

*Las Vegas Woods and Waters*  
Since 1991  
**GAMEBAG**

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



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March 12th Lunch Program: Dan Simmons adventurer, explorer, biologist, game warden and author. Dan will discuss tales of his life.

Join us next month **April 19th** for our

# FREE SPRING FEAST & SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT

All members and guests are invited to attend our annual spring feast crawfish boil. This is one of two events held every year where we provide all the food for a fun family get together. We eat crawfish, shrimp, potatoes, sausage etc. and have a fun shoot. This year we will be shooting sporting clays at the Clark County Shooting Complex CCSC We will shoot 50 rounds (bring your own ammo) cost is \$30. Meet us April 19th at 9am for the shooting, contact Mike Reese 400-6501 for more details. This is the first Marksman of the Year shooting event for 2014 so if you have a desire to own the title of the best marksman in the club you don't want to miss the shoot. There will be a small fee for the shoot (\$30) but everything else is free. Kyle Otto, John Gilbert and helpers will be hard pressed to improve on the food from last year, it was awesome and will be again this year I'm sure. So invite friends and neighbors to come out and enjoy an early spring day of nice weather, good food and good social times.



Cook Kyle Otto



the Feast



Clayton Philipp, Mark Forsstrom, Mike Reese

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



## Presidents Message.....Mike Taylor

This is the last Game Bag before our Super Colossal Banquet on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm at South Point Hotel/Casino. A new feature has been added this year; FREE BEER! Nevada Beverage will be hosting an open bar from 5:00 to 6:00 for all their Budweiser products. Many thanks to them and to Sean Cassidy who is responsible for putting this together for us.

Last year's banquet was a sellout so I strongly urge you to get your reservation in early. Seating is limited and you don't want to be left out. And, early registration makes you eligible for our Early Bird Raffle Ticket Deal. We even have a special raffle for a very special gun that's for Members Only and members get a raffle ticket FREE! If you are accustomed to registering at the last minute I urge you not to wait this year.

Look for new things happening in the club this year to make your life happier. Our new website will be expanded and improved so that new memberships and renewals can be done online. We are expanding our monthly events schedule to include more and different events as we, of course, retain all of our old favorites. Our new Chief Warden, Steve Linder, will be aided by Assistant Warden, Don Turner, to look for new ideas, new venues and new events. If you have an idea for an event please contact one of them.

We will also be working to greatly expand our membership. Not just bringing new people into the club, but welcoming them into the club; inviting their ideas and participation. Introducing them to fellow members and to the opportunities that we offer. Encouraging them to share the talents and experiences they have with the rest of us. (If they want to share the location of their secret Honey-Hole for quail, that would also be appreciated.)

And for last, ATTENTION WHINERS. If there's something about the club that you don't like, if there's something that we do too much of, or not enough of, then let me know. Whine where it may do some good. I'm open for changes, for new ideas, for better ways to do stuff. Let me know. Now... let's go have some fun together this year!

Mike Taylor - 702-245-2012 - miket199@gmail.com

### **MEMBERSHIP ROSTER PURGE**

Those members not current by the banquet (March 1st) will be purged from the membership roster. To renew your annual membership, please send in your \$48 to PO Box 29081 Las Vegas, NV 89126, include your updated info, new address or email are the most important.

# Nevada Benefits from Spending by Target Shooters

LAS VEGAS, Nev. -- The National Shooting Sports Foundation has released a major new report about the importance of target shooting activities to the economies of Nevada and the nation. NSSF is the trade association for the firearms, ammunition, hunting and shooting sports industry.

The report, [\*Target Shooting in America: Millions of Shooters, Billions of Dollars\*](#), was released today in conjunction with a press conference at the Shooting, Hunting and Outdoor Trade Show (SHOT Show), the largest trade show of its kind in the world and a showcase for the firearms and ammunition industry.

The report provides a first-ever look at U.S. target shooting-related expenditures. Also included are state-by-state statistics for the number of target shooters, retail sales, taxes and jobs. The target-shooting report complements the *Hunting in America* report released by NSSF and the Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies in March 2013.

In Nevada, target shooting-related spending contributed \$144,039,048 to the state's economy and supported 1,394 jobs.

Nationally, the money target shooters spent in 2011 resulted in \$23 billion being added to the nation's economy and supported more than 185,000 jobs.

"More people target shooting is good news for the industry, and it is equally good news for America's economy," said NSSF President and CEO Steve Sanetti.

Retail sales related to target shooting account for nearly \$10 billion, with rifle and handgun shooting being the leading contributors, followed by shotgun and muzzleloader shooting. California and Texas are the top two states ranked by retail sales.

Combining data from *Target Shooting in America* and *Hunting in America* shows that target shooters and hunters together poured more than \$110 billion into the nation's economy, fueling more than 866,000 jobs. "Communities and businesses of all sizes benefit from these activities," said Sanetti.

Target shooters (\$8.2 billion) and hunters (\$8.4 billion) spend nearly equal amounts on equipment common to both pursuits, such as firearms, ammunition and accessories. Hunters spend more overall than target shooters when factors such as fuel, food, lodging and transportation are included.

"The *Target Shooting in America* and *Hunting in America* reports give us a more complete understanding of the economic importance of the shooting sports to America," said Sanetti. "We've long known about the recreational benefits of these activities, and now we know how much they contribute to our country's financial well-being."



## Sunnyside Ice Out Fishing March 16th

Our second Angler of the Year event is scheduled for this month at Sunnyside. The ice is off and we need to hit the water before the weed growth gets too high by early summer. Brian Patterson will be the honcho 715-2020. I have checked the Solunar Tables and one of the best fishing days in March is Sunday the 16th so that is the day selected for our outing. Sunnyside (the old timers name) or Kirch Wildlife Management Area is located 175 miles north of Vegas just west off highway 318. Take I-15 north 20 miles to the Hwy 93 exit then go 86 miles just past Alamo and Ash Springs to the intersection of hwy 318. Travel approximately 60 miles north to Sunnyside and follow the signs to Kirch. There are 4 small lakes out in the valley floor, we will be fishing the southern most lake, called Haymeadow.

This is a long day, up and back all in the same day, 3 hours travel both ways and 6-8 hours on the water. Some may want to go up on Saturday and camp at the small campground. Plan to meet at the Haymeadow boat ramp at 9am Sunday most fishing is from small boats or float tubes as the lake is surrounded by cattails and shore access is limited to the small dam at the south end. Contact Brian at 715-2020 so he can get a rough head count of those interested in the event.

# Should LVWW Give Back to the community?

The Board is discussing the potential to do some philanthropic activities to give back to the community in some way. The club was founded on the motto that "All we want to do is hunt and fish and talk about it". We have never been a political group, there are plenty of other organizations that do that, we are primarily a social club. All the monies raised have been spent on activities for our own members. After 23 years we currently have a little money in our club coffers so the question has come up, "Should we help others?" Much discuss went back and forth at the last board meeting. Most of the discussion was if anything was done, it should be focused on youth. We talked about Boy Scout or Girl Scout projects, scholarships for members kids, or helping with the archery in schools program currently done by NDOW. These were just some of the ideas and we welcome more from the membership. Founding member Ken Johnson was tasked as the committee chairman to gather more information. See his comments below:

Committee Members,

Last evening board meeting, president Mike Taylor ask me to chair a committee on "Community Giving Back", whereby our club would budget and set up a fund for community contributions to worthwhile projects our club deems worthy of our support. To consider this Randy Weaver, Mike Reese, Ralph Willits volunteered to serve with me on said committee. We were ask to report back to the full board our recommendations at the April board meeting.

I would like to ask each committee member of the "Give Back" committee to email me their thoughts and answer these questions.

1. Their recommendation who we should consider supporting.
2. Annual Dollar maximum amount to budget for the donation moneys
3. How often should we make these donations
4. What are the determining factors for donations to be made.
5. What follow up from the successful donations would be required.
6. OTHER

Since I brought up the proposal and was ask to Chair the Committee because I was not present on the board discussion about this adjenda item nor a member of the board, but showed up for the Banquet Committee meeting following the board meeting. We all have learned if you make a suggestion, miss or even be late to a meeting you can almost count on being elected to be the "Man in the Barrel" HA! But, for this, I don't mind since after 23 years we are in a financial position to contribute back to our community i.e. LVWWC "GIVE BACK".

I will start the ball rolling, Here are my answers w/my suggestions to the above questions to start us off:

1. Target donations- Potential Eagle Scouts
2. \$100 each project accepted /maximum \$1,200 per year donations
3. Monthly, if written request approved by "Give Back" committee
4. Our club would require a written request describing the project and our committee would select one Scout each month to receive \$100 for use on their project.
5. We, the Give Back committee only ask that the potential Eagle Scout submit an article and pictures of the completed project for our use in upcoming issues of the LVWWC monthly Game Bag and/or give a verbal report of their completed badge project at one of our luncheon meetings.
6. We would contact the L.V. Boy Scouts of America LV area counsel, ATTN:Eagle Scouts Service Project to notify them of our offer. This project has been in existence with the Dallas W&W Club through their W&W Foundation and I understand well received by the Boy Scouts organization, the potential Eagle Scout, and their club members. I think this program would be well received by our community and our club. Maybe a FIRST STEP in maybe doing more for our community in the future and affordable to our club.

Please submit your comments and suggestions ASAP and I will follow up sharing each committee members thoughts once received.

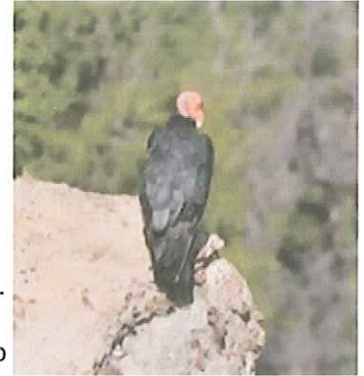
Thanks,  
Ken Johnson, LVWWC 1991  
Chairman GIVE BACK committee

## Arizona hunters deserve recognition for voluntarily reducing lead exposure to California condors

### *Game and Fish asks hunters to continue their voluntary lead reduction efforts this fall*

Hunters in Arizona have proven their long-held commitment to wildlife conservation by voluntarily working to reduce the amount of lead exposure to endangered California condors, and the Arizona Game and Fish Department is encouraging all hunters to join the effort this fall.

In the last six years, 85 to 90 percent of hunters in Arizona's condor range have voluntarily either used non-lead ammunition during their hunts or, if they used lead ammunition, they removed the gut piles from the field. This year, Game and Fish is reminding hunters that if they have trouble finding non-lead ammunition, they can still support condor recovery by removing gut piles from the field that were shot with lead ammunition. Hunters that remove their gut piles (lead ammunition only) are eligible to be entered into a raffle that offers prizes including a trip on the Grand Canyon Railroad with a 2-night stay at the canyon, Cabela's gift cards, Navajo tribal lands deer tag, Navajo rugs, Grand Canyon National Park passes, and others.



California just chose a different approach to help conserve that state's condor population. California Governor Jerry Brown signed legislation on Oct. 11 mandating that hunters statewide must use non-lead ammunition.

"Every state needs to take an approach that takes into consideration its own unique needs. In Arizona, we feel strongly that a voluntary approach works better than a mandated measure while still upholding the agreements that were originally promised when the condor reintroduction program was established," says Allen Zufelt, Arizona Game and Fish's condor program coordinator. "Achieving between 85 and 90 percent voluntary participation is a clear demonstration of hunters' commitment to condor management, and they deserve to be recognized."

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, which coordinates condor management with Arizona Game and Fish, has also recently implemented a lead reduction program in southern Utah. As the condor population has become more established, the birds have increased their foraging area and now use southern Utah heavily during the fall hunting season. These two complimentary programs should greatly benefit condors.

Lead poisoning has been identified as the leading cause of diagnosed death in endangered condors and the main obstacle to a self-sustaining population in Arizona and southern Utah. Studies suggest that lead shot and bullet fragments found in animal carcasses and gut piles are the most likely source of lead exposure. Many hunters do not realize that the carcass or gut pile they leave in the field usually contains lead bullet fragments. Gut piles from animals harvested with non-lead ammunition provide an important food source for the condors and should be left in the field.

Arizona's condor population was reintroduced to the state under a 10(j) Rule, a special provision of the Endangered Species Act that designates the population as experimental and not essential to the species' survival. The 10(j) rule was used to obtain acceptance among communities in Arizona and Utah and assures that "current and future land... uses... shall not be restricted due to... condors" and that the federal government did "not intend to" modify or restrict "current hunting regulations anywhere... in the experimental population area."

Information on non-lead ammunition and how hunters can help is sent by mail to those drawn for hunts in condor range. For more information on condors and lead and a list of available non-lead ammunition, visit [www.azgfd.gov/condor](http://www.azgfd.gov/condor).

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If you have a story or article you want included in the GB just send it in to [admin@woodsandwaters.org](mailto:admin@woodsandwaters.org)

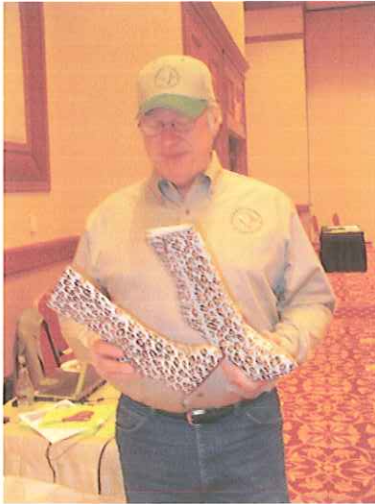
Don't forget your Nevada Hunting/Fishing license expired on February 28th get a new one to make sure you are current when you head out fishing in the next few weeks.

# 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



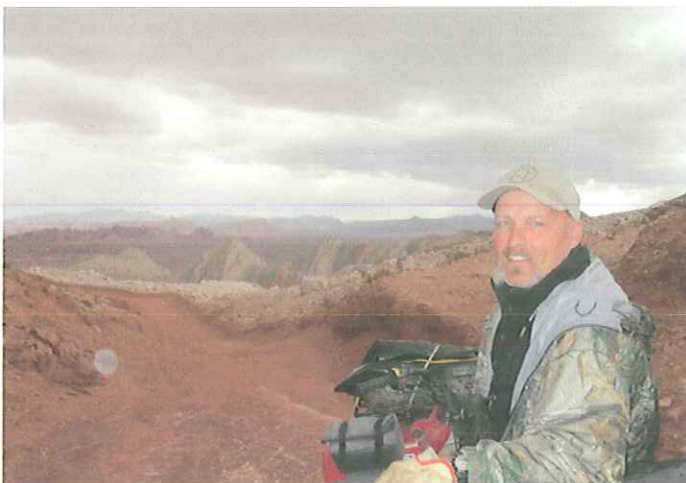
Remember when Mike Taylor won those sexy women's boots at the Banquet?

Things like that happen when you don't pay attention to the bucket you put your ticket in.

Hope everyone enjoyed the Banquet this year and won some cool stuff.

**New members:** Mark Gallear, Ron Garland, Thomas Quinlin 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 March 18th 5:30pm-9:00 pm at the TBD.

March 15 WHIN Banquet at Gold Coast Hotel 5:30 contact Wayne 321-3138

March 29 Meadow Valley Chapter of the Mule Deer Foundation Banquet at the Caliente Fire Station in Caliente, contact Cory 777 962-1774

May 17th Fraternity of Desert Bighorn 50th Annual Banquet at the South Point Hotel & Casino. Contact James 219-9109

The Board has established the Marksman and Angler events for the year that will count towards the year end awards. There will be 7 Marksman events and 4 Angler events in 2014.

**Marksman Events**  
Spring Feast Shoot  
Silhouette Rifle Shoot  
Black Powder Shoot  
Archery Shoot  
Fall Feast Shoot  
Turkey Shoot  
3 Gun Shoot

**Angler Events**  
Cave Lake Ice Fishing  
Sunnyside Ice Out  
Otter Creek Fly Fishing  
Lake Mead Stripers

### 2014 Officers

President	Mike Taylor
1 <sup>ST</sup> Vice President	Sean Cassidy
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Russ Johnson
Treasurer	Mike Reese
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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

# 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  
Otter Creek Ice Out Fly Fishing 12th or 19th  
Honcho Gordon Warren 498-6426
- May- Silhouette Rifle Shoot 17th at CCSC 8am-12pm  
Honcho Don Turner 602 799-6466  
Eagle Valley Trout Fishing 4th/5th  
Honcho Sean Cassidy 371-1612
- June- Pioche Coyote Hunt and camping fishing 1st  
Honcho Joe Luby 290-9590  
Black Powder Shoot 14th at CCSC 6pm-10pm  
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

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.



## Luncheon Dates

(2<sup>nd</sup> 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 0 events

<b>Your name here</b>	<b>0 pts</b>
<b>Danny Dead-eye</b>	<b>0 pts</b>
<b>Never Miss Neil</b>	<b>0 pts</b>
<b>Bulls-eye Bill</b>	<b>0 pts</b>
<b>Sam Sure Shot</b>	<b>0 pts</b>

## Angler of the Year Standings

2014 Standings after 1 events

<b>Sean Cassidy</b>	<b>10 pts</b>
<b>Steve Reiter</b>	<b>10 pts</b>
<b>Neil Dille</b>	<b>9 pts</b>
<b>Ken Johnson</b>	<b>8 pts</b>
<b>Steve Carpenter</b>	<b>8 pts</b>

*"You can accomplish anything in life provided you don't mind who gets the credit"*  
Harry S Truman

## The GameBag

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## MEMBER APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

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

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### INTERESTS (Please circle)

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

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

Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_