

COCKFIGHTING IN OKLAHOMA

Widespread Illegal Conduct, Political Activism to Repeal State Anti-Cockfighting Law

Based on multi-state investigations, no state has more illegal cockfighting than Oklahoma. It is the "cockfighting capital of the United States."

In March 2021, the Bryan County Sheriff <u>raided</u> a major cockfighting complex in Allison reporting that 200-300 participants scattered when police vehicles appeared. The facility had bleachers and concessions stands. In neighboring Atoka County, in Stringtown, Animal Wellness Action and Showing Animals Respect and Kindness (SHARK) reported an illegal fighting arena to Atoka County Sheriff Tony Head, but the sheriff refused to interrupt the fights or make any arrests despite being provided with detailed information about a regular fighting schedule.

AWA believes that dozens of illegal pits operate throughout the state and that there are hundreds of major cockfighting breeding and training farms, with many of them concentrated in southeast Oklahoma. This report covers just some of the major players we've investigated. They are engaging in transparently illegal conduct despite a strong state law and a comprehensive federal law that each makes cockfighting and associated activities a felony.

This widespread illegal conduct occurs despite a strong law against animal fighting. In 2002, voters passed State Question 687 to criminalize staged fights. The provisions of the enacted statute included penalty provisions in line with the state's anti-dogfighting statute.

Here are some highlights from our 87-page report.

- B.L. Kozad of Comanche County in southwest Oklahoma <u>defiantly appeared</u> on *HBO Real Sports* with several other cockfighters and all but challenged law enforcement to arrest him for a wide range of illegal animal fighting activities, claiming a constitutional right to engage in cockfighting and showing off his cockfighting farm in Indiahoma.
- A report that Animal Wellness Action issued two years ago noted that Oklahoma cockfighters exported more roosters to Guam for fighting purposes than any other state. The two top sellers John Bottoms (and wife Brenda) of LeFlore County and Bill McNatt of Haskel County -- accounted for 40 percent of the 11,500 birds shipped by cockfighters to the small U.S. territory in the western Pacific.

- BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster based in the Philippines, toured what they considered to be the largest and best-performing U.S. gamefowl farms, as a marketing opportunity for the U.S.-based cockfighters to ship birds to the Asian nation. BNTV featured 12 Oklahomans who touted the fighting prowess of their birds, with many talking about winning international cockfighting derbies. Animal Wellness Action downloaded the videos before BNTV and the cockfighters realized how incriminating these testimonials were.
- In recent days and weeks, SHARK has obtained footage of the massive gamecock farm run by Bobby Fairchild in Coalgate in Coal County. SHARK also obtained Fairchild's wife delivering birds to the U.S. Post Office in Coalgate. It is a federal crime to use the Postal Service to ship fighting birds. Fairchild was featured in a prior report from Animal Wellness Action for maintaining a massive cockfighting complex in Kentucky. He apparently moved to Kentucky from Oklahoma, and then came back to Oklahoma recently.
- Oklahoma has an outspoken and visible political action committee that promotes cockfighting and actively supports candidates for office who are pro-cockfighting. The leaders of the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission are featured in the report, and our research shows obvious involvement in this illicit enterprise. One of their political allies is State Representative Justin Humphreys, who represents Atoka and Bryan counties and has reintroduced legislation in 2023 to decriminalize certain cockfighting activities.

The Commission touts candidates and made political contributions to a substantial number of candidates, including Rep. Humphreys and other backers of his legislation. During the 2022 elections, they supported the following candidates:

- Cody Maynard, House District 21 (won)
- Tammy Pevehouse-Townley, House District 48 (won)
- Joshua Cantrell, House District 49 (won)
- Eddy Dempsy, House District 1 (won)
- Dr. John Cox for State Superintendent (lost)
- Justin Humphrey, House District 19 (won)
- John Bennett, House District 2 (lost)
- Toni Hasenbeck, House District 65 (won)
- Avery Frix, House District 2 (lost)

In 2022, State Representative Justin Humphrey introduced a bill to gut the penalties in Oklahoma's anti-cockfighting law. His bill also sought to decriminalize training and possessing birds to fight them. He has reintroduced this bill in January 2023 as HB 2530.

It is clear that the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission and other proponents of the Humphreys bill are using proceeds from illegal cockfighting and gambling activities to lobby and fund state lawmakers on this subject.

Even if they were to succeed with their plan to decriminalize cockfighting, they would still be engaging in felony-level crimes. Federal law bans cockfighting, possession of fighting animals, attending or bringing a minor to a cockfight, or selling or transporting cockfighting implements. No individual is permitted, under federal law, to sell animals for fighting, Oklahoma or elsewhere.

In arguing for his bill, Humphrey mentioned allowing Oklahomans to make money by raising and training fighting animals and shipping them to Guam and the Philippines to make money. But exporting fighting birds to any other jurisdiction, whether a state, territory, or foreign nation, is also a federal felony.

There is no prospect that Congress will weaken that federal animal fighting law. In fact, there is a strong chance that the Congress will again strengthen the law during consideration of the Farm bill in the 118th Congress.

In 2018, when the U.S. House considered an amendment to make animal fighting a felony on every inch of U.S. terrain, Oklahoma's two most senior Congressmen, U.S. Representatives Tom Cole and Frank Lucas, along with the overwhelming majority of Republicans and Democrats, voted in favor of the national law. Not a single Senator opposed that legislation. Law enforcement agencies and sheriffs enthusiastically backed the federal laws against animal fighting, as did all state and national veterinary organizations. The National Chicken Council supported the national law against cockfighting.

When Oklahoma voters approved the anti-cockfighting law in 2002, they did so at the recommendation, among others, of then Oklahoma Governor Frank Keating and U.S. Senator Jim Inhofe. The Oklahoma Supreme Court upheld the law as constitutional in a unanimous decision after cockfighters challenged it. Every legal challenge to the federal law has been stymied, and you can see a summary of all of the major legal cases here.

This report provides detailed information that connects individuals throughout Oklahoma to the cockfighting industry. Based on the assembled evidence, these individuals are routinely committing felony-level penalties.

Oklahoma Breeders Exporting to Guam

According to records Animal Wellness Action has received from the Guamanian Commissioner of Agriculture, the total number of roosters shipped to Guam since 2019 from the United States is 11,516.

Oklahoma ranks #1 in the U.S., having shipped 5,143 roosters to Guam. This is 45% of the total shipped to Guam.

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Rank	Last	First	Roosters	Address	City	County
1	Bottoms	Brenda	2276	12710 Lovings Road	Heavener	LeFlore
				20102 N County Rd		
2	McNatt	Bill	2059	4515	Stigler	Haskell
6	Trammel	Darrell	564	9367 Hwy 82A	Tahlequah	Cherokee
20	Hasbel	Lester	98	8806 N Harrison	Shawnee	Pottawatomie
26	Pearce	Jeff	66	112796 S. 4610 Rd.	Sallisaw	Sequoyah
				20040 Sand Pebble		
42	Taisague	Tracey	28	Rd.	Luther	Oklahoma
				4738 Red Cedar		
50	Cole	Marvin	20	Road	Ardmore	Carter
52	Tankersley	Steve	20	102040 S4170 Road	Council Hill	Muskogee
				10800 South		
64	Taurus	Yorkman	12	Highway 28	Chelsea	Rogers

While investigating the above exporters, the following individuals were found to be engaging in the cockfighting industry as well:

Last Name	First Name	City	County
Fairchild	Bobby	Coalgate	Coal
Herron	Randy	Choctaw	Oklahoma
Jack	Kenny	Stringtown	Atoka
Carter	Fred	Porum	Muskogee
		Wilson (may have	Carter
Thompson	Troy	moved to Healdton)	
Hamlin	Larry & Morgan	Quinton	Pittsburg
Henry	Nate	Shawnee	Pottawatomie
Williams	Greg	Crescent	Logan
Gilliam	Gary	Tahlequah	Cherokee
Sanchez	Gustavo	Muskogee	Muskogee
Graves	Keith & David aka Rat	Haskell	Muskogee
Palmer	David	Alex	Grady
Cozad	BL	Indiahoma	Comanche

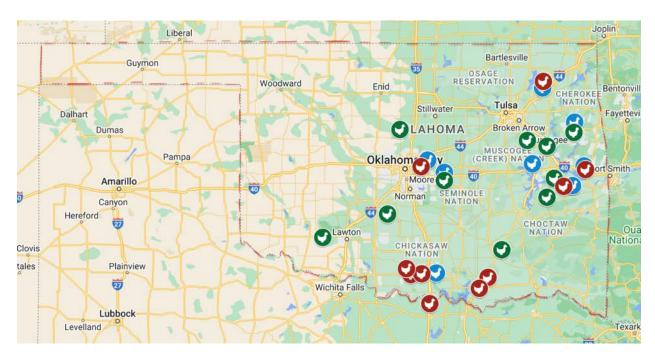
While investigating the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission members, it was uncovered that Jeff Pearce's son Blake, Randy Herron and Troy Thompson from above are also on the Commission. These are the Commission members:

Last Name	First Name	Commission Position	City
DeVore	Anthony	President	Caddo

Tadysh	Josh	Vice President	Chelsea
Pearce	Blake	Secretary & Policy Chairman	Sallisaw
Turner	Rob	Treasurer	Stigler
Thompson	Troy	Seargent of Arms	Healdton
Sanchez	Victor	Minority Leader	Thackerville
Campo	Chance	District Director	Lone Grove
Acton	Will	District Director	Healdton
Hamilton	Chad	District Director	Durant
Lawson	Justin	District Director	
Herron	Randy	District Director	Choctaw
Gibson	Levi	District Director	
Morris	Mike	District Director	

Blue: Exporters to Guam Green: Other individuals

Red: Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission



John & Brenda Bottoms – Gunner Gamefarm 12710 Lovings Road Heavener, OK 74937

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/john.bottoms.528



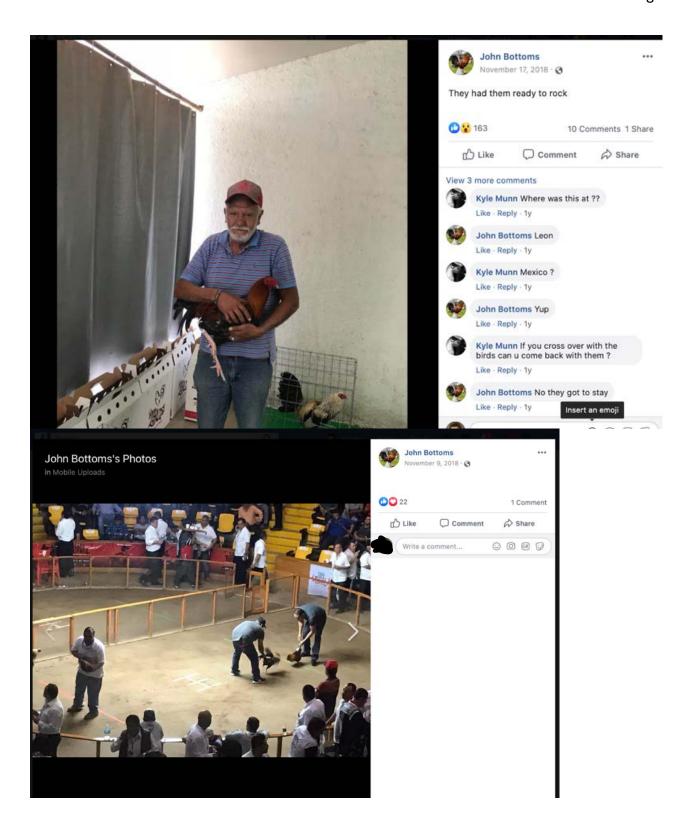
In this 24-minute interview by BNTV, John Bottoms describes himself as a long knife cockfighter and handler and describes in detail that he currently makes a living possessing and training birds for the purpose of cockfighting which is expressly forbidden under the federal law.

Interview Part 1: https://vimeo.com/677985640/422966a20b (awaroosters)
Interview Part 2: https://vimeo.com/677987260/4733d90e24 (awaroosters)

- "Yes sir, we've done very well over the last year's long knife."
- "John what part do you like best..."
 - "Training....I train roosters for a lot of people."
- "Well I've always thought the greatest thing about the long knife and actually from maybe 85' to 2003 that's what we competed 80% in was the long knife and the adrenalin, you know, of – when you turn one loose – I mean – that's the greatest thing...that's the rush."
- "...one of the things that I regard most about a gamecock is one that can win when he's hurt, you know. And when you get too much height then it's so hard to balance when he gets and cuts on him."
- "I love a rooster that hits back and can win, you know, because you know, at the Pit Masters not too many roosters got out clean."
- "So many people think the long knife is one fly...one of Bruce's roosters was a monster that got knocked down and won and almost 10 minute time limit and he won on pure gameness....you got to have game roosters."
- "They got to be super game. You know, to be hit with that big a knife and the shock it puts on them, they got to have a will to live."
- "They (short knife roosters) need to start almost the same way as a long knife rooster but after the start they need to start hitting up toward the neck area because it's just hard to kill one with a little knife."

- And when he's injured very bad it don't take a very strong lick to stop him, you know.
 And I prefer the Mexican knife compared to the socket short knife."
- "My Lacy blood come from John Slavin which I've trained a lot of roosters for John you know, very good roosters."
- "It was one of Gene Betia's yellow legged hatch cocks and we bought him the second time he fought it and then a real good friend of ours knew him well and bought us a hen and that's the original blood we started with."
- "I'm liking them. They deep cut, deep body cutting roosters."
- "Deep cutting and wonderful livability...you can hurt them and with their last dying breath they can kill a rooster...a lot of roosters that's plenty game but they can't take it....let them get hit with one of those four inch knives and see if they don't have to be game to take it."
- "I watched Bruce and Joey win a fight in the Pitmasters...they got him destroyed in the first buckle and nine and a half minutes into the fight he reached up and grabbed that rooster it looked like he didn't have a prayer and hit him and stuck in the head and that rooster (tilts head back) and I mean it probably wasn't ten seconds left before the time limit and he beat and win and I mean won straight on want-to and gameness."
- A lot of the deep cutting ability comes from a rooster that intend to hurt the other
 rooster and the lacies cut really well and boy they got a lot of athletic ability but the
 yellow legged hatch cut so deep...and I've won a lot of fights with them hurt really bad."
- "And that's what we do, you know, pretty much for a living."

John Bottoms Facebook page also describes the transport of birds across state lines for the purpose of animal fighting which is in violation of the federal law. In the photos dated November 2018, he is in Mexico with Edgar Cruz and their bird was eliminated in the 6th round with 13 points:











Nathan Cripps How did y'all do

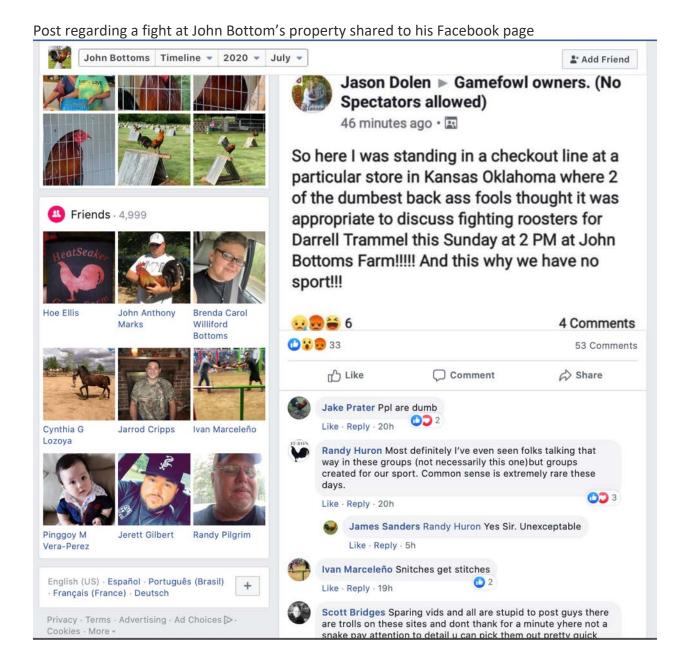
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Edgar Cruz Nathan Cripps eliminated 6th Round with only 13pts WWWWDL

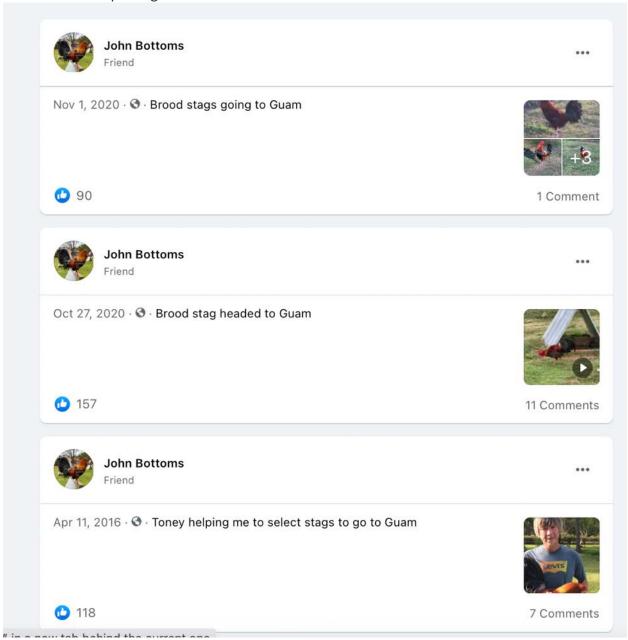
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John Bottoms social media includes pictures of buyers, friends that are obvious cockfighters, and friends that he ships to in other countries including Guam. This information provides a wide view lens of his support for this kind of criminal activity. Social Media activity:





John Bottoms exporting roosters to Guam



John Bottoms friends include self-described cockfighters





John Bottoms with Edgar Cruz, a well-known cockfighter and who he traveled with to Mexico



John Bottoms transporting birds

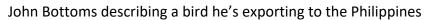


John Bottom's birds are, "ready for action"



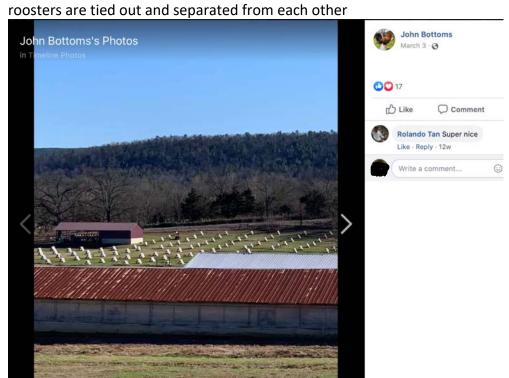
John Bottoms shares a cockfight on his Facebook page







John Bottoms sharing a picture of his property, showing typical a-frames where cockfighting



From BNTV interview video footage, showing roosters tied out and separated from each other



Bill McNatt – Cherokee Game Farm 20102 N County Rd 4515 Stigler, OK 74462

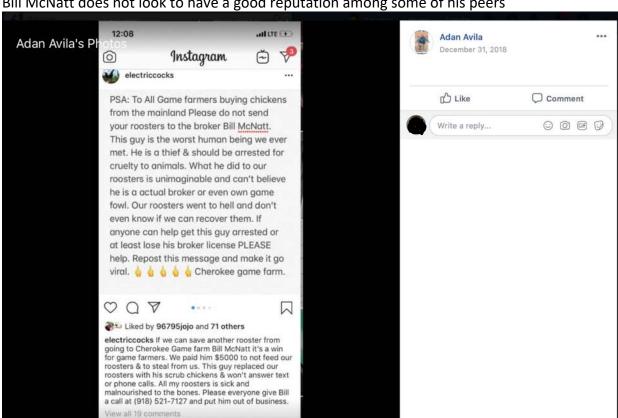


Criminal History: McNatt was an elementary school principal in Keota, and was arrested in 2007 when authorities raided a cockfighting ring in southeastern Oklahoma.

Cherokee Game Farm Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cherokee-Game-Farm/310447882313539. (Since our report was published, Bill McNatt has made this page private.)

Bill McNatt's property is typical of gamefarms breeding birds for cockfighting, with separate areas for each rooster that are tied-out





Bill McNatt does not look to have a good reputation among some of his peers

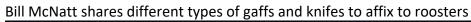
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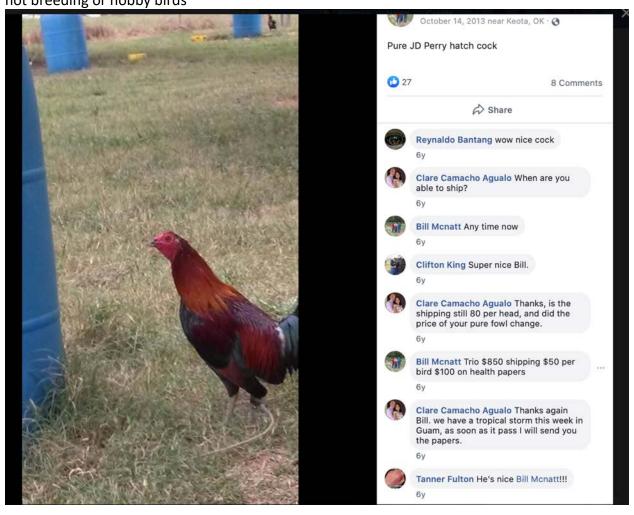


Bill McNatt with John Slavin, a well-known cockfighter, describing exporting to Guam

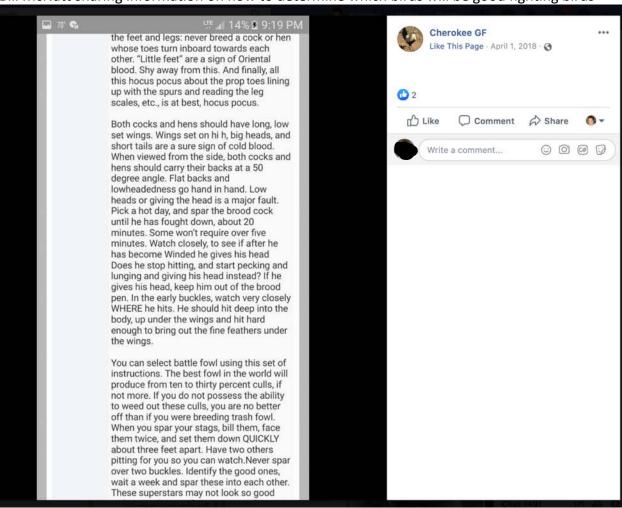


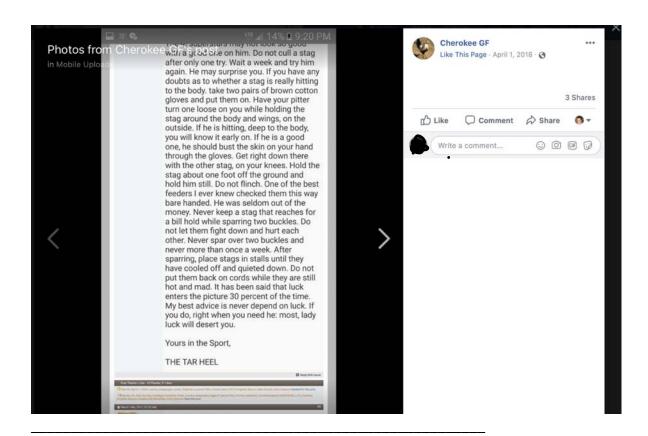


Bill McNatt advertising extremely high prices for birds, which are typical of fighting birds and not breeding or hobby birds

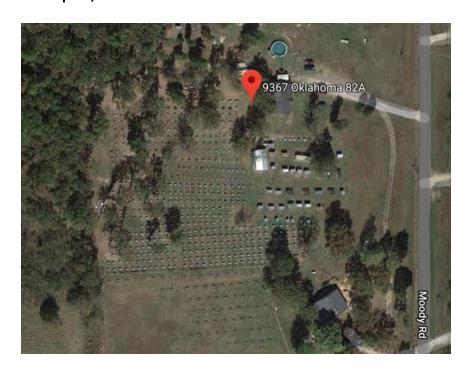


Bill McNatt sharing information on how to determine which birds will be good fighting birds





Darrell Trammel Moody Gamefarm 918.458.0237 9367 Hwy 82A Tahlequah, OK 75564



On the cover of Cockfights Magazine

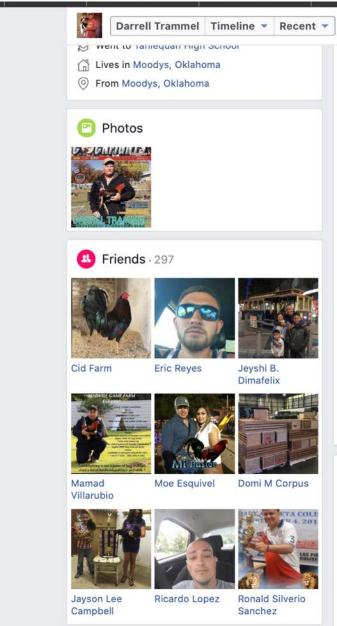


After an article was published about our findings, his gamefarm's Facebook page was deleted.

This is his personal Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/darrell.trammel.75 which includes the picture of himself on the cover of a cockfighting magazine and a large list of friends that include cockfighters and other exporters.

This is a video of his property, including roosters tied out and separated, typical of gamefarms breeding roosters for cockfighting: https://vimeo.com/677996622/8e79401449

Darrell Trammel's friends on social medica include well-known cockfighters

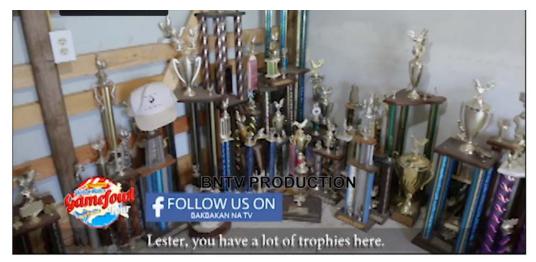


Lester Hasbel DECEASED IN 2021

8806 N Harrison
Shawnee, OK 74804
405.793.5409

It is unknown what happened to Lester Hasbel's birds upon his death in 2021.





Interview with BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines. He's described as their "Hero of the pit." He describes how many derbies he's won, the refereeing that he did and his breeding and exportation of birds for the purpose of cockfighting.

BNTV video interview: https://vimeo.com/677990726/a919450a65 (awaroosters)

"I was cocker of the year at several pits."

- Describing his winning birds "So when they would charge in after them, he was just killing them. Just cutting them to pieces."
- The host asks Lester to describe the rules he's made when referring fights. Lester states,
 "...when you raise them up they got to peck or they're going to lose." and "I said we're
 going to do this just like we do on the long knife." And "long knife and short knife is the
 same way now."
- "best cock I ever fought...I paid him \$450 and people thought I was crazy." and "it put me on the map."
- Lester Hasbel has 138 fly pens and another farm where there are 219 stags and Lester said, "I have 24 cocks that we show". (*By "show" he means fights*)
- The host asked Lester what types of birds he has ready to sell now and he says, "I probably have 60 already on the ground." And then he shared his phone number for customers to call.

Jeff Pearce (and son Blake Pearce, Secretary and Policy Chairman of the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission)
112796 S. 4610 Rd.

Sallisaw, OK 74955 918.775.0413

Interview on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines, describes possessing, breeding and exporting birds for the purpose of cockfighting which is in violation of the federal law:

BNTV Interview: https://vimeo.com/677993845/2c26ac3f4b (awaroosters)

- The host recognizes Blake, Jeff's son, is there with him and is very involved and Jeff states, "Yeah, it runs in the blood, he's got it from both sides. My father was a rooster fighter. My wife's father was a rooster fighter, so he has no choice." (Blake Pearce is not the Secretary of the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission and is documented further in this report)
- When talking about his bloodlines success he states, "We've been very successful with them" and, "We've done very well with them there."
- The host asks how to get in touch about the famous birds, and Jeff states, "Call me in the fall...I'll have young trios come October."



Jeff Pearce exports to the Philippines using a broker





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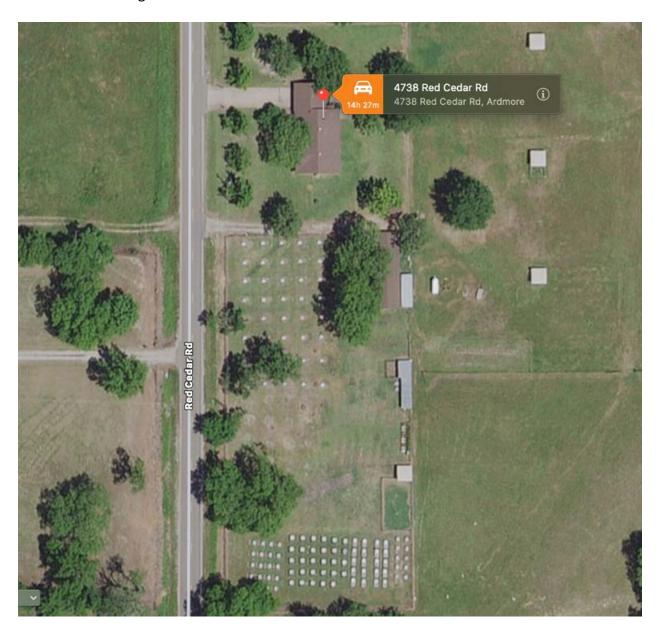
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Cole Marvin DECEASED IN 2020 4738 Red Cedar Road Ardmore, OK

Marvin Cole exported birds to Guam. He died in 2020. It is unknown what happened to the birds he was raising once he died.

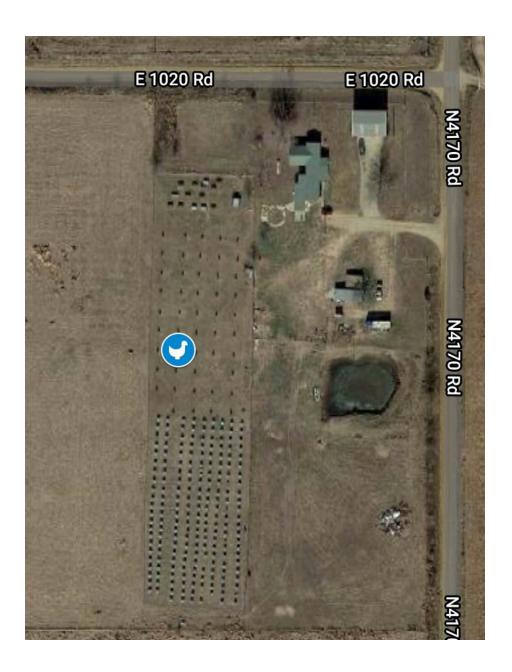


Steve Tankersley Candace Jean Gamefarm 102040 S4170 Road Council Hill, OK

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/steve.tankersley2

Steve Tankersley shared this picture in which his birds are described as, "one of the best cutting greys for long knife competition."





Additional Findings in Oklahoma Include Other Breeders, Exporters, Cockfighters and Trainers

Bobby Fairchild Clear Creek Gamefarm Coalgate, OK 918.772.0556 10493 Hwy 149 Manchester, KY (previous) 103602 South 4460 Drive Vian, OK 74962 (previous) Bobby was interviewed on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines. This interview also includes Mayor Jesry Palmares of Passi City, Lloilo, Philippines (now the Vice Mayor) who is there to visit Bobby. It's described that Mayor Palmares sponsored Bobby Fairchild's participation in the World Slasher Cup 6 times. It's also described that Mayor Jesry Palmares has been importing and raising birds from Bobby Fairchild's breeding stock for over a dozen years for the purpose of cockfighting.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e89S1P5PDfE&has verified=1

- Host: "I've had your game fowl through Mayor Jesry Palmares and they been winning for us."
- "For the past 16 or 17 years that I have been breeding these greys and kelso, I have not experienced a bad situation, of course you win you lose."
- "That's the beauty of cockfighting you know, I mean everyone has to strive hard to win."

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009492724549















Interview dated January 2020: https://purebredwarrior.com/a-mistake-is-a-great-teacher-bobby-fairchild/

"Mhar Delaben: Your birds are sought after around the Globe, how do you make sure that they will perform as advertising? What do you do to maintain or exceed your status?

Bobby Fairchild: Well, for one thing, we never take for granted that they are what they would want. Continuously look for different ways to improve the performance of these purebred warriors. Of course, we do not nor will we participate in illegal cockfights in the United States. I have never been to an illegal cockfight nor do I intend to, but we keep up with the things that our customers are looking for and we check on the performance to make sure that our friends and customers continue to reap the results that they have always reaped and we stay as close to the solid foundation as we can."

"Mhar Delaben: Have you tried competing in the Philippines? (What are your experience)
Bobby Fairchild: Yes, we have completed a few times with our friend Jessery Palmaris, Jesery has brought me to the Philippines more than once, treated me with the utmost respect and has come to be a true friend. I look forward to the day that I get to see Jessery again probably on Filipino soil, Jessery and I have had very good success. At the world slasher cup as well as the Candelaria, we haven't won them yet together but I see it will happen. We've always been a very strong force."



"Mhar Delaben: Would you name some Breeders in the Philippines that were using your birds in their campaign?

Bobby Fairchild: Well, I will name a few of them but some of the big-name breeders like to keep their secrets since they spent good money in the fowl that they have. My number one customer in the Philippines and always been is Jessery Palmaris."



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Bobby states that he uses Domi Corpus, a broker in CA, to ship to the Philippines. February 2020:

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Kenny Jack Stringtown, Oklahoma 580-889-0319

It's been reported by other sources that Kenny Jack is selling all his birds due to illness and is getting out of the business. AWA has not confirmed. (Sept.2022)

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/kenny.jack.589

Breeds 1300-1400 stags a year Mainly sells to Vietnam, Mexico, Guam

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- "I like fighting chickens."
- "Everybody's had real good luck with them."
- "These are game and they can cut."
- "Them boys done real good this year in Guam with both." (red and black birds)
- "They're real good long knife chickens."



Fred Carter North Canyon Gamefarm Porum, Oklahoma 918-441-0044

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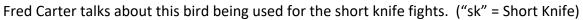
- "They can be fought just like they are or you can put anything into them."
- "They bring the fight to you and they can take the cut."
- "These are game roosters, they're looking to fight at any time."
- "They are devastating on the ground."
- "Hard striking, real game, powerful roosters."
- "They can fight with any weapon."
- "Many Philippinos come to me...and they're doing real well with them over there."

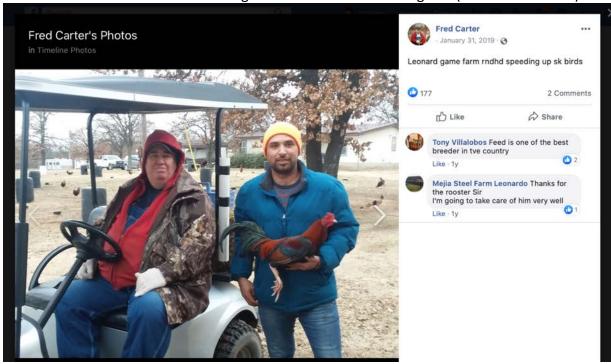


Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/fred.carter.505

Fred Carter's associates include Elmer Valdez, who has a gamefarm and participates in cockfights in the Philippines



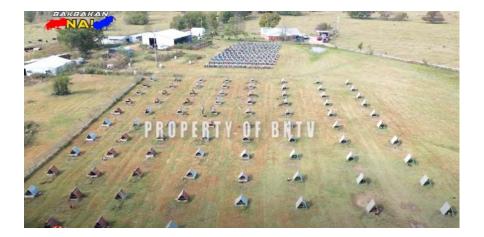




Fred Carter comments on a bird Will Acton has that will be used to fight



Larry and son Morgan Hamlin, and Waco Hamlin Hamlin Gamefarm Quinton, Oklahoma 918-429-3807



Interview on BNTV from May 2021, a cockfighting broadcaster from the Philippines, describes possessing and breeding and selling birds for the purpose of cockfighting in violation of the federal law: https://vimeo.com/678008793/0d2af78d8e (awaroosters)

- "They're pretty color but they do a lot of winning, they do really well in the knife they're really good knife chickens."
- "They're fast fighters and good cut."
- "We've won a lot of fights just on peck alone."
- "And when we fight em' we try to breed best to best and it's been working for em."

Hamlin Gamefarm Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Hamlin-Game-Farms-355172905124765/?ref=br-rs

Morgan's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/lyndee.hamlin

Waco Hamlin is another family member who handles some aspects of the breeding operation. Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/waco.hamlin.7

As recently as September 2022, Morgan shared pictures of himself with the birds tied-out and in this case, showing off their abilities



Nate Henry No Limit Soldiers Gamefarm Shawnee, Oklahoma 405-788-2124

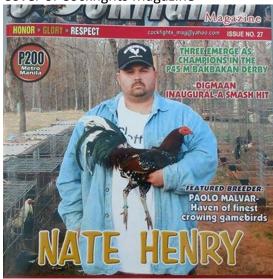
Interview on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines, describes possessing, breeding and exporting birds for the purpose of cockfighting in violation of the federal law. BNT Video: https://vimeo.com/678012113/bf74dd1511 (awaroosters)

In this video, it's described that his mother has another property and takes care of all of the babies, then he takes them to another property once they are stags.

- The host states, "Your customers, your clients, they fight over in Mexico and in what weapons would these birds be good at?" Nate states, "any weapon." "Cutting roosters, they have to cut."
- "Really aggressive type roosters and they don't miss."
- "I said these birds were mean. They were bred to be warriors."
- "They're definitely and probably one of the more killingest family of roosters I ever seen."

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/nate.henry.3114





Greg Williams TopHat Gamefarm Crescent, Oklahoma

Interview on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines, describing possessing, breeding, training and exporting birds for the purpose of cockfighting in violation of the federal law.

BNTV Video: https://vimeo.com/678014565/6e47f5b22d (awaroosters)

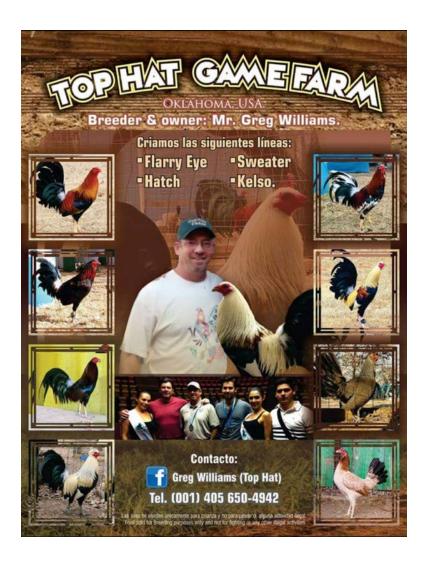
"Last year I went to the World Slasher Cup...They fight really tough."

- The host states, "Your fame is tied up in having these flurry eyed greys." Greg responds, "Yeh, they've done really well for me. They're competing very well in Mexico. And we're gonna try our luck hopefully in 2018 at the World Slasher Cup..."
- "I've sent some crosses (to the Philippines)...lots of action...you put the cut with the flurry eyed greys and the smartness of the roundheads and it's made a very good blend."
- The host states, "You have customers fighting in Mexico and you have people also in the Philippines fighting your birds..."
- "I try to hatch out about 2500 a year."



Video of his property: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5yV9fargL5Q

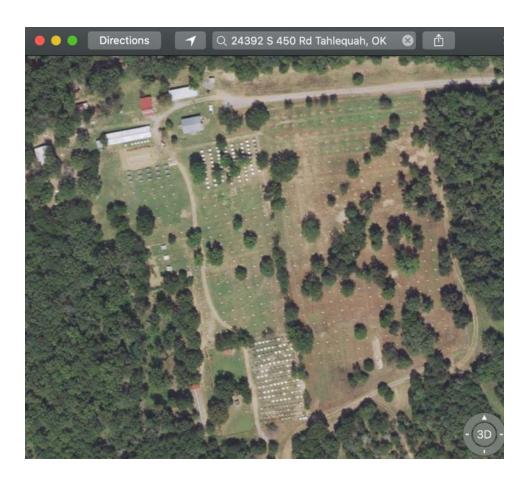
Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/TopHatgamefarm



Gary Gilliam Gilliam Gamefarm 24392 S 450 Rd Tahlequah, OK

918-207-2118

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Gilliam-Game-Farm-1657245824513334/

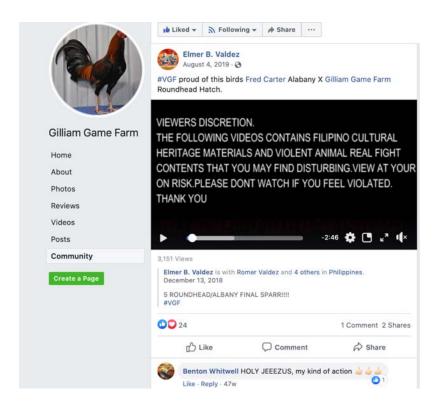


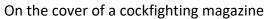
Trophy room https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dzu3gSqfcp8



GARY GILLIAM ..

A video of a cockfight shared on the Gilliam Gamefarm FB page that includes a bird from Gilliam







Gustavo Sanchez - Guess Farm

2501 Mockingbird Ln Muskogee, Oklahoma 918-671-1595

This is a large property/operation



Gustavo Sanchez sells over 1000 birds a year to Mexico and the Philippines.

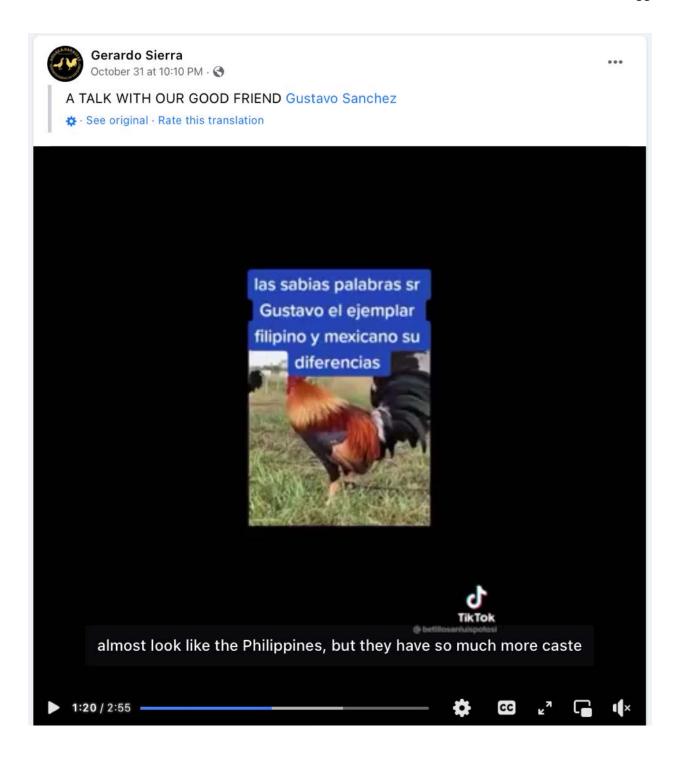
Interview on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines, describing possessing, breeding and exporting birds for the purpose of cockfighting in violation of the federal law. BNTV Video: https://vimeo.com/678016024/2b6e1224a9 (awaroosters)

- The host asks what kind of fighting he breeds birds for, "This is for the Mexican market, for the short knife?" Gustavo replies, "Yes, short knife."
- "The greys are more cut, more fast."

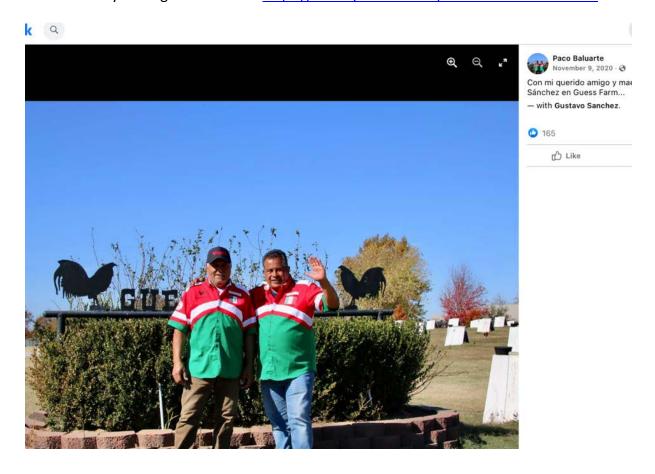
Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/guess.farm/

Gustavo's page: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009048702059

Gustavo being interviewed about how fighting birds are different in the U.S versus the Philippines and Mexico



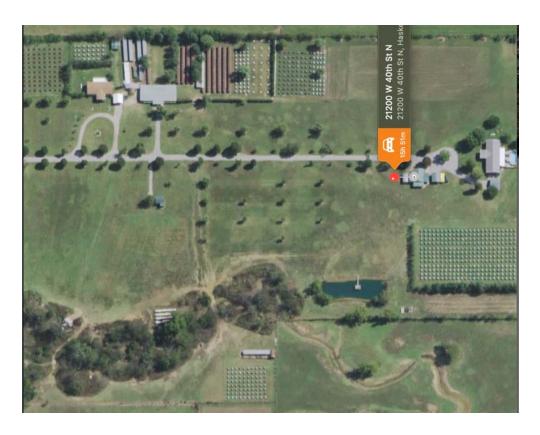
With Paco Baluarte, a very well-known cockfighter, at Gustavo's gamefarm and a video interview they did together in 2022: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xA3w1PsVh Y



David and Keith Graves aka "Rat" Hatch Village Farms 21200 W 40th St N Haskell, Oklahoma 74436 918-510-4906

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/HatchVillageFarm/

This is an extremely large operation/property. David and Keith ship internationally, mostly to the Philippines and Mexico.



A house on the property is dedicated to housing all the trophies. There are numerous photos of buyers in front of their trophies. They are well known for winning birds. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fg9hYqu X9Q

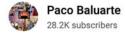




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Hatch Village, Paco Baluarte visita la Granja de "Rat Graves"













Pricelist for pick up and shipping and a video advertising their birds as of October 2022: https://fb.watch/h18BIDr8hi/





Hatch Village is thanked by this winning cockfighting participant

David Palmer Alex, OK 405.550.8412

He and his brother Donnie are in business together, and they sell 300-400 a year.

Interview on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster from the Philippines, describes possessing and breeding and exporting birds for the purpose of cockfighting in violation of the federal law. BNTV Video: https://vimeo.com/678017371/e899550b6f (awaroosters)

- The host states, "At our show, and this is the Thunderbird U.S. Game Fowl Tour, we go around looking for good sources of good material for the people back home, for if they want to upgrade their breeding materials...your fame precedes you because we know for a fact your birds win more than 80% in Mexico."
- "It's a short knife, like inch and a half weapon with a ten-minute time limit."
- "Whatever weapon you tie on him will be good. Whether it's a long knife or short knife
 or gaff, either one, you know. In my opinion if you got a good hard deliberate hitting
 rooster that tries to kill one it don't matter what weapon you got on, it's going down."
- "I like to select out the ones that's maybe head and shoulders above the rest, and maybe spar them, you know and give you a good idea of what kind of talent they have."

- "Oh yeah I want to spar them, you know to make sure they got some ability to hit and cut and reach and do everything that I like to do. I wouldn't breed one that I didn't at least get to see spar several times to satisfy me that they're just doing their job."
- "He just got back from Mexico." "Right. He just got home with a lot of money, a lot of wins."



BL Cozad Jr.
Possible location
110 Indiahoma Rd, Indiahoma, OK



Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/bl.cozadjr

https://gtte.wordpress.com/2014/02/24/i-am-a-gamecock-farmer-cockfighter-b-l-cozad-jr/

- "I own and possess gamecocks for the only purpose you can which is to harvest. The
 method of harvest of gamecocks has been allowing them to fight another gamecock for
 more than 3,000 years, the majority of our founding fathers like George Washington
 and Andrew Jackson harvested their gamecocks by fighting them on what is now the
 White House lawn."
- "Understand that animal welfare laws are the same thing that Adolf Hitler used in the early days of Nazi Germany."
- "The legislature of Alabama passed the first anti-agenda 21 bill in America but maybe you are not aware of what UN Agenda 21 actually is and what you are advocating in support of. <u>UN Agenda 21</u> = The Pagan's bible."

Bryant Gumbel hosted an HBO special featuring Cozad and several other Oklahoma cockfighters in 2017: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1Q9D851sNQ&has-verified=1

- Cozad describes cockfighting as his God given right, he has about 300 roosters on his gamefarm. "I know I've got good bloodlines because I've competed these birds."
- "I had one that got paralyzed ten seconds into the fight...two and a half hours later he won the fight...and he never did get his legs back."
- "What's more important, his life or your money?" "My money."



#HBO #RealSports

Cockfighting in America | Full Segment | Real Sports w/ Bryant Gumbel | HBO

Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission and their members involvement in the cockfighting industry

This following includes information on the Commission's Board Members, Leaders, and District Directors.

Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission Website and Facebook page:

http://oklahomagamefowlcommission.com

https://www.facebook.com/oklahomagamefowlcommission

Anthony DeVore - President

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/anthony.devore.948

Per this article, Anthony Devore is a 3rd generation Gamefowl breeder.

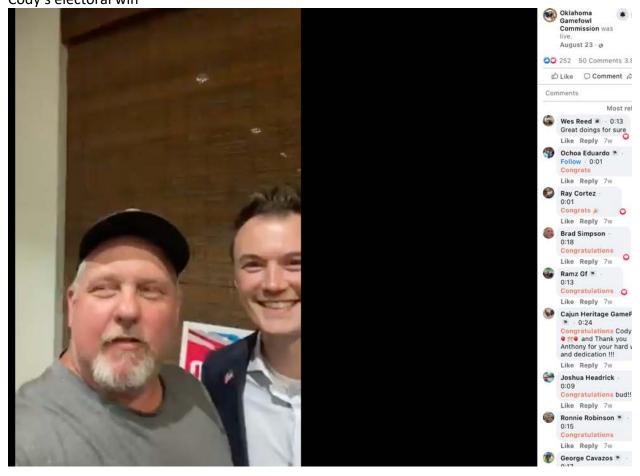
Anthony DeVore Address:

739 Pleasant Hill Rd Caddo, OK 74729 (Bryan County) 469-215-8165





Anthony Devore with <u>Cody Maynard</u>, Oklahoma State Representative District 21, celebrating Cody's electoral win

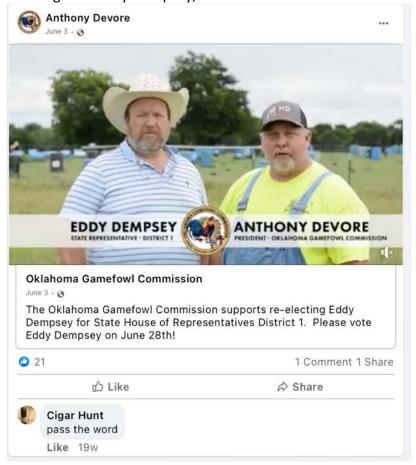


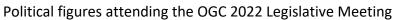
OGC photo shoots with <u>Tammy Pevehouse-Townley</u>, OK House of Representatives District 48, and <u>Joshua Cantrell</u>, District 49.





Meeting with Eddy Dempsey, District 1











Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission is with Cody Maynard for State Representative.

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District 21 candidate Cody Maynard gives the camera a great smile while speaking with community members at the OGC's 2022 Legislative Meeting.

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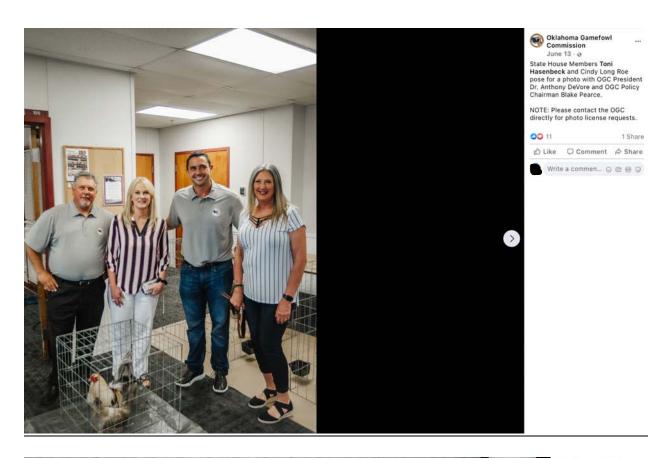
The OGC would like to extend a special thank you to District 48 Representative Tammy Pevehouse-Townley for performing an amazing rendition of our national anthem on Sunday and being a spectacular supporter of the commission's ideals and goals. Please remember to vote Townley for District 48 on June 28th!

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<u>Josh Tadysh – Vice President</u>

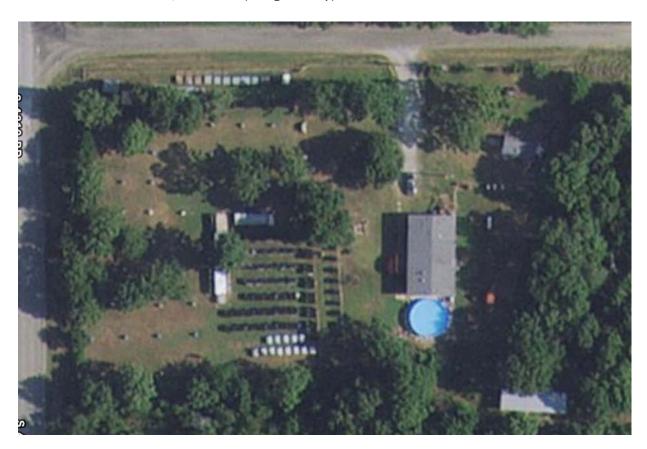
Josh Tadysh runs TenBears Gamefowl:

Facebook pages: https://www.facebook.com/TenBearsgefowl

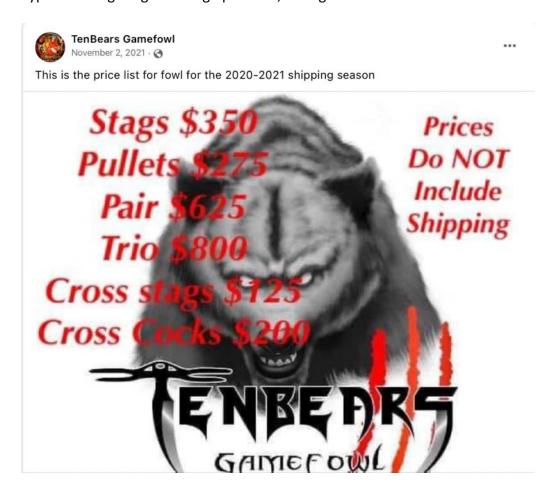
https://www.facebook.com/tenbears.gamefowl

Address:

431051 E 280 Rd. *Vinita*, *OK* 74301(Craig County)



Typical cockfighting breeding operation, selling birds for hundreds of dollars





Video of his birds for sale on youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QoqpTgoAo-E

Not confirmed: Josh Tadych could be 2nd from right in this picture at a cockfight in Mexico with Alex Fernandez, a known cockfighter and is the same fight that Blake Pearce, Secretary and Policy Chairman of the OK Gamefowl Commission, went to in April 2022 per his Facebook page posts.



Picture of Josh Tadych



Blake Pearce – Secretary and Policy Chairman

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100006754034663

Per <u>this article</u>, Blake Pearce is a third-generation game fowl farmer who breeds roosters and exports them.

Cannot locate an address. According to the OK Gamefowl Commission, he is from Sallisaw, OK

These are pictures from Blake's Facebook page of him in Mexico with cockfighter Alex Fernandez in April 2022.

Comments include those from John Bottoms, a well-known cockfighter from Oklahoma who has previously said in an interview, "They got to be super game. You know, to be hit with that big a knife and the shock it puts on them, they got to have a will to live" and "I'm liking them. They deep cut, deep body cutting roosters" as well as, "... "and that's what we do, you know, pretty much for a living." (video available upon request)

A comment from Blake indicates he'll be back to make a comeback and another that "loved the way you showed" in response to John Bottoms.

A comment from <u>Tammy Pevehouse-Townley</u>, Oklahoma House of Representatives District 48, says, "Have a great time!!!!!"



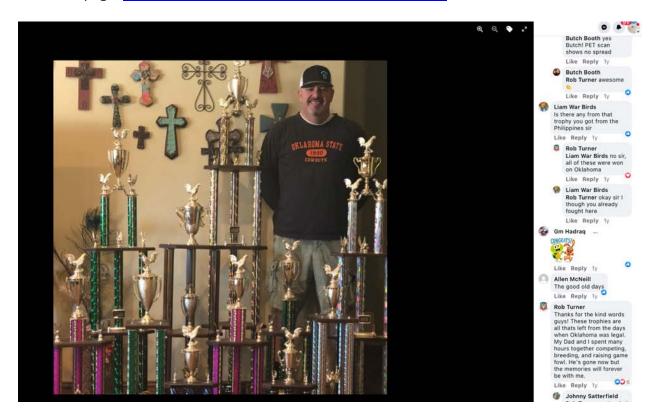


Rob Turner – Treasurer

Per this article, Rob Turner is Retired Air Force, and has been in the cockfighting industry for 42 years.

Cannot locate an address. According to the OK Gamefowl Commission, he is from Stigler, OK

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/rob.turner.16547008



<u>Troy Thompson – Sargent of Arms</u>

Troy Farms 14733 Memorial Rd Wilson, OK 73463 973-939-4731 940-390-3488

This is an extremely large property

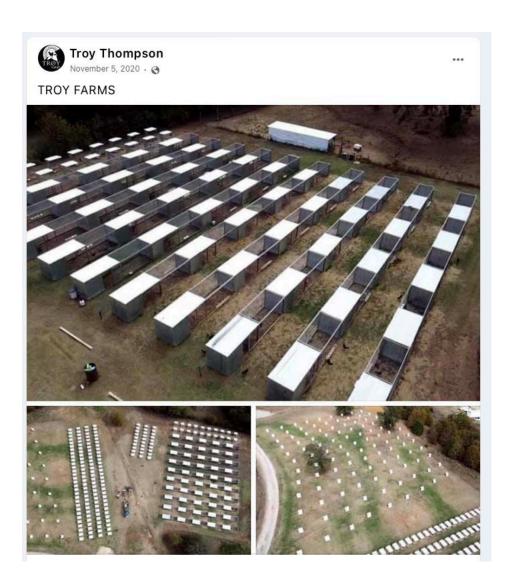
Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/troy.thompson.3551 and https://www.facebook.com/people/TROY-Thompson-game-farm/100083942502939/



Mayor Jesry Palmares is a well-known cockfighter and is the current Vice Mayor in the Philippines.

Interview on BNTV, cockfighting broadcaster in the Philippines: https://vimeo.com/678006661/cc6b8cbf19

- "I was a teacher and a football coach for fifteen years."
- The host says, "They're famous because they win for your customers."
- The host asked, "I met you at the Pitmasters Cup...what can you say about the World Slashers?" Troy states, "I loved it...it's a shame it's not that way here, you know."



As Sargent in Arms of the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission, Troy shared on social media, a meeting with <u>Tammy Pevehouse-Townley</u>, OK House of Representatives District 48 and <u>Joshua Cantrell</u>, District 49.



Victor Hugo Sanchez – Minority Leader website

Cannot locate any social media or verify an address. According to the OK Gamefowl Commission, he is from Thackerville, OK

Chance Campo – District Director

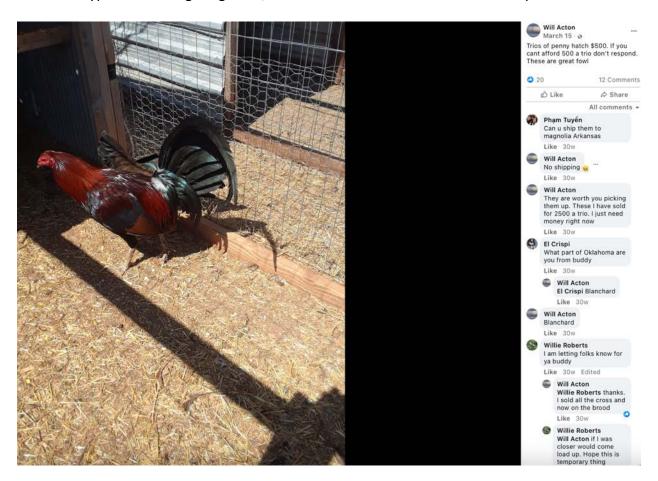
Cannot verify an address. According to the OK Gamefowl Commission, he is from Lone Grove, OK

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/chance.camoo

Will Acton – District Director

Cannot verify an address. According to the OK Gamefowl Commission, he is from Healdton, OK Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/will.acton.5

Prices are typical of cockfighting birds; comments indicate he's sold birds for up to \$2500



Will Acton posting on Fred Carter's Facebook page, describing a derby he's in for \$60k. This picture and comments were deleted after we published our report. (we can verify this profile



Chad Hamilton – District Director

Cannot verify an address. According to the OK Gamefowl Commission, he is from Durant, OK Facebook page is not public.

Meeting with Representative Randy Randleman at the Commission's legislative meeting



Justin Lawson – District Director

Cannot locate an address.

Facebook page is private: https://www.facebook.com/justin.lawson.125

Randy Herron – District Director

Randy Herron GameFowl Choctaw, Oklahoma 4th generation game fowl breeder 405-201-3019

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/bostonman30/

Interview on BNTV, a cockfighting broadcaster from the Philippines, describes possessing, training, breeding and exporting birds for the purpose of cockfighting which is in violation of the federal law: https://vimeo.com/677999007/524e06c9b4

- The child in the video with Randy Herron says, "I love asils...because them cut good, they're really really fast and they win sometimes."
- "The bostons and my blacks this year in the Philippines they done real good we was a half a point a way from winning." "...they won a 9-stag solo derby."
- "I have 50 roosters over there and some's already been fought."
- "very accurate cutting chickens" "...they fought in the short knife" "...they've done really good in the long knife."
- "I like cutting chickens."
- "My blacks and roundheads, you can fight them as stags."





This is the child in the interview



Merry Christmas my little helpers today....



Participating in a cockfight with Mayor Jesry Palmares, now the Vice Mayor in the Philippines – a well known cockfighter.



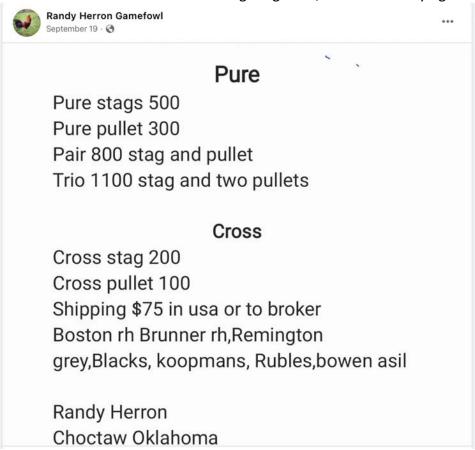
Sharing videos of cockfights



Being congratulated on his participation in the derby, 2020. This may be the 9-stag solo derby he described in the interview.



Prices for his birds are indicative of fighting birds, not birds for laying or hobby



<u>Levi Gibson – District Director</u>

Cannot locate on Facebook or an address.

Mike Morris - District Director

Cannot locate address.

Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100030238897608&comment_id=Y29tbWVudDo0MTU1OTg4MDA1OTQxNzhfNDI5ODQ2NjU4ODA2ODI2

Typical cockfighting breeding operation: isolated roosters out on lines

