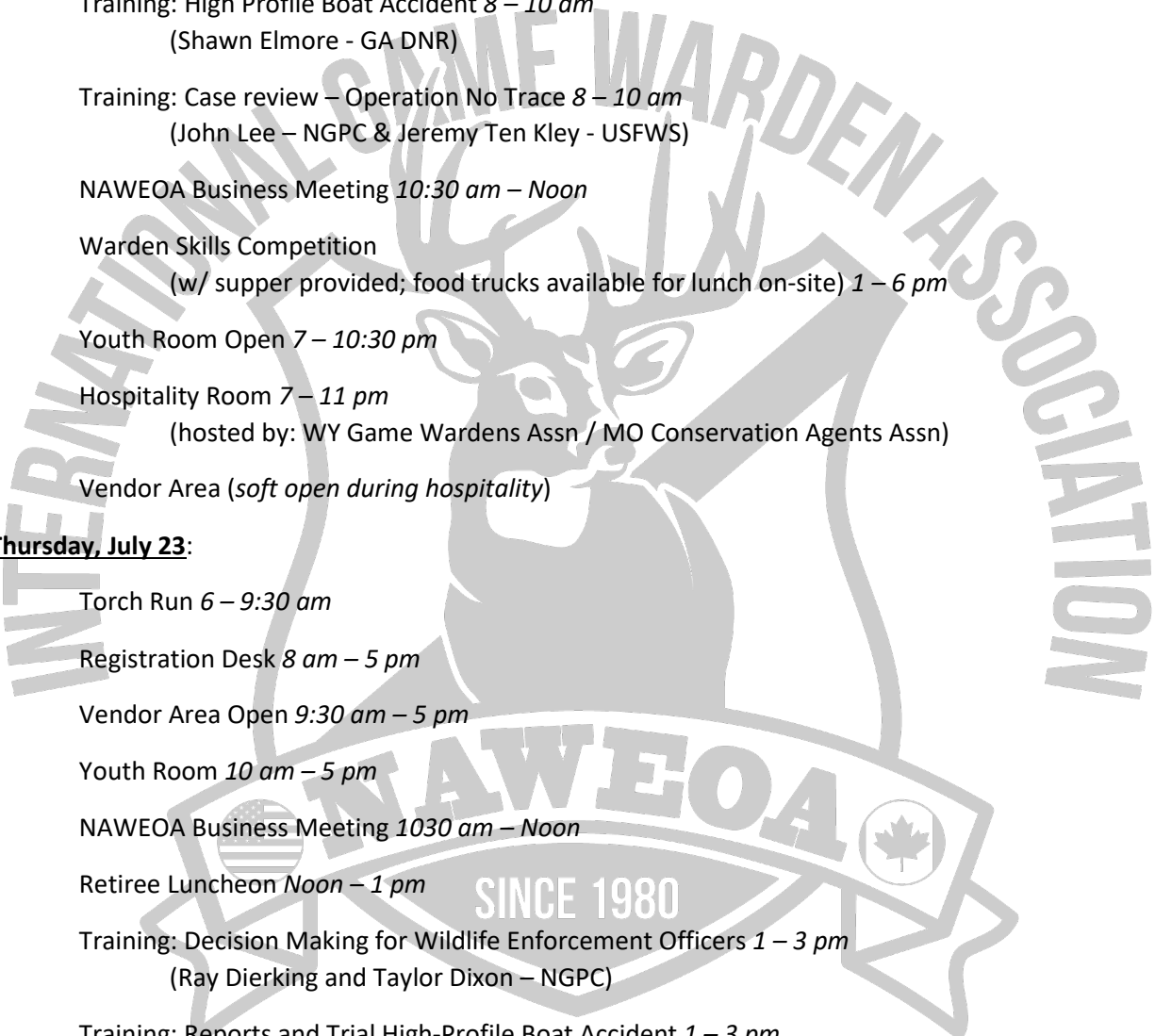
NAWEOA Business Meeting 1030 am – Noon

Retiree Luncheon Noon – 1 pm

Training: Decision Making for Wildlife Enforcement Officers 1 – 3 pm
(Ray Dierking and Taylor Dixon – NGPC)

Training: Reports and Trial High-Profile Boat Accident 1 – 3 pm
(Shawn Elmore - GA DNR)

Training: Wildlife Officer Mental Wellness 1 – 3 pm
(Vince Crawford)



Thursday, July 23 (continued):

Training: The Law of the Use of Force: OIS Fundamentals 3 – 5 pm
(Gary Young - NE State Attorney's Office)

Training: Defensive Tactics 3 – 5 pm
(Ohio Division of Wildlife)

Training: Bullet Path Documentation & Trajectory Analysis 3 – 5 pm
(Collision and Crime Solutions - Jami Selves)

Youth Room Open 7 – 10:30 pm

Hospitality Room 7 – 11 pm
(hosted by: OK State Game Warden Assn / Ohio Game Warden Assn)

Friday, July 24:

Registration 8 am – 4:30 pm

Training: Identifying the Less-safe Boat Operator 8 – 10 am
(Shawn Elmore - GA DNR)

Training: Forensic Interviewing & Interrogation Techniques for Conservation Officers 8 – 12 pm
(Jeff Baile)

Training: Ballistics 10 am – Noon
(Brian Thome - Hornady)

Training: Death Notifications 10 am – Noon
(Randy Lanoux, LA G&F)

Training: Tech Cameras 10 am – Noon
(John Bauer - NGPC)

Training: Impaired Driving Enf. On the Road & On the Water 1 – 3 pm
(Randy Lanoux - LA G&F)

Training: Bullet Path Documentation & Trajectory Analysis 1 – 3 pm
(Collision and Crime Solutions - Jami Selves)

Training: Officer-Involved Uses of Force and Administrative Investigations 1 – 3 pm
(Gary Young - NE State Attorney's Office)

Closing Ceremonies 4 – 4:30

Social Hour 5:30 – 6:30

Grand Banquet 6:30 – 11

Youth Room Open 5:30 – 11