

Las Vegas Woods and Waters
Since 1991
GAMEBAG

"all we want to do is hunt and fish and talk about it"



June 2014, Issue 270

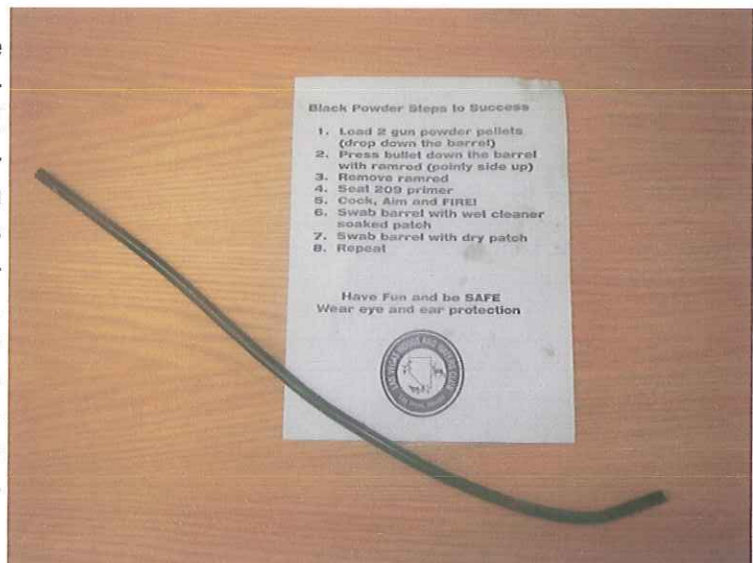
June 11th Lunch Program: Discussion on the "Give Back" program.



BLACK POWDER SHOOT

When: June 14th Where: at the CCSC Sign ups and informal sight in begin at 8am, official shoot begins at 8:45 sharp. The range is reserved till noon. Cost will be \$20 per person and free for kids under 16. Paid members will be eligible for Lewis Class money. We will shoot 5 rounds of black powder at 50 yard targets free hand and then at least 3 rounds (maybe 5) at 100 yards from the bench. We may shoot more if time and supplies allow. The club will provide all shooting supplies for .50 cal guns only (if you have a different caliber bring your own supplies) Don't have a black powder gun? Don't worry we have guns to share and loan, the top finishers the past four years have been with a borrowed gun. The club will provide a light breakfast of coffee and donuts.

I've been the honcho for this event for the past 7 or 8 years and each year it's a struggle to keep this crew in line. Last year I clearly printed the loading/shooting instructions on each shooting table. Ken Johnson always requires some special attention as he usually get's something stuck in his barrel or cant figure out how his gun operates, then there is the guys that forget to remove the ramrod from the barrel. A couple years ago it was John Gorman last year it was Ralph Willits. The gun will shoot fine the target is missed and it renders a good ramrod useless. (See Ralphs rod in the photo)



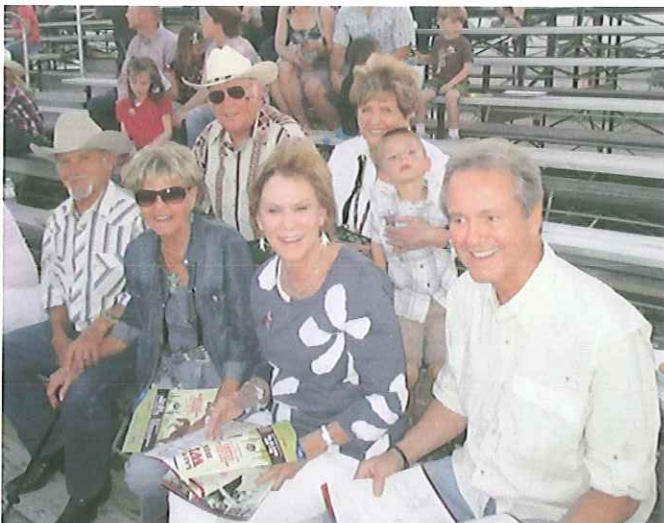
Next meeting Wednesday July 9th, 12 noon at Charlie's Lakeside
located at 8603 W. Sahara (Sahara and Durango) Price \$20



Presidents Message.....Mike Taylor

(Mike doesn't have much on his mind)

Some of the group that went to watch the Helldorado Rodeo last month, it was a beautiful night and the rodeo was exciting and fun. Left: Chris Clineburger and the Ken Johnson family. Right Richard Pabst, Gordon Warren, Mike Reese, Steve Reiter and McKenna Reiter.



Otter Creek Reservoir Trip



On April 11, several club members drove up to Otter Creek Reservoir, a few miles from Antimony, Utah, to fish it and the surrounding area. The anglers were Ray Crump, Larry Cusimano, Neil Dille, Mark Forsstrom, Mark Gallear, Ken Johnson, Steve Lindner, Rod Maly, Richard Pabst, and Gordon Warren. Two non-members, Harry Dobson and Steve Scott, also joined us. Most of us stayed at the Rockin' R Ranch while we fished the reservoir area on the 12th.

On the afternoon of the 11th, prior to our fishing contest, Lindner and Maly fly fished the Sevier River that borders the road for the last few miles to the Ranch. Surprisingly, they caught many 20-inch

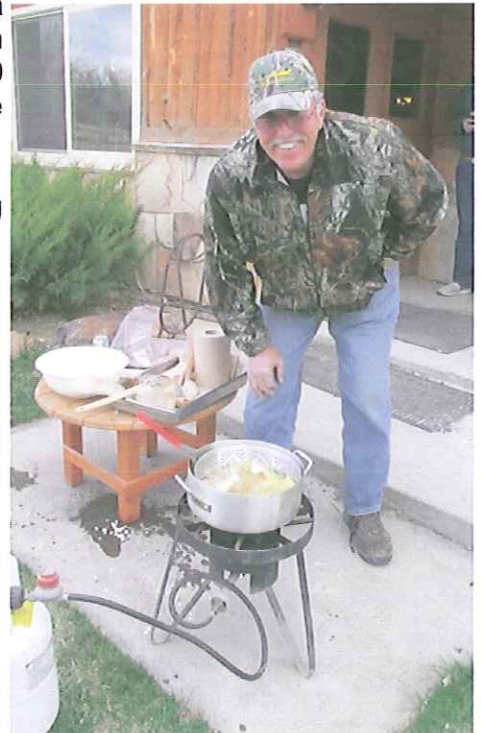
rainbow and brown trout in the so-called river that looks more like a wide irrigation ditch with its mud bottom. Meanwhile, Forsstrom and Dobson were catching lots of trout in Panguitch (Paiute for big fish) Lake before driving up to Otter Creek on the 12th.

Fishing began in earnest for most of us on the 12th, with a few hopefuls heading for the Sevier after hearing the fish tales told by Maly and Lindner. Unfortunately, we didn't have the same luck and mostly caught suckers, which seemed more appropriate for that less-than-blue-ribbon water. Guys, are you sure about those "trout"? Those who fished the reservoir had mixed results that day. Boaters generally did better. Using Powerbait, they found the trout hovering just above the bottom. In the afternoon, a stiff wind came up that made boating less attractive and drove fishermen to the shore. Club members watched an unknown threesome casting flies (whose type they wouldn't reveal) about twenty feet from shore and catching and releasing large trout every few minutes. Our intrepid fly fishermen vainly tried to duplicate their success. Despite frequently changing patterns, they couldn't match the threesome's catch rate.

Our top fisherman of the day was Dobson, a former club member, who caught 18 trout. Forsstrom and Gallear each caught 7, Linder caught 6, Cusimano and Scott (a potential club member) caught 4 each, Maly and Warren caught 2, and Pabst caught 1. Some of us had better luck playing poker Friday and Saturday evenings. On Saturday night, in addition to the dinner served by the Ranch, we feasted on deep-fried chunks of trout cooked by Crump who had brought along his fish fryer.

The weather turned colder on Sunday morning and we were hit with some snow and hail as we drove over the pass, reminiscent of the club's last trip to Otter Creek a couple of years ago. Forsstrom later reported that he and Dobson fished Panguitch that day in a snowstorm and each caught about 60 trout on bead head olive wooly buggers with crystal flash. Everyone seemed to have a good time on the trip but the fish.

Right: Cook Ray Crump. Below: Honcho Gordon Warren in the big chair surrounded by part of the fishing group.



NV Spring Turkey 2014 by brian patterson



Nevada is not known for having lots of turkeys but there is a population to hunt within an hours drive of Las Vegas in the Moapa Valley. NDOW has been issuing 10-15 tags for several years now. I have been pretty lucky in the draws, since 2002 (13 years) I have drawn and harvested five (5) turkeys. I had never hunted turkeys before 2002, to this day I have only hunted turkeys in NV so my experience is very limited. However I do think I have figured out the drill where I hunt, all 5 turkeys I've harvested have been taken within 200 yards of each other.

I've gathered some gear; decoy's, calls, face camo etc. but I really don't think I know how to use it that well. Watching a turkey hunt on TV looks pretty simple and I've had some of those close encounter types of experiences calling but I never really know if my calls are saying "come here big boy" or "danger-look out guys".

This year I set up on the opposite side of the field I have hunted in the past. Well before sun up sitting in the dark listening to the birds on the roost. I watch them fly down and work their way out to feed.

Right off I had 4 hens come all the way across the field into my decoys and then they wandered off. That was pretty neat but I can only shoot a tom, so I waited. Soon there were more birds in the field. A tom was headed my way. There were 15-16 birds total with 5 or 6 toms, a tom was leading the way right toward me and the decoys. About 70-80 yards out he hung up, he could sense I was there, (they have fantastic eye sight but)I held still and he calmed and started my way. Just then not far behind me (100-200 yards) in the brush a family of coyotes sounded off and the whole flock of turkeys zipped back across the field to safety.

I messed around chasing birds for awhile before I found 5 big gobblers and 1 hen in an adjacent field. Most of my success has been more of the ambush type where I get into position and sit in a spot that I know the birds want to go. My experience told me they would eventually leave the field headed toward water and some big trees. I got in position hiding in the brush and sat to wait. I was focused on an opening in the brush and small irrigation channel access road they would come across. Out of the corner of my eye another young gobbler had come in behind me. I had him at 12 yards but noticed his beard was only 4-5 inches so I let him walk hoping for one of the bigger 5 toms. A few minutes passed. I was focused on the opening when all of a sudden a flush of feathers, noise and excitement burst into the air right behind me. Two hens had walked in behind me and were within 5-6 feet when they saw me and flushed. I don't know who was more scared, them or me. Great, I thought, all this excitement would keep the 5 gobblers from heading my way. I started to get up and check things out when the lone hen stepped into the opening. She spotted me and looked at me for a few minutes before moving across the road and into the brush. Now where were the 5 gobblers? Soon I saw the bright red head of a gobbler easing into the opening. He stepped to the edge of the field and I dropped him at 39 yards! The other 4 ran off and I had my 5th turkey. He was laying within 50 yards of 3 other birds I had taken in the past years. He had a 9 inch beard and weighed 17.5 lbs. This is my lucky secrete turkey spot, not to be confused with my lucky secrete quail spot. If you draw a tag I might give up my secrete turkey spot but don't ask about my quail spot.



Silhouette Rifle Shoot at CCSC held May 17th.

Results for the shoot last month: top shooter was Al Schoelen, followed by Mark Forsstrom, tie for 3rd with Joe Wyson and James Vallejo, Mike Reese 4th and Tim Wyson in 5th. Fifteen other shooters turned out to have some fun and enjoy a light breakfast provided by the club. One shot per animal, 10 rams at 100 yards, 10 turkeys at 75 yards, 10 Javelina at 50 yards and 10 chickens at 25 yards was the format.

The Gun is Civilized By Maj. L Caudill (Ret)

Human beings only have two ways to deal with one another: reason and force.

If you want me to do something for you, you have a choice of either convincing me via argument, or force me to do your bidding under threat of force. Every human interaction falls into one of those two categories, without exception. Reason or force that's it.

In a truly moral and civilized society, people exclusively interact through persuasion. Force has no place as a valid method of social interaction, and the only thing that removes force from the menu is the personal firearm, as paradoxical as it may sound to some.

When I carry a gun, you cannot deal with me by force. You have to use reason and try to persuade me, because I have a way to negate your threat or employment of force.

The gun is the only personal weapon that puts a 100-pound woman on equal footing with a 220-pound mugger, a 75-year old retiree on equal footing with a 19-year old gang banger, and a single guy on equal footing with a carload of drunk guys with baseball bats. The gun removes the disparity in physical strength, size, or numbers between a potential attacker and a defender.

There are plenty of people who consider the gun as the source of bad force equations. These are the people who think that we'd be more civilized if all guns were removed from society, because a firearm makes it easier for a [armed] mugger to do his job. That, of course, is only true if the mugger's potential victims are mostly disarmed either by choice or by legislative fiat - it has no validity when most of a mugger's potential marks are armed.

People who argue for the banning of arms ask for automatic rule by the young, the strong, and the many, and that's the exact opposite of a civilized society. A mugger, even an armed one, can only make a successful living in a society where the state has granted him a force monopoly.

Then there's the argument that the gun makes confrontations lethal that otherwise would only result in injury. This argument is fallacious in several ways. Without guns involved, confrontations are won by the physically superior party inflicting overwhelming injury on the loser.

People who think that fists, bats, sticks, or stones don't constitute lethal force, watch too much TV, where people take beatings and come out of it with a bloody lip at worst. The fact that the gun makes lethal force easier, works solely in favor of the weaker defender, not the stronger attacker. If both are armed, the field is level.

The gun is the only weapon that's as lethal in the hands of an octogenarian as it is in the hands of a weight lifter. It simply would not work as well as a force equalizer if it wasn't both lethal and easily employable.

When I carry a gun, I don't do so because I am looking for a fight, but because I'm looking to be left alone. The gun at my side means that I cannot be forced, only persuaded. I don't carry it because I'm afraid, but because it enables me to be unafraid. It doesn't limit the actions of those who would interact with me through reason, only the actions of those who would do so by force. It removes force from the equation... And that's why carrying a gun is a civilized act!!

Calendar of Events (tentative at best)

- January- Ice Fishing Cave Lake 25th
Honcho Neil Dille 234-7215
- February- Texas Hold'em Poker Event 15th 6-10pm
Honcho Mike Taylor 245-2012
- March- Annual Banquet South Point 1st 5pm
Honcho Mike Taylor 245-2012
Sunnyside Ice Out 16th
Honcho Brian Patterson 715-2020
- April- Spring Feast and Sporting Clays 19th at CCSC
Honcho Mike Reese 400-6501 Kyle Otto 219-4803
Otter Creek Ice Out Fly Fishing 12th
Honcho Gordon Warren 498-6426
- May- Silhouette Rifle Shoot 17th at CCSC 8am-12pm
Honcho Don Turner 602 799-6466
Eagle Valley Trout Fishing 3rd/4th
Honcho Sean Cassidy 371-1612
- June- Pioche Coyote Hunt and camping fishing 28th
Honcho Joe Luby 290-9590
Black Powder Shoot 14th at CCSC 8am-12pm
Honcho Brian Patterson 715-2020
- July- Archery Shoot 19th at Sportsman's Warehouse
Honcho Sean Cassidy 371-1612
- August- Lake Mead Striper Tournament 16th
Honcho Randy Weaver 460-7829
- September- Yuma AZ Dove hunt 1-2nd
Honcho Russ Johnson 271-0430
Fall Feast and Trap 13th at CCSC
Honcho Mike Reese 400-6501
- October- ? Bowling Pin Shoot ? 19th
Honcho Steve Linder?
- November- Turkey Shoot silhouette 15th rifle or pistol
Honcho Don Turner 602 799-6466
- December- 3 Gun Shoot 13th at "The Range"
Honcho Bob Le Pome 378-3373



Luncheon Dates

(2nd Wed of each month at Charlie's Lakeside)

January 8
February 12
March 12
April 9
May 14
June 11
July 9
August 13
September 10
October 8
November 12
December 10

Marksman of the Year standings

2014 Standings after 2 events

Mike Reese	17 pts
Al Schoelen	15 pts
James Vallejo	13 pts
Tim Wyson	11 pts
Alan Stone	11 pts

Angler of the Year Standings

2014 Standings after 3 events

Neil Dille	19 pts
Ken Johnson	18 pts
Steve Linder	17 pts
Richard Pabst	16 pts
Brian Patterson	15 pts

Honchos needed for some events! Volunteer today!

Marksman of the Year or Angler of the Year Events
Look for info about these and other events in future issues of the GameBag. 7 Marksman events and 4 Angler events in 2014.

"Nothing is impossible, the word itself says 'I'm possible!'"
Audrey Hepburn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUY—SELL— TRADE

Buyers & sellers agree to obey all firearms laws and local regulations in all transactions and hold LVW&W harmless.

New never fired Ruger M77 Hawkeye African .416 cal with muzzlebrake system. \$850 contact Gordon Warren 498-6426 or email ghw2@cox.net

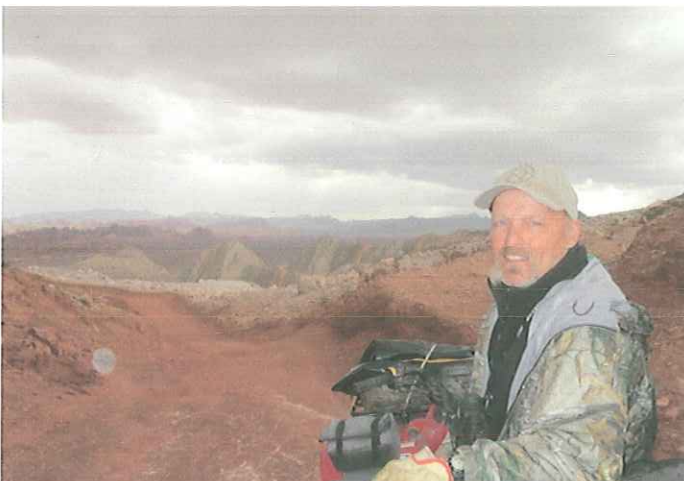
Ray Crump has a 12 foot flat bottom John Boat for sale last registered in NV 2014 will deliver within the Las Vegas valley. \$600 obo contact Ray at 461-7797

Brian Patterson has a Coleman Camp oven for sale, bake some cookies in camp. \$25 call 715-2020

Spring/Summer time: Clean out your garage or gun safe, sell off some of that unwanted stuff to a member of the club, post it here, get extra money to buy more stuff.

NV Hunt Draw results are out you all should know if you drew a tag for this fall. Don't forget to register your ATV. Take good pictures and write up a short story of your hunt to share in the GB.

New members: Welcome to the club make sure president Mike Taylor gets you a new hat at lunch, invite a friend to join the club. If you see a new face at lunch say hi, introduce yourself and welcome the guys to the club. Invite them to one of our next shoots or outings.



Please contact me with comments or articles you want in the GB. Brian Patterson 715-2020 or admin@lvwoodsandwaters.org

In the News/Coming Events

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Next Meeting Tuesday June 17th 5:30pm-9:00 pm at the Clark County Government Center.



Congrats to Cheyenne Willits she became a NRA Distinguished Expert with small bore rifle. She finished with her final target 200 of 200!

Thanks to all the folks at Silver State Shooting Sports Association for all their hard work and dedication to the youth of our community, and believing in, coaching, and encouraging a young lady who kicks my ass most every time there is a trigger to squeeze (dad Ralph).

2014 Officers

President	Mike Taylor
1 ST Vice President	Sean Cassidy
2 nd Vice President	Russ Johnson
Treasurer	Mike Reese
Secretary	Ralph Willits
Warden	Steve Linder
GameBag Editor	Brian Patterson
Past President	Randy Weaver

Club Board of Directors 2014

1 YR TERM	2 YR TERM	3 YR TERM
Gordon Warren	Dallas Snider	Ryan Gagnon
Brian Patterson	Cal Heinbauch	Joe Wyson
Sean Cassidy	Steve Schultz	Blake Swain
Neil Dille	Al Schoelen	Danny Nelson
Steve Rieter	Ralph Willits	Steffen Schneider

The GameBag

Las Vegas Woods and Waters Club
P. O. Box 29081
Las Vegas, Nevada 89126-3081
www. LVWoodsandWaters.com

Email: admin@lvwoodsandwaters.org
702 715-2020

www.LVWoodsandWaters.org

MEMBER APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

P.O. Box 29081 Las Vegas, Nevada 89126-3081

bpatterson@wlbgroup.com

Annual Membership Dues \$48.00 Date _____
New Member Initiation Fee \$15.00
Amount Due with Application \$63.00

INTERESTS (Please circle)

- Bird Hunting
- Big Game Hunting
- Varmint Hunting
- Boating
- Photography
- Skiing -snow
- Flying
- Pistol Shooting
- Single Action Shooting
- Sporting Clays
- Target Shooting
- Dog Handling
- Golf
- Fishing - Ice
- Fishing -Salt
- Own or access to private aircraft? _____
- RVing
- Archery
- Camping
- Diving
- Black Powder
- Backpacking
- Hiking
- Trap
- Skeet
- Kayak/Canoe
- 4 Wheeling
- Rafting
- Fishing - Fresh
- Fishing - Fly
- Skiing - water

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Residence Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Business Name: _____

Spouse's Name _____

Email Address _____

Signature: _____

Recommended by: _____