

***Las Vegas Woods and Waters***  
***2016 Celebrating 25 Years Since 1991***

# **GAMEBAG**

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



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**Feb 10th Lunch Program: Ben Bunker firearms attorney, trusts & law**

## **2016 CELEBRATING 25 YEARS**



The first Marksman of the Year event for 2016

### **ARCHERY SHOOT**

**Where: Impact Archery 6323 Dean Martin Dr. 702 701-7766**

**When: Saturday Feb 13th 9am**

**How much: \$20 includes Lewis Class**

You can shoot your own bow or use a house bow if you don't have one. Format is 20 yard round targets, paper animal targets and a surprise target. Ralph Willits is the honcho 702 423-7444 contact him with additional questions. The club will provide morning coffee and donuts. Lewis Class money will be paid out so you may get lucky no matter how poor an archery shot you may be.

## **LVWW - 25TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET**

### **FEBRUARY 27TH**

**SouthPoint Hotel and Casino Sonoma Room**  
**doors open at 5pm, hosted Happy Hour till 6:30pm**

### **Sportsman of the Year Awarded**

**Guns, Raffles, Hunts, Auctions, Games, Drawings**

**EarlyBird ticket sales available till Feb 15th (see flyer)**

**Be like Mike; win a pair of leppard print ladies boots!**



Next meeting Wednesday March 9th, 12 noon at Charlie's Lakeside located at 8603 W. Sahara (Sahara and Durango) price



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## Presidents Message.....

**Steve Linder  
2016 President**

### **BIG GAME HUNT APPLICATION “SEASON”**

**We** have big game hunting season, fishing season, small game hunting season and hunt application season. Now is the application season, this is research and anticipation time for future hunts next fall. All the western states have applications due starting in January clear into June. Its hard to keep up with all of them but its critical if you intend to hunt more than just your home state of Nevada. I have developed an Excel spreadsheet that helps keep me up to date but even with that last year I missed out on my Arizona deer submittal and lost 1 year of bonus point. For 16 years I have been diligent in applying and saving my points to hunt a great unit. Arizona is unique in that by missing one years application I actually lost TWO bonus points (1 for not applying and another for what they call a loyalty point for applying in 5 consecutive years). Now I’m a couple points behind the curve that will cost me a few more years until I am able to draw. If you want to play the game you need to apply and build points, its as simple as that. Nevada has limited resources so you most likely will not be hunting every year in our home state, we need to apply in other states to get that opportunity. Here is a list of western states and the application deadlines:

**Wyoming elk Jan 31**

**Arizona elk and antelope Feb 9**

**Wyoming sheep/moose/mtn goat Feb 28**

**Utah all species March 3**

**Montana elk and deer March 15**

**New Mexico all species March 16**

**Colorado all species April 5**

**Idaho sheep/moose/mtn goat April 30**

**Montana sheep/moose/mtn goat May 1**

**Nevada all species April 18**

**Oregon all species May 15**

**Washington all species May 18**

**Wyoming deer and antelope May 31**

**Montana antelope June 1**

**California all species June 2**

**Idaho elk/deer/antelope June 5**

**Arizona sheep/deer June 14**

**Neil Dille, Sean Cassidy, Joe Luby & Steve Carpenter at Cave Lake Ice Fishing.**



## Cave Lake Ice Fishing Fun

Joe Luby, Neil Dille, Brian Patterson  
Mark Gallear picking something from  
the booze garden at right.



20 hearty members and several guests hit the ice at Cave Lake, this was the first year in the past 6 or 7 that we had any weather. Probably 6-8 inches of snow fell during the seven hours spent on the ice. Main honcho Neil Dille promised his power ice auger was in top working order and ready to drill holes for the group....no doubt it was in great shape, the only problem was Neil forgot to bring it to the lake. True to his word Neil zipped to the store and purchased a brand new \$500 ice auger that worked wonderfully! It punched holes in record time, thanks to the operation of the Boy Scout Troop. The Club Troop also provided everyone with a hot cooked breakfast and coffee and hot chili for lunch. Already the new club scout troop is pulling its weight. For the main group of LVWW fishermen the fishing was slow. 2015 Angler of the Year Larry Cusimano had no problems, he seemed to be catching fish most of the day. Holes cut just 3-5 feet away were not producing so Larry must have the touch. Heck he even caught 2 fish at one time. When Larry picked up to leave early at 2pm I jumped over to his "hot" spot and ended up catching 9 fish in less than an hour.....maybe it was the spot and not the fisherman after all. Finally had Steve Linder with 27, Sean Cassidy 24, Larry Cusimano and Todd Hunter 18, Ralph Willits 11 and Don Hunter and Brian Patterson rounded out the top five with 9 each. the rest of the field caught 1 or 2 or were completely skunked.

Ralph Willits, ol Yeller, Jean Kosgomol with her  
first fish in 5 years, Larry with 2 fish, lots of snow.







# \*\*\*\*\* Our 25th Anniversary \*\*\*\*\*

## Las Vegas Woods and Waters Club Sportsman of the Year Awards Banquet

February 27, 2016 – doors open at 5:00 pm

**Public is Welcome Free beer 5-6:30pm!!!**

**South Point Hotel and Casino - Sonoma Room**  
Guns, Raffles, Hunts, Silent Auction, Live Auction and Games

Happy Hour hosted by Budweiser 5pm-6:30pm, Dinner at 7pm

Contact Steve Linder for more details at 702-525-8911, [skia36@aol.com](mailto:skia36@aol.com)

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Mail coupon with check or credit card to: LVWWC, PO Box 29061, LV, NV 89126

	Qty	Amount	Total
Individual Dinner Ticket		\$60	\$
Youth Individual Dinner Ticket (age 6-18)		\$45	\$
Table Sponsor (10 dinners and sponsor gets 100 raffle tickets) (Raffle Tickets in the name of):		\$650	\$
<b>**General Raffle tickets \$1 each in the name of each guest**</b>			
Name:	tickets	\$1	\$
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2016 Membership dues:		\$25	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$

**\*Early Bird Special: Orders received and paid by February 15th, 2016 will automatically receive bonus of 25% additional General Raffle Tickets. Example: \$20=25 tickets, \$100 = 125 tickets.**

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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(We need email address for all members to receive e-newsletter and club announcements)

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_ Security code \_\_\_\_\_

For all the guys that own a hunting dog or just a dog in general here is a short article I found in Rocky Mountain Game & Fish magazine. I thought it was on point as we all are getting older and so are the dogs we own, the cycle of life and death is part of being part of the outdoor hunting and fishing lifestyle. There are some good points made in helping notice the signs of aging in your pet.

## PARTING LINES

By Pat Wray

### The Ebb And Flow Of Dogs

"OK, SADIE. Let's go outside."

There is a delay of 10 seconds or so as I wait for Her Majesty to indicate she has heard me. She does not move. I am uncertain whether she is ignoring me or simply cannot hear. "Sadie!" I clap my hands loudly. "SADIE, HERE!"

Finally, Sadie, my 14-year-old English pointer, opens her eyes, takes a moment to consider whether disobedience is an option, then struggles to her feet and totters down the stairs toward the back door, which I am holding open in anticipation of her arrival.

I give a long sigh of relief. If Sadie can get up on her own, she's still OK. In our house, a dog that can't get to her feet by herself soon takes the short road to dog heaven. It's a hard rule, but one we've established after years of watching sad, unhappy dogs kept alive far too long by people who prolonged the dogs' lives for their own misdirected purposes.

Once outside, Sadie starts moving more smoothly. I watch to see where she goes. She's headed out to her same old dumping grounds. Good. One of the first indications a dog is failing is a tendency to start leaving her waste closer and closer to her sleeping quarters. I've had several unpleasant surprises just outside my back door from previous dogs, so I pay attention.

I head inside to take care of some chores, knowing she'll be tap dancing at the back door in a very short time. And sure enough, she is. I get her food ready before I let her in; the alternative is to have her underfoot as I prepare it. This food process makes me grit my teeth every time. For the first 12 years of Sadie's life she ate nothing but high-quality dry dog food and was pleased as punch to have it. But while I was elk hunting two years ago my wife decided Sadie needed a canned food treat to go with that old, boring dry food.

"She's old," I was told. "She needs to be pampered."

"She's a hunting dog," I said. "The last thing she needs is pampering. She gets a couple bites of jerky when we're chasing chukars. She won't know what to do with treats."

As it turns out, Sadie knew exactly what to do with treats, and pretty soon she figured out how to ask for more. I don't allow my dogs to beg, and a dog that forgets the rule receives a light swat. Unfortunately, Sadie is PAAS, (Past the Appropriate Age for Swatting), and she knows it.

So I avoid situations where Sadie might be tempted to beg, because at her stage of life, every temptation slides directly into a crime.

While she is eating I slip into my office and put on my hiking boots. Sadie notices and immediately comes to dance around in front of me, her food forgotten. The only thing she loves more than eating is hunting, and as far as she's concerned, every hike I take is an unannounced hunt. I find it interesting that an ancient pointer is woofing like a pup and getting in my face every time I bend down to tie my boot laces while my four-year-old shorthair sits waiting patiently for whatever comes.

"QUIT!" I yell, and Sadie shrinks away. She's always been soft, especially for a pointer. Probably because she was born in the laundry room and raised on my lap until she grew too big to fit under the keyboard.

She brightens immediately, though, as I head out to the truck. Sadie wiggles and prepares to make the jump. Then she prepares some more...and some more. She's almost ready. Almost. When I lift her into the rig she looks at me as if to say, "I could have done it. Really."

She starts out strong on our hike, but on the way back an hour later she is walking slowly. I wonder about a new dog. It's almost time. The shorthair is coming into her own and can help a pup learn. But not yet. Sadie can still hunt a little...except she can't see or smell any better than she can hear. No sense making her miserable with a young pup climbing all over her.

After we return home, the dogs take a nap. Around noon I decide to give them each a dog biscuit. The shorthair takes hers gracefully and with impeccable manners. Sadie can't hear the offer. I scratch behind her ears and her eyes open.

"Want a biscuit?" I ask.

Sadie wags her tail, smiles and scrambles to get up. But something is not right. Her feet cannot find purchase. She cannot stand. She struggles to no avail, and finally, breathing hard, she looks at me pitifully.

I am shocked, scared in a way I never anticipated. The rule is hard and fast. I look around. No one is near.

"Just this time," I whisper and lift Sadie to her feet, giving her the biscuit. "Just this one time." ■



ILLUSTRATION BY ALLEN HANSEN



## BUY—SELL— TRADE

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

Desert Bighorn Ewe full body cape. Very hard to obtain desert bighorn ewe cape for sale, recently harvested (Sept. 2015) in Nevada. Tanned and ready to go. Have the live weight body measurements to recreate a life size mount. \$850 if interested contact Brian Patterson at 702 715-2020.

Charles E Jackson has a Dillion Precision SL 900, 12 Gage, shot shell loader for sale. It comes with all the extras; cover, low powder alert, shell bin, and everything need to get started. \$1000.00 for everything. Contact Charles @ 818 489-1407 or cejackson2@cox.net.

New members: Jason Higgins, Rick Plote, Jerry Treet, Tracy DeFante, Todd Hunter  
Welcome to the club make sure president Steve Linder 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.



Top left: Larry Cusimano over the "hot" hole he caught fish most of the day Top right: Brian Patterson with ice cicles hanging from his club vest. Bottom: the crew packing up at 3pm lots of snow had accumulated during the day. Why do we only hear about Cassidy and Linders fish?, they fish the other side of the lake, never a photo, never an eye witness to confirm their tally at the end of the day.....a LVWW mystery.....hmmmm.

### Club Events

The club tries to hold at least one event a month, a shoot of some sort, a fishing event, or a club get together. Any such event is on the table, its up to club members to step up and "honcho" an event. Many events are long standing traditions but nothing says they can't be altered or changed or added to. If you would like to try something let Steve Linder and the Board know and they can get it added to the calendar of events. A skeet shoot has not been done in a few years, or a bowling pin shoot, or a long range rifle shoot...how about an indoor BB Gun event during these cold days of winter? More fishing events are needed as well. The same core guys seem to honcho the events, I'm sure some would welcome a break and let others take over or change the format. This Club is about having fun and doing what we like to do, step up and help do something you think the group would like to try.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LVWW Marksman Angler Events

- February- 25th Annual LVWW BANQUET! Feb 27th  
South Point Hotel & Casino 5pm  
Archery Shoot at Impact Archery 13th  
Honcho Ralph Willits 423-7444
- March- Sunnyside Spring Fishing 19th  
Honcho Brian Patterson 715-2020  
Coyote Hunt in conjunction with Sunnyside Fishing 19th  
Honcho Joe Luby 290-9590
- April- Spring Feast and Sporting Clays Shoot at CCSC 16th  
Honcho Mike Reese 400-6501  
Otter Creek Res Ice Out Fishing 23rd  
Honcho Magdi Ghali 327-8907



## In the News/Coming Events

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife  
Next Meeting Tuesday March 22 5:30pm-9:00 pm at Government Center,  
Pueblo rm 500 S Grand Central Pkwy.

Please contact me with comments  
or articles you want in the GB.  
Brian Patterson 702-715-2020  
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Feb 20-21 Las Vegas Retriever Club field trials at Overton, they need volunteer live duck shooters. This is a fun time guys volunteers are needed to throw live ducks, shoot live ducks, throw dead ducks and shoot blanks (poppers). Shells and lunch are provided by the Retriever Club. This is fun to watch hunting dogs work and do thier thing.



**Cave Lake ice fishing** was well attended, 20 members and several others in attendance that braved the snowy conditions. No club tagged fish this year but several fish were landed. The Club Boy Scout Troop #103 was there in full force cooking breakfast and then lunch for the whole group. What a great time. Currently there are only 5 boys in the Troop, expect big things from these young men in the future.

### Marksman of the Year

2016 standings after 0 events

Dead Eye Dan	0 pts
Never Miss Mike	0 pts
Bulls Eye Bill	0 pts
Reload Randy	0 pts
Lucky Shot Larry	0 pts

### Angler of the Year

2016 standings after 1 event

Steve Linder	10 pts
Sean Cassidy	9 pts
Larry Cusimano	8 pts
Todd Hunter	8 pts
Ralph Willits	7 pts

**"You have not failed until you quit trying"**  
Gordon B Hinckley

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

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Annual Membership Dues \$25

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Due with application \$25

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Payment: Check\_\_\_\_ Cash\_\_\_\_ Visa\_\_\_\_ MC\_\_\_\_

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

“all we want to do is hunt, and fish and talk about it”



## **JOKES**

Early aircraft's throttles had a ball on the end of it, in order to go full throttle the pilot had to push the throttle all the way forward into the wall of the instrument panel. Hence "balls to the wall" for going very fast. And now you know, the rest of the story.

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During WWII , U.S. airplanes were armed with belts of bullets which they would shoot during dogfights and on strafing runs. These belts were folded into the wing compartments that fed their machine guns. These belts measure 27 feet and contained hundreds of rounds of bullets. Often times, the pilots would return from their missions having expended all of their bullets on various targets. They would say, I gave them the whole nine yards, really meaning they used up all of their ammunition.

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In George Washington's days, there were no cameras. One's image was either sculpted or painted. Some paintings of George Washington showed him standing behind a desk with one arm behind his back while others showed both legs and both arms.

Prices charged by painters were not based on how many people were to be painted, but by how many limbs were to be painted. Arms and legs are 'limbs,' therefore painting them would cost the buyer more. Hence the expression, 'Okay, but it'll cost you an arm and a leg.' (Artists know hands and arms are more difficult to paint.)

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As incredible as it sounds, men and women took baths only twice a year (May and October). Women kept their hair covered, while men shaved their heads (because of lice and bugs) and wore wigs. Wealthy men could afford good wigs made from wool. They couldn't wash the wigs, so to clean them they would carve out a loaf of bread, put the wig in the shell, and bake it for 30 minutes. The heat would make the wig big and fluffy, hence the term 'big wig'. Today we often use the term 'here comes the Big Wig' because someone appears to be or is powerful and wealthy.

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Common entertainment included playing cards. However, there was a tax levied when purchasing playing cards but only applicable to the 'Ace of Spades.' To avoid paying the tax, people would purchase 51 cards instead. Yet, since most games require 52 cards, these people were thought to be stupid or dumb because they weren't 'playing with a full deck.'

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Early politicians required feedback from the public to determine what the people considered important. Since there were no telephones, TV's or radios, the politicians sent their assistants to local taverns, pubs, and bars. They were told to 'go sip some Ale and listen to people's conversations and political concerns. Many assistants were dispatched at different times. 'You go sip here' and 'You go sip there.' The two words 'go sip' were eventually combined when referring to the local opinion and, thus we have the term 'gossip.'

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At local taverns, pubs, and bars, people drank from pint and quart-sized containers. A bar maid's job was to keep an eye on the customers and keep the drinks coming. She had to pay close attention and remember who was drinking in 'pints' and who was drinking in 'quarts,' hence the phrase 'minding your 'P's and Q's'.