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Scott Holmes, Sam Munhollon, and Leroy Ussery making presentation to the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation. Oklahoma Station Chapter of Safari Club International donated \$6,400.00 and was matched by Safari Club International's contribution of \$2,000 for the STEP Program. (Shotgun Training and Education Program)

This contribution made September 8, 2008 and accepted by the ODWC Commission will afford the department to expand its program throughout the state by purchasing two additional trailers. The STEP Program is the envy of Wildlife Departments throughout the country and it's inception was funded by The Oklahoma Station Chapter of Safari Club International providing the first trailer and operating equipment for this program.



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# The view through the Presidents sight:



Greetings Oklahoma Station members and supporters;

I hope your hunting plans have come together for you. With deer rifle season just coming up I know we are all looking forward to deer camp, the fellowship shared with friends and family and the hope of seeing that special buck come into our crosshairs. It surely is my favorite time of year. I am extra blessed this year because after all these years of applying for the Wichita Wildlife Refuge bull elk tag, I actually drew the tag this year and will get to hunt in December. So, I am counting my blessings and thankful for them.

The elections are over and I suspect with the soon to be new control over Congress and the Whitehouse, the rights of sportsmen are likely threatened. Now is the time we must prepare to fight for our rights and our heritage more than ever. Now your membership in SCI and the NRA is more important than ever. Your membership is important in many ways, but through your membership dues and your generosity at our fundraisers we can fight to protect our right to hunt and to keep and bear arms. But equally important is our numbers. Politicians look at the numbers and they know sportsmen (and women) vote. When SCI and the NRA take on the anti-hunters and gun control nuts our numbers make the politicians sit up and take notice. So I am thankful you stand with us in the fight, and I ask you to sign up two or three of your friends or family to stand with us too. For each person you sign up you can get a Cabela's \$ 50 gift certificate back, so your investment in each new member is \$ 35, which I consider an investment in our hunting heritage.

Oklahoma Station SCI participated in the ODWC Wildlife Expo and our educational booth featured the predators of Oklahoma. We had life size mounts of most of Oklahoma's indigenous predators and each was numbered. We ran a game for the kids where they matched the number on the mount to the name of the species and when they got them all correct we gave them a candy treat. We were one of the most popular booths inside of the arena. We believe we influenced almost 4,000 kids and at least the same amount of adults. And we had a great time doing it.

We also had our Fall Rendezvous at the Elks Lodge in El Reno last month and great food and fun was had by all. We had saloon girls selling raffle tickets and a couple of hours of poker and black jack and winners could use their chips to bid on live auction items. All in all it was a good time and we raised important funds to further the mission of Oklahoma Station SCI.

We have started our planning for the March 7, 2009 Awards Banquet and Fundraiser and a ticket order form is included in this issue of Safari Trails. Order your tickets early and enjoy the substantial early discounts which provide us the cash flow to put on the best event ever. We have tried to adjust our prices for general admission, reserve or sponsor tables to be more affordable so we can deliver more value. Bring some friends, co-workers or customers with you to introduce them to the good work we do for hunting and have a good time as well.

*I wish you a productive and safe hunting season. And as always, I encourage you to take someone new to hunting a field and introduce them to the heritage we hold so dear.*

Sincerely,





## Oklahoma Station – Safari Club International

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# 2009 Annual Banquet & Charity Fundraiser

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

**NATIONAL COWBOY & WESTERN HERITAGE MUSEUM**

#### **Purpose of Oklahoma Station – Safari Club International:**

- **Protect our freedom to hunt for all hunters and for all species of wildlife, regardless of method of harvest as long as it is legal and ethical;**
- **Education of the value of hunting as a part of scientific based wildlife management;**
- **Conservation of wildlife to preserve the heritage of hunting for future generations;**
- **Humanitarian services, such as Sportsmen against hunger and Sensory Safari.**

Our members are hunters who care about conservation and embrace the highest of ethical standards. We believe that hunting and conservation are not only compatible, but also inseparable.

#### **Purpose of our Annual Banquet & Charity Fundraiser:**

- **To enjoy the camaraderie of fellow hunters with our families, friends and coworkers in the greatest venue in Oklahoma, the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum. A fantastic meal and beverage to be enjoyed by all.**
- **To raise money to fund charitable programs which support our purpose. We raise funds through live & silent auctions, general contests and other exciting games. Our auctions include outfitted hunts in Oklahoma &, across North & South America and overseas; hunting adventures, firearms, hunting gear, camping equipment, guided fishing trips, art, jewelry and much, much more.**
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# Oklahoma Station Chapter Newsletter Wins First Place



Scott T. Holmes,

## ***CONGRATULATIONS!***

The *Oklahoma Station Chapter* has been selected the first place winner of the 2008 Safari Club International Magazine Group 3, Quarterly, Publication Award. Your chapter has shown excellence and ambition in the performance of the mission and programs of SCI. You are a shining example of why our organization is the strongest voice for hunter advocacy.

You and your chapter members are to be honored on Wednesday evening, January 21, 2009, at the annual Hunters Convention in Reno. You are invited to accept this prestigious award on stage at the Chapter Recognition Night dinner held in the Tuscany Ballroom inside the Peppermill Hotel. **There will be a rehearsal walk through on Wednesday afternoon, January 21, at 4:00 p.m., on stage in the Tuscany Ballroom inside the Peppermill Hotel.** You will need to contact Roderick Sequeira at Tucson Headquarters ([rsequeira@safariclub.org](mailto:rsequeira@safariclub.org), 520-620-1220 x 244) and let him know as soon as possible, the name of the person who will be accepting the award, whether it is you, or another chapter member.

If your chapter would like to purchase a table, or tickets at the evening event, you may contact Convention registration in Tucson at 1-888-746-9724.

Again, congratulations and thank you for all the hard work you and your chapter do on behalf of SCI.

You should all be proud!

Warmest regards,

John Whipple

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# LAST SEASON'S BANDED MALLARD

DON BROWN



A buddy of mine sent me these pics of one of the banded ducks we shot last duck season. Who is that ugly cuss holding the mallard? Last season we took two banded mallards in the “death hole” as we call it. The old yellow dog didn’t survive the winter, he had a good last season and was 10-11 years old. I knew last year would be his last as he crippled around pretty slow, and his nose wasn’t as good as it was during his other years. Mother nature is not too kind to outdoor animals. I will miss him this year as he had a super nose and he and I had an understanding on what he should be doing on our hunts. He retrieved more than several hundred mallards in his lifetime. I will be training a new dog this season. As the weather cools down I am looking forward to the fall coming on and the right and freedom to be outside in God’s country.

# 2008 Oklahoma Wildlife Expo

The Oklahoma Station Chapter of Safari Club International has had a booth at the Oklahoma Wildlife Outdoor Expo at the Lazy E Arena in Guthrie, OK for the past three years. This year was our fourth year running. Our booth was to be a display of all the predator animals of Oklahoma. The animal mounts were provided by Oklahoma Station Safari Club member Sam Munhollon. Our goal was to entertain and to educate the people that visited our booth.

After all the loading and hauling, drilling and hammering, our booth was ready for opening morning. A game was devised by placing numbers beside each animal on display. We prepared sheets of paper with all the names of the animals and a line beside the animal's name. The participants were to match the name on the paper to the animal on display and write the animal's number on their game sheet. A small wrapped piece of candy was to be the prize for participating. Our team was ready for the 8:00am scheduled opening.

At 7:50am a father and son strolled into the building and approached our booth. Leroy Ussery, our booth Chairman, handed them some game sheets and explained how to play. Soon a few more families gathered and then the rush began. We were swamped with families and school kids that were asking to play the game. Some were determined to "get it right" on their own, some parents and children played as a team and sometimes groups of kids competed against each other. Friends were helping friends to get their answers right, fathers, mothers and grandparents worked diligently with their small children. It was exciting was to see a handicapped child happily playing the game along with all the others. Soon the crowd was gathered two, three and four rows deep at the front of our booth. Leroy took game sheets and pencils out into the waiting crowd and soon people were using each others backs as a desk to fill out their game sheets. Room for wheel chairs was gracefully given even when the crowd was the thickest. From that first father and son who came strolling through the door on Friday morning until after closing time on Sunday evening the crowds never let up at our booth. At the end of the first day we had gone through approximately 1,000 game sheets.

We thought since Friday was bus loads of school kids from all over the state, maybe Saturday

wouldn't be so busy. We guessed wrong. Saturday started fast and furious and continued so all day. Sunday brought a whole new crowd and the crowd was constant until long after closing time. Some of the other booths closed up early, but, our booth never had a break in the crowd, so we continued to work with those who came to play the game. We began putting things away about 6:15pm and still there were people coming by to visit the booth. We stayed open for business until the last participant left.

The real challenge was for our team to hand out the papers, check the papers, help the people see which animal they had missed while interjecting information about the animals that we believed they would enjoy knowing and 'reward' all the participants for playing the game. Many times there would be two to five people using one game sheet. We had to be sure to supply enough game sheets, pencils and candy, but, most importantly we worked to make sure the people had fun and also become more informed about the animals.

All in all, we used approximately 2,500 game sheets and several thousand single pieces of candy. Our best estimate is that we had a minimum of 6,000 to 7,000 individuals participate at our booth. It could easily have been more than that since there was no way we could keep track of the number of kids, grandparents and parents with kids in addition to the many individuals and couples that stopped at our booth. Most of the people came to play the game, but, some just wanted information about the animals on display.

## ***A NOTE FROM THE OKLAHOMA STATION'S 2008 EXPO BOOTH CHAIRMAN, Leroy Ussery:***

*First, I would like to express my appreciation to the Oklahoma Dept. of Wildlife for allowing Oklahoma Station Chapter of Safari Club International to participate in 2008 Oklahoma Wildlife Expo,*

*I would like to give my thanks to Safari Club members Sam Munhollon and Scott Holmes for the many hours they worked. Without them this project would not have been possible.*

*I would also like to offer a very special thanks to my granddaughter, Beth Ussery. I picked her up at 7:00 am on both Friday and Saturday morning and kept her working all day. Beth used her special flair for entertaining and working with the children that kept us all laughing. We could not have handled all those school children without her help.*

*Also my thanks to my wife, Rosalie, who worked with me all three days of the EXPO,*



At the request of the Legal Task Force Committee, the August Legal and Litigation Newsletter is attached for you to read. The Committee hopes that you find this newsletter useful as an update on the legal actions of the SCI litigation staff. If you have any questions please contact Anna Seidman, Chief of Litigation at [aseidman@safariclub.org](mailto:aseidman@safariclub.org) or Doug Burdin, Environmental Legal Counsel at [dburdin@safariclub.org](mailto:dburdin@safariclub.org).

# SAFARI CLUB INTERNATIONAL

LITIGATION NEWSLETTER, August 2008 Vol. II, No. 3

## BROWN AND WHITE BEARS IN COURT



**R**eminiscent of the “unity of opposites” concept of the yin/yang of Chinese philosophy, SCI is in court defending the delisting of the grizzly bears in the Yellowstone area and challenging the listing of the polar bear throughout the world under the Endangered Species Act. The sites of these legal wranglings span the country. SCI is defending the delisting of the grizzly bear in three cases in District Court in Idaho and in Montana. SCI brought its own lawsuit over the polar bear listing in District Court in

Washington D.C., challenging the import ban that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service says arose because of the listing. SCI also participated in litigation in northern California over the deadline for listing the polar bear. In all, these distant bear cousins (polar bears evolved from grizzly bears somewhere around 150,000 years ago) have SCI involved in five separate lawsuits, with more possibly on the way.

Why is it important that SCI be involved in all these cases? The simple answer is that we are protecting the ability of our members to hunt these species now and in the future. The more complicated response is that we

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## THE REWARDS OF A DECADE LONG LAWSUIT

**A** decade ago, SCI filed a single lawsuit that gave birth to the hunting community's strongest voice for litigation advocacy. In 1998, SCI officials John Monson and Skip Donau, together with then Governmental Affairs Director Rick Parsons, drafted and filed a complaint in U.S. District Court in Alaska that challenged: (1) decisions made by the Federal Subsistence Board (FSB) that gave priority to rural subsistence hunters for access to wildlife on federal lands; (2) the process by which the FSB made those priority subsistence decisions; and (3) the unfair membership composition of councils that advised the FSB on the subsistence allocations.

Initially, the lawsuit led to the hiring of Anna Seidman, who acted as a litigation consultant to SCI on a part-time basis. In addition, the suit brought in Alaska attorney, Brent Cole, as SCI's local counsel. Over time, Seidman joined SCI as their full-time litigation attorney. She now serves as SCI's Director of Litigation, managing a department that includes Senior Litigation Counsel, Doug Burdin, and newly hired Litigation Counsel, William McGrath. Brent Cole has joined SCI's growing Legal Task Force, an active committee of SCI member attorneys who advise SCI on which cases to join and which strategies to pursue. SCI is now parti-

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**Kevin Anderson,**  
Chair,  
Legal Task Force Committee

## WOLF LITIGATION HIGHS AND LOWS

The last few months have demonstrated some true highs and lows in the litigation concerning wolf delisting and management. The highest point was reached when SCI achieved a resounding victory by persuading the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit to vacate a lower court ruling on ESA permits for lethal wolf management. This lower court ruling was having a chilling effect on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's authority to permit states to manage problem members of listed predator species.

The lowest point was experienced last month, when a Montana federal district court judge granted a preliminary injunction and temporarily placed the wolves of the Northern Rockies (Montana, Idaho and Wyoming) back on the endangered species list. SCI's lawyers have conferred with the attorneys representing all other defendants (federal, state and non-governmental) to decide on the best strategy for reversing the judge's decision. No formal consensus has been reached, but most if not all of the defendants agree that a unified approach will be most effective. Although the judge's ruling on the preliminary injunction illustrated his skepticism about the legality of the delisting, it is important to remember that his determination was not based on a review of the full range of evidence that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service had available in making its decision to remove the wolves from the endangered species list. SCI's litigators remain hopeful that the final briefing in the case, where SCI and the other defendants will be able to demonstrate the full evidentiary support for the FWS's decision, will ultimately persuade the judge to uphold the delisting.

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icipating and earning victories in cases filed throughout the country.

The Alaska lawsuit gave rise not only to SCI's role as a leader in litigation advocacy, but also led to victories in a number of the challenges that SCI included in its claim against the Federal Subsistence Board. Although most of these victories were not spelled out in any official judicial ruling or court order, SCI's achievements in Alaska subsistence rulemaking are undeniable.

For example, SCI's Complaint challenged the degree of evidence upon which the Regional Advisory Councils could make recommendations to the FSB. In 2002, the Federal Government decided to amend their regulations to clarify that the Councils' recommendations "should be supported by substantial evidence." SCI also challenged the fact that the FSB had no formal operating procedures for their meetings. In 2003, the FSB officially adopted a set of "Meeting Guidelines." In addition, SCI challenged the failure of the FSB to create an adequate record to explain the basis for its subsistence decisions. The new Meeting Guidelines included a detailed description of the FSB's record making obligations. SCI also challenged the legality of a committee



*Photo courtesy of U.S. FWS*

composed of the chairpersons of the ten Regional Advisory Councils, known as the "Council of Chairs." The FSB subsequently acknowledged that SCI's lawsuit had alerted the federal government to the illegality of the Council of Chairs and disbanded the unlawful committee. The federal government even overturned some of the individual subsistence priority allocations that SCI attacked in their Complaint. For example, prior to SCI's litigation, the FSB had closed the Red Sheep Creek and Cane Creek drainages

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## WOLF LITIGATION HIGHS AND LOWS (CONT).

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Somewhere between the highs and lows is the hopefulness with which SCI looks to a D.C. District Court's pending ruling on the fate of the delisted wolves of the Western Great Lakes (Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin). At a hearing on August 4th, the court heard oral argument on the delisting. The federal government's counsel did an extraordinary job of responding to all of the court's questions and explaining the legality of the delisting. SCI's counsel played an important role in demonstrating the adequacy of the states' management plans and in refuting several of the plaintiffs' challenges to the delisting. A ruling is likely in the weeks to come.

Wolves will obviously continue to play a predominant role in SCI's litigation efforts over the next few months.

## JUST WHEN YOU THINK YOU KNOW SOMEBODY...

The National Park Service (NPS) has never been the federal agency best known for its cooperation with the hunting community. In fact, for many years, the NPS, and more specifically officials at the Mojave National Preserve (MNP), did its best to prevent the installation, restoration and/or repair of artificial water sources for wildlife on the Preserve. However, after years of legal and administrative obstacles and delays, the NPS has become an important ally and is not only allowing the restoration of wells on the Preserve but is actively participating and assisting in that effort.

The restoration is part of a mule deer research project, supported and funded in part by SCIF. SCI and SCIF have long been staunch supporters of the well restoration and participated in litigation several years ago to defend the reactivation. As a result of that lawsuit, the NPS agreed to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA). In the initial draft of the EA, the NPS claimed that the restoration of the wells would harm the Preserve's environment. When SCI provided scientific evidence disputing the professed harm, the NPS agreed to restore the wells as part of research designed to determine the impact of the wells on wildlife and the environment.

With SCI's encouragement, researchers from the University of Nevada proposed an extensive study of mule deer behavior. The NPS accepted the proposal but could offer little funding to assist with the project. SCI and many of its California Chapters provided initial funding. The State of California is providing both financial and in-kind assistance.

The project initiated with a mule deer capture earlier this year. Much to SCI's surprise and pleasure, the Superintendent of MNP and other Preserve officials joined researchers in a hands-on capacity, capturing and testing each of the subject deer.



*Photo courtesy of the U.S. Department of the Interior*

The National Park Service's support for the effort was demonstrated even more clearly during the most recent phase of the project – the reactivation of the first five wells. SCI and SCIF provided a \$25,000 donation to cover the NPS's estimate of costs for the reactivation work. Bids were solicited and several were received. SCI learned, to its dismay, that the lowest bid had come in at significantly more than SCI had provided. Instead of coming back to SCI for an additional grant, the NPS stepped up and covered the \$12,000 shortfall with its own funds.

This long term effort represents not only a unique partnership between SCI and the NPS, but also an unusual and potentially precedential collaboration of the National Park Service, the State of California, the University of Nevada and several non-governmental groups. It will examine the role that artificial sources of water play in wildlife behavior and health and could serve as a model for similar projects and cooperative efforts for desert wildlife conservation.

*If you are interested in helping to fund this effort, please contact Anna Seidman at [aseidman@safariclub.org](mailto:aseidman@safariclub.org).*

## BROWN AND WHITE BEARS IN COURT (CONT.)

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are supporting the benefits that sport hunting brings to both bear conservation and the local people most involved in and affected by those conservation efforts. We cannot allow to go unchallenged those who would abuse the ESA to achieve their special interests and, as a consequence, harm the wildlife the statute was designed to protect.

The list of players on both sides of the brown and white bear cases also illustrates why it is important for SCI to stay involved and advocate our interests. The participants include the federal government; the States of Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and Alaska; anti-hunting groups; other pro-hunting groups; the oil and gas industry; agricultural and cattle interests; environmental groups; an individual citizen; and even a civil rights group (arguing on behalf of low-income minorities harmed if the polar bear listing drives up the cost of energy, transportation and food). SCI hopes to make sure that the best interests of the two bears do not get lost in the churn of these politically infused battles.

The listing of the polar bear brought with it a ban on imports of sport-hunted trophies from Canada. Without imports, U.S. hunters are less likely to travel to Canada to spend upwards of \$50,000 on a polar bear hunt, most of it going to local native communities. Without U.S. dollars flowing to local native communities that must live with the bear on a day-to-day basis, conservation efforts suffer. The delisting of the Yellowstone population of grizzly bears returned primary management over this animal to the states of Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming. The states can better manage the species to minimize troublesome conflicts with humans, including hunters out in the field. In addition, with the grizzly delisted, the states can establish hunting seasons when appropriate.

All of these cases are moving forward. SCI has already filed briefs in two of the grizzly bear cases and is battling with the Plaintiff in the other case over procedural issues. Briefing in these cases will continue throughout the year. Although SCI's polar bear case is not as far along, briefing is expected to start in the near future. These seemingly opposite yet related brown and white bears, and the legal battles over them, will keep SCI busy for some time to come.

## THE REWARDS OF A DECADE LONG LAWSUIT (CONT.)

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within the Arctic Village Sheep Management Area to sheep hunting by anyone other than residents of Arctic Village, Venetie, Fort Yukon, Kaktovik and Chalkyitsik. In 2008, the FSB finally acknowledged that the closure was not supported by the evidence and opened the area to hunting by residents and non-residents.

In addition, the court acknowledged the validity of SCI's challenge to the membership balance of the Regional Advisory Councils and directed the agency to adopt a formal rule to make certain that non-subsistence interests were adequately represented. After several years of rulemaking attempts, the FSB ultimately published a federal regulation that formally balanced the membership of the councils with 70 percent representing the subsistence hunting and fishing community and 30 percent representing recreational and commercial hunting and fishing interests, finally giving a recognized voice to the sportsman.

In June, the Alaska District Court ruled that all of SCI's claims had been resolved and dismissed SCI's original complaint. The dismissal incorporated a ruling against some of SCI's claims, leaving SCI with the question of whether to file an appeal with the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. SCI's Litigation Department and Legal Task Force are currently considering the merits of filing such an appeal.

The judge's recent dismissal of the case may be bringing to a close the first chapter of SCI's role in litigation advocacy. However, it is obvious that, armed with an experienced crew of attorneys, an active Legal Task Force and a broad list of cases filed around the country, the book is just getting to the good part.

***For more on this story, please read the next issue of Safari Magazine.***

**Special Thanks to: Legal Task Force Committee Members  
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### **Victory for Wildlife Conservation in Alaska**

Tucson, Arizona – Safari Club International (SCI) congratulated the voters of Alaska for defeating Measure 2 on their August 26 primary ballot. Measure 2, defeated by a 55% to 44% margin, would have limited the state's authority to manage predator populations that threaten the state's wildlife, livestock and even pets.

"The true winner in this vote was Alaska's wildlife," said SCI president Merle Shepard. "Anti-hunting organizations that ignore science-based conservation should take a lesson from the defeat that Alaskan voters have dealt to them. It's time for the animal-rights groups to try to understand, once and for all, that Alaska's professional biologists at the Department of Fish and Game are best qualified to manage the state's wildlife."

SCI's Alaska Chapter president, Eddie Grasser added, "The misinformation spread by the proponents of this ballot initiative was amazing, but not surprising considering these individuals are not Alaskans and do not understand Alaska's wildlife and ecology. Many organizations rallied together to ensure that Alaskan wildlife management remained the prerogative of the state Department of Fish and Game – not out-of-state extremist groups."

The local organization leading this campaign to victory was Alaskans for Professional Wildlife Management, whose leadership throughout a difficult and contentious campaign truly paid off. The SCI Alaska Chapter and the SCI Kenai Peninsula Chapter generously donated both time and considerable financial resources to guarantee that the ballot initiative and the anti-hunting organizations were finally defeated.

"This should be a lesson to the animal-rights extremists," concluded Shepard. "They may think the politics of this state are changing – but the truth behind science-based conservation never will."

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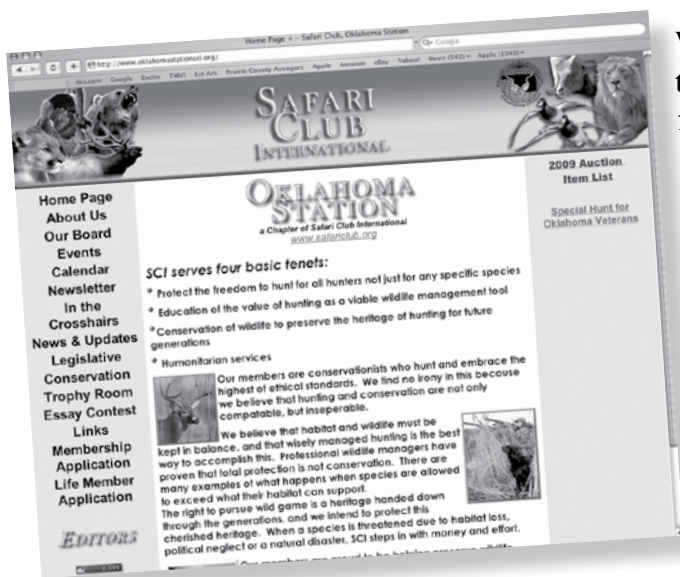
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*Thanks again. Mike Mistelske*





## Speed Goats in New Mexico by Andy Cobb

Although I've harvested several pronghorn antelope, I've never had the opportunity to bag a true trophy. That is, until I was the winning bidder on a hunt donated by Kiowa Hunting Services at Oklahoma Station's Fall Rendezvous last October. Tim Barraclough of Kiowa Outfitters, a long time donor to our club, hosts a truly first-class operation.

Tim offers high quality hunts for elk, mule deer, whitetail deer, aoudad, gemsbok, and pronghorn antelope. My hunt was for trophy pronghorn on the Vicente Ranch in central New Mexico. Even though the mid-September season lasts only two days, this ranch has no shortage of mature trophy-quality pronghorn.

My longtime hunting buddies Doug Stein, Randy Wood, Sam Rose and I connected in Albuquerque Friday afternoon for the hour and a half drive to the ranch in Vaughn where we met Tim and proceeded to their rifle range. After confirming the zeros on our



competent staff provided three wonderful meals a day, field dressed the animals and skinned the capes for mounting, as well as prepared the meat for shipment. Our Outfitter even provided coolers for ease of transporting our meat home. After dinner we were introduced to our guides, Mike and Cokis Chain from Oklahoma City. This remarkable husband and wife guiding team are members of the Oklahoma Station Safari Club, and operate a first-class taxidermy and outfitting business known as Backwoods Taxidermy, and Backwoods Hunts. It was at this point that we agreed Tim and his team far exceeded our expectations.



rifles, it was on to the ranch headquarters for Tim's orientation and a hearty dinner. Kiowa Hunting Services hosts approximately 30 hunters for this hunt and though it may sound like a logistical nightmare, Tim and his staff made it seem effortless. Not only were our hunting licenses ready upon our arrival, Tim's

Electing to forgo breakfast and get an early start, sunrise found us sitting on a particularly good vantage point, binoculars and spotting scopes at the ready. It didn't take long for us to realize Mike and Cokis are experts at spotting and judging trophy-quality pronghorn. Randy connected first with a stunning 325-yard walking broadside shot, which Sam followed with a perfectly placed 364-yard shot. Next it was Doug's turn taking his animal with a 355-yard quartering shot. With all four of us together, I filled my tag in mid-afternoon with a 275-yard shot on a beautiful, mature trophy. Our animals were taken cleanly using rifles chambered in 7mm WSM, .308 Winchester, and a 6.5mm x .284. For this type of hunting, I strongly

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recommend the use of flat-shooting calibers combined with quality time at the rifle range. We discovered for ourselves that pronghorn possess amazing eyesight, therefore close shots were tough to obtain. On this hunt, long shots were the norm and quality rangefinders and bipods, that adjusted to sitting height, proved to be a real asset. Our spotting scopes were not effective due to mirages created by the midday heat and we could have left them at home to reduce the weight of our duffle bags.

This adventure offers wonderful opportunities for friends and family to join together for a hunt. After the hunt, head south and visit historic and picturesque Lincoln, home of the Lincoln County Wars and Billy the Kid, then head west to Ruidoso for some world

class Mexican cuisine. Circle back to Albuquerque and experience some of the most beautiful scenery our great country has to offer.

**To contact Kiowa Hunting Services: <http://www.qualityhunt.com/>**

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**Don't forget to attend Oklahoma Station SCI's Fall Rendezvous for one heck of a good time! Hope to you see you there.**

**Andy Cobb**

## SAM'S BUCK



### **Sam's Buck-**

11-01-08

Blackpowder

Woods County, Okla.

200 yard shot, 200#

This Buck was transported in a TROPHY BAG KOOLER from Woods county to Oklahoma county ( a four hour drive) on a hitch haul with temperatures ranging from 83-86 degrees. Upon arrival at the meat processor, the internal body temperature of the buck was 38.4 degrees.



# Young outdoor writers to share their heritage and win trip of a lifetime

*Every year, young people across Oklahoma share their outdoor heritage by competing in a youth outdoor writing contest for a chance at a trip of a lifetime.*

According to Colin Berg, education supervisor for the Wildlife Department, the essay contest is an ideal way for youth to show their love for the outdoors and, in the process, possibly win a vacation in the great outdoors. There are two age categories (11-14 and 15-17), and one girl and one boy winner are chosen from each one.

To participate, students must be 11-17 years of age and currently enrolled in any Oklahoma school or home school. Winners of the 2007 contest are not eligible. Applicants must have successfully completed an Oklahoma Hunter Education course by the entry deadline, which is Nov. 19, 2008. Students also must use the theme of "Hunting: Sharing the Heritage" or "Archery: What I like about Archery in the Schools and Bowhunting" or the concept of the theme to develop a descriptive essay or short story.

Winners in the 15-17 age category (one boy and one girl) will receive a guided antelope hunt in New Mexico, and winners in the 11-14 age category are competing for a scholarship within the Apprentice Hunter Program at the YO Ranch in Mountain Home, Texas. Safari Club International's Apprentice Hunter Program is a unique, hands-on course designed for girls and boys aged 11-14. The program covers topics such as the history of hunting, the ethical basis of modern sport hunting, wildlife management, field identification, tracking and interpreting sign, game cooking and the SCI Sportsmen Against Hunger Program. There are three sessions — each one week long — during the summer of 2009.

The four statewide winners and their legal guardians will be invited to Oklahoma City to attend an awards ceremony in March. In addition, the top 25

essay entrants will receive a one-year youth membership to Safari Club International. The winning student essays will be published in the OSCSCI newsletter, "Safari Trails." Publication qualifies the winning entries for the National Youth Writing Contest sponsored by the Outdoor Writers Association of America. Several past national winners have come from Oklahoma.

One educator also will be awarded an all-expenses-paid scholarship for an eight-day conservation education school at Safari Club International's American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS) at Granite Ranch near Jackson, Wyoming, according to Berg.

The AWLS program is conducted during the summer and presents an outdoor program for educators that concentrates on natural resource management. Participants learn about stream ecology, map and compass usage, fly tying, shooting sports, wildlife

management, the Yellowstone ecosystem, camping, white-water rafting, educational resources, how to implement outdoor education ideas and language arts and creative writing in an outdoor setting.

Both the essay contest rules and teacher scholarship applications are available from the Department's Web site at [wildlifedepartment.com/writingcomp.htm](http://wildlifedepartment.com/writingcomp.htm).

Essays and applications must be postmarked no later than Nov. 19, or delivered by Nov. 19 in person to the Department of Wildlife's Jenks Office at 201 Aquarium Drive, Jenks. Address entries to: Essay Contest, Attn: Education Section Supervisor, ODWC Jenks Office, P.O. Box 1201, Jenks, OK 74037.

**"The essay contest is an ideal way for youth to show their love for the outdoors and in the process, possibly win a vacation in the great outdoors."**





# Essay Winner - Zack Ellison's Antelope Hunt

by Zack Ellison

As the winner of both the junior and senior division of the Oklahoma Wildlife Essay Contest, I have to admit the second time around is the sweetest! When I was in the eighth grade I entered the Oklahoma Wildlife Essay Contest and won the junior division. When I went to the Safari Club International Awards Banquet in Oklahoma City and saw that the senior division won an antelope hunt, I was determined to win the senior division. When I was eligible to enter the senior division contest I started working on my essay, "Hunting: Sharing the Heritage. With hard work, determination, and persistence I finally won my antelope hunt!

After months of anticipation (which seemed like an eternity) and a lot of practice shooting my Winchester 300 Mag., I was definitely ready for the big hunt. On Thursday evening, August 21st my father and I left for New Mexico. We arrived at the Martinez

Ranch on Friday morning where we were met by the ranch owner Tony Martinez. Mr. Martinez gave Dad and I the hunting license and a map of his ranch. He explained the map to us and told us that we would take a tour of the ranch later that afternoon.

Before the tour we went to the rifle range to practice shooting and make sure our rifle scopes were still accurate after the trip. At the rifle range we first set up at approximately 150 yards where I shot three times. Two shots were on the edge of the bullseye and the third one was in! Dad said there was no need

to do any more shooting because my rifle scope was obviously still accurate. At the rifle range we met our guide, his name was Mark. On the tour of the ranch we were in Mark's truck and he was explaining to us where he thought we should hunt. I was all for it be-

cause I was seeing tons of antelope with my binoculars and it just made me more excited! I could hardly wait for the hunt.

On Saturday morning we got up real early (4:15 a.m.) and began getting our gear ready. Dad and I met at the staging area with Mr. Martinez and a couple of other hunters around 5:00 a.m. I was ready! When everybody gathered we left for our hunting areas. We were dropped off at our area and immediately began making our way up the mountainside.

We had picked a spot the day before on the top of a ridge with a valley on one side of it. This spot proved to be a good one because less than thirty minutes we saw a large antelope

buck in the valley below us. I sat on the side of the ridge for about an hour while the buck was slowly approaching. When he got about 300 yards away, he sat down and was facing away from me. I got up and slowly started walking towards him until I was about 250 yards away. This is where I took my first and only shot to harvest my antelope!

I would like to thank the Safari Club International, Oklahoma Wildlife Department, and Tony Martinez for giving me the opportunity to experience the hunt of a lifetime.





# Essay Winner - Elissa Stiles' Antelope Hunt



Elissa sighting in at 200 yards at the gun range the day before season opening morning



Elissa with her 14" antelope



Elissa with guide Kenny in the field opening morning glassing for antelope



(left to right) Rick Stiles (Dad), Tony Martinez (Land Owner), Kenny (Guide), & Elissa Stiles (Hunter)



Elissa sighting in .243 rifle at gun range



Essay winners, Elissa Stiles and Zack Ellison, with their antelope



# Trophy Room

## 2008 MILLER RANCH YOUTH HUNT

In cooperation with the ODWC and support from Oklahoma Station Chapter of SCI, 2006 ODWC Land Owner of the Year, John Miller, hosted a private land youths hunt Oct 10 -11 on his 13,000 acre ranch near Arnett, OK. Twenty six youths and their companion guardians were able to check their rifle's zero and were out hunting on the first day with several harvesting several does. For a majority of these youths, this was their first time to hunt deer. Miller's ranch is vigorously managed to maintain a healthy buck to doe ratio.

Oklahoma Station's President, Scott Holmes donated elk meat and cooked burgers to feed the 60+ crew and the chapter paid for the miscellaneous expenses of the hunt. There were smiling faces on many youths who brought in up to two does and learned how to properly care for a downed animal. Many new dad's learned a few things too.

Over dinner, Holmes gave a presentation about the importance of conservation and the role SCI plays in protecting our right to hunt. Many dads and youths were excited to know that we are working to protect the heritage.





# Hunt Report for Talstar Lodge - Bill and Jeni Fair Bethany, OK

"This (fishing) trip was bought at our banquet and I bought one at full price so my wife could go with me. It was not required. The trip was just for one person. We had a great time, The water was really high due to lots of snow this past winter. The Talachulitna River was the river we were to fish. It lies approximately 65 miles northwest of Anchorage. We fished the "Tal" and Shell Creek, a very small tributary to the "Tal". We ended up catching most of our Kings at the Shell on 1/4 ounce jigs. What a ball that was! My first King was 32 pounds and the last one was 38 pounds. My wife caught a 30 pound and a 25 pound King for her top two fish. This resort is definitely an "Alaskan Experience", as you are an hour float plane away from civilization or a 3 hour boat ride. Meals were home cooking, not gourmet, but really great. The overall service was excellent. They were always asking if we needed anything".



## GENERAL

Dates: June 16 – June 21, 2008

Area: Alaska

Outfitter: Talstar Lodge, 280 West 13th St., Lafayette,  
OR 97127

Guide: Aren Peterson

Booking Agent: Purchased at SCI-Oklahoma Station  
Chapter Annual Banquet

## GAME

Species Taken: King salmon (30-38 lbs), dolly varden,  
and rainbow trout

Availability: King salmon, average; Others, abundant

Comments: "Water was high due to heavy snow. Aren  
worked very hard to put us on the kings".

## RATINGS:

Quality of Outfit: Excellent

Ability of Guide: Excellent

Condition of Camp: Excellent

Condition of Equipment: Good

Quality of Food: Excellent

Trophy Care: Excellent

Airline Service: Excellent

Name of Airline: American Airlines and Regal Air  
(float plane)

Fees: \$2900, 6 days and 5 nights

License: \$80

Commercial Airline: \$800

Charter Airfare: \$225 (arranged by outfitter)

Other Costs: 2 nights lodging in Anchorage, AK

Total Costs: \$3500 plus airfare; Rental car \$700.

## SUMMARY REMARKS

Problems: High water

Highlights: Caught a dozen King salmon, of which 4  
were over 30 pounds.

Special Equipment Recommendations: Bring your  
favorite spinning reel and extra line.

Would You Recommend This Trip? Yes. Truly a re-  
mote Alaskan experience. Saw eagles, moose, bear, etc.

## PERSONAL DATA:

Bill and Jeni Fair

Fishing Experience: Very competent. Fish spring and  
summer

Physical Condition: Good

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *Hunt Reports are used to contribute to our growing data base on local, national, and international hunting. They allow us to monitor the quality of outfitters and guides, and the areas they hunt, who we invite to our annual fundraiser and convention. Please file a Hunt Report for each hunt you go on, whether you purchased it at an SCI fundraiser or not.*

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## **2008 American Wilderness Leadership School Winners**



In 2008, SCI-Oklahoma Station Chapter sponsored two educators to attend American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS) in Jackson, Wyoming. They were Monica Smith (L) of Mark Twain Elementary in Duncan and Teresa Randall (R), Education Director, Oklahoma City Zoo.





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# Oklahoma City Zoo Educator Attends American Wilderness Leadership School

By Teresa Randall, Oklahoma City, OK

I was honored to be selected by the SCI-Oklahoma Station Chapter to attend the American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS) in Jackson, WY in August 2008. I was impressed with the diversity of educators who attended. We had formal and informal educators, wildlife biologists, a free-lance writer, college students and even several principals! The 44 participants hailed from all across our great nation—from Alaska to Florida & Massachusetts to California.

Being a native Oklahoman I grew up hunting and fishing but until this experience I'd forgotten how much I'd removed myself from being outdoors. I especially enjoyed and learned valuable skills on our fire arms day which included archery, black powder shooting, rifle and shot gun shooting. Another highlight was learning to tie flies (which I'd never done before). Later we practiced our fly fishing skills on the lawn in hopes that we'd get selected on "free

night" to actually fish in the Snake River. I was one of the lucky 6 whose name was drawn from a hat and used my own flies when I went fishing. I caught 2 cutthroat trout and even won an award for "most fish caught unassisted by staff". It was a totally new experience for this girl who'd only caught bass, perch,



and catfish in the past! Another class that was useful was the survival course taught by a retired survival school instructor for the US Air Force Academy. We spent half a day learning to erect a shelter, starting and building a fire, and using various tools to increase our chance of rescue. In my opinion, the hands on skills we practiced were one of the strong points of AWLS. The other true asset of the program was the talented staff and instructors. They were amazing teachers and very patient with all us!

I would like to thank the SCI Oklahoma Station Chapter for sponsoring me and allowing me this unique opportunity. I also want to thank your organization for being "classy". From the annual banquet at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum to the AWLS experience itself, you all are first class all the way!



# Duncan Teacher is Taught Outdoor Skills at AWLS

By Monica Smith, Duncan, OK

I would like to first say Thank you for selecting me to go to the American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS) training in Jackson, WY. What a wonderful and rejuvenating experience! As a teacher each school year ends tired and ready for a break. If a teacher is lucky they will attend a workshop over the



During the AWLS experience, Monica Smith (top row, third from right) established a network of friends and fellow teachers, in addition to learning outdoor skills.

summer. I was privileged. I was given information and activities to introduce to my students that excited me and will excite them too. I was ready for the new school year.

I flew into Jackson just before noon. Don and Pat Brown met me at the airport. I was given a personal tour of Jackson. We drove several miles to the SCI lodge. What a beautiful place. The location was perfect. It began to snow that night and I could have kicked myself for not bringing more clothes! We took a tour of the property and were given instructions on the schedule. We began classes the next day. We covered the importance of education and the conservation of our land and animals. The next few days we took tours of the local wildlife refuge and natural gas well sites. It was quite a sight to sit on the top of the hills in the refuge and watch pronghorns walk by and say, "This is so cool!"

On our free night we were taken to a local Hot Springs. After soaking for a little while, we were able

to hike back to the lodge. I had met a group of 10 teachers from all over the United States. During our hike back we encountered mule deer, a moose, and the biggest beaver dam. During the week we were able to shoot a .22 rifle, 12 gauge shotgun, black powder rifle, compound bow, and a recurve bow. Sure makes me want to have them in my curriculum. They were my favorite activities. On the next to last day of the workshop our little group decided to hike the mountain that we had been looking at for the last 6 days. We could see this mountain from the lodge. We wanted to make it to the top before sunrise. We knew the sunrise would be amazing. And it was amazing. But sitting on top of the mountain we realized we were going to miss breakfast. You would not have believed how fast the group moved down the mountain. We were pretty slow going up, but mention food



and we moved quicker. One of our last activities was the White River rafting adventure. I must tell you as a child my family would travel to Colorado. Each year I was too young to go White River rafting. Each year I would be upset. Well I finally got to go. It was worth the wait. When I got home and told my mother of our rafting trip she informed me that I now had to get off her back about leaving me out of all the other rafting trips that I had missed.

I can't begin to thank you for the wonderful experience. I met great people in a beautiful location. The resources and contacts I received will be very useful. I was able to sit with instructors and other teachers like me and discuss activities they were doing or have planned to add to their curriculum. What valuable information.

*Thank you so much.*



My nyala taken in Natal, South Africa.



## **You Can Keep the Change: SOUTH AFRICA AND ZIMBABWE Part I**

By Caleb Harris, M.D., Ponca City, OK

In all of life and especially in safari hunting one has to be prepared for change. Game laws change, countries undergo revolutions and civil wars often resulting in name changes. Some even close to hunting with little or no notice like Kenya and Tanzania in the late 1970's. Changes are sometimes for the better like Mozambique's recovery after a long civil war. With change comes opportunity, like how the safari industry shifted south with the closure of East Africa. If there was a running theme to my 2008 African adventure it was change and learning to deal with it. I was an Eagle Scout and in life I have always tried to live up to the Scout's Motto, "Be Prepared".

I first started planning and saving for this trip in 2006. In fact, I think I had the seed of an idea planted in my mind during my Namibia safari in 2005. I planned on making it a family trip and a graduation present for my step-daughter. The animals I was particularly after were bushbuck, nyala, and cape buf-

falo. I looked around for various outfitters and finally found one that looked like he could get that set up; Stephen Barber of Xomaqua Lodge. Because the girls were coming along, there were amenity requirements that would not be there if it were just me. The outfitter suggested a three day trip to Kruger Park as well and I agreed that it would be a great idea. We originally planned five days in Zimbabwe for only buffalo, most likely in the Save Conservancy, and four days in South Africa for bushbuck and nyala, plus three days touring Kruger Park.

That's when the changes started happening. My wife realized that she couldn't handle the flight about a year ahead of time. She has ear problems and it took her three days to get over a previous flight to Jamaica. That meant the girls weren't coming. I immediately contacted Stephen about this. Thus, the first change was the timing. We had previously set a general time for the hunt, but not specific dates. With the girls not



going there was more flexibility for me. Dates were finalized. At this time I found out that the nyala would be hunted in Natal, and that the Zimbabwe portion of the hunt would be in Sapi or Nyakasanga. I viewed these as changes for the better because they are among the best areas in the world for nyala and buffalo. As it turned out, his deal originally planned for the Save Conservancy fell through, so he purchased some of the Zimbabwe auction hunts. Because a previous client decided he was more interested in a leopard, Stephen told me a hippo was now available. I said I wasn't interested in a hippo and furthermore did not budget for one. I had no intention of hunting hippo. I finalized my plans, flights, etc., and finally left on July 12.

The flight over was uneventful and not that uncomfortable even with a plus-sized woman spilling over into my seat (the arm rest would not go down). I must say that even with her beside me, I felt like I had more room in Delta's 767 than in SAA's Airbus. I was collected at OR Tambo, and got through SAPS without much hassle. Shortly after that we were off on a five hour road trip in the dark to Mavela camp in Natal near Mkuze. We arrived around midnight and after a quick shower (my first in 30 hours) it was off to bed for a few hours sleep. Mavela was set up as a permanent tent camp. The tents had concrete floors and en-suite facilities with hot and cold running water and real beds as opposed to cots. Sleep came easily and morning came quickly. After a leisurely breakfast the scope's zero was checked at the range and we were off hunting.

Due to some confusion on the timing of my arrival, a different PH had been arranged for me at Mavela. He was Charles Humphries of Zululand Hunters. Charles is in his early twenties and is well on his way to becoming an extremely fine PH. We started out from camp scouting for nyala. It quickly became evident that this area was teeming with them. There were some areas where nyala seemed to be hiding behind every bush. The only animals more prevalent were warthogs.

We drove all morning trying to find a good nyala, but all that looked like shooters

still had some ginger on the forehead. Eventually we saw one worth chasing to at least get a better view of his horns, so it was off of the truck and into the Natal bush. We started a stalk, but less than 30 minutes later we saw how "the shifty one" earned his name. Back to the truck through all the brush and vines we went. We drove around some more until late morning when we stalked through a riverbed. Again young bulls, cows, and warthogs were the main animals seen. At least one red duiker was spotted along the way. Eventually we gave up for the morning and headed back to camp for lunch.

Mavela was one of five or six properties which comprised a rhino reserve. The agreement between the landowners was to take down all of the interior fences and turn it into one large area. However, not all of the landowners allowed hunting and at least one landowner was being a little slow lowering his fences. Both black and white rhino were present and I was a bit disappointed that neither was seen during my stay. On the way back to Mavela we finally saw a shooter bull nyala. Unfortunately he was on one of the non-hunting areas of the reserve. The bull must have known he was safe because he paid no attention to us, even though he was only a few feet away from the truck. On the way back out after lunch a similar thing happened, only this time it was a bachelor herd of three. One had some impressive horns, but just



The facilities in Zimbabwe weren't as luxurious as those in South Africa.

below these was a spot of ginger. We planned to walk along dry riverbeds, but before we reached our starting point we saw a good bull on the opposite bank. As soon as we got out of the car he spotted us and moved into some thick stuff. We moved a little to the side and waited for him to come into an opening, but he never came out. While making game plans he suddenly reappeared where we had first seen him. The bull had doubled back on us. With a little quick backtracking we were able to get the sticks up and he stopped just long enough for me to get a shot off as he was quartering away. The bull quickly disappeared and I felt good about the shot.

We then went down the twenty foot bank across the dry riverbed and found a place to go up the other bank. We fought and cut our way through the thorn and vines to the clearing where the nyala was when I shot. Before blood was found we heard movement in the bush. Stephen told me to be ready for a finisher shot, but I had a good feeling about that sound. Charles led the way and soon found the nyala. It took at least five minutes for us to make the 20 or so yards the nyala traveled before dying. It was the first animal taken with my .375 H&H and my own hand loads. Now we had to figure out how to get him out, which turned out to not be so hard after all. The bakkie (truck) was brought through the riverbed to our location, and a rope was thrown up. We carefully lowered the nyala down and positioned him for the pictures. I was very pleased with the results. Charles later measured the horns because I knew people would ask about the size. As an afterthought I asked him, "What size do hunters say they want?" and was very pleased with his reply.

I felt privileged to have hunted with Charles Humphries. He definitely has the skills and personal-

ity to be a good PH. One thing that really impressed me was the way he was always looking out to make sure I was enjoying myself, such as constantly asking if I needed water. When I gave him the "\$50 handshake" I could see his eyes light up and he simply slid it into his pocket without looking to see how much it was. Anyone reading this should keep an eye out

for his name in the future. If he has the business sense I think he has, Charles could really become a big name in the safari hunting world as an outfitter.

That night around the fire I remembered a Sports Afield article I had read just before leaving the US. In the article Kevin "Doctari" Robertson discussed seeing a dagga boy in the coals of a fire and



**My herd bull in Zimbabwe. Next to me are Chiggie, Joshua, and Tackie, in that order. The entrance wound of my first shot can be seen just beneath the curve of the left horn.**

then encountering one the next day. As I looked in the coals I could see a hippo's head and announced that according to the coals there was a hippo in my future. Charles came over and looked at the formation and agreed that it looked like a hippo. Unfortunately Charles would not be accompanying us to Zimbabwe to see if the prediction of the coals would come true. He also had a long drive the next day to meet his next client.

The next morning put Stephen and I on the road again. He originally planned to overnight at his lodge in Limpopo near Alldays, however, somewhere on the road he got the idea to push on through to Zimbabwe and get a jump on the next days travel. We stopped in Benoni to change vehicles and pick up supplies. We crossed into Zimbabwe at about midnight which was an interesting experience. I was half expecting someone to ask for bribes or to be threatened by someone else crossing the border, but nothing like that happened. The whole process took about 45 minutes including filling out firearms import forms. No one even



looked at the rifles. They just took our word for it. After clearing customs we drove another hour to the Bubi River where we overnighted (more like napped) at the Lion and Elephant Motel. Four hours later we were driving again. I felt sad to see the conditions in Zimbabwe. I had never been there before, but even I could tell that it was once a wonderful agricultural country. It was sad to see the little subsistence plots in the otherwise unused fields which were huge. The cattle seemed to be doing well though. I could tell that most of them had some Brahma in them which left me wondering about the fate of so many of the white farmers my relatives sold Brahma cattle to in the past. As we drove through the small towns there were so many people just sitting around doing nothing, like the empty grain dryers. Harare was full of movement, but not much useful activity as far as I could tell. In the midst of all of this decay, one bright spot was seeing all of the kids happily walking along the roads to their village schools. With no parents or adults, they just walked smiling in single file to and from their schools.

The most unpleasant part of the travel was the police roadblocks. I think we went through ten or twelve on the way to the Zambezi. The first one we came to was set up on top of where someone had painted "Vote MDC, Morgan Tsvangirai" on the road. I wanted to take a picture of this, but even more I wanted to stay out of a Zimbabwean jail so my camera stayed in my pocket. At almost all of them were the same questions about origin, destination, purpose, and finally, "What do you have for us?" This was somewhere between extortion and begging, and I got the impression that they were mainly looking for meat, not necessarily money. At one of the last roadblocks I even overheard one policeman tell say "They're from South Africa, you can ask them." Stephen usually answered them by saying that the meat was at all of the other roadblocks between wherever we were and Beit Bridge. This became more effective the further we went. I tried to keep my mouth shut so that they wouldn't know I was an American.

Finally, we made it to Marangora a day ahead of when we were expected because of my luck with the nyala. We drove into the village, let our crew know we were there, and let them start gathering their gear while we checked in with the game wardens. We

then drove back to the village, collected our crew and headed off to Nyakasanga E camp. We pulled into camp right as the sun was setting. A pod of hippos grunted a greeting. Our crew consisted of Joshua the tracker, Tackie the skinner and number two tracker, Chiggie the game scout, and Chiggie's son, Webster, our camp attendant. Joshua was wearing a Gander Mountain cap and Hornady tee shirt, and when asked about it, he said he had tracked for PH Paul Smith when he guided Steve Hornady. After returning home I saw Joshua on the Boddington on Buffalo 2 video. I now felt very confident in our "celebrity tracker". Even though Webster was camp attendant, Stephen did almost all of the cooking for us. The food wasn't too bad, mainly meat and potatoes done in braai style. Breakfast was coffee and rusks. The camp itself was an extreme of disrepair and probably had not received any maintenance since the time of Zimbabwe's independence. The roofs were gone from almost all of the buildings including the shower and toilet. That didn't matter much because the water ran out after two days. The toilets would still flush after you used buckets full of Zambezi River water to fill the tank. All in all it made for fly camp conditions. It made me glad I had brought some extended wear contacts for just such a situation. Stephen had brought a tent for us to sleep in. I had never seen one like this before. It was more like two tents connected by a breezeway, perfect for a PH and a client. After sunset the night was filled with uniquely African sounds. I heard hippos and hyena, and there was another sound like a wood saw that needed sharpening that caught my attention. I was left wondering if it was a leopard or my PH snoring.

The following morning marked the beginning of my Zimbabwean hunt. We checked the zero of both my rifles and they were still on. Off we went in search of buffalo. On the dirt roads of Nyakasanga we saw lots of elephant sign and then later a tuskless cow. This turned out to be the first of our daily elephant sightings. I never knew something so big could disappear so easily into cover. A few minutes later we saw some lions. It looked like they were coming out of Mana Pools following some prey. Eventually we found buffalo dung and tracks fresh enough to follow. We followed the tracks for about two hours. When we finally caught up with the buffalo they were bedded down. I had now seen three of the Big Five



within a matter of hours. The buff must have caught wind of us while we were maneuvering around to get a better look. I got a brief look at a good bull while he was lying down, but never had a chance at a shot. We let them move on before taking up the track again. We made brief contact two or three more times but never got a chance at a shot. Our final contact with buff that day was unintentional. We were following the tracks of our herd when we bumped a second herd off to our left. We ended up taking their tracks as they seemed to have a better selection of mature bulls. Their tracks eventually splintered into three

groups, so we called it a morning after five hours of walking and headed back to camp. I say we called it a morning, but it was really early afternoon.

We had a lunch of breakfast type foods (eggs, sausages, etc.). While Stephen napped I took pictures of the camp and then settled into my tent for a nap as well. Before the nap I did see a vervet monkey sneaking into the trash pit. It was rather comical to see him coming out of the pit and look around furtively like he knew he was doing something wrong and was worried about getting caught. The afternoon was spent driving again looking for spoor to follow, but none could be found. We saw plenty of other game such as impala, waterbuck, and zebra. The zebra seemed to know that they were protected. They just turned broadside and looked at us and took their time moving away. The impala on the other hand were gone about as soon as we saw them. The only excitement of the afternoon was seeing a hippo cross a clearing. After a brief discussion about fees, we took off after him. We followed him into some tall riverside jess, but he made it into the river before we caught up with him. Even without encountering him it was one of the more adrenaline filled moments of the hunt. It was definitely a rush just knowing that we could run into the hippo at close range at any moment. After that it



**The buffalo ran over 100 yards with his heart in this condition and a second shot was needed to kill him**

was back to the truck and then on to camp for the night.

We left camp early the following morning at about 6:00. Again we started driving around looking for tracks. It was taking a very long time to find any fresh enough to follow. Stephen was a little worried because his last client had taken a bull on the first day and then spent another ten days to get a cow. In between they had a very hard time finding any buffalo at all. Eventually we found fresh dung at about 10:00. The previous day we hadn't brought water on the truck and I'd wished we had. We rectified that situation this day and I made sure

to hydrate well before we set off. Within the first 50 yards I had a branch hit me below the eye. Somehow I took this as a good omen. The tracks were easy to follow through most of the jess and as we seemed to be closing in on the herd Tackie and Chiggie stayed behind. Suddenly we heard a lot of movement. Joshua said that the buffalo had smelled the others and were moving off. We quickly moved parallel to them and found ourselves in a dry riverbed. About 100 yards ahead of us we saw a black shape crossing. Even at this distance I could tell this was the buffalo bull of my dreams. I had previously told Stephen that what I wanted a buffalo with a hard boss, good drop in the horns, and any spread beyond the ears. This bull had it all, especially the bosses. They were tall and obviously hardened and fused. As I look back on that image of him burned into my memory, I think he may have posed for South Africa's 100 Rand note. Unfortunately we got into the river too late to get a shot at him. We set up the sticks ready to lay in wait for the rest of the herd. Within a matter of moments Joshua announced what I'd already figured out. The bull was the rear guard and not the leader.

We picked up the sticks and started moving again. Joshua seemed to know where they were headed without actually following their tracks. These took us

through some thick jess, and then to an area of taller trees that was relatively clear. We could see the herd coming into the clear, but they were further away than we had hoped. Stephen ranged them with his binoculars at 150 yards on the closer side of the herd. He picked out a good bull and gave me some landmarks to make sure we were looking at the same bull, he through his binoculars, and me through the Leupold scope on my .404 Jeffery. I had told him about a previous safari where the PH and I weren't on the same page regarding an eland. Fortunately the eland I shot turned out to be an even better one than the one the PH had intended for me to. Stephen whispered, "One hundred fifty yards. Aim six inches high. Take him when you can". As I timed my wobble I jerked the trigger and nothing happened. I hadn't completely disengaged the safety. I am a big believer in providence and the old saying that "thing always happen for a reason". In retrospect I'm glad that the safety was off because I could feel myself jerking the trigger instead of a good controlled squeeze. If the safety had been off, we might have been trailing a poorly hit ton of black bovine fury with payback on his mind

While I received a short but stern lecture about needing to "always be ready" (never mind my concerns about gun safety), a cow and young bull seemed to notice us. They watched us for a bit but never spooked, and soon returned to feeding. Stephen picked out a bull near the end of the herd and directed me to him. We could see a good boss from the side and could tell he had a nice drop, but never really saw his horns from the front. We knew it wasn't the bull from the river, but he seemed like a good one. With the safety completely off, and somehow more relaxed this time, I settled in for the shot thinking, "Okay, that's about six inches up from where I want it to be. Deep breath. Half out. That little bit of wobble should put it right where I want it and the end of squeezing should come together right about .....NOW".

This time there was a loud noise and lots of black shapes moving in the clearing. The herd bunched together and moved a little bit before moving off. Joshua and Stephen agreed that it looked like a good hit. Joshua said he saw him jump and "bunny hop". We were moving to where he'd been standing to pick up the blood trail when we heard an awful mournful sound that is music to a buffalo hunter's ear, the death

bellow. It was coming from a patch of jess on the other side of the clearing. We moved quickly to the edge of it trying to see where the buff was and make sure the bellow was an accurate depiction of his condition. Chiggie and Tackie had caught up with us, and Chiggie spotted the bull on his feet facing away from us. Stephen looked around a bit, and then saw him on the ground facing us. He fired an insurance shot, and we then swept around the jess to make an approach from the rear. The buff was on the ground flailing, trying to get up but thankfully unable to do so. I fired a solid into his chest and within a minute he stopped all movement.

We walked up to him carefully and he truly was done. The first thing I noticed was the entry hole of my first shot; pretty much exactly where Dr. Kevin Robertson wrote it should be in his book *The Perfect Shot*. I looked at his headgear as I came from his side to the front thinking, "Nice spread. Decent drop." until I saw the boss. Suddenly I felt my heart drop and I remembered Ruark's disappointment with his kudu. This bull still had quite a way to go in terms of hardening his bosses. I wasn't concerned about spread or record books. I had wanted an older bull with good hard bosses. It just meant I'll have to keep hunting buffalo, as if I wasn't hooked already. I looked down at my watch and was amazed to discover that this whole process had taken sixty six minutes. It took longer than that for the pictures, skinning and quartering.

Although initially disappointed, I was able to feel a change in my attitude arriving back in camp that afternoon. I'd taken a cape buffalo, one of the most dangerous animals of Africa. He may not have been the bull of my dreams, but I'd done something that many hunters only dream of doing. I felt satisfied with the stalk, the excitement of the hunt, satisfaction with the shot placement, and realized those memories were the real trophies. We spent the afternoon searching for impala and even got out of the truck a couple of times, but we never were able to take a shot. They were often off too quick, or a suitable ram wasn't spotted in the herd. That night around the campfire I saw another hippo head in the coals. Stephen saw it this time as well. The next day would tell if the coals worked as an oracle or not. The plans had changed again. A hippo was now on my desired game list.

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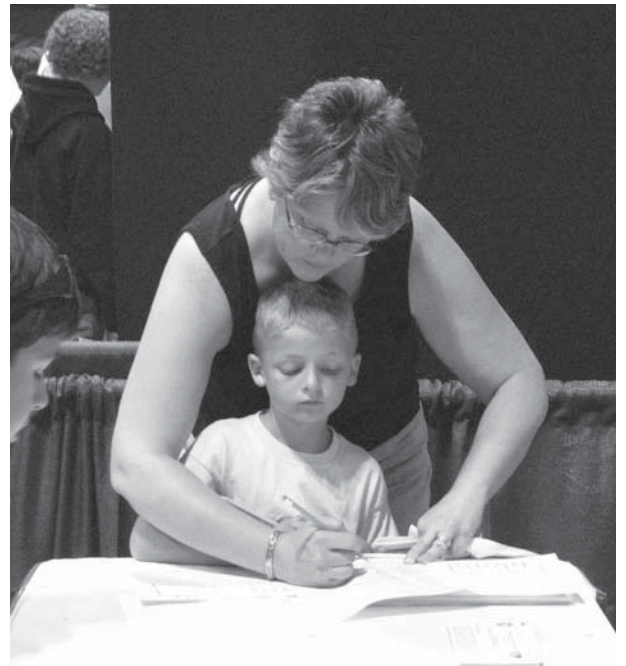
















# CATOOSA HIGH SCHOOL IS DOING SOMETHING SPECIAL!

Teacher/coach Josh Gwartney has designed a program to put his high school students in touch with nature. In his “Outdoor Education” class, the competition for admission to which was intense, Coach Gwartney is combining his personal passions for both nature and education. His program is intended to give a lot of kids the chance to do a lot of things in the outdoors that they otherwise would never experience. In his own words: “I am trying to introduce my students to the outdoors in a positive and responsible way and spark an interest that they may take with them throughout their lives.”

Coach Gwartney’s program covers a long list of relevant topics: sportsmen’s ethics, wildlife conservation, hunting (from birds to big game), fishing, hunter and firearm safety, animal anatomy, game and fish recognition, hunting and fishing strategies and regulations, wild game preparation, outdoor cooking, GPS navigation, outdoor photography, and more.

The Coach has invited many Oklahoma agencies to participate: to speak to his students on items that he has already identified, and to suggest additional topics. Coach Gwartney has also received donations of equipment and various other support, including the construction and stocking of a pond for aquatic studies and storage facilities for various outdoor equipment. Oklahoma ranchers have offered hunting opportunities for the Coach’s Outdoor Education students.

Coach Gwartney is off to a great start, and he offers those of us who share his passion for the outdoors and who recognize the huge importance of bringing

this passion to our youth to participate with him. To that end, I recently spent a couple hours with the Coach and his students. These young people literally competed for entrance to the program: requirements included high grades, excellent attendance history, and top-rated general conduct. There were roughly twice as many applicants as there were seats available

for this first class, and I understand that results of the current class and indicated demand for more of this education may lead to a greatly-expanded program in the immediate future.

In the fleeting time that I spent with the Coach and his students, we talked primarily about SCI—the Oklahoma chapter’s activities in particular. We reviewed statistics about hunting’s huge contributions to improvements in the health of various animal populations, about the tremendous economic benefit derived from hunting, and about

how very important it was that each of the students was involving himself or herself in the Coach’s program. I’d like to think that each of these bright young people came away with an increased awareness of what he or she could—and needed to—do to help continue our hunting heritage and to conserve wildlife.

Kudos to Coach Gwartney and the administration of Catoosa High School—and to the students of the Outdoor Education class!

Mike Mistelske

**“His program is intended to give a lot of kids the chance to do a lot of things in the outdoors that they otherwise would never experience.”**



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Dear Mr. Mistelske,

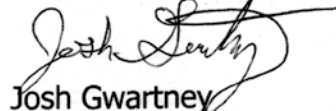
I would like to say a sincere thank you for coming in and talking to my outdoor education class. The SCI presentation that you did was great. My students were very interested as was I. The information that you gave the class was very interesting, and the skulls that you brought were a big hit not only to the class, but I also had several inquiries about them from not only students but faculty.

Your presentation did a great job of showing what actually takes place on a safari hunt. It was also good that you discussed what SCI does on the local level. You really sparked some interest in some of my students who had no idea what SCI is, and I believe that the way it was shown will make a great impact on all of them. I have had several students ask if you are going to be coming back next year and if you will be doing the same type of presentation for the class because they are trying to get into it next year.

Overall you did a great job of showing the kids what happens and giving them the facts. After you left you should have heard all the questions that I got the next day. It is hard to get my students to open up to a new person that they have never met before, but I can assure you that they were all captivated by what you showed them.

I look forward to a growing relationship between not only you and myself but also SCI and my students. I as an educator see it as very beneficial to teach ethics and safety to my students and I appreciate all the involvement from groups like yours and all the others who have taken the time to help out the youth and help to get them involved in the outdoors.

Thank You!



Josh Gwartney  
Catoosa High School

# High-Mountain Mule Deer

***Finding them is one thing. Tagging them is another. Before you take to the hills in search of trophy mulies, check out these tips and tricks.***

By Angelo Nogara



**Big mule deer find the safety they like in extremely steep, treacherous terrain. Photo by Angelo Nogara.**

**If you're up for the challenge of a high-country adventure, then mulies are the deer to hunt.**

Extreme elevation, sheer vertical terrain, and high alpine basins surrounded by rimrock are what mountain mulies call home. These big bucks use every bit of the terrain to their advantage, astonishing you with their ability to circumnavigate areas where you would think only goats and sheep could survive. Their sure-footedness and ability to detect the slightest movements miles away are what makes them so difficult to hunt and places them at the top of Western hunters' lists.

While on a hunt, I often stand in amazement, looking up at the majestic chiseled peaks that lie above me. I wonder if they harbor the mountain monarchs that have filled my dreams for so many months. If you've found yourself doing the same, you're not alone. There's something to be said about a hunter's desire to climb the tallest mountains in search of game.

Is it to see what's there? Admire its one-of-

a-kind view of the landscape below? Or is it the challenge of facing the mountain to persevere against overwhelming odds?

I think it's all of the above. This is a magical place with its own unique climate, ultimate views and unforgiving terrain. Now throw big mule deer

bucks into the mix, and you're ready for an adventure of a lifetime.

If you want to hunt true mountain mulies, you'll need to focus your efforts on the highest peaks exceeding timberline. That could mean hunting at elevations of up to 12,000 feet and above. To do so, you must be in ultimate physical condition, and prepared to match wits with some of the mountains' wisest inhabitants.

It's no cakewalk by any means, and there's no room for error in this treacherous terrain. Those who aren't prepared usually return home with an unpunched tag. Whether or not you're successful in taking a buck, after this type of adventure we all share a

true respect for the mountains and the majestic mule deer that call them home.

## EARLY-SEASON BUCKS

During the months of late summer and early fall, mule deer bucks are very easy to spot in open areas above the timberline, where they travel in small bachelor groups. At this time of year, their well-disciplined survival skills are compromised, largely due to the following factors.

**Velvet Antlers.** The first and most important factor aiding your ability to spot these early-season bucks is their antlers, nearing completion of their growth stage and covered in velvet -- a conduit of blood and minerals. Until the bucks shed this velvet cover, the antlers are very soft, tender and extremely susceptible to injury. Thus the deer tend to steer clear of heavily treed and thick brushy areas to avoid obstacles like branches that could bruise and damage their antlers. High-Mountain Mule Deer



**Bachelor Groups.** Because the bucks are forced into the open and are now traveling in small bachelor groups, their ability to conceal themselves and their movements has been drastically compromised.

Bachelor groups vary in size from three or four to larger groups of 10 to 15 bucks. They establish a hierarchy according to age and antler size. Over the years, I've observed many groups consisting primarily of bucks of 4 points or better, while others contain mostly forkhorns and a few smaller 3-pointers. The bachelor groups comprised of smaller bucks always seem to be located at lower elevations than those of the larger bucks.

**Escaping The Heat.** Bucks seek out high alpine basins to escape the heat trapped in the canyons below. Rising thermals provide them with a natural built-in air conditioning and a cooler climate overall.

Another reason why they move to higher elevations is to escape the fierce population of bloodthirsty insects that relentlessly attack their velvet racks.

**Nutrition And Water.** High alpine basins usually contain a number of springs or small seeps that produce a variety of lush vegetation that many hunters refer to as "groceries."

These nutritional areas provide deer with the minerals and proteins essential for antler growth. If the early-season groceries are good, antler growth will be good too.

**Vantage Points.** Big bucks enjoy an unobstructed view of the surrounding area below them and will almost always bed facing downhill.

It's common to find a big buck bedded above timberline at the base of a rocky bluff or in the shade of a boulder. Given a high vantage point like this, it's highly unlikely that an intruder could penetrate his citadel successfully without being detected far in advance.

### PHYSICAL CONDITIONING

Preparing yourself physically for severe conditions is crucial to the success of your hunt. There's nothing quite like the trials and tribula-

tions you will face as you push your body to its physical limits, day in and day out. It's key to remain physically strong to sustain the level of motivation required to continue on with your pursuit of a big mountain buck.

Do yourself a big favor and months prior to your hunting trip, start a strict cardio and full-body strengthening program. I found that cross-training works best to prepare me for what I know lies ahead. Bicycling, hiking, weight training and swimming are just part of my daily workout routine.

Most importantly is my cardio workout to strengthen my heart and improve my wind. That gives my body the ability to recover quickly and be able to continue on, no matter how hard the



**Veteran hunter Don Biggs with a beautiful mountain mulie. Photo courtesy of Don Biggs.**

**Later, as their horns harden, deer will revert to their normal behavior patterns and prefer thicker brush to conceal their whereabouts.**

challenge or how steep the ridge.

### MULE DEER TACTICS, TIPS

Here are some tips that will give you a safer, more enjoyable experience and increase your chances at taking a trophy mule deer that only dreams are made of.

#### 1. Acclimate Yourself

Most people in the West live at an elevation below 2,000 feet. At 10,000-plus feet, the air is so thin that your body strains with every breath

as your lungs try to take in more oxygen than is available.

Trying to climb the vertical terrain while stalking mule deer, your thigh muscles burn, and as you become lightheaded and dizzy, you begin feeling the effects of the altitude.

This is normal, if you have not given your body a chance to acclimate prior to your hunt.

Let me give you some very valuable advice: Don't drive for hours to your hunting spot, get out of your vehicle and start packing your gear up the mountain to set up camp.

You could be in for a very rude awakening -- and quite possibly, some very serious physical trouble. Altitude sickness is serious and is not to be taken for granted.

## **2. View To A Kill**

Quality optics are the most important tool for locating game. They'll also save you miles of walking and give you the advantage of spotting bucks before they spot you.

For my hunts, I use both a 10x42 binocular and a 20-60x85 spotting scope. The binoculars allow me to look over a great deal of terrain in a short amount of time. I use the spotting scope for longer distances and to determine trophy potential.

When glassing for hours from a high vantage point, mount your binoculars or spotting scope to a quality tripod that's lightweight but strong enough to resist high winds.

The more comfortable you feel, the longer you'll be able to glass, and the more game you will find.

## **3. Zones**

Transition zones are areas where deer feel secure as they walk to feeding and bedding areas. These zones provide cover to conceal bucks' movement, plus a somewhat clear field of vision to detect danger.

If you find this type of area, try to intercept a buck as he enters or exits from it on one of his travel routes.

If highly pressured, most mature bucks will become nocturnal. The trick is not to educate them of your presence. At least an hour before sunrise, position yourself on a high vantage point. With your high-powered optics, try to locate bucks leaving feeding areas that contain water and plenty of lush vegetation.

High alpine bowls along the northeast slopes are usually good areas to watch. Glass them as bucks meander to higher ground on their way to their well-established day beds. Now it's time to set up your plan of attack.

## **4. Spot And Stalk**

I position myself well before first light in a spot where my optics can reach out and comb a large area. I spend hours carefully dissecting the shadows cast by every boulder, bush or tree. I try to pick out the smallest of movements: an ear twitch, a slight tail movement, a patch of leg.

Once in a while, you can catch the full figure of a buck or movement of his rack as he repositions himself to escape the sun's rays.

When I find a buck worth pursuing, I put him to bed and give him plenty of time to settle in for the day.

Wait for the thermals to change and flow upward. Don't begin your stalk before the thermals have stabilized. Swirling wind currents will give you away.

There's no rush, because the waiting game has just begun.

Next, you must wait for the thermals to change and flow upward. This usually happens during the mid-morning hours. Don't begin your stalk before the thermals have stabilized. Swirling wind currents will give you away.

Now it's time to make your move and slowly position yourself for a stalk. Use the contour of the land to conceal your movements. Most of the time, the terrain will be so steep that a slight-angle approach from above is best to secure your footing and to prevent rocks from dislodging.

## **5. Hunting Water Holes And Seeps**

Depending on where and what months you choose to hunt, temperatures can be extremely warm, and water can be scarce.

Seek out a water hole or even a seep where deer feel secure enough to sneak in for a drink every day.

Setting up a tree stand or pop-up blind near a water source can be productive if you have the patience for it. If you decide on this method of hunting, be prepared to sit it out all day.

Remember that deer need water, and it's not unusual for a big buck to get thirsty and visit his regular watering hole during midday hours.





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## “SERVING THE HUNTER WHO TRAVELS”

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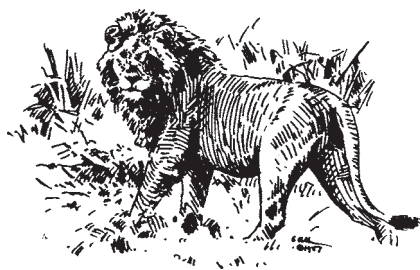
by John J. Jackson, III

#### DATELINE: AFRICA

#### News... News... News Nation-by-Nation Plans To Save African Lion

Last month I wrote how the National Wild Turkey Federation was completing turkey conservation action plans in every state in the US in partnership with state wildlife departments. A similar effort is required immediately in Africa, if the African lion is to be saved. Conservation Force has begun a new initiative to strategically institute and implement lion conservation by developing nation-by-nation action plans in the primary lion range nations. The plans will follow the regional models that were established at regional workshops held after Kenya's proposal to list all African lion on Appendix 1 of CITES. In essence, we have set out to become the Ducks Unlimited or the National Wild Turkey Federation of the African lion. The hunting community must take action, or we all too soon won't have African lion.

This is an extraordinary but necessary undertaking if the African lion is to be saved. It will include the preparatory collection and analysis of field data in each country, then the hosting of a workshop with stakeholders to draft the most appropriate action plan to conserve the lion at the level con-



servation must take place. The regional plans adopted in 2005 and 2006 (West-Central Africa Workshop and Southern-Eastern Workshop) will provide models, but actual conservation action must be taken by national wildlife authorities and stakeholders on a country-by-country basis.

The preparatory work and work-

shops to draft the most important action plans will cost in excess of one million dollars over the next three years. The ambitious undertaking will require an unprecedented fundraising effort by Conservation Force. All funding received will be dedicated exclusively to the *National Lion Conservation Plan Initiative*. Nothing will be deducted for overhead. We need both organizations and individuals to step up to the plate as never before if the lion is to be saved. We also need to do it now before the 15<sup>th</sup> Conference of CITES in January 2010 if the lion is to be kept from being listed on Appendix 1.

No organization has had more lion conservation projects in more countries than Conservation Force. Conservation Force board members serve on both the IUCN Cat Specialist Group and the African Lion Working Group. This uniquely positions us to help host workshops that count. It was Conservation Force that completed the *Chardonnet Lion Study*, which is the most comprehensive, continent-wide study of the status of the African lion. That study includes the opinion of more than 50 consultants and authori-

ties. We also published *A Hunter's Guide to Aging Lions in Eastern and Southern Africa*. We have had 10 or more lion conservation projects going on at all times over most of this decade. All that said, this ambitious undertaking is beyond our means. It is time for the hunting community to step up and be taken into account when and where it really counts. Contributions are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law as Conservation Force is a 501(c)(3) public foundation. We are

breaking the bank to even start this initiative and need funds right now. It won't wait, so we have already had to contract the commitments across Africa. The African lion needs us now. We need legacy level gifts from hunters that really care to weigh in when and where it counts. Please call me at 504-837-1233 or send your dedicated donation to Conservation Force at PO Box 278, Metairie, LA 70004-0278 USA. Earmark it for *Lion Action Plans Initiative*.

## □ Special Report

### Hunting For Truth: Why Rationalizing The Ritual Must Fail

By Shane Mahoney, originally written for *Outdoor Canada*

(Editor Note: Shane Mahoney joined Conservation Force's Board upon the death of founding Board Member Bart O'Gara. He is perhaps the world's foremost authority on caribou as Dr. O'Gara was on pronghorn antelope. He is part of the "think tank" of Conservation Force as well as a gifted speaker and writer on the philosophical underpinnings of hunting. We first recruited him to help define and express "why we hunt" in human terms, i.e., "why is it so important to us that it should be afforded protection and respect in its own right aside from its conservation benefits?" This is an important step in defending the morality of hunting if hunting is to remain part of the wildlife conservation paradigm. This month we have included an article Mahoney wrote for *Outdoor Canada*. We suggest you read it twice, save it, and read it again from time to time. It is about you.)

Across the wide belt of the North American continent a profound debate surges. It is a collision of world views; a refinement of man's view of himself; a reinterpretation of Eden; a great contemplation of the future of mankind. Yet, despite this profound nature, the debate in question is delivered to the public as a clash of soft sentimentality and rigorous rationalism, the central theme portrayed by both sides as something so far removed from its essential self that it is at worst belittled, at best trivialized. The evisceration of man's greatest achievement, naturalness, is the work of two opposing forces, each wrapped in the cloak of conservation, striving for supremacy in a tournament of frauds and follies. The problem for hunting today is that nobody will tell

the truth.

On the one side, there are those who are opposed to hunting, who obviously do not hunt, and who portray the activity as barbaric, unnecessary and inappropriate to today's society and mankind's future. They concentrate on the suffering of the individual animal and upon the behavior of persons who might inflict it. They portray nature as more benign, more right, without man than with him; and hunters as fermented juveniles who enjoy killing as a diversionary sport and who see animals as targets for their violence. To persons who argue for animal rights, hunting is a cruel wastefulness and the hunt an anachronism, something we should have put behind us, as we have bear baiting and cock fighting. Hunting is empty of merit, devoid of value and without deep meaning. Its adherents are therefore the same. The activity is personified and therein lies the target. The concept, the rich idea, of hunting, becomes displaced. For the public, the gruel is watered down until it can be bottle fed. The question is asked: "Why (do you) hunt?"

On the other side, stand those who support hunting, primarily hunters themselves, but not exclusively so. They fall for the trap. Their arguments in support of hunting are that it helps manage wildlife populations, it provides healthful recreation, physically and socially, it provides meat and it generates wealth, especially in rural



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economies. Supporters argue it is their right, and not the animal's rights, that are to prevail, and because their activity harms no one, but benefits many, they should not be interfered with. Hunters don't discuss animal suffering, but concentrate on the health of populations. They rightfully point out the contributions, financially and politically, hunters have made to conservation, often when other voices of support were not being raised. They trot out the balance of nature, without ever defining natural balance. They portray anti-hunters as misguided extremists whose views would have mankind being overrun with tick infested deer, drowning in goose macaroni, or starving so other predators might thrive. Hunters argue simply, or simply don't argue. They too keep the debate easy ...to digest....or dismiss. One thing they conscientiously avoid however: they never, ever answer the question, "Why (do I) hunt?"

Why is this? What is it about this short little question that is so ponderous, so daunting? What is it that hunters fear; what is it they do not comprehend? And, if they do comprehend, why won't they offer an explanation? Why so quick to identify the benefits of hunting but so reticent to at least try and describe their true motivation for engaging it? This is a conceptual divide that must be breached. We have been treating the two as though they were the same. They are not. Explaining the benefits of hunting does not in any way explain why we hunt, and why we hunt is the question, really, that society is asking. We confuse and avoid the issue...but we will either answer it, or we will be dismissed. The one thing we must protect and define for hunting is its relevance; notoriety and debate will not kill it. Fabrication and irrelevance will. Once deemed irrelevant, hunting will no longer be debated; nor will it be engaged in. If

we want continuity and recruitment, if we want respect and tolerance for what we do, then we best get busy earning it...by explaining to the reasonable majority what hunting really is.

Hunting is not simple. It is the generator of our human condition, the crucible of intellect, and the fire of creativity. It is our mirror of the world, the image maker of wild creation; it has defined how we see, literally and figuratively. It is the only absolute re-discovery mechanism available to human beings; the mind-body fusion of all meditative, spiritual experience is derived from its pasturage. Those who return there know full well the sense



of universal intimacy it gives over. Explaining this odyssey is our greatest challenge; but succeeding will be our greatest achievement. The world remains perpetually absorbed by this search, yet hunters know the way. Why not celebrate the truth for a change? Hunting is a deliberate journey to the union of birth and death; it cannot but create a deeper perspective and appreciation for the glorious importance of both. What society does not dream for such citizens?

Like it or not we have to search deep within ourselves, journey to the place where the mind is floating free. We have to voice what is silent; capture what is shadow. The hunt is a universe of emotion that overwhelms, scatters all notions of other preoccupations,

and delivers the persona complete. Hunting is a love affair; turbulent, gnawing and all possessing. It is composed of lives, but has a life of its own; a life held precious by the participant who, in part, creates it. But then there is the "other," unpredictable, honored. Yes! An affair of the heart; and like all such affairs it drags the mind along, a great force subjugated by the senses engaged to their fullest; but alive just the same, and capturing memories and creating fantasies that are nearly one and the same. Hunting is an immersion; a drowning in connectedness that squanders pride and privilege; the true hunter is the humble man, the enthralled child, and the knowing prince. All is ready, nothing is restive; all is rhythm, nothing is in friction. Hunting is knowing why the senses were made! It displaces both the practical and the excess. It represents evenness, oneness and the knowledge of self. Hunting is a cataclysm of inward progress. We hunt for spiritual reasons; we hunt to find inner peace; we hunt to understand the world. Hunting is our first great myth! The true hunter is both the alert and the meditative man. Thought and action combined in purpose; a hymn for the unity of world and self. Hunting is a search for all.

Truth makes a great message, not an easy one! But saving the preciousness of life is never simple. We need remember, however, that if hunters are viewed as dopes, hunting is viewed as a pass time for the dim witted; if hunters are viewed as slobs, hunting is a wasteful debauchery; if hunters are viewed as juvenile, hunting is deemed delinquent. Only hunters can change such stereotypes. The task at hand is to articulate the relevance of hunting; not its correctness, nor its practical service to human kind. Rationalizing the mythology is both a tactical error and a diminishment of pride. Lies and excuses usually are.

### Briefly Noted

**Conservation Fact from QDMA:** Guess who is paying for biodiversity? Here is an interesting fact from the

Quality Deer Management Association (QDMA) that came out at the recent White House Conference to develop

President Bush's Executive Order to facilitate the American hunting heritage and conservation. Its 51,000 mem-

bers own and/or hold 13.5 million acres for deer hunting purposes. This is in addition to the 50 million acres of state-operated wildlife management areas that are largely funded by America's deer hunters. As impressive as these figures are, they don't begin to capture the conservation reach of deer hunting. In the dead of winter from a plane window, it is amazing to see the mosaic of rich, green food plots across the eastern United States.

**Adrian Sada Trevino Passes:** Adrian Sada Trevino died on October 14, 2008 at the age of 85. Adrian was a supporting contributor of Conservation Force and a world-renown hunter, as is his son. Adrian won the Weatherby Award in 2001 in recognition of his hunting and wildlife conservation achievements. His son Federico won the award in 2006.

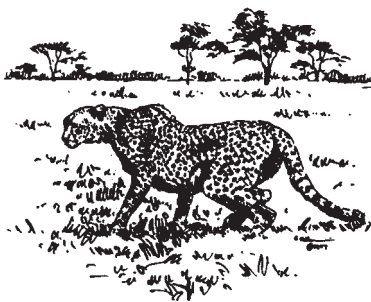
I once ran into Adrian while wolf hunting near the Arctic Circle. He was keenly excited about the Arctic experience and crossing paths with a fellow hunter during the adventure. His life proves once again that people who have everything choose to hunt. It is an activity worthy of kings and queens and the worthy choice of people who have everything. At Conservation Force, we are privileged to have known Adrian and his enthusiasm for the sport.

Adrian owned and developed Carmen Island, renowned for its desert bighorn sheep. He was a generous donor of sheep hunts to Grand Slam Club/OVIS, which itself is a generous and important supporter of Conservation Force and this monthly bulletin. We most certainly will miss his enthusiasm for the hunt and warm greeting this and every year at the Weatherby Awards dinner and conventions.

**James Teer Receives Texas Hall of Fame Award:** Conservation Force founding Board Member Dr. James Teer received the Texas Hall of Fame Award on October 3, 2008. He received the Conservation Educator Hall of Fame Award for "56 years in the field" and was described by Senator Hutchinson as being "the greatest conservationist in Texas." United States Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson made

the presentation as well as delivery speech.

In the past, Dr. Teer has received the prestigious Leopold Medal from The Wildlife Society. He is the retired Chair of the Wildlife Management Department of Texas A&M, where he held the Caesar Kleberg Chair in Wildlife Ecology, the retired head of the Wilder Wildlife Foundation, and the past president of The Wildlife Society. He cited both Chrissie and me in his



Hall of Fame acceptance speech and continues to be part of Conservation Force's "think tank" of leaders working for you on the Conservation Force Board of Directors.

Dr. Teer has recently published his autobiography, *It's a Long Way from Llano – The Journey of a Wildlife Biologist*. It is available from Texas A&M University Press in College Station, where he is still professor emeri-

tus of wildlife and fisheries sciences. In the book, Dr. Teer also devotes a chapter, "The Great Cats," to his truly epic work on the jaguar, cheetah and leopard. In his autobiography, Dr. Teer cites Conservation Force's cheetah management plan in Namibia and his work to establish the original Enhancement Compact where licensed hunters pay a sum above other costs exclusively for cheetah conservation, and our work to establish trophy imports. No less extraordinary was his seminal study on the African leopard, which was the foundation for its downlisting and which permits the US importation of those trophies today. As a Conservation Force Board member, he is your champion, whether you have known it or not.

**Congressman Don Young a Hero Again:** Longtime hero of the hunting community Congressman Don Young of Alaska, has done it again. He has introduced two polar bear bills for importation of hunting trophies.

The first is H.R. 6936, introduced by Young on September 18, 2008. It would allow the import of those polar bear already taken before the listing on May 14, 2008. There are millions of dollars of trophies from "conservation hunts" that took place before the bear was listed and that this bill would allow to be imported.

The second bill is H.R. 7171, introduced on September 26, 2008, which amends the Marine Mammal Protection Act to allow the continued import of polar bear from approved populations, both those taken in the past and those in the future.

Don Young is the ranking minority member of the House Committee on Natural Resources as well as past chairman of that committee. He was one of the co-authors of the original polar bear MMPA Amendment that lead to polar bear imports that have now been interrupted. There is not enough space in this entire bulletin to list all the similar legislation Congressman Young has authored for the sportsmen and women of America over the years. He is as true as true comes.

Both bills need co-sponsors, so contact your own congressman today.

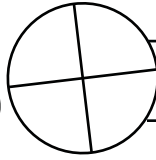
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E-news from SCI 's Washington Office

## South Africa will sell ivory to Japan, China

“CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — The South African government will press ahead with plans to sell just over 51 tons of ivory to China and Japan under a special exemption to the international ban on the trade... The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species ruled last year that Botswana, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe would be able to make a one-off sale of 108 tons of government stocks... After the sale, South Africa and its neighbors will not be allowed to export ivory again for nine years and must use the sale proceeds for programs to protect their elephant populations.” (Source: AP Online) Read the full article at <http://ap.google.com/article/ALeqM5jJeQiCamLK0GqtVw2ESLNrH-V17wQD93N30LO0>.

## IUCN Meets in Barcelona, Sets Environment Action Agenda

“While the world struggles with the turmoil of a market crisis, IUCN’s World Conservation Congress defined the way forward in solving the environmental crisis. Participants in the Congress underlined that the cost of biodiversity losses are not only greater than those of the current financial problems, but in many cases, they are irreparable... ‘We have made substantial decisions here in Barcelona; we’re showing how saving nature must be an integral part of the solution for any world crisis,’ says Julia Marton-Lefèvre, Director General of the International Union for Conservation of Nature... ‘The clear message coming out of this meeting is that biodiversity underpins the well-being of human societies and their economies. But conservation can only succeed if we attack the underlying causes of biodiversity loss, and action is taken at the same time to reduce the impacts of that loss.’” (Source: [www.IUCN.org](http://www.IUCN.org)) Read the full release on the week’s conference at [http://www.iucn.org/news\\_events/events/congress/index.cfm?uNewsID=1946](http://www.iucn.org/news_events/events/congress/index.cfm?uNewsID=1946).

## Annie, Get Your Gun

“What might seem fun to most 9-year-old girls doesn’t hold much interest for 9-year-old Carolyn White from Dallas, Texas. She thinks Barbie dolls and trips to the mall are boring. She prefers spending Saturdays hunting with her father... ‘It’s wonder-

ful. You feel like you can do anything and it’s really cool.’ This particular Saturday, Carolyn killed her first deer, as part of an all-girls hunting trip at Wildcat Mountain Ranch in Robert Lee, Texas. It is one of a number of supervised all-girls hunting trips that state wildlife officials are organizing around the country in an effort to attract girls to try to help keep hunters from becoming an endangered species. According to a survey by the U.S. Fish And Wildlife Service, there has been an 11 percent decline in the number of hunters nationwide from 1991 to 2006. ‘Girls and women has been an untapped resource for us,’ says Greg Simons, director of the Texas Wildlife Association. ‘And that’s one of the reasons we now have some unique programs that are designed to facilitate and cultivate that interest.’” (Source: ABC News Online) Read the full article at <http://abcnews.go.com/WN/story?id=6016291&page=1>.

## South Africa: White Lions Make History At Reserve

“Rare white lions have been released into the wild at Sanbona wildlife reserve, making the Klein Karoo wildlife reserve home to what’s believed to be the only free-roaming white lions in the world... The reserve, in 2003, procured two white lions, one male and one female, as the basis for an ambitious project - to re-establish the first wild, self sustaining white lions since their removal from the Timbavati region in the 1970s... Spokesperson Veronique von Rehbinder said white lions had been isolated to breeding programmes and circuses over the past few decades and there had been few reported sightings of the rare big cats in natural environments.” (Source: AllAfrica.com) Read the full article at <http://allafrica.com/stories/200810131177.html>.

## Firearms and Ammunition Industry Responds to Minnesota DNR Preliminary Ammunition Study

“NEWTOWN, Conn. – Yesterday, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) released the preliminary results of study of a small sampling of traditional hunting bullets and other types of projectiles used by hunters to look at whether they fragment upon impact and, if so, how far fragments might travel from the wound channel. The DNR was quick

to point out that its report was “preliminary,” had not been peer-reviewed and required further analysis. In response to the report, the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) – the trade association for the firearms industry – released the following statement: The preliminary report found varying results among bullet types, but noted that in some instances fragments were detected ‘further from the wound channel than many hunters might assume.’ The DNR did not, however, conclude that hunters should not use traditional ammunition. Nor did they conclude that the use of traditional hunting ammunition presents a human health risk to hunters. The DNR noted that its goal was to provide hunters with science-based information on which they can make informed choices and the Minnesota Department of Agriculture encouraged hunters to continue to donate venison to the state’s venison donation program.” (Source: [www.NSSF.org](http://www.NSSF.org)) Please read the full article at [http://www.safari-club.org/articles/index.cfm?action=view&Article\\_ID=3389](http://www.safari-club.org/articles/index.cfm?action=view&Article_ID=3389).

### **Second Annual Wildlife Law Course For Lawyers To Be Held at the Safari Club International Convention in Reno**

Safari Club International, in conjunction with the State Bar of Nevada, will be holding the second annual Wildlife Law Continuing Legal Education (CLE) course for lawyers at the 2009 Safari Club International Convention in Reno, Nevada. The CLE course will be held on Saturday, January 24, 2008 from 8:45 A.M. through noon at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa, 3800 S. Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada. The cost of attendance is \$129.00. Attendees will be granted free admission to the SCI Convention for Saturday afternoon. Topics to be discussed include Climate Change Laws and Litigation; Participation and Standing in Wildlife Cases; The Role of Water in Wildlife Management and Conservation; and International Laws and Treaties. Attendance will be limited to 50 participants. Registration is being conducted by the State Bar of Nevada. To download the registration form, please go to [www.nvbar.org/cle/pdf/2009wildlife.pdf](http://www.nvbar.org/cle/pdf/2009wildlife.pdf) and for additional information, please contact SCI Director of Litigation, Anna M. Seidman at [aseidman@safariclub.org](mailto:aseidman@safariclub.org).

### **Budweiser Conservationist of the Year – Voting ends Nov 30th.**

Please take the time to vote for one of these SCI

members and make sure to encourage your family, friends and co-workers to do the same. To vote for Cliff McDonald or Phil Taunton, please go to the Budweiser website at [www.budweiser.com](http://www.budweiser.com). After entering the site by inserting your birth date, you then click on the Budweiser button and from the dropdown list, choose “Great Outdoors.” Click the “Vote for Conservationist of the Year” button. Locate either Cliff McDonald or Phil Taunton’s bio and vote for your choice. Alternatively, you can vote by mailing a 3” X 5” card or paper to Budweiser. Cards should be addressed to “2009 Budweiser Conservationist of the Year; P.O. Box 750088, El Paso, TX 88575-0088.” The card should include your name, age, address and the name of the candidate for whom you are voting. The voting deadline is Nov. 30. Persons voting must be 21 years old or older and there is a limit of one vote per person.

### **U.S. Fws reopens public comment period on 2007 proposal to delist northern rocky mountain population of gray wolves**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has reopened the public comment period on its proposal to delist the gray wolves of the northern Rocky Mountains. The public will have until November 28, 2008, to submit their comments to the Federal Rulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> or via U.S. mail or hand delivery to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: RIN 1018-Au53; Division of Policy and Directives Management; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 222; Arlington, VA 22203. The comment opportunity, was published in the Federal Register on October 28, 2008. The FWS is seeking additional information on a variety of topics related to the delisting. More details are available in the Federal Register notice which can be accessed from the Service’s northern Rocky Mountains wolf website: <http://westerngraywolf.fws.gov>. Read the FWS release at <http://www.fws.gov/news/NewsReleases/showNews.cfm?newsId=303B00BC-DD03-F914-B2EED474E7DBB274>.

### **Judge upholds Michigan’s ban on deer baiting, feeding to battle chronic wasting disease**

“LANSING -- A judge Thursday let stand a ban on feeding and baiting deer in Michigan’s Lower Peninsula, ruling the state had authority to issue the emergency rule after its first case of chronic wasting disease was detected... The decision was a blow for



farmers and store owners who sued because they're being hurt financially by the ban. Hunters place piles of bait -- beets, carrots, corn, apples and other produce -- in areas to attract deer...After hearing arguments, Ingham County Circuit Judge Joyce Draganchuk acknowledged that a number of people earn a living by growing and selling the bait. But she said the Michigan Department of Natural Resources based its decision on 'sound scientific management principles.'... 'It did it for the purpose of preserving deer and elk herd so that those who make their living from it may continue to do so in the future,' Draganchuk said of the ban imposed Aug. 26. It's effective for six months and could be extended." (Source: [www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2008/10/judge\\_upholds\\_michigans\\_ban\\_on.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2008/10/judge_upholds_michigans_ban_on.html)).

### **1st Auction of Ivory in Decade Held in Namibia**

"WINDHOEK, Namibia (AP) — The first ivory auction in a decade sold over 7 tons of tusks to Chinese and Japanese bidders Tuesday, raising more than \$1 million for elephant conservation...The sale took place under a special exemption to the international ban on trade in ivory...Last year the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species ruled that Botswana, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe could make a one-time sale of 108 tons of government ivory stocks...Some environmentalists have condemned the sales, fearing it will encourage smuggling and poaching...Tuesday's auction, held behind closed doors in the capital, was monitored by Willem Wijnstekers, CITES Secretary General. In all, 7.2 tons of ivory were sold, fetching a total of \$1.3 million at an average price of \$164 per kilogram (2.2 pounds)... Proceeds will go to the Game Product Trust Fund created in 1999 to promote conservation in communities where elephants range. Most of Namibia's elephants are found outside protected areas and have to compete for land and resources with communities, which often leads to conflict between people and the animals... 'Without a way of benefiting from elephants, elephants can only be seen as a liability or loss to rural communities, who lose significant subsistence crops and even human lives,' Leon Jooste, deputy minister of environment and tourism, told reporters." (Source: AP Online) You can read the full AP article at <http://ap.google.com/article/ALeqM5ibqiZXA2depL-ZG1-Po9HY1b4gshgD943LGG00>.

### **Wyoming Adopts Emergency Rule to Modify State's Wolf Management**

Wyoming Governor Dave Freudenthal and Wyoming Game and Fish Commissioner Jerry Galles have adopted emergency rule changes to address concerns that prompted a Montana District Court to invalidate the delisting of Northern Rocky Mountain wolves. The emergency rule responds to Montana federal District Court Judge Molloy's concerns that Wyoming's wolf management laws did not present a clear picture of how the state would respond to a decrease in wolf numbers on federal lands. The emergency Rule, effective for 120 days, commits the state to maintaining at least 15 breeding pairs within Wyoming's Wolf Trophy Game Management Area, and to increase the number of breeding pairs outside of federal lands, if the number of breeding pairs on National Park Lands diminishes below eight breeding pairs.

### **Wyoming Takes Comment on Revised Wolf Management Plan**

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department has released a draft revised wolf management plan and is taking comment on the revisions until November 10, 2008 on the plan. In addition, the state will be holding two public meetings to discuss the revised plan and to accept public comments. The first meeting will be held in Cody, Wyoming on November 5, 2008, at the Holiday Inn, 1701 Sheridan Avenue, and the second meeting will be held in Lander, Wyoming on November 6, 2008 at the Lander Community Center, 950 Buena Vista Drive. Both meetings will run from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. Written comments may also be submitted by mail or fax to "Wolf Plan Comments, Attn: Bea Pepper, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82006, Fax: (307) 777-4650." In the revised plan, Wyoming has committed to maintaining at least 15 breeding pairs of wolves and 150 individual wolves in Wyoming's established Trophy Game Management Area. In addition, the plan explains Wyoming's strategies if wolf numbers on federal lands drop below eight breeding pairs.

### **Encourage Other SCI Members to Sign-Up for Crosshairs**

"In the Crosshairs" is one of SCI's most effective communication tools to inform members of issues of concern from around the world that effect hunting, hunters and wildlife conservation. If you know of

Safari Club members or chapter members who do not currently receive "In the Crosshairs", please encourage them to sign up. Members should send their email to Nelson Freeman at [crosshairs@safariclub.org](mailto:crosshairs@safariclub.org).

### **Have Gun, Will Travel: Economy Only Grazes Hunting**

"NEW YORK (Associated Press) - Have gun, will travel - even if the economy's shot...In the heart of South Dakota's pheasant-hunting country, license sales have been strong this fall despite gasoline prices near \$3 a gallon and a looming recession. Ditto for hunting license sales in New York, Utah and Colorado. The leading retailers of outdoor gear, meanwhile, say sales of shotguns, ammunition and warm camouflage clothes aren't too bad considering the economy's headwinds...Hunting's popularity has waned slightly in recent years, and American families are tightening their belts as a recession looms, but businesses catering to hunters say the sport's outlook remains relatively healthy during these hard economic times." (Source: CNNMoney Online) Read the full article on the economics of hunting at <http://money.cnn.com/news/newsfeeds/articles/apwire/c254a32acd31132363a8d24c113b3640.htm>.

### **DNR Schedules Bobcat Trapping in Lower Peninsula**

"TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) — Bobcat trapping will resume in Michigan's Lower Peninsula for the first time in three years, a practice that touched off a legal battle between trappers and bear hunters...The Department of Natural Resources on Wednesday set the season for Dec. 10-20 in an area covering most of the northern Lower Peninsula. Bobcat trapping had been illegal there for many years until the state permitted it in 2004 and 2005...But it was discontinued after that because of a lawsuit filed by the Michigan Bear Hunters Association, which contends there aren't enough bobcats in the Lower Peninsula to allow trapping. The animals can be trapped in season across the Upper Peninsula...Hunting bobcats is allowed in the Lower Peninsula. But the bear hunters group says trapping bobcats is a more effective method of taking them than hunting...Earlier this month, Ingham County Circuit Judge Thomas L. Brown sided with the DNR, allowing trapping to resume in the disputed area." (Source: [www.Mlive.com](http://www.Mlive.com))

### **Uganda: Displaced First By War, Now By Elephants**

"Marauding elephants in northern Uganda have added to the challenges faced by civilians trying to rebuild their lives in the wake of 20 years of civil war, destroying their crops and prompting some to return to displaced people's (IDP) camps they had only recently left... 'The villagers are scared of the elephants; some of them have sought refuge in huts they had left in the [IDP] camps,' John Bosco Okullo, a local leader in Amuru District told IRIN... Most affected are hundreds of returnees from six IDP camps - Goma, Anaka, Purongo, Ongako, Corner Nwoya, and Aler, all in Amuru District - whose crops have also been eaten by wildebeest roaming the villages in search of water and pasture...Some of the returnees have had narrow escapes from attacks by wildebeest competing for the same land that the villagers are returning to." (Source: [AllAfrica.com](http://allafrica.com/stories/200810240788.html)) To read more about Uganda's elephants please go to <http://allafrica.com/stories/200810240788.html>.

### **New Jersey Pro-Hunting Bill Passes Senate, Moves to Assembly**

"Today, Thursday, October 23, the New Jersey Senate voted 32 to 6 to pass S802, legislation that authorizes bow hunting on Sundays during the respective deer season dates set by the State Fish and Game Code. The bill now heads to the Assembly for consideration. State Senators Stephen Sweeney (D-3) and Kevin O'Toole (D-40) sponsored this NRA-backed bill along with co-sponsors State Senators Jeff Van Drew (D-1) and Steven Oroho (R-24)...This bill will help expand and solidify sportsmen's rights to enjoy New Jersey's rich hunting heritage." (Source: [www.NRA-ILA.org](http://www.NRA-ILA.org)) Read the full article at <http://www.nraila.org/Legislation/Read.aspx?ID=4220>.

### **Namibia: Country Bans Media at Ivory Auction**

"Namibia raised eyebrows yesterday when it banned the media and observers from a once-off ivory auction held under the auspices of the United Nations Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (Cites)...No explanation was given for the news blackout...Newspaper The Namibian said the environment ministry had kept the auction under wraps and quoted sources as saying Chinese and Japanese bidders had arrived in Windhoek on Sunday to view the ivory stocks...Yesterday, in the first of four sales, \$1,1m was raised in the sale of 7,2 tons



of ivory, the first lot of a total 106 tons on offer... Namibia had its auction yesterday, Botswana will have its tomorrow and Zimbabwe and SA would have theirs on November 3 and 6 respectively. It is a once-off sale, with the next due in nine years.” (Source: AllAfrica.com) Read the full article about the ivory sales at <http://allafrica.com/stories/200810290016.html>

### **November 4th is ELECTION DAY**

SCI members, please remember that tomorrow, November 4th is election day all across the United States. If you have not already voted, please make sure you know where you will be voting tomorrow. Contact your local county election board to find out which polling locations are in your area. Every vote will count in this critical election so encourage your fellow hunters to get out and vote as well.

### **Victory for Wildlife Conservation and Predator Management in Alaska**

Safari Club International (SCI) congratulated the voters of Alaska for defeating Measure 2 on their August 26 primary ballot. Measure 2, defeated by a 55% to 44% margin, would have limited the state’s authority to manage predator populations that threaten the state’s wildlife, livestock and even pets... “The true winner in this vote was Alaska’s wildlife,” said SCI president Merle Shepard. “Anti-hunting organizations that ignore science-based conservation should take a lesson from the defeat that Alaskan voters have dealt to them. It’s time for the animal-rights groups to try to understand, once and for all, that Alaska’s professional biologists at the Department of Fish and Game are best qualified to manage the state’s wildlife.”... SCI’s Alaska Chapter president, Eddie Grasser added, “The misinformation spread by the proponents of this ballot initiative was amazing, but not surprising considering these individuals are not Alaskans and do not understand Alaska’s wildlife and ecology. Many organizations rallied together to ensure that Alaskan wildlife management remained the prerogative of the state Department of Fish and Game – not out-of-state extremist groups.” Read SCI’s full release at [www.safariclub.org](http://www.safariclub.org)

### **SCI Advances Hunting/Conservation Interests in Grizzly Bear Litigation**

SCI has filed briefs in two cases in federal district court defending the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s

decision to remove the Yellowstone population of grizzly bears from the list of threatened species under the ESA. This “delisting” returns primary management of the species to Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, paving the way for better management and the possible establishment of grizzly bear hunts in the future when appropriate. There are two cases in Idaho district court and one case in Montana district court. SCI has already filed two briefs and has several more to go. We will keep you posted.

### **Namibia: ‘Elephants Under No Threat’**

“The Ministry of Environment and Tourism says Namibia has more elephants now than at any other time in the last 100 years... Growing at a rate of 3.3 percent per year, the country’s elephant population is more than 20000, up from 16000 in 2004... Minister of Environment and Tourism, Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, said on Monday the entire population especially that of the Kunene Region was healthy and growing, with the levels of consumptive off takes being very conservative and being below the sustainable off takes.” (Source: AllAfrica.com) Read the full article at <http://allafrica.com/stories/200808270368.html>

### **Cougar Hunting Education Courses Being Considered in New Mexico**

The Bozeman Daily Chronicle ran an Associated Press article last Sunday, August 24th in which various organizations in the American west are asking the state of New Mexico to adopt a hunter education course for cougar hunting. A similar education course has been developed and implemented in Colorado. The education course will address specific ways to identify male and female cougars. Enhanced hunter gender identification skills will help to reduce the number of females shot each year and will encourage a continuous breeding population of females. (Source: Bozeman Daily Chronicle)

## Un-Endangered Species

## SCI FIRST FOR HUNTERS

North American wildlife is thriving due to the successful conservation efforts brought forth and funded by hunting sportsmen and women. In fact, NO species has become extinct due to sport hunting. Here are some facts on North America's un-endangered species. (data provided by QDMA, NWFT & USFWS)



### Whitetail Deer:

1900s: less than 500,000



2001: 36 million

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## "I only hunt in Oklahoma; why should I join SCI?"

### Do you need a tool for teaching young adults—or older adults—about the importance of SCI and the importance of their personal involvement in SCI?

On our website ([www.oklahomastationsci.org](http://www.oklahomastationsci.org)), under "Tools", is a presentation that might be useful to you ("[The Importance of SCI in Oklahoma](#)").

These 26 "slides" are a condensed version of the presentation recently used with very positive response at one Oklahoma high school. This is a "pdf" file, so it's very compact.

Topics covered include:

- ...population statistics (how many US and OK residents hunt)
- ...hunting expenditure statistics
- ..."un-endangered" wildlife (conservation success statistics)
- ...statistics regarding the decline in the number of hunters in OK
- ...the purpose of SCI
- ...accomplishments of the Oklahoma Station Chapter of SCI

Feel free to download and use the file; add your own narration.  
Email me if you have questions that I might answer.

Mike Mistelske

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### Wild Turkey:

1890s: nearly extinct



2001: 6.4 million

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# SCI Web Radio Free for Hunters

Tucson, AZ – Safari Club International has launched SCI Web Radio, a free online program available to hunters everywhere. The first program, available now at [www.safariclub.org/webradio](http://www.safariclub.org/webradio) features inside views of important hunting and conservation issues through the eyes and words of SCI President Merle Shepard and President Ex Officio Dennis Anderson. Hunting television star Michael Waddell will wrap up this show with some tales of adventure from his hunting travels.

“Starting SCI Web Radio adds a new dimension to SCI’s communications,” said SCI President Merle Shepard. “Like Safari magazine, Safari Times newsletter and Expedition Safari on television, it will bring to life key issues and concerns for the hunting community.”

“Bringing SCI’s dedication for hunting to the internet can only strengthen the sportsmen’s community as SCI Web Radio will be able to act as a singular voice for hunters everywhere,” said SCI Web Radio Host Jerry Evans. “I am excited to be a part of SCI’s radio program.”

SCI Web Radio is the newest way that SCI’s members and hunters around the world will be entertained and informed on the ever-changing environment that surrounds their passion. From legislative victories, to attacks by anti-hunting groups, to conser-

vation success stories, the online world will be able to hear and see SCI Radio.

Each week will feature a new one-hour show. For radio you can see, visitors will have the opportunity to watch video footage from select interviews. A monthly newsletter is available to all who register their email address with [webradio@safariclub.org](mailto:webradio@safariclub.org). Look every week for the latest news on Safari Club International, First For Hunters at [www.safariclub.org/webradio](http://www.safariclub.org/webradio).

SCI-First For Hunters is the leader in protecting the freedom to hunt and in promoting wildlife conservation worldwide. SCI’s 187 Chapters represent all 50 of the United States as well as 18 other countries. SCI’s proactive leadership in a host of cooperative wildlife conservation, outdoor education and humanitarian programs, with the SCI Foundation and other conservation groups, research institutions and government agencies, empowers sportsmen to be contributing community members and participants in sound wildlife management and conservation. Visit the home page [www.safariclub.org](http://www.safariclub.org) or call (520) 620-1220 for more information.

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# List of March 7th, 2009 Auction Items

(as of 14 November, 2008—subject to change)

See detailed descriptions on following pages

1. Mankazana Safaris, S. Africa E. Cape big game
2. Hollek Company, Vietnam big game
3. Zula Nyala Group, S. Africa photographic safari
4. Chain Ranch, Oklahoma turkey/hog & fishing
5. Chain Ranch, Oklahoma hog
6. Lindsay Fraser Safaris, New Zealand big game
7. International Adventures Unltd., Scotland big game
8. Alaska Legends Adventures, Alaska adventures
9. McDougall Lodge, Alaska fishing
10. MG Hunting Argentina, Argentina bird shooting
11. John Berry-Kimihia Safaris, New Zealand big game
12. Kimber, Caprivi rifle
13. Kimber, 84 Classic Select rifle
14. Flying W Ranch, Kansas pheasants
15. Louisiana Hunters, Louisiana alligator
16. Rawhide Creek Ranch, Oklahoma hunts
17. Pheasant Ridge Hunting, Oklahoma pheasants
18. Lost Creek Elk and Exotics Ranch, Oklahoma big game
19. Viglietti Safaris, Namibia big game
20. Hunt Bud Consulting, S. Dakota big game/pheasants
21. Global Rescue, Global Rescue
22. Adrienne Holmes, Cozumel vacation
23. Wild Game Outfitters, Oklahoma big game
24. Hunt In Europe, Serbia big game
25. Bearpaw Outfitters, US big game
26. SCI - Oklahoma, "1 of 1" Knife
27. Satterlee Custom Rifle, "SCI-OSC 1 of 1"
28. Hunt In Spain, Spain big game & more
29. Fawnie Mountain Outfitters, British Columbia bear hunt
30. Furs by Robert, Mink/Leather vest
31. Furs by Robert, Beaver jacket
32. Action Whitewater Adventures, Idaho Salmon River Rafting
33. Silvertine Wildlife, Saskatchewan big game
34. Leatherwood Arts, original artwork
35. Lieutenant Governor, Oklahoma turkey hunt/shotgun
36. MedjetAssist, Worldwide evacuation
37. BitterCreek Blinds and Boxes, \$1,000 Certificate
38. Hunter RV, 4-day Motorhome Use
39. Trophy Bag Cooler, Large Bag
40. Twin River Lodge, Quebec Caribou
41. Argentine Safari, Argentina Big Game
42. Amazon Tours, Brazil Fishing
43. ExtremeWildlifeCreations, Antler Chandelier
44. ExtremeWildlifeCreations, Antler Table Lamps
45. The Blue Moon Pendant
46. J & R Outfitters, Florida Big Game
47. Brant Hill, Oklahoma Waterfowl
48. Cecil and Sons, \$500.00 Tires
49. Jerry Hale, Idaho Merriam Turkeys
50. Cecil and Sons, \$500.00 Tires
51. David Denies, Argentina Doves
52. Africa Maximum Safaris, S. Africa Big Game
53. Lew Harris Safaris, Zimbabwe Dangerous Game





## Mankazana Safaris EASTERN CAPE SPECIAL!!

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**A VALUED MULTI-YEAR  
SUPPORTER OF OUR  
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Hunt: **OUR ONLY HUNT FOR THE UNIQUE SPECIES  
OF THE EASTERN CAPE:**

Nine days and ten nights for one hunter, all daily fees 1 X 1, plus  
shoulder mounts of three species. Additional hunters and/or observers  
are not required but are welcome at regular rates (2009 rates:  
\$425/day 1 X 1 per hunter; est. \$200/day per observer).

Where: Hunt the foothills of the Winterberg Mountains, in the Eastern Cape of  
the Republic of South Africa

Number of Guests: 1 Hunter



Value: \$5,325.00

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Date(s) of Trip: To be set by mutual agreement 2009/10

Description: The winning bidder will enjoy the special beauty and unique  
species of RSA's Eastern Cape. Mankazana Safaris, named for the Mankazana  
River which flows through this beautiful area of abundant wildlife, encompasses

over 80,000 acres and offers over 30 species of game, some unique to the Eastern Cape.

The hunter will pay regular trophy fees, which are very reasonable and competitive. Species to be hunted include these which are unique to the area:

East Cape kudu  
Cape bushbuck  
Bontebuck  
Black wildebeest  
Vaal rhebok  
Mountain reedbuck  
Cape springbuck



Pickup from and return to the airport in Port Elizabeth is included, or guests may prefer to rent a vehicle and combine their visit to Mankazana with a tour of the Eastern Cape's beautiful ocean coastline. Sidetrips can be arranged for various activities, including a visit to famous Addo National Elephant Park, or for deep-sea fishing.

See Mankazana Safari's website for much additional information.

Taxidermy included in the package (two shoulder mounts up to Kudu-sized animals and one shoulder mount for a springbok-sized species), will be provided by Horne Taxidermy of Port Elizabeth.

SCI-OSC Vice President and frequent African hunter, Mike Mistelske, will assist you in organizing all aspects of your trip. If you are a first-time African hunter, have no worries; Mike will help you with everything.

ADDITIONAL VALUE: Henry Durrheim of RiflePermits.com in Johannesburg will give a 50% discount on his normal \$90/hunter fee for obtaining your RSA firearms license in advance of your arrival. Using such a service is highly recommended.

UNLIKE MANY OF THE HUNTS THAT ARE PROPOSED by African outfitters, where trophy fees are so high that even free daily rates aren't worth it, Mankazana's trophy fees are competitive, and the operation is a superior one.

**The species and the location distinguish this hunt from all other African hunts offered at this fundraiser.**





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**THIS IS A VERY UNIQUE HUNT!  
----FROM A VERY  
FAMOUS OUTFITTER----**



**A VALUED  
MULTI-YEAR  
SUPPORTER  
OF OUR  
CHAPTER!!**

Adventure: 6-day hunt for 1 hunter; buffalo, muntjac, mousedeer, etc.

Where: Vietnam

Date(s) of Trip: March 2009 ONLY (arrive Saigon by approx. the 20<sup>th</sup>)

Value: \$12,500.00 THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

**Description: Thanks to adventurer and author, Harv Hollek, Vietnam is now open to international hunters on a very limited basis. The first such hunts were organized there by Harv just a few year ago. This is unique! You might even see a wild tiger!**

Buffalo, Muntjac, Mousedeer and assorted small game--Harv says that everything is allowed by USF&W and can be imported into the USA with only the local documents. Harv's people prepare your trophy shipment and send it to you by DHL.

Success on water buffalo and mousedeer has been 100%. Muntjac have been taken but are very difficult. Most hunters take various small game if they wish to.

Most hunting is done at night: a combination of slow stalking with a head-lamp, sitting quietly in elevated machans, listening carefully, then switching on a light and making the shot. As a hunter, you will have two guides to yourself. There's even a chance of seeing a tiger!

Here is the itinerary, more-or-less:

Day...

- 1- Arrive Saigon (HMC) sometime in mid March; overnight there.
- 2- Drive approximately six hours and overnight enroute.
- 3- Drive to camp (PANG PA) on the Cambodian border in the highlands (~3 hrs. drive).
- 4-5-6-7-8-9- (6) days of hunting.
- 10-Return to Saigon; stay overnight.
- 11-Return home (unless staying longer to enjoy Saigon).

Everything is included for the hunt: Ground transport from and return to Saigon, guided hunt-guns-ammo-sleeping in huts-food, license, documents, trophy field-prep.

Not Included: All air travel- the overnights in Saigon (2 nights), tips (about \$400.00 per hunter) and anything of an unusual nature. DHL shipping of trophies is estimated at \$750.

A non-hunting companion can stay in Saigon while this hunt goes on, and Harv will have one of his guys take care of this person; they can't come to camp, but Saigon is a great way to spend some time—one of Harv's personal favorites. There is no observer rate, since the non-hunter does not go to camp. Non-hunters pay Harv's guys for the service directly.

A night's stay in Saigon might cost about \$100. Harv says that everything is very economical there.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS HUNT IS A \$500 CREDIT TOWARD TAXIDERMY OF YOUR TOTAL HUNT, FROM AWARD-WINNING TAXIDERMIST SHANNON OSTERTAG, OF REFLECTIONS TAXIDERMY, MONETT, MO; web: [www.reflectionstaxidermy.com](http://www.reflectionstaxidermy.com)

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SCI-OK contact: Mike Mistelske

Safari: 6 Day/6 Night African Photographic Safari For 2 People

Where: South Africa

Number of Guests: 2 Game Viewers

Date(s) of Trip: 2009 or 2010

Value: \$3,950.00

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**OUR VALUED SUPPORTER  
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#### **THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE**

Description: This is a 6 day/6 night African photographic safari for two people each at Zulu Nyala Heritage Safari Lodge or Zulu Nyala Luxury Hemmingway Tented Safari Camp (depending on availability). All of these establishments are luxury air-conditioned and are four star international standard. Stay at one of these lodges situated in the heart of South Africa's Zululand conservation region – one of the richest conservation regions in South Africa. This is "full board", that is three delicious meals per day, prepared by the finest international chefs – with an African flavor of course. You will enjoy two game viewing activities per day, guided by professional game rangers in open game viewing vehicles, in Zulu Nyala game reserve. Additional people accompanying the successful bidders may book at \$2,950/couple, \$1,495/single, and children under 12 at \$975 each. Tailor-made tours within South Africa and neighboring countries can also be arranged.

Not included: airfare, transfers, personal beverages, side trips, phone calls.

This package is non-transferable; be sure we get the right name in our records.  
Winning Bidder – see Mike Mistelske during the Banquet, please!



### CHAIN RANCH

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SCI-OK contact: Mike Mistelske

Hunt & Fish: Two hunters 2 Days/2 Nights for (1 each hunter) 2 Turkeys,  
2 Hogs with fishing.

Where: Chain Ranch, Canton, Oklahoma

Date(s) of Trip: available dates, 2009 or 2010

Number of Hunters: Two Hunters

Value: \$1,300

**ONE OF OUR TOP  
SUPPORTERS FOR  
MANY YEARS!**

Description: The Rio Grande turkey population on the Chain Ranch is simply outstanding! Just ask Dick Kirby, owner of Quaker Boy Game Calls. Dick hunted the ranch in the spring a few years ago and was amazed at the number of turkeys he saw during the two day hunt.

Liberal bag limits in Oklahoma and Kansas allow each hunter to bag several toms during the spring season. The population of long beards on the ranch has never been better. We've harvested more than thirty toms in a single spring season.

Unfortunately for the farmers of Northwest Oklahoma, the hogs are here! This is great news for the off-season hunter. The State of Oklahoma does not recognize hogs as a game species, therefore we can hunt them year around with no bag limits.

Although our club members enjoy hog hunting on the entire ranch, we have set aside a very special area for hog hunting by non-club members as well. Our success rate is about 90% for all hunters. We can accommodate rifle, archery, blackpowder, and pistol hunters. Our average hog killed weights between 150 and 175lbs, but we routinely kill hogs over 300lbs. For some added excitement, ask about our hog hunts with hounds, it will cost you a little extra but it is absolutely some of the most exciting hunting you will do! For available hunting dates, please see our [reservation calendar](#).

All accommodations are available on a fourteen-day advance reservation system. Although kitchen facilities are available, meals are not provided.





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SCI-OK contact: Mike Mistelske

Hunt: Two hunters 1 Day/1 Night for 2 Hogs (1 each hunter).

Where: Chain Ranch, Canton, Oklahoma

Date(s) of Trip: available dates, 2009 or 2010

Number of Hunters: Two Hunters

Value: \$600

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SCI Contact: Mike Mistelske

Hunt: 5-Day Red Stag Hunt  
 With well-known Outfitter

Where: South Island, New Zealand

Number of Hunters: 1

**ONE OF LINDSAY'S HUNTERS HOLDS THE NEW  
 WORLD RECORD ARCHERY RED STAG: 546 3/8" !!**

Value: \$4,800.00 THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Date(s) of Trip: Between March – July, 2009 or 2010

Description: This hunt represents a special opportunity for a hunter to hunt New Zealand's magnificent Red Stag with well-known outfitter and guide, Lindsay Fraser. Lindsay has been guiding SCI members for nearly 20 years and has guided several World Record Red Stags. One of Lindsay's hunters holds the current archery red stag record, an amazing 546"! Lindsay has been nominated for SCI International Professional Hunter of the Year four times (2000, 2001, 2002 & 2003). This hunt is conducted on the beautiful and private Fraser family ranch & estate of approximately 15,000 acres. It is a great and safe trip for family & friends. Many non-hunter activities are available.

---Hunt Mt. Cecil Station & the Southern Alps. Lindsay will outfit and guide this 5-day Silver Medal Red Stag hunt (up to 325 SCI score).

---This is for rifle, bow, or muzzleloader (no handguns).

---Included is 1 x 1 guide service, log hunting lodge accommodations, meals, trophy fee for Silver Medal Red Stag (up to 325 SCI score).

---Not Included - Helicopter costs if requested for access to high country.

---Additional hunters cost 4,300, non-hunters \$1,000. Hunt can be upgraded to include world class Tahr, Fallow, Chamois, Wapiti, Gold Medal Red Stag, bird hunting & small game.

---Arrival/departure point is Christchurch Airport on the South Island of New Zealand.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS HUNT IS A \$500 CREDIT TOWARD TAXIDERMY OF YOUR TOTAL HUNT, FROM AWARD-WINNING TAXIDERMIST SHANNON OSTERTAG, OF REFLECTIONS TAXIDERMY, MONETT, MO; web: [www.reflectionstaxidermy.com](http://www.reflectionstaxidermy.com)



# INTERNATIONAL ADVENTURES UNLIMITED



Adventure: 3 Day/5 Night Hunt  
for 2 Roe Bucks

Where: Royal Family's Balmoral Estate in Scotland

Number of Hunters: 1 Hunter

Date(s) of Trip: Mutually agreed date  
during 2010 only

Value: \$6,950.00

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

## INTERNATIONAL ADVENTURES UNLIMITED

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Description: Without question this is one of the most unique and prestigious hunts that people can go on, as only 12 hunters a year are allowed to be guests of the Queen on her Scottish estate. Trip includes: Roundtrip airfare from Will Rogers Int. Airport; accommodations and meals in a Scottish castle; Services of gamekeeper/guide, all trophy fees and licenses. Non-hunters are \$2,950.00 all inclusive with touring of area! Extra hunters and non-hunters welcome at prevailing rates.



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WEB - [www.alaskalegends.com](http://www.alaskalegends.com)

SCI contact: Mike Mistelske

Adventure: Personalized Guided Alaska Fishing, Wildlife Viewing, or other activities

Where: Soldotna, Alaska

Number of Guests: 1 (based on double occupancy\*)

Value: \$2,950 based on double occupancy\*

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SUPPORTERS FOR  
MANY YEARS!**

Date(s) of Trip: 2009 Season only THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE



**A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE THE VARIETY OF ALASKA!:**

Five nights (Monday arrival, Saturday departure) of lodging at the impeccably appointed Alaska Legends Lodge, encapsulated in rich Alaskan Culture; choice of three (3) activities plus exceptional cuisine and complimentary spirits. Fishing from the privacy of the Lodge's Kenai River bank and a soak in the hot tub under the midnight sun will be an experience not to be missed, and impossible to imitate.

**Choose three (3) activities from the following list to create your personalized trip at Alaska Legends Adventure Resort.**

Additional activities (or upgrades to full day charters) may be selected at an additional fee. Other activities may be available, such as fly out remote fishing trips, Mt McKinley excursions, etc. Fishing trips are scheduled as spin/bait casting trips unless otherwise requested at time of scheduling. Fishing trips in July must be scheduled as full day charters...and may incur additional fees. You may take one selection more than once. You may chose more than three (3) trips at additional fees.

- ☐ 1/2 Day Kenai River Power Boat Fishing Charter; (Full day upgrade\_\$125\_; July Charter must upgrade)



- ☐ 1/2 Day Kasilof River Drift Fishing Charter; (Full day upgrade\_\$100\_} July trips not available.
- ☐ 1/2 Day Halibut Charter (upgrade to full day Charter \_\$125\_)
- ☐ Canoe Day Trip
- ☐ Dog Sled Adventure
- ☐ Horseback Riding (3 hours)
- ☐ Kenai Fjords Glacier and Wildlife Cruise
- ☐ Sea or High Lake Kayaking
- ☐ River Rafting/Float Trip
- ☐ Guided Glacier Hike
- ☐ Day trip to Homer and Halibut Cove
- ☐ Other as might be available

Not included are: Fishing License (est \$30-\$150, to obtain fishing license online, go to <http://www.admin.adfg.state.ak.us/license/>), Processing & Shipping of Fish, Tax, Gratuity, and Ground or Air Transportation.

*\*The value is \$2950.00 and is for one person based on double occupancy (current single person supplement is an additional fee if not bringing companion; 2008 supplement was \$1,150). Additional persons may come at the current market rate*

Round trip airfare from Anchorage to Soldotna was approx. \$189-195 in 2008, or you can drive from Anchorage in approximately 3 hours. This total package may be upgraded to include additional anglers/sightseers for an additional fee. Expect to catch halibut, salmon and trout or fly-fish from the bank and river fish from boats. You can also experience river and sea kayaking, canoe trips, eco-tours, and guided or self guided hiking, golfing, horseback riding, ATV tours, bike tours, museums, river rafting, float trips, guided glacier tours, clam digging excursions, wildlife and scenic photography to include brown bears and more. If all this wears you out, you could always have a soak in the hot tub that overlooks the serenity of the Kenai River just a few footsteps away, after a gourmet meal that has been prepared by a professional chef.

FISHING SEASONS (approximate, based on previous years):

May - July 31: King Salmon-Kasilof and Kenai rivers, drift and/or 20 foot power boat.

June 15 - August 7: Sockeye Salmon-bank fish off private bank.

Aug. 15 - Sept.: Silver fishing, Kasilof and Kenai rivers, drift and/or 20 foot power boat.

May - Oct.: Halibut.

June15 (best end of July) – Oct: Trout. Fly-Ins and Remote: June 1- Aug 21.

See Mike Mistelske at the auction to get your trip-planning sheet! Please remember this.



### MCDOUGALL LODGE – ALASKA FISHING

Contact Person: Dave or Leslie Manners  
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SCI contact: Mike Mistelske

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 CHAPTER!!**

Fishing: 6 day/5 Night guided fishing

Where: Alaska (charter from Anchorage)

Number of People: 1 Date(s) of Trip: available dates, June – Sept, 2009 only

Value: \$3,245.00 THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Description: Auction item includes: 6 days/5 nights fully guided fishing, lodge, and meals for 1 person (tackle, rods, reels included). You arrive the morning of the first day, and depart the morning of the sixth day. Your fish will be filleted, frozen, and vacuum packaged. Choice of McDougall Lodge (on Lake Creek) or Talstar Lodge (on the Talachulitna River).

You may upgrade your package to any of McDougall's "combo" trips (2 lodges and multiple rivers) by paying the upgrade fee of \$900\*. If you upgrade, you must bring at least 2 additional guests at regular "combo" prices (\$4,195 per person).

Not included: airfare to/from Anchorage, floatplane (est \$210-310/person roundtrip, depending on selection of lodge), license, gratuities, alcoholic beverages.

SEE MCDOUGALL'S WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

\*Available upgrades to "combo" fishing trips:

---McDougall Lodge and TalStar, Angel Haven, Talaview or Talvista Lodge: add \$900.





## MG Hunting Argentina

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**Adventure:** High-volume dove & pigeon shooting in Cordoba! Four hunters, two days, 1,000-1,500 shots/day/hunter. Includes hunt, lodging, meals.

**Where:** Province of Cordoba, Argentina



**Number of Guests:** 4 Hunters

**Value:** \$4,650.00

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**THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE**

**Date(s) of Trip:** To be set by mutual agreement 2009/10 (year-round hunting)

**Description:** This 2-day hunt is performed at the Province of Cordoba, 800 Km distance from Buenos Aires, one-hour fifteen minutes flight. Cordoba is renowned for being the most important site in the world for dove shooting. Within this area you will be able to shoot 1,000 to 1,500 shots per day to an incredible amount of doves and pigeons.

Our first class Lodge has 6 double-bedroom suites, a large dining area, and comfortable sitting rooms where we get together after a long day of shooting, to have a drink and relax. During our summer months (December – March), hunters and non-hunting companions can enjoy the swimming pool, golf lawn, and tennis and volleyball courts.

Marcelo Gil, owner of MG Hunting, will be hosting you during your stay with his proverbial hospitality and professionalism, putting at your disposal his vast experience.

NON-HUNTING COMPANION: \$ 200 per day per person  
EXTRA HUNTING DAY: \$ 500

If hunters want, MG HUNTING will handle all local travel requisites (hotel reservations, domestic air tickets reservation, etc.).

HUNT INCLUDES:

- Reception and paperwork assistance in all Argentine airports.
- Transfers amongst the different shooting spots of hunting areas in modern all-terrain vehicles and vans.
- Accommodation in own Lodge, close to hunting areas in comfortable double-occupancy suites.
- Regional and international meals and beverages of highest quality (hard drinks inclusive).
- Personalized attention by safari organizers.
- One Bird-boy per hunter.

HUNT DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Gun permits: \$ 100 per firearm (3 max. per hunter)
- Hunting license: \$ 70 per day/per hunter
- Ammunition: \$ 10 (box of 25)
- Tips: (not over) \$ 100 for the entire hunt.
- Domestic flights and layovers in Buenos Aires, telephone calls.

**MEALS AND BEVERAGES:** Meals are generous. The main ingredient is Argentine's world-famous beef. Special menus are prepared upon request (vegetarian, salt-free, etc.). Alcoholic beverages are included in the price (beer, scotch whiskey, champagne, and wines).

**FIREARMS, SHELLS AND EQUIPMENT:** Argentine regulations allow entering up to three firearms maximum per person, at a fee of \$ 100 per gun. If hunters would not want to travel with firearms, MG HUNTING can provide semi-automatic shotguns in 12 and 20 gauge at \$ 40 daily rental. We also have a wide stock of shells in gauges 12, 20, 28 and .410 of the highest quality. We suggest to bring warm clothing for winter months (May to August), and protective earmuffs and glasses. MG Hunting provides everything else.

If hunters would want to require information on MG HUNTING hunts and services, we provide references upon request, of all around the world sportsmen, who have shared safaris with us. We invite you to visit our web site at [www.mghunting.com](http://www.mghunting.com) to see updated photos of our latest hunts and lodges.





## JOHN BERRY – KIMIHIA SAFARIS

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Hunt: Fully-guided 5-day Hunt plus US\$500 trophy fee credit -- for thar, chamois, fallow buck, wapiti, red stag, whitetail, feral ram, feral goat

Where: Southern Alps of New Zealand

Number of Hunters: 1 Hunter

Value: \$3,000.00

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Date(s) of Trip: 2009 or 2010

Description:

The auctioned hunt is a fully-guided 5-day hunt in the Southern Alps of New Zealand. The starting and finishing point is Christchurch. It includes: the services of a professional guide, complimentary road transport to and from the hunt area, full accommodation and meals in a lodge, plus a trophy fee credit of US\$500.

During this hunt the following species may be hunted: thar, chamois, fallow buck, wapiti, red stag, whitetail, feral ram, feral goat. The trophy fees applicable to the individual species are listed below. The preferred hunting periods are between March and August – discuss the best time for your priority trophy with John. Additional days can be added at the normal (US\$500/day) rate. Additional hunters can be added at the discounted rate of US\$400/day. The Non-hunter rate is US\$200/day.

### TROPHY FEES:

RED STAG:     SILVER MEDAL   TO 330 SCI, \$ 4000  
                  GOLD MEDAL    331-350 SCI, \$ 6000  
                  GOLD MEDAL    351-375 SCI, \$8000  
                  GOLD MEDAL    376+ SCI, \$POA  
                  TOP-TEN TYPE RED STAG, INDIVIDUAL BASIS

CHAMOIS:     \$4000  
THAR:         \$4500  
WAPITI:       \$5500 - \$9000  
WHITETAIL:    \$4500  
FALLOW:       \$2500  
ARAPAWA RAM: \$ 650  
NZ GOAT:       \$ 650

HUNTS THAT MAY BE ADDED TO THE AUCTIONED HUNT:

SIKA STAG: (North Island New Zealand) \$5500  
RUSA STAG: (In New Caledonia)         \$6500 (late July and August only)  
BUFFALO: (In Australia)                   \$8500  
BANTENG: (In Australia)                   \$12500  
SAMBAR: (In Australia)                   \$6000  
HOG DEER: (In Australia)                  \$7000  
AXIS: (In Australia)                       \$4000  
RUSA, Moluccan (In Australia)             \$4000



## Kimber

Brand new 8400 Caprivi rifle in .458 Lott!

**“America’s Finest Production Sporting Rifle”**



Value: \$3,196

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

24-inch barrel; barrel, chamber and trigger are all match grade.

Three leaf express sight.

Floorplate release button inside the trigger bow.

Kimber scalloped base sets are available (not included).

Approximate Weight: 8lbs. 8oz. Overall Length (inches): 44.5

Stock: AA French walnut; Ebony forend tip; Both pillar and glass bedding; Double cross bolts; Checkering: 24 lines-per-inch; Inletted Howell-style rear swivel stud;

Finish: Hand-rubbed oil

Recoil pad (black) thickness (inches): 1 inch

Steel grip cap

Length of pull: 13.75 inches; Drop at heel: 0.49 inches; Drop at comb: 0.59 inches

Magazine capacity: four rounds

RIGHT-handed action only; Full length Mauser claw extractor

Finish: Matte blue

3-position Model 70-type safety

Adjustable trigger; factory setting (pull) pounds: 3.5-4

**Winning bidder is responsible for costs of shipping, FFL transfer, and tax.**

## Kimber

**Brand new 84 Classic Select rifle in .257 Roberts!**

**“America’s Finest Production Sporting Rifle”**



Value: \$1,273

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

22-inch barrel; barrel, chamber and trigger are all match grade.

Both pillar and glass bedding.

Floorplate release button inside the trigger bow.

Kimber scalloped base sets are available (not included).

Approximate Weight: 5lbs. 13oz. Overall Length (inches): 41.25

Stock: A French walnut; Ebony forend tip; Checkering: 20 lines-per-inch; Finish:

Hand-rubbed oil

Sling swivel studs

Recoil pad (black) thickness (inches): 1 inch

Steel grip cap

Length of pull: 13.63 inches; Drop at heel: 0.54 inches; Drop at comb: 0.43 inches

Magazine capacity: five rounds

RIGHT-handed action only; Full length Mauser claw extractor

Finish: Matte blue

3-position Model 70-type safety

Adjustable trigger; factory setting (pull) pounds: 3.5-4

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## Flying W Ranch



Contact:  
Leon and Nancy Winfrey  
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**OUR VALUED  
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MANY YEARS!**

Hunt: Kansas Pheasant Hunt

Where: Plains, Kansas

Number of Hunters: 2 Hunters

Value: \$1,400

Date(s) of Trip:

October 2009 to March 2010, To be set by mutual agreement

Description:

A fully guided hunt for pheasant for two on the Flying W Ranch. Package includes two days of hunting and two nights lodging, breakfast, lunch, but not dinner, guides and dogs, licenses, and bird preparation for 2 hunters. Hunt may be taken from October 2009 to March 2010 as per mutual agreement.

Past President Bill Lockard gives this hunt a 5 star rating.

## Louisiana Hunters, Inc.



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Web - <http://louisianagator.com/>



Hunt: Fully Guided Alligator Hunt

Where: Near Baton Rouge, LA

Number of Hunters: 1 Hunter and 1  
Non-Hunter

Date(s) of Trip:  
September 6 through October 5  
(approx.), 2009 only

Value: \$3,500.00

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

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CHAPTER FOR MANY YEARS!!**

### Description:

This hunt is for 1 hunter and 1 non-hunter for 3 nights lodging and 3 days hunting. The hunter may keep as a trophy one (1) Alligator up to 9'. You might harvest more than one but you choose the largest!

If the gator is between 9' and 10' then an additional trophy fee of \$1,500 applies. If the gator is 10' or longer, then an additional trophy fee of \$2,000 applies.

There has never been a problem of taking gators 10' or longer! It will be a daytime hunt with bow, rifle, or handgun.

Date of hunt – by mutual agreement – approx. September 6 through October 5, 2009 only (season varies slightly each year).

Includes: pickup and return to airport at Baton Rouge, lodging, all meals and drinks, and meat processing of your trophy gator.

License is \$150 and must be secured through the Outfitter.



## Hunt Rawhide Creek

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Web - [www.huntrawhidecreek.com](http://www.huntrawhidecreek.com)



Hunt Credit: \$1,000 credit toward any whitetail, turkey, waterfowl, or wild quail hunt package (excluding released birds).

Where: NW Oklahoma

Date(s) of Trip: 2009 Hunting Season only

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**Description:**

We offer a world class opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and entertain and impress your valued clients, top employees, family and friends. Our new lodge is 5500 sq. ft. with a full service commercial kitchen, 10 individual bedrooms with queen or full beds, 1 suite with bath, 1 bunk room that will accommodate up to 5 hunters, 3 separate showers and onsite laundry room. Relax after your hunt in our 1800sq. ft. great room. Last season our hunters took several trophy deer from the mid 103's to the upper 150's. Our spring turkey hunts were exceptional with 26 toms taken, 24 over 9 inches. We limited out 85% of the time on waterfowl with great in close shooting over decoys. In one week our hunters took 176 ducks from the same field in 5 hunts!

We offer one of the premier lodges in the country with professional staff and prime hunting locations. To see pictures of the lodge and hunt photos, please visit our web site at [www.huntrawhidecreek.com](http://www.huntrawhidecreek.com).

Apply \$1,000 credit to any of our package hunts listed below:

**Whitetail Deer:**

Hunt the complete season...

...3 \_-month Archery--\$1,500

... 16-day gun--\$3,000

... 9-day Muzzleloader -- \$3,000

plus \$100/day hunted, including meals and lodging

**Wild Bobwhite Quail:**

On the 20,000 acres that we manage we have a great wild Bobwhite Quail population.

Morning or Afternoon Hunts with Guide and Dogs.

Call for prices.

**Rio Grande Turkey:**

2-day or 3-day hunts; 1, 2, or 3 turkeys

\$750-\$1,500, including meals and lodging

**Waterfowl:**

3-day/5-day hunts--\$1,350/\$2,250, including meals and lodging

Morning hunts--\$300

[Also available: upland bird hunts, custom packages, 5 stand sporting clay course, pond fishing.]







### *Pheasant Ridge Hunting*

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**A VALUED MULTI-YEAR  
SUPPORTER OF OUR  
OKLAHOMA CHAPTER!!**

Type of Hunt: 1-day Pheasant Hunt for two

Where: Hooker, Oklahoma (Panhandle)

Date(s) of Trip:

March 2009 (must call); Sept. 2009 - March 2010

Number of Hunters: 2 Hunters  
(plus must bring 2 Paying Hunters @ \$275 ea.)

Value of Auction Hunt: \$550.00

#### Description:

Six birds provided per hunter. Additional birds at \$14 each. Will provide dogs or bring your own. Overnight accommodations are available at \$50 per person. Additional hunters can be booked for a special price. Hunting is in CRP grass. Expect some wild birds to be mixed in.





### Lost Creek Elk and Exotics Ranch

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Phone - (918) 656-3337  
WEB - [www.lostcreekelkandexotics.com](http://www.lostcreekelkandexotics.com)

Hunt: 2 day hunt for choice of exotics, elk, buffalo, whitetails

Where: Wetumka, OK

Number of Hunters: 2 hunters

Value: \$1,500.00 (\$750 per hunter)

Date(s) of Trip: Anytime up to February 28, 2010

Description: DONATION INCLUDES: Transportation on ranch during hunt. Hunters will stay 2 nights at the ranch lodge. Meals and license included.

IMPORTANT: Full value can be applied to upgrade of any and all animals taken. Following is a sampling of species and prices (subject to change):  
Aoudad \$1,000-\$2,500; Black Hawaiian & Mouflon \$600-\$1,500;  
Scimitar Oryx \$3,500 and up; Buffalo \$1,800-\$2,900; Blackbuck \$1,500-\$2,500;  
Nilgai \$1,800-\$2,400; Fallow /Sika Deer \$900-\$2,000; Springbuck \$2,500-\$3,500  
Management animals \$300 and up. Elk & Whitetail POR.

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## VIGLIETTI SAFARIS NAMIBIA

**CONSISTENTLY TOP RATED  
BY OUR MEMBERS!**

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**ONE OF OUR  
VERY BEST  
SUPPORTERS FOR  
MANY YEARS!**

SCI Contact: Mike Mistelske

Hunt: 5 Day Hunt for 1 Hunter for 1 (Each), 1 Hartmanns Zebra, 1 Oryx and 1 Steenbuck or Duiker. ANY ADDITIONAL SECOND TROPHIES OF THESE SPECIES AT HALF PRICE

Where: Northwest Namibia (near Etosha)



Number of Hunters: 1 Hunter

Value: \$4,500.00+ THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Date(s) of Trip: To be set by mutual agreement 2009/10

Description: One hunter to hunt in Northwest Namibia for 5 days for the above mentioned game. We would advise that we have facilities to accommodate four hunters at a time, although Giovanni prefers to work with a maximum of two hunters per hunt. Non-hunting adults are welcome at a rate of \$130 per person/day. Children six or younger are free. Youth seven to 12 are \$65/day. Youth 13 through 18 are \$130/day. Youth may hunt at these daily rates but must always be accompanied by their hunter-parent. Hunters are responsible for air-charter or ground-transportation costs to Lodge, hotel costs before and

after hunt, insurance, taxidermy and shipment of trophies. Please coordinate with Giovanni. Hunters will stay in the Viglietti Lodge and all meals are provided. Included are licenses, trophy fees/daily rates, and laundry. The hunts will take place on private land of approximately 30,000 acres. Additional animals are available for trophy fee only.

A sampling of trophy fees is as follows:

Kudu	\$ 925	Warthog	\$ 445	Klipspringer	\$ 560
Dik-Dik	\$ 845	Giraffe	\$3,000	Springbuck	\$ 450
Blesbuck	\$ 495	Eland	\$1,350	Leopard	\$3,000
Cheetah	\$2,500	Red Hartebeest	\$ 795	Oryx	\$ 795
Zebra	\$ 795	Black Faced Impala	\$1,200		
Baboon	\$ 100	Lynx	\$ 100	Jackal	\$ 100
Wing Shooting at no extra cost					

...Additional hunters are welcome at \$345/day 1 X 1, or \$260/day 2 X 1. Further reductions are available for a group of three or four hunters sharing one guide.

...Additional days may be booked for leopard. All leopard-hunting days are 1X1 @\$450/day.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS HUNT IS A \$500 CREDIT TOWARD TAXIDERMY OF YOUR TOTAL SAFARI, FROM AWARD-WINNING TAXIDERMIST SHANNON OSTERTAG, OF REFLECTIONS TAXIDERMY, MONETT, MO; web: [www.reflectionstaxidermy.com](http://www.reflectionstaxidermy.com)

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## HUNT BUD CONSULTING – S. DAKOTA BIG GAME OR PHEASANT HUNT



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SCI-OK contact: Mike Mistelske



Hunt: EITHER 4-day, Mule Deer or Whitetail Deer or Pronghorn for 2 hunters, OR 3-day Pheasant hunt for 4 hunters, winners' choice!

Where: South Dakota

Date(s) of Trip: To be set by mutual agreement, 2009 or beyond

Value: \$3,250-\$5,000

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

**Description:** John Coulter, owner of Hunt Bud Consulting, is providing us a very unique hunting opportunity with a lot of flexibility! Bidder's choice: you win, you select EITHER the deer/pronghorn hunt (\$3,250 value) OR the pheasant hunt (\$5,000 value). **REMEMBER, BID AS HIGH AS YOU WANT TO GO FOR THE HUNT OF YOUR CHOICE** (we can sell only one). **IF YOU WIN THE BID, YOU CHOOSE THE HUNT.**

**The hunt will be for one species; you decide what you want to do.**

If you choose the deer/pronghorn hunt: (4 days of hunting, 2 hunters, \$3,250 value)

Mule deer is by drawing only, whitetail or pronghorn by drawing or left-over tags (a virtual certainty). John will assist with license applications, including option to try for larger mule deer in western SD. Hunters may enter drawing for preferred license and then, if unsuccessful in drawing, purchase left-over tags for alternate species/area. If you apply and are not successful the first year, you may apply again if you so choose; there is no expiration on this hunt.

If you elect to hunt deer or pronghorn in western South Dakota John, who is a retired teacher, will take you on a tour of area monuments like Mount Rushmore, Devil's Tower, the Crazy Horse Memorial--and of course historic Deadwood!

John Coulter will be your expert "escort" throughout this hunt. John will pick you up at Sioux Falls or Rapid City (depending on what/where you wish to hunt). John will provide ground transport until he returns you to the pickup point.

Not included and must be covered by hunters: SD hunting licenses, travel to SD meeting point and return home, meals + lodging for hunters and escort, fuel for escort's vehicle throughout hunt, tips for escort. Meals and lodging in South Dakota are remarkably reasonable! Lodging is very modest: only about \$25 per hunter based on two people sharing a motel room!

If you choose the pheasant hunt ("hunting college"): (3-day, 4 hunters, \$5,000 value)

Pheasant is by over-the-counter licenses.

As everyone knows all hunting has gotten increasingly expensive and South Dakota pheasant hunting is no different! A fully guided 3-day pheasant hunt at a private lodge in South Dakota routinely sells between \$2,500 to \$3,000 per hunter! John and Andy Coulter who own **Hunt Bud Consulting** are providing us with a unique opportunity with no expiration date. Fly to Sioux Falls, South Dakota or drive to national pheasant hunting Capitol City Mitchell, South Dakota where you will be met by either John or Andy for your full 3 days of hunting and hunting instruction. Some private land will be arranged ahead of time, but much of the hunting will be done in road ditches, on public land, and on the private land we can gain permission to hunt. **You will have to walk and work some for your birds AS YOU WILL NOT BE HUNTING PRIVATE BIRD-INFESTED PROPERTIES, but as pheasants numbers are at all time highs, the Coulters pledge you will be successful. The most important part of this hunting trip is that John and Andy Coulter will teach you the skills you will need to have an incredible South Dakota pheasant hunt YEAR AFTER YEAR for just a fraction of what a fully guided hunt would cost you!** All lodging and meals including your teachers will be at inexpensive local motels and restaurants and are the hunters' expense. **Hunt Bud Consulting** will provide a 4x4 extended cab pickup for your hunting education, but all gasoline used will also be at your expense. Two excellent hunting dogs will be provided by your hosts, but you are encouraged to bring your own dog if you wish! Do not miss this opportunity to learn how to hunt South Dakota pheasants with experienced teachers/hunters/guides and people persons, John and Andy Coulter! **THEY PROMISE TO MAKE THIS HUNTING EDUCATION EXPERIENCE ONE THAT WILL BRING YOU BACK TO SOUTH DAKOTA YEAR AFTER YEAR!**

John, who is the longtime President of MN-WI FNAWS, is an avid hunter and a real people-person. John recently retired after 35 years of teaching and coaching at a public high school in southwestern Minnesota. He promises to make the trip a memorable one for the hunters who purchase either of these unique hunting opportunities!

**REMEMBER, BID FOR THE HUNT YOU WANT; YOU WIN, YOU CHOOSE.  
WE CAN SELL ONLY ONE, AND THAT ONE IS THE WINNER'S CHOICE.**



## GLOBAL RESCUE



**CONTACT:**

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WHERE: "global"

Number of Insured: 1

Dates: commence any time in 2009 after close of auction

Value: \$329

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**Where:** Cozumel, Mexico **Donor:** Adrienne Holmes (405) 715-0811

**When:** Certificate valid for 5 years beginning October, 2007. Excludes most major American holidays.

**Value:** \$ 1113.00 **THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE**





# Wild Game Outfitters



## WILD GAME OUTFITTERS

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SCI-OK contact: Mike Mistelske

## WELCOME TO A NEW SUPPORTER!

Hunt:	5-day elk or whitetail hunt, firearm or archery
Where:	Porum, Oklahoma
Date(s) of Trip:	Sept, 2009 – Feb, 2010
Number of Hunters:	One Hunter
Value:	\$5,250

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE



Jay Barczak, owner of Wild Game Outfitters, is a newcomer to our chapter, but he has already made a BIG impact! It's thanks to Jay that we were able to organize and provide the elk hunt and fishing trip for two Oklahoma military veterans.

For this auction hunt, Jay will provide lodging and meals for one hunter for five days and six nights. Jay will guide the hunter for either bull elk or whitetail buck (hunter's choice) on the Duchess Creek Ranch, near Porum, Oklahoma.

Included is any 5 X 5 bull elk or any whitetail of up to \$5,000 value (approx. 130-150"). The rugged Duchess Creek Ranch has some huge 5 X 5 elk, and even larger bulls up to 8 or more points per side. The Ranch also has some very large whitetail bucks. The hunter may upgrade if he or she would like to.

Also included is a \$300 credit for a shoulder mount of the hunter's trophy elk, or a \$200 credit for a shoulder mount of a trophy whitetail, by Shannon Ostertag of Reflections Taxidermy <http://www.reflectionstaxidermy.com>, Monett, MO.

Not included: OK hunting license, \$20 ODWC tag (purchased at hunt), and tips.



Hunt: Roe deer in Serbia

Where: Serbia

Date(s) of Trip: 2009 or 2010

Number of Hunters: 1 Hunter and  
1 non-hunter

Value: \$5,000

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE



#### HUNT IN EUROPE

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**Hunt In Europe** is a new supporter but comes highly recommended by a Spanish friend who is a world-class hunter and who has taken literally hundreds of roe deer and other European game. **MJMistelske**

**Serbia** has a very big population of roe deer, with very good trophy quality. These animals can be hunted from 16<sup>th</sup> of April to 30<sup>th</sup> of September. Roe deer is hunted in flat grounds from the car, or in forest areas by stalking and waiting. In the period from April to August, as additional trophies it is possible to hunt trophy wild boar and Mouflon sheep. In September, it is possible to hunt Balkan chamois and Red deer as well.

The auction hunt includes five days of meals and lodging, and four days of hunting, for one hunter and one observer, and the trophy fee on one representative roe buck up to 300 grams. Taking additional species is not required, but of course is preferred.



Hunt In Europe can organize visits to national parks, cities and historical monuments. A car and guide can be provided at 300\$ per day.

Included: Airport assistance (Belgrade), gun clearance, ground transportation, meals and lodging during the hunt, professional hunter, skinning, salting and trophy care, hunting license, hunting permit and insurance.

Not included: Airfare; hotel and meals before and after the hunt; trophy packing and shipping, export permits, veterinary certificates and legal order (approx. \$500 per box); taxidermy; 18% Tax.(900 \$) on auction hunt; phone calls and tips.

The guest needs to separately pay possible additional animals as per the price list found in the program, or pay the difference if the first animal is over 300g as per the prices listed below.

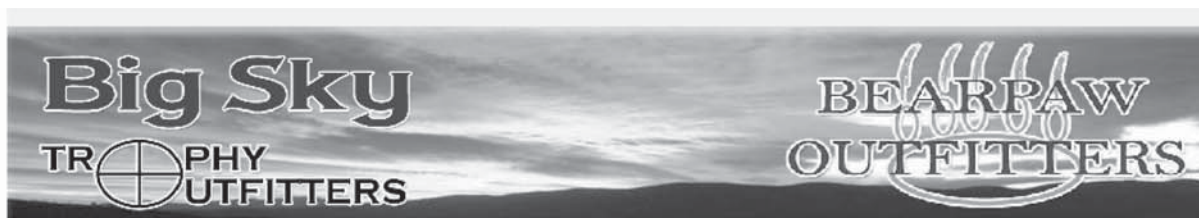
Roe Deer Trophy fees:

300-349 grams	588 + 8,40	USD	each gram over 300 g
350-399 grams	1.008 + 15.10	USD	each gram over 350 g
400-449 grams	1.763 + 17,00	USD	each gram over 400 g
450-500 grams	2.613 + 28,32	USD	each gram over 450 g
Over 500 grams	4.029 + 62,40	USD	each gram over 500 g

Additional animals:

Wild Boar representative trophy	USD 1.900
Wild Boar gold medal	USD 3.700
Muflon sheep gold medal	USD 4.900
Chamois	USD 4.900
Red deer representative trophy	USD 5.900
Red deer bronze or silver medal trophy	USD 8.900

NB. All additional Trophy fees exclude 18% Govt. Tax.



### Bearpaw Outfitters

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At Auction: \$1,000 gift certificate good toward any hunt offered by Bearpaw

Where: Idaho, Montana, Utah, Washington, and other western states

Date(s) of Trip: Any available dates, 2009 or 2010

Value: \$1,000.00 THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Description: Use your \$1,000.00 gift certificate toward any of Dale's trophy hunts, combo hunts, budget hunts, or meat hunts. Most hunts are from \$750 to \$4,950.

See Bearpaw Outfitter's extensive website – hunts for many of our most desirable big-game species, including:

Elk, Mule Deer, Whitetail Deer, Cougar, Moose, Sheep, Pronghorn, etc.





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Anticipated value: \$7,000

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Below is a photo of craftsmanship in progress:



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Adventure: Spanish big game and more!  
Where: NW Spain, near beautiful Salamanca (and close to Portugal)  
Date(s) of Trip: August 15, 2009 – February 15, 2010, subject to availability of outfitter  
Value: \$9,200.00 THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

**Description:** Unlimited hunting days and fee for any trophy fallow buck, even the largest gold medal. The hunt is valid until a trophy bull is collected or wounded. The number of days for this hunt is unlimited, however, the hunt is over if the trophy is collected, wounded or if 3 reasonable chances are missed. Other species of big game are available, but it is not a requirement to take additional species. Many other activities are also available.

Accommodation for this hunt is unique: an 18th century lodge which has been refurbished with all modern facilities. It is based in one of Spain's oldest bull-fighting ranches, where you will be able to see and take pictures of these free, impressive and beautiful animals in the wild and if you enjoy a challenge you are welcome to fight one of them.

If you are keen on culture and tradition, you will enjoy visiting nearby Salamanca, one of the best examples of Romanic and Gothic art in the World. It is full of Roman Bridges, Cathedrals, Castles and Monasteries, and a visit is highly recommended if you come with a companion on this trip. Salamanca was elected the European Capital of Culture in 2002.

**INCLUDED:**

- HUNTING PERMIT TAG-TROPHY FEE-TROPHY SURCHARGES, even GOLD MEDAL
- FULL ACCOMODATION, TRANSPORTATION, & 1x1 PROFESSIONAL HUNTER GUIDE
- RED FOX, if found during the hunt, are also included

**NOT INCLUDED:**

- Hotels while in Madrid
- Hunting license & Insurance: \$290; -Export permit & Veterinary certificates: \$200
- Extra daily rates while hunting other species: \$590/day (discounted from normal \$695); -
- Non hunting companion, \$250/day
- 16% V.A.T.

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## Fawnie Mountain Outfitters

Guided Hunting in British Columbia

\* Moose \* Black Bear \*



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**SEE OSC MEMBER ALLEN ENGLAND'S ARTICLE, PG. 25 OF THE AUGUST ISSUE OF OKLAHOMA SAFARI TRAILS MAGAZINE!**

Type of hunt: One hunter for 6 Days/7 Nights for black bear  
Where: British Columbia, Chilcotin wilderness area  
Date(s) of Trip: May 21-27 & May 29-June 4, 2009 only (no other dates or year)  
Value: US\$4,950.00 THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Description: Guided Black Bear Hunting in British Columbia, rifle or archery.  
Hunt dates are when the bears are fresh from hibernation, and hides are excellent.

This area has a very high population of LARGE color phase black bears, because of excellent habitat and the fact that it is not over hunted. We mainly hunt them only two weeks in the Spring season when they are fresh out of hibernation and concentrated on feeding areas where they are relatively easy to find and stalk. The hides are excellent at that time, much better than coastal bears because of our colder temperatures. Success rates are very high during this time, averaging 170% for many years, because many hunters will shoot two bears. The hides range in size from 5 feet to 8 feet squared.

Our bear hunting camp is located on a fly-in lake 60 miles North of the village of Anahim Lake, where I pick you up with my floatplane. Anahim Lake has daily commercial flights from Vancouver, and you may also drive to Anahim Lake. The camp is right in great bear hunting, with good feed close by. From our bear camp we drive old logging roads that lead through old logged areas that produce excellent feed for the bears. We are able to spot and stalk the bears without long hikes. Often we can glass them from a distance and judge their size. We pick up the hides at the camp soon after the kill and fly them to the freezer at the lodge, insuring no spoilage occurs. Rainbow trout are plentiful at the bear camp, also at the main lodge at Moose Lake, where you may stay and fish after you have shot your bears.

Your hunt is 1x1 guided and includes the kill fee for one bear. You may take a second bear, paying only the US\$900 kill fee. Your hunt also includes the floatplane flight from Anahim Lake, and the delivery of your trophies to a local taxidermist. A second hunter may be added



for US\$4,950 1x1 guided, or the second hunter may share your guide for US\$3,800. As with your hunt, the second person's hunt includes the air charter and the kill fee for one bear; and a second bear may be added for an additional US\$900 kill fee.

Hunting license cost is \$180 CAN. Each bear license costs \$180 CAN. There is a Non-Resident Hunting Preservation Fee of \$125 CAN. All fees are subject to a 5% tax. All guides in BC charge the NRHP fee, and all guides in Canada charge the 5% tax. These license costs, fees, and tax are in addition to the hunt prices but the outfitter will purchase the licenses for you in advance. Any required firearms permit fees, transportation from your origin to Anahim Lake and return, and tips are costs in addition to the hunt fees.

If you've investigated Canadian bear hunts, you've probably found them ranging in price from \$2,500 for the baited tree stand hunts to \$9,000 for a 2-bear hunt on Vancouver Island. The Fawnie Mountain hunt is for the hunter that wants super guides, big bears, quality food and accommodations, many great memories, all at a reasonable price.

Your hosts, the Blackwells have owned and operated this business for 39 years. Some of the guides have been guiding here 13 years, some 11 years, etc. There is a sense of competition among the guides to find the biggest bears. The organization knows how to produce a quality hunting experience for trophy animals.

Suitable rifles are available if a hunter chooses not to bring his/her own. Archery is acceptable. Handguns are not permitted.

A non hunting companion could stay at the lodge, with fishing and hiking as the activities; or may stay in the bear camp and accompany the hunter in the 4x4 and watching/filming the stalk. Fishing is also available at the camp. Cost for the non-hunter is US\$1,500, including the flight in from Anahim Lake.

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4. Our big, plentiful, color phase bears.
5. Our commitment to good service, with no more than 6 bear hunters in camp at one time.

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Adventure: 5 day/4 Night Rafting Trip for 2 people

Where: Main Salmon River, Idaho

Number of Rafter(s): 2

Value: \$2,980.00

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Date(s) of Trip: June 18 – August 21, 2009 only

Description: A 5 day / 4 night white water rafting package for two people on Idaho's famous Main Salmon. The Main Salmon is a premier river which runs through the largest contiguous wilderness area in the lower 48 states. The river is famous for great rapids, beautiful



sandy beaches, varied wildlife and geology, and fantastic scenery. The trip includes 5 days / 4 nights guided rafting. Deluxe meals, custom designed equipment and experienced, personable guides make this a trip of a lifetime. Winner is responsible for 3% Forest Service fees and \$4 per person per day Local Forest Retention fees. These will need to be paid by the recipient and will be calculated when specific dates are selected.

The Main Salmon is a great trip for families and groups of friends. Because Action Whitewater uses three different types of boats, there is something for everyone. The trip is as relaxing or adventurous as you want it to be. And, as part of the package, the winner receives a 10% discount on additional adult Main Salmon trips.

Many have called their trips on the Main Salmon “the best vacation they've ever taken”. With 50 years experience on the Salmon river, Action Whitewater guarantees an unforgettable, once-in-a-lifetime adventure!

The trip includes:

- ...5 Days / 4 Nights guided rafting
- ...All equipment including tents, sleeping bags, comfortable cots, waterproof gear bags, waterproof day bag, all rafting gear
- ...Deluxe meals while on river featuring halibut, salmon, New York cut steak with all the trimmings
- ...Transportation from Salmon, Idaho, to river put-in and river take-out to McCall, Idaho.

Not included:

- ...Winner is responsible for 3% Forest Service fees and Local Forest Retention fees of \$4/day/person

Action Whitewater offers inexpensive optional local travel packages for your convenience (including lodging, air charters and car shuttles), whether you are flying or driving into Boise, or driving to Salmon (see their website).

Take along some friends; adults will get a 10% discount off the regular adult price of \$1,490 (every two adults will save almost \$300!); youth 16 and under are \$995 each.



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Hunt: Fully-guided 3-day hunt plus \$1,900 trophy fee credit

Where: Saskatchewan

Number of Hunters: 2 Hunters

Value: \$3,000.00 CREDIT      THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Date(s) of Trip: between approximately July 15, 2009, and February 19, 2010



Description: This hunt credit is a 2x1 hunt for 2 hunters, species of their choice (4 species of Elk, 2 species of Bison, Whitetail or Mule Deer to choose from). The auctioned credit covers "Preserve Fee" for both hunters (\$1,100 value) plus a \$1,900 "Trophy Fee" credit to be shared between the two clients as they see fit, for a total value of \$3,000.00US.

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- Transportation to and from Saskatoon.
- Field preparation and initial preparation of your meat and cape, and preparation of antlers for transportation.
- SCI scoring, and photos taken, and standard paid entry into SCI trophy record book.
- Use of shooting range and Archery targets.
- Export permit provided.
- \$1,900.00US credit towards "Trophy Fees" or Packaged hunt combos.

Not-included in your hunt credit:

- Balance owing on any Trophy Fees on Big Game Taken.
- Alcoholic beverages. We do allow responsible drinking in our lodge, as long as the other guests are all in agreement.
- Gratuities.

## P. Kelley Original Artwork from Leatherwood Arts

### “OKLAHOMA STATION CHAPTER 2009”

VALUE: \$3,200

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**This will be special—an original only for our chapter! Sorry, no photo yet, but here’s something to whet your appetite, in the artist’s own words...**

Wildlife feather art has long been the focal point of my artwork for many years. Beginning with the Bass Pro Outdoor World stores in 1995 my unique art of portraying wildlife on the unusual canvas of the authentic turkey feathers has also offered me the opportunity to acquaint myself with many interesting and dedicated wildlife conservation organizations with Safari Club International being new for the 2008-09 banquet season.

By using the authentic turkey tail-feathers as the basis for the background of my wildlife renderings, I am not only taking reference from nature and the awesome wildlife there-in, but actually using a part of nature in the whole creative process.

My art has traveled far and wide, to now be found with the conservation organizations of The Mule Deer Foundation, Quail Unlimited, Safari Club International, Quality Deer Management Association 2009-10, Nite Lite Corp., Wall Street Creations, and other home-decor. retail outlets.

**Your Oklahoma SCI chapter and I are to bring to you at your annual banquet auction fundraiser one of these authentic original oil artworks produced on the full turkey tail-fan. To set the scene for your imagination...*the quietness of snowy solitude is broken only by the caressing of delicate snowflakes and the sheer awareness that the handsome elk couple are no longer alone. In this majestic mountainous setting with the sunset caressing natures landscape, an intruder appears from within the dense forest and will be sure to issue a challenge for the attentions of the more delicate cow. The silence of this snow-laden fall eve is soon to be filled with a challenging bugle and clash of honed antlers.***

**Your unique original will be double matted in rich leather tones with custom detail and framed in solid wood with finished size of 38x46 inches. This is sure to be a collector's piece and invoke interest from the hunter as well as wildlife and nature enthusiast at heart !**

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[Updated 18 Nov, 2008]

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The shotgun is an Escort PS 12 gauge semi-auto with 3"-magnum chamber. The 26" barrel is nickel-chrome-moly with hard-chrome plated bore and outside black chrome finish, ventilated rib and three screw-in choke tubes-Full, Modified, and Improved Cylinder. The shotgun has a synthetic stock in matte black and a positive trigger-guard button safety and cutoff for loading single rounds.





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***The First All Aluminum Hunting Blinds***

Constructed with aluminum tubing and aluminum exterior sheeting, Bittercreek's all-aluminum 6'6" wall height hunting blinds are superior because they are lightweight stand up to the elements and will not rust like steel or rot like wood.

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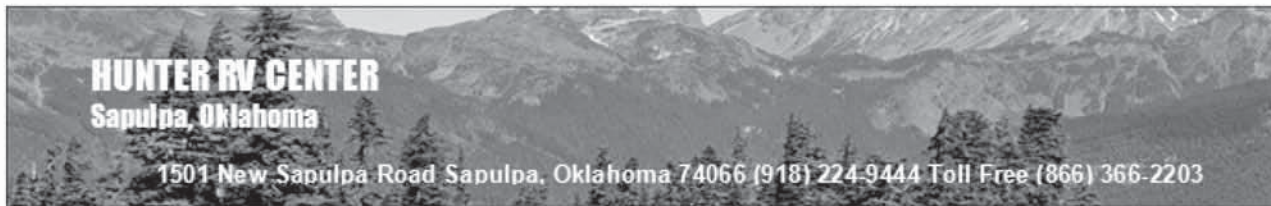
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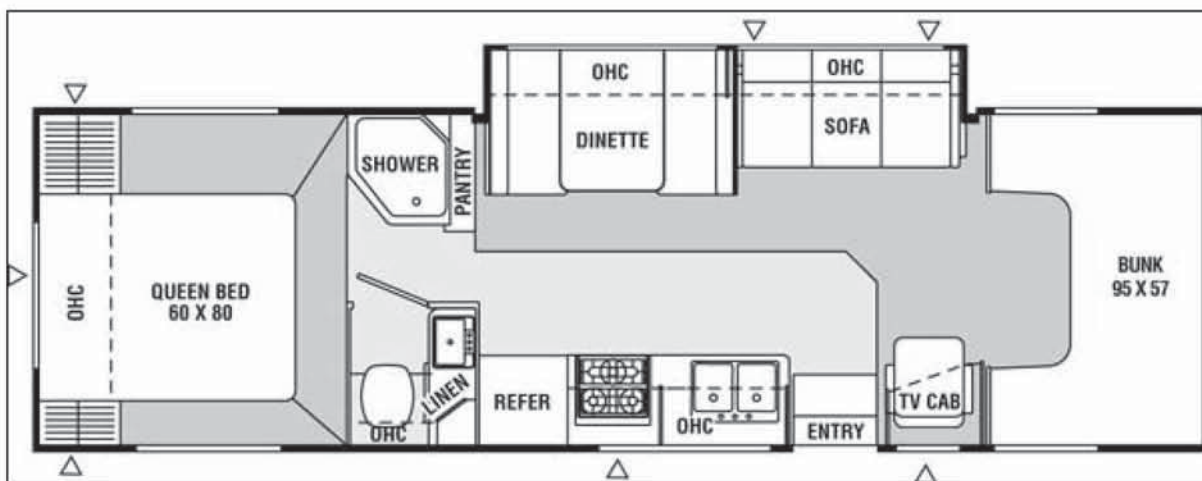
Auction Item: 4-day/3-night use of Class C Motorhome, value \$1,100

Contact: Jim Dickson, Hunter RV, 918-224-9444 SCI contact: Mike Mistelske



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## TROPHY BAG KOOLER, LLC

### Contact Person:

Steve Glass

P. O. Box 1159

Bethany, OK 73008

Phone - 866-789-6941

EMAIL: TrophyBagKooler@yahoo.com

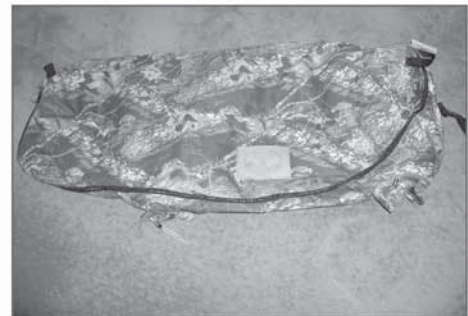
WEB: www.TrophyBagKooler.com

SCI-OK contact: Sam Munhollon

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1 Large Trophy Bag Cooler bag

Value: \$229.95 M.S.R.P



The 600D polyester outer shell in the new Mossy Oak Break-up® pattern has the durability to last for years.

Description: The Trophy Bag Cooler™ was developed to provide hunters with an alternative solution to help preserve the quality of the game they harvest, such as deer, antelope or hogs.

The Trophy Bag Cooler™ allows a hunter to pack the harvested game on ice to maintain sufficient temperatures of 36 to 40 degrees, when warm weather is a factor. The unit provides a suitable environment for the cape of the animal and helps prevent slippage if the hunter chooses to mount the trophy. It also helps keep out flies and bugs that are attracted during warm weather. The thermal radiant barrier energy shield with anti-microbial properties provides added protection needed to help prevent the growth of mold, mildew and bacteria.



This product is an ideal short-term portable storage unit that is suitable for transporting the harvested animal to the processor or taxidermist. And it's made right here in Oklahoma USA!



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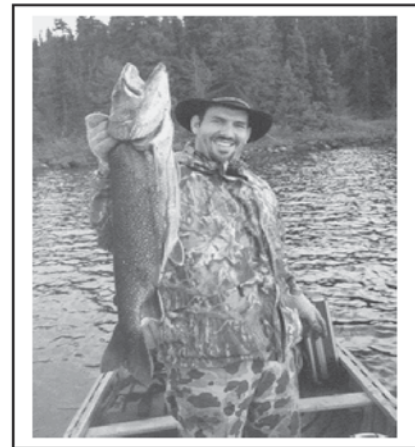
Contact: Andre ThrelFall

Phone: 888-674-0292 or 450-569-0015

Email: [info@twinriverlodge.com](mailto:info@twinriverlodge.com)

Web: <http://www.twinriverlodge.com/>

SCI contact: Mike Mistelske



THE HUNT: 7-Days/6-Nights for Quebec-Labrador  
Caribou (daily fees and trophy fees)

HOW MANY HUNTERS: Two

WHERE: Quebec

WHEN: available dates in mid-Aug/mid-Sep, 2009/10

VALUE: \$5,590 (\$2,495/hunter for hunt; \$300/hunter  
for taxidermy credit from Lewis Clary\*)

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

DESCRIPTION: Two hunters will enjoy this 7-day/6-night trip (5 full days of hunting) on which each is permitted to take two caribou. Items included and excluded are detailed below.

**This hunt is typically excellent for both rifle and bow (lots of cover).**

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- We decide your hunting camp at your arrival according to migration at that specific time
- We keep a very high success ratio on 2 bulls years after years
- We have more privacy cabin for 2 or 4 Hunters All camps are solid, oil heated with a generator and hot shower

All camps are situated from 53 to 156 miles out of Schefferville and are spread out East, West and North in Quebec so that we will have caribou at all time.

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bunkhouses, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, hot shower, first aid kits, satellite phone, two boats with motors, unlimited gas and life jackets, radio contact with base camp, guides and one cook.

**THE AUCTIONED PACKAGE INCLUDES...(\$2,795 VALUE PER HUNTER):**

- Customer reception in Montreal and Schefferville
- Free lodging in Schefferville if necessary
- Experienced guides—5 full days of hunting
- Free Fishing & Bear hunting (hunter buys licenses)
- Cabin for 2 Hunters
- All meals while in camp
- Hot showers
- Field preparation of game and 1 full or 2 split rack
- Meat processing
- Three plastic meat boxes
- Satellite communication in camp for security
- Free moving if necessary
- 7 Days, 6 Nights (incl. days in and out of camp)
- Two caribou limit per hunter
- Hunting in one of our 19 hunting sites depending on the caribou migrations
- Taxes on above items
- \$300/hunter discount on taxidermy from Lewis Clary

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**Not included, but necessary:**

- Roundtrip air transportation from Montreal to Schefferville (expensive)
- Bush plane in/out of camp (expensive)
- 70 lbs personal baggage allowance on flights from Montreal to camp
- Return of game and rack(s) from camp to Schefferville and on to Montreal
- Cold storage in Schefferville and Montreal
- Hunting license for two caribou
- Taxes on these items

**TWIN RIVER LODGE CAN ORGANIZE AND PROVIDE ALL ABOVE FOR  
\$3,500/HUNTER**

It is strongly advised that all travel from Montreal north be organized by Twin River Lodge. If you organize your own flight to Schefferville, it must be very closely coordinated with Twin River Lodge. Bush plane in/out of camp must be organized by Twin River Lodge.

**YOUR TRANSPORTATION FROM ORIGIN TO MONTREAL IS NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE.**

**Optional:**

- Hotel in Montreal one night on the way up and one night on the way back
- Firearms license if hunting with firearm (no license currently required for bow)
- Hunting license for bear, fishing license (may purchase in Schefferville base camp)
- Caring of caribou
- Return of meat and rack(s) from Montreal to origin
- Tips

**PLEASE THANK LEWIS CLARY, FOR THE 50% DISCOUNT ON TAXIDERMY! (\$300 discount on 1 shoulder mount per hunter) LEWIS CAN BE REACHED AT 405-818-8547.**



## **ARGENTINE SAFARI IS BACK! WELCOME, FORMER SUPPORTER!**

Hunt: 7-day hunt & 1 red stag  
 Where: Argentina (La Pampa)  
 Number of Guests: 1  
 (must be accompanied by a full-paying hunter)  
 Value: \$4,850  
 Date(s) of Trip: March-August, 2009 only  
 (per available dates)

### **ARGENTINE SAFARI**

Contact Person: Luis Bertone  
 EMAIL: [lbertone@hotelcalfucura.com](mailto:lbertone@hotelcalfucura.com)  
 WEB: <http://www.argentinesafari.com>  
 SCI contact: Mike Mistelske

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Description: Seven days of guided hunting for one hunter, including the trophy fee for one red stag up to bronze medal, accommodations in standard double-based room. Observers welcome @\$185/day. May be upgraded to single occupancy and/or to special suite.

### Prices includes:

- Reception at Buenos Aires Airport.
- lodging during all hunt in double-based rooms
- all meals and beverages, quality argentine wine
- preparation and delivery of trophies for exportation
- 1x1 guiding on Reserva La Colorada.

### Excludes:

- Hunting license (US\$350),
- domestic air fares (Buenos Aires - Santa Rosa approx. US\$300 round-trip)
- guns (rifles rented at US\$25/day),
- gun importation permit (US\$100 per firearm),
- transfers between airports (US\$35 per person)
- hotels before and after the hunt.
- Special wines and champagne.

NOTE: daily rate prices are based on double rooms. Single room requirement is available at \$30/day per person.

### **AT LEAST ONE FULL-PAYING HUNTER MUST ACCOMPANY**

ArgentineSafari.com is a hunting company with over 10 years experience organizing hunting trips, both for big game and wing shooting in Argentina. Argentine Safari owns several ranches in the country, including *Reserva La Colorada*, in La Pampa Province, where one can hunt for doves, pigeon and 17 Big Game species, including red stag (or red deer), puma (cougar), water buffalo, axis deer, Russian boar, blackbuck, fallow deer, and others.



Argentine Safari also hunts on *Parque Diana*, in Neuquén Province. This is one of the most exclusive hunting ranches in the country—one of the very few places in South America where the Alpine Ibex and the Père David Deer can be taken. It is also the home of several TOP TEN red stags in the SCI Record Book.

Argentine Safari can also organize high-volume duck, geese (Magellan goose) and perdiz hunting in the Province of Buenos Aires.

Upgrades from the auction hunt may be arranged by the hunter direct with Safari Argentine. See the Argentina Safari website for many ideas on how to expand your visit to Argentina!

#### 2009 TROPHY FEES - Reserva La Colorada.

- Red Deer (Bronze medal).....	\$2,400
- Red Deer (Silver medal).....	\$3,650
- Red Deer (gold medal 285-320 SCI).....	\$5,200
- Red Deer (320 to 350 SCI).....	\$7,500
- Red Deer (350 to 380 SCI).....	\$12,000
- Red Deer (above 380SCI. Top Ten).....	P.O.R.
- European Boar (below 7 inch tusk).....	\$ 650
- European Boar (above 7 inch tusk).....	\$1,250
- Puma (bronze or lower):.....	\$2,700
- Puma (silver):.....	\$3,000
- Puma (gold):.....	\$3,900
- Blackbuck:.....	\$1,150
- Blackbuck (gold medal).....	\$1,750
- Water Buffalo.....	\$2,200
- Water Buffalo (Gold).....	\$3,000
- Axis deer:.....	\$2,250
- Fallow Deer:.....	\$1,300
- Fallow Deer (Gold Medal):.....	\$2,500
- White Lipped peccary:.....	\$1,700
- Collared Peccary:.....	\$1,400
- Feral Goat:.....	\$ 800
- Cameroon Goat.....	\$1,600
- Feral Sheep:.....	\$ 750
- Texas Dall Sheep:.....	\$ 950
- Scottish Black Face Ram.....	\$ 950
- Somalia Ram.....	\$2,000
- Capybara:.....	\$1,100
- Brown Brocket Deer:.....	\$1,700
- Multi-horned ram:.....	\$ 950
- European Mouflon:.....	\$2,800
- Hybrid Mouflon.....	\$2,000

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Contact person: Brenda Tassio  
phone (972)304-1656.

For more information, please visit  
Amazon Tours' website at  
[www.amazontours.com](http://www.amazontours.com)

One angler; six days  
October 2, 2009 to March 13, 2010,  
subject to availability

Value: \$5,950  
**THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE**

SCI contact: Mike Mistelske

## PEACOCK BASS FISHING ADVENTURE IN THE AMAZON

Fish the Rio Negro River for peacock bass with your native guide while staying in a lush tropical paradise. Amazon Tours presents this amazing fishing trip at the luxurious Rio Negro Lodge in Brazil. Amidst a world of tropical birds, pink dolphins and wild orchids, one lucky angler will spend six spectacular days of fishing for peacock bass while seeing the wonders of the Amazon rainforest. Package includes all air charters and ground transfers while in Brazil, lodging, food, open bar, guide in a Nitro bass boat, fishing gear, daily laundry/maid service, local fishing and license. The luxurious Rio Negro Lodge is located in the heart of the Brazilian rainforest, just a 20-minute boat ride from the site where one of Amazon Tours' guests caught the IGFA World Record Peacock of 27 pounds. Not included are transportation costs to/from Manaus, Brazil, passport and visa costs, tips/gratuities and meals last day in Manaus. Trip is non-transferable and must be scheduled during the fishing season which is October 2, 2009 to March 13, 2010, subject to availability.







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- ... There is 9 feet of chain and wire

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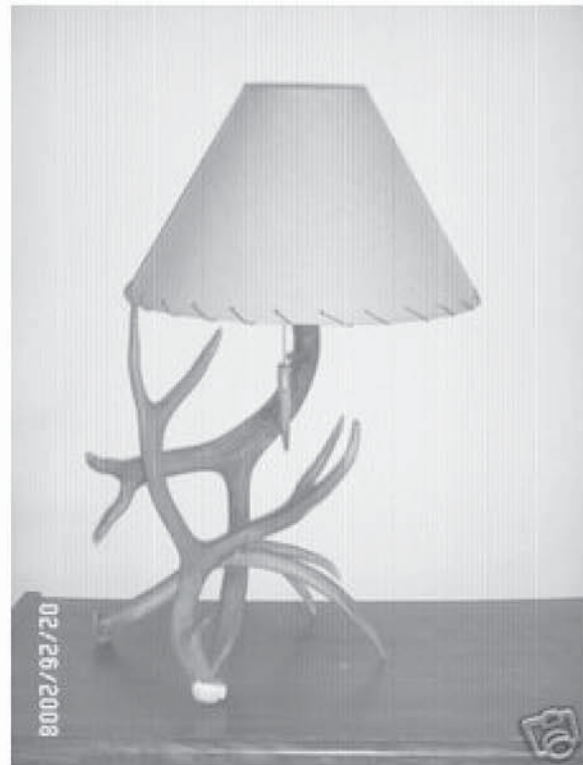
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- ...24 inches high at the top of the light harp that holds the shade
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- ... The lamps can handle any size standard bulb including high efficiency bulbs

**MSRP for the pair: \$350.00 (often sold in stores for \$550.00/pair)**

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## The Blue Moon Pendant!



... 11-12 mm black Tahitian pearl  
... Suspended from a column of 14 descending, bead-set diamonds  
... 18k solid white gold, cabled chain

Value: \$3,975

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

The Blue Moon Pendant represents the mystery, magic and allure of the tropical Tahitian Blue Moon. It is believed that the night the seven stars of the western horizon align to suspend the beautiful Blue Moon, the gentle waters of the Tahitian surf will wash away all earthly burdens. The Blue Moon bathes the islands in luminous beauty.

The Black Tahitian Pearl, cherished by Tahitian royalty as a gift from God, takes a full two years to cultivate within an oyster.



### A Big Game & Wing Shooters Paradise

**WELCOME BACK, FORMER  
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## **J & R OUTFITTERS**

Contact: Joe O'Bannon

Indiantown, FL 34956; (772) 597-4757

Email: [hunting@jroutfitters.com](mailto:hunting@jroutfitters.com)

WEB: [www.jroutfitters.com](http://www.jroutfitters.com)

PLEASE SEE THE WEBSITE FOR  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT  
J & R OUTFITTERS

SCI contact: Mike Mistelske

The hunt: 3-day/2-night for one trophy axis buck

No. of hunters: one (and one guest sharing room)

Where: south Florida When: March-Dec, 2009

VALUE: \$3,350

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE



**INCLUDED:** For 1 hunter and one guest: 3 days of guided hunting, lodging & meals, license, trophy fee for 1 axis buck.

...Additional hunters and observers welcome at regular rates.

...The winning hunter is encouraged to take additional species while enjoying their stay at J & R Outfitters.

Located in South Florida, J & R Outfitters prides itself on being more than just another hunting operation. Although hunting is the name of the game, J & R Outfitters guided trips emphasize the total hunting experience.

J & R operates on 4,000 plus acres of the most picturesque and game-rich land in Florida. Their hunting grounds offer a variety of beautiful scenery, ranging from age-old cabbage and oak hammocks to open prairies.

A variety of game call this land home, including deer, wild hogs, quail, wild turkey, ducks, dove, snipe. A variety of exotic deer and antelope as well as one of the largest herds of Asian Water Buffalo in the United States roam about on J & R's hunting grounds.

J & R Outfitters' staff take care of the entire day, so that the sportsman can simply concentrate on enjoying the serenity of the setting. They'll pick you up at the airport, get you settled into a local hotel or our lodge and take you to the hunting site where the action begins. You will enjoy a comfortable and professional hunt run by knowledgeable and personable hunting guides.



<b>Big game hunt fee per person(1 guide).</b>	<b>1/2 Day</b>	<b>Full Day</b>
Member	125.00	200.00
Non-Member	200.00	350.00
Observer fee	50.00	
Lodging and meals		100.00

### **EXOTIC GAME HUNTS**

**Antelope - Black Buck** (Exotic)

**Antelope - Nilgai** (Exotic)

**Barasingha**

**Buffalo - Water Buffalo**

**Deer - Axis** (Exotic)

**Deer - Fallow** (Exotic)

**Deer - Red** (Exotic)

**Deer-Sika** (Exotic)

**Eland** (Exotic)

**Goat - Angora** (Exotic)

**Goat - Catalina** (Exotic)

**Ibex** (Exotic)

**Pere David**

**Sheep - Barbados** (Exotic)

**Sheep - Corsican** (Exotic)

**Sheep - Dall** (Exotic)

**Sheep - Merino** (Exotic)

**Sheep - Mouflon** (Exotic)

**Sheep - Hawaiian Black** (Exotic)

### **NATIVE GAME HUNTS**

**Deer - Whitetail** (Native)

**Dove** (Native)

**Quail** (Native)

**Turkey**

**Wild Boar** (Native)

### **AFRICAN GAME HUNTS**

### **HUNTING SEASON**

All Year

All year

March - November

October - March

October - March

All year

All year

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All year

March - November

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All year

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All year

September - January

October - January

October - April

Spring

All year

Available during  
Summer

### **HUNTING FEES**

\$2000

\$2500

\$3500 - up plus a \$500 permit fee

\$4000 - \$5000

\$2000 Buck \$500 Doe

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\$500 - \$3500

\$500 - \$2000

\$2500 - \$3500

\$250 - \$700

\$500

Price on request

\$5500

\$250 - \$700

\$500 - \$750

\$500 - \$1500

\$500 - \$600

\$750 - \$2000

\$500

\$1500 - \$3500 & up based on score

\$150

\$335 - \$385

\$2000 includes lodging 2 days & Nights

\$200 Meat hogs \$400 Trophy hogs

Available upon request



## WELCOME TO A NEW SUPPORTER!

Hunt geese and ducks with **Brant Hill of OKC Bad Boy and Titan Buggies!**  
Contact Brant at: 405-812-0217 or [bhill58229@aol.com](mailto:bhill58229@aol.com)

**MAKE ROOM IN YOUR FREEZER!**



The hunt: a full day for geese and ducks (from first light 'til you've had enough)  
How many hunters: two (additional welcome at \$300/day/hunter)  
Where: Oklahoma (within approx. 1 hr's drive of OKC)  
When: Nov, 2009 – Jan, 2010, by agreement with Brant Hill  
VALUE: \$600

Description: You will meet Brant at a location and time (early!) which he will specify in or near OKC. You May ride with Brant, or you may follow in your own 4wd vehicle. Brant has thousands of acres to hunt, all within approximately an hour's drive of OKC. Brant hunts a lot and knows what's going on; he'll take you where the action has been best. The plan is to be in place (Green Head Gear blinds; no pits) and ready to shoot by first light. You shoot 'til you fill your limit or wish to call it a day.

Meals are not provided, so you can bring your own, or for a fee Brant will provide a great home-made breakfast and will pack sandwiches to go. Work this out with Brant when you schedule your hunt.

Additional days may be scheduled and/or additional hunters are welcome at \$300/day. You will need all applicable Oklahoma and Federal licenses/stamps before the hunt date.

See Brant's "OKC BAD BOY BUGGIES" website: <http://www.okcbadboybuggies.com/>





# CECIL & SONS

## Discount Tires

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Contact: Troy Cox      918-245-9655

WEB: [www.ceciltires.com](http://www.ceciltires.com)

Auction Item:      Up to **\$500** toward purchase of tires (use by 31 Aug, 2009)


Cecil and Sons is providing the winner/purchaser's choice of a set of four Cooper tires with a retail purchase price of up to \$500, or a \$500 credit to be applied to the retail purchase of a set of four Cooper tires with a retail purchase price in excess of \$500. Product must be obtained and installed at one of our two retail locations, and must be Cooper brand. Must use by 31 August, 2009.



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## A Special, Personalized Merriam Turkey Hunt in Idaho for Two Hunters!

**Thanks to our friends in the Treasure Valley (Idaho) Chapter of SCI, two lucky hunters will enjoy a very personalized hunt for Merriam turkeys!**

Contact: Jerry Hale  
Home: 208-467-9601  
Cell: 208-941-5703  
Email: jshale39@msn.com

The hunt: Merriam turkey in the Idaho Panhandle

How many hunters: Two

Where: Idaho's Salmon River Breaks

When: approx. 15 April – 25 May,  
2009 or 2010, as may be  
scheduled with Jerry Hale

Value: \$3,000                      THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

Description: Two hunters will arrive together in Boise on day 1 and be picked up by SCI member Jerry Hale. Jerry will drive you the three and a half hours to a cabin in the mountainous Salmon River breaks, elevation approximately 5,000'.

With Jerry and another local turkey expert, you will hunt for up to three days, as necessary to bag your Merriam turkeys. That's days 2, 3, and 4.

Jerry will provide cabin lodging and meals. All you need to bring are your personal items and your shotgun.

On day 5 (or earlier if you finish your hunt and prefer to head out), Jerry will return you to Boise.

Season runs approx. 15 April to 25 May. Jerry advises that late April through early May is best, all things considered. Most years, if you hunt after approx. 05 May, after you take your first tom, you can purchase another tag and hunt for a second tom.

You need to arrange your own transportation to/from Boise, and you'll need to purchase your own over-the-counter license and tags. Ammo for your shotgun is available locally.

If you wish to extend your visit in the Salmon River area, depending on the dates, steelhead and salmon fishing may be open, as may be float trips and other activities. Jerry Hale could help you find contacts for these other adventures, but you would schedule them on your own.





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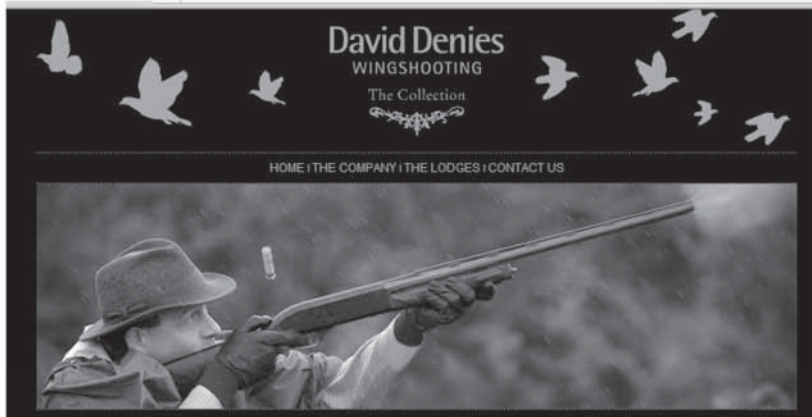


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 Phone: (+54) 114-809-3002/ 0401 ext 106      FAX: (+54) 114-807-2911  
**WEB: <http://www.daviddenties.com>**

SCI contact: Sam Munhollon

The hunt:	Three days of dove shooting and three nights lodging
Where:	Argentina's Cordoba Province, La Dormida Lodge
How many shooters:	Two
When:	March 2009 through May 2010, on available dates
Value:	\$4,740 <b>THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE</b>

**Description:** This hunt is on a private ranch near Cordoba, Argentina and is guided by the staff of David Denies Wingshooting. Lodging is at La Dormida lodge, the finest lodge in the region.

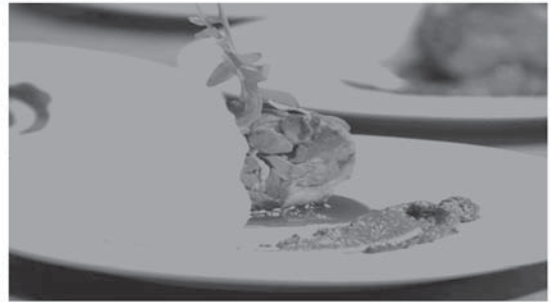
This hunt includes meals, an accommodation based on double occupancy, and guides; but does **not include shotgun shells, gun rental, license (\$65 p/shooter/p/day), airfare, or gratuities.** Outfitter will pick you up from the airport in Cordoba, Argentina. Non-hunters are welcome at \$550 p/person, p/day. Additional Shooters are welcome at \$790 p/person, p/day.

Cordoba is the epicenter of dove shooting in the world, with a typical population of over 40 million doves at any given time, and David Denies was the first, and is still the foremost, outfitter in the region. Starting in 1984, David Denies Wingshooting has years of experience in the area, and in addition to land ownership, they also lease over fifty large land holdings. They make sure that you'll be under waves and waves of birds each day. Experienced bird boys assist in the field each day, where guides make certain you'll see birds at every imaginable angle, all day long. David Denies provides the most exciting and enjoyable dove shooting available.

In addition to the shooting, you'll stay at the LaDormida Lodge during your time in Cordoba. This new lodge has been built from the ground up specifically as an elegant shooting lodge. It



operates exclusively for David Denies dove hunters. Exceptional meals are served, which include ala carte dinners with fine Argentine wines. Amenities, aside from spacious and tasteful guest rooms, include a delightful small pool, game room, and business center with satellite phone, fax, and satellite internet. Horseback riding is available on the property, and there are a number of other attractions nearby in the foothills of the Calamuchita range.



## David Denies.....The Royal Treatment

Please visit David Denies' website for much additional information about their operation.



## AFRICA MAXIMUM SAFARIS

Contact: Jacques Senekal

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Website: [www.africamaximum.com](http://www.africamaximum.com)

### WELCOME BACK TO THIS GREAT ONGOING SUPPORTER!

SCI contacts: Mike Mistelske, Scott Holmes

The Hunt: 6 days and 6 nights guided hunting, plus six animals (2 impala, 2 blesbuck, and 2 springbuck), waterfowl hunting, and taxidermy of 2 springbuck

How many guests: 2 hunters and 2 non-hunters (the 2 hunters will share 1 guide)

Where: Republic of South Africa, NW Province

When: 01 April – 31 Dec, 2009 or 2010, any available dates

Value: \$9,680

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE



Description: Hunt RSA's NorthWest Province with a great repeat supporter!! Two hunters, two non-hunters, six days and nights, six animals included, waterfowl hunting included, taxidermy of two springbuck included!

- If trophies are taken early, client will not be required to suspend the duration of days donated for hunting.
- The hunt may be upgraded, either to 1 on 1 hunt, extra trophies to be hunted, and extra days booked either on hunting or touring, as client wishes to tailor the package. Extra hunter will be @ \$400.00 per day, and extra observer @ \$195.00 per day.
- Trophy animals included are Impala x2, Blesbuck x 2 and Springbuck x 2, and 1 day waterfowl hunt for 2 hunters.
- Many other species may be taken, at trophy fees applicable at time of hunt.
- Also included in package is the taxidermy work for 2 Springbuck by Moredou Taxidermy (shoulder mounts).



- This hunt is available for the 2009/2010 seasons.
- Included is field preparation of trophies.
- Transport to taxidermist, dipping and shipping of trophies is not included in the donation.
- The arrival and departure point will be Johannesburg OR Tambo International Airport.
- No permit drawing or lottery is required for this hunt.
- All transportation during the hunt is included and all transportation is done by vehicle. Special arrangements will be made if client wishes to charter a plane to camp. This will be done at extra cost to the client.
- This auction item excludes the arrival and departure days. Africa Maximum Safaris will fetch clients at the airport and take clients back. On departure day we take clients sight seeing to Pilansberg Park or Sun City resort or shopping at crafts markets. The arrival and departure daily rate is at **\$190.00** per day per person, plus 14% government tax.
- Weapons to be used: 270 caliber and bigger. The limitation on the ammunition is 60 rounds per gun. Alternative weapon to bring is a shotgun for bird shooting. Bow hunters, handgun hunters and black powder will also be accommodated.
- An import permit is required to bring any weapons into South Africa. It is recommended that hunters use RiflePermits.com or a similar service to prepare the permit application and all supporting documentation at least 60 days in advance of their travel. Mike Mistelske can answer questions about this, if you have any.
- **This safari package is only available to first time visitors to Africa Maximum Safaris.**

Africa Maximum Safaris caters for safari tours to Botswana, Kruger Park, Pilanesberg Park and other exciting destinations. If client wishes to upgrade on touring days we will be glad to tailor-make their dream Safari Tour.

PLEASE VISIT **AFRICA MAXIMUM'S** WEBSITE FOR MUCH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THEIR FACILITIES AND THE ACTIVITIES THEY CAN PROVIDE.



LEW HARRIS SAFARIS

**LION & OTHER DANGEROUS  
GAME IN ZIMBABWE!**

Contact: Morgan Harris

Email [info@lhsafaris.com](mailto:info@lhsafaris.com)

WEB: <http://www.lhsafaris.com/>

SCI contact: Mike Mistelske



THE HUNT: 18 days for lion and/or other dangerous game and plains game in Zimbabwe

AT AUCTION: all daily fees [hunter pays very reasonable trophy fees for animals shot]

HOW MANY PERSONS: One hunter and one non-hunter (and a cameraman will be provided)

WHEN: any available dates, 2009 only      WHERE: Zimbabwe

VALUE: \$23,400 (DAILY FEES ONLY)

THIS ITEM HAS A RESERVE PRICE

WITH ANOTHER WELL KNOWN OUTFITTER, COMPARABLE DAILY FEES WOULD NORMALLY SELL FOR OVER **\$40,000**. LEW HARRIS SAFARIS FEELS THEY DELIVER JUST AS GOOD A HUNT AND THE SAME QUALITY SERVICES AS "THE OTHER GUY".

"Lew Harris Safaris was started 1986 by Lew Harris. Since then we have grown into a company that conducts business in 5 countries namely South Africa, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Botswana and Tanzania. We offer quality services at competitive prices with the end result of your trip being a memorable experience of Africa. Our staff are fully qualified in all fields. We have 5 permanent Safari guides trained not only in the knowledge of their surroundings but in other aspects like medical aid, etc. We also have 8 permanent camp staff which include cooks, trackers and camp managers."

**DESCRIPTION: We were going to offer this hunt specifically for one or two species, but this way you can design it to fit your desires...hunt whatever you want to...**

18 days of daily fees -- an opportunity to hunt lion in Zimbabwe

...includes one hunter and one observer (and a cameraman furnished by the outfitter)

...includes fully-edited video of hunt upon conclusion

...hunter chooses which dangerous game he wishes to hunt, including lion and/or elephant and/or leopard (does not have to hunt lion)

...sable may be included



...limited other plains game may be included

...buffalo may not be hunted in this area (but hunt could be expanded to include transfer to other areas for buffalo, hippo, etc.)

...hunter pays trophy fees for what he shoots; examples:

.....lion \$6,500                      .....elephant \$12,000

.....leopard \$3,500                      .....sable \$3,500

...Trophy fees are subject to change, thanks to the government; but the fees stated are current 2009 fees and are not expected to vary significantly, if at all. This is no different from what a hunter must deal with in booking any dangerous-game hunt in Zimbabwe with any outfitter.

...These are all exportable trophy animals, including the elephant (not cows or tuskless or problem-control)

...hunter pays road transfer, currently \$500 (not expected to change)

...there are no air charters required for this hunt; consider this money saved as added value

...hunter pays dip and pack, currently \$600 (not expected to change)

...hunter pays 4% tax on full value of hunt (daily and trophy fees)

...hunter pays tips

...hunter pays all the other usual costs (international airfare, shipping, etc.)

If you complete your hunt in fewer than 18 days, it is your option to depart early, but there will be no refund of the 18 days' daily fees. This is standard on any dangerous game hunt (although to hunt lion, one must often book and pay for at least 21 days—and often at much higher daily rates than what Morgan Harris is offering for this SCI hunt).

Additional days and clients can be added to this hunt when you book your hunt, at \$850/day for hunter, \$250/day for observer, and \$200/day for cameraman(\$1,300/day total—compare that to \$2,225/day with “the other guy”).

Hunter may negotiate directly with Morgan Harris to add species in other areas, including both trophy (exportable) and non-exportable buffalo, non-exportable elephant, hippo, croc, etc. Several of Zimbabwe's plains-game species are also available.

**First and foremost, this is an opportunity to hunt lion. Morgan Harris has only one permit for a male lion available to him in Zimbabwe for the entire year of 2009, and he is making it available exclusively for this hunt! This is a rare opportunity.**

**YOU ARE BIDDING ON 18 DAYS OF DAILY FEES (one hunter, one observer, and the cameraman furnished by the outfitter).**



## Oklahoma Station – Safari Club International



### Application for Lifetime CHAPTER Membership

(You must maintain an active membership in Safari Club International for Lifetime. Chapter Membership in the Oklahoma Station chapter to be in effect.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

(Preferred mailing address if different than above:

Business Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobil/Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Pager (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please check one below)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I support the Oklahoma Station and Safari Club International's goals of conserving wildlife and protecting the hunter. Please enroll me as a *Lifetime Chapter Member*. I understand that this enrollment will entitle me to a permanent subscription to the chapter newsletter, *The Oklahoma Safari Trails*, and all other publications and/or notices that are sent to active chapter members. I am under the age of 65 and am enclosing the lifetime membership fee of \$600 which rate will be in effect until 12-31-08, then the rate will increase to \$750.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I support the Oklahoma Station and Safari Club International's goals of conserving wildlife and protecting the hunter. Please enroll me as a *Lifetime Chapter Member*. I understand that this enrollment will entitle me to a permanent subscription to the chapter newsletter, *The Oklahoma Safari Trails*, and all other publications and/or notices that are sent to active chapter members. I am over the age of 65 and am enclosing the lifetime chapter membership fee of \$400 which rate will be in effect until 12-31-08, then the rate will increase to \$500.

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or charge to my (please check one) \_\_\_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_\_\_ MASTERCARD

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with the appropriate fees to:

Sam C. Munhollon  
Membership Chairman  
10830 N. Bryant  
Oklahoma City, OK 73131

E-Mail: [smunhollon@aol.com](mailto:smunhollon@aol.com)

Office Telephone Numbers: (405) 302-4168 --- (877) 838-1234 toll free







## Membership Application

### Oklahoma Station – Safari Club International



#### ADULT CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day/Office Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Pager: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Address, City, State, ZIP: (circle one) Business or Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Check One:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I support the Safari Club International's and the Oklahoma Station Chapter's goals of conserving wildlife and protecting the hunter. Please enroll me as a chapter and national member for **\$85.00**. I realize that my membership fees include a **\$30 chapter membership**. The **national membership fee of \$55** includes an annual subscription to the monthly **Safari Times** newspaper and bimonthly magazine, **The Journal of Safari Bid Game Hunting**.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I support the Safari Club International's and the Oklahoma Stations's goals of conserving wildlife and protecting the hunter. Please enroll me as a **chapter member for \$30.00** I understand that to enroll as a chapter member, I first must be a member in good standing of Safari Club International. My SCI Membership number is \_\_\_\_\_

#### YOUTH CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP (SCI CUB)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day/Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check One:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$30.00** annual fee for national membership & the Oklahoma Station chapter (R1090) membership. This includes an annual subscription to the **Safari Times** newspaper, the bi-monthly **Safari Magazine** the **Oklahoma Safari Trails** newsletter.

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$10.00** annual fee for national membership and Oklahoma Station chapter membership but choosing not to receive SCI publications.

#### OTHER SCI MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS (Check One)

Sportsman's Advocate Membership	_____ Annual \$30 US (USA, Canada, Mexico)	_____ Annual \$55 US (Overseas/Airmail)
Family	_____ Annual \$75 US (USA, Canada, Mexico)	_____ Annual \$100 US (Overseas/Airmail)
National	_____ Annual \$55 US (USA, Canada, Mexico)	
International	_____ Annual \$80 US (Overseas/Airmail)	
Life Member	_____ \$1,500 US (USA, Canada, Mexico)	_____ \$2,000 US (Overseas/Airmail)
Senior Life (60 Years old +)	_____ \$1,250 US (USA, Canada, Mexico)	_____ \$2,000 US (Overseas/Airmail)
Spousal Life	_____ \$750 US (USA, Canada, Mexico, Overseas/Airmail)	

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_, or charge to my (check one) \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Mastercard - Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with appropriate fees to:

Sam C. Munhollon, Membership Chairman  
10830 N. Bryant  
Oklahoma City OK 73131-5017

**Be Santa, and save \$150!!**  
**Give a gift that will literally last a lifetime!!**



**JUST  
IN TIME  
FOR  
CHRISTMAS!**

SCI Chapter Lifetime-Member rates are about to increase!

National member lifetime rates have already increased (sorry, we didn't get any advance notice of that one); but we would like everyone to have a little more notice here in our Oklahoma Chapter, so our chapter lifetime-member rates will not increase until December 31. Then they will go up from the current \$600 to a new \$750 (for those 65 and older, up from the current \$400 to a new \$500).

So...Santa, or Mrs. Santa, or Mom & Dad Santas....

...how about giving that gift that keeps on giving—for a lifetime!

**Contact Sam Munhollon now to buy a lifetime membership for that special someone in your life—or for yourself! Do it now, 'cause it takes time to process! Contact Sam at [smunhollon@aol.com](mailto:smunhollon@aol.com) or 877-838-1234 or 405-302-4130.**

If you or your favorite member is already a National lifetime member, then all you need now is an Oklahoma Station Chapter lifetime membership: \$600 under 65 years of age; \$400 for those 65 and above.

A National lifetime membership is a prerequisite for lifetime membership in our chapter. A National lifetime membership currently costs \$1,500 for anyone under 60 years of age, and \$1,250 for those 60 and above.

**Thanks, Santa!**