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**September 14th Lunch Program: Recent member hunting stories**

## **John Gorman Memorial FALL FEAST & IRON MAN SHOOT**



New this year, a Sunday event, due to a scheduled shoot on Saturday along with the State Wildlife meeting being held in Las Vegas Friday and Saturday the event has been moved to **Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup> at CCSC.**

The food will once again be provided by the Road Kill Grill. An awesome BBQ feast with all the trimmings will be served buffet style right after the shoot (approximately noon). The feast will take place outside on the covered patio. I'm sure the weather will be great this time of year. This is a FREE feast for all members, family and friends so invite a neighbor to come out and see what we are all about.

New fun format for the shoot to mimic actual field conditions. Mike Reese has put together a full slate of shooting opportunities. Bring at least 5 boxes of shells for the shoot. Remember only members in good standing are eligible for Lewis Class prize

money. The shoot format will include the following:

15 pairs of Skeet doubles – 2 pairs from station 1,2,3,5,6,7 and 3 pairs from station 4 (30 shots)

15 pairs of Trap doubles – 3 pairs per station (30 shots)

15 5 stand targets – a single and a pair from each station (15 shots)

25 Wobble Targets – 5 targets from each station at the 22 yard line and 2 shots per target (25+ shots)

Cost is \$30 per shooter

Sign up is at 8am and shooting starts at 8:30 am You will need at least 5 boxes of shells.....some of you may/will need more!!!! Please RSVP to [Mreese@prismview.com](mailto:Mreese@prismview.com)

Next meeting Wednesday October 12th, noon at Charlie's Lakeside

located at 8603 W. Sahara (Sahara and Durango) price \$20



## Presidents Message

Hunting season has arrived! Hopefully you have prepared your equipment, bought new camo and started scouting. The days are getting shorter, the air is starting to cool and its football season. The dove opener in Yuma was a great start to the season, millions of birds waiting to test your skills. Our Fall Feast looks to be a great time with a lot of participation, plan to join us in the fun! Our Angler, Marksman and Combined awards are finalizing with Larry Cusimano as the man to beat as he has wrapped up Angler of the Year. Congratulations AGAIN! Back to Back! Best of luck to all hunters. Our elections are coming up and we could use some fresh ideas for our board, come join us!

**Steve Linder**  
**President 2016**

## Striper Fishing Last Month Called Due to Weather

Rollers and fish were the theme at the annual striper tournament this year. At 5:30 on Sat morning the fishing guides left the dock, at 5:40 the fishing guides were coming back as 5 ft. waves were rolling past the marina and anglers were not risking life and limb. One guide had 4 inches of water in his boat. A decision was made to cancel as we had 12 year olds to 75 year olds lining up to fish. Some brave souls remained and mastered the waves in bigger boats and 2 hours later had 70 fish. GREAT job guys. Rod Maly and Steve Linder were the big guys of the day and a special hats off to Richard Pabst who gutted it out and caught 18 I heard. No pic's from Richard. We will not be having a make up as it does not change Angler of the Year points. Thus I think Larry C. may be a happy guy about that. We can do a get together at the marina and catch some fish as the fish are biting and we have a couple make up teams to finish. Breakfast for those that choose not to fish was great conversation and still fun. Let's go fishing, see you again next year.



Rod Maly & guide with stripers, notice the clouds in the back ground.....weather was an issue earlier.

**OCTOBER 13-15, 2016 - LVWW MEMBER GETAWAY**

**Castle Valley Outdoors** Orvis Endorsed Premier Wingshooting Lodge 1600 N. State Rd 10, Emery, UT  
1-800-586-6503 Jim Fauver (Manager) cell 435-749-0508

1 DAY/2 NIGHT MIXED BAG UPLAND All – Inclusive package includes:

Single occupancy lodging Gourmet country meals, Wines from Utah, premium liquors, and locally brewed beers  
Shells for hunting and sporting clays (Guns provided if needed)  
Professional guide and dog, Bird Cleaning and Packaging No license required Trout fishing in private lake

\$1000 per person: Arrive Thurs. evening 10/13, Friday hunt, return to Vegas Saturday 10/15 (We plan to convoy on Thurs, approx. 4 ½ hr. drive)

Contact: Rod Maly 702-496-4017/ [rod@artencounter.com](mailto:rod@artencounter.com) or Steve Linder 702-525-8911/skia36@aol.com with any questions. \*\*Limited to 12 hunters total. **Only 5 spots remaining!!!!**

**Signed up:** Rod Maly, Steve Linder, George Marnell, Tony DePasquale, Chad Maze, Jim Petty, Bruce Young

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Wayne Bliss and his wife Mary had a successful fishing trip to AK this summer, looks like a nice catch of halibut from Larson Bay AK.



Other fishing adventures this summer Rod Maly with a nice brown trout and Rod again with a white sturgeon and fishing mate Steve Linder also with a sturgeon.







Young 7<sup>th</sup> grader Seth, Sophomore Mason and shooting coach Mike Reese the Clay Breakers last month thanking the club for our donation that helped buy shells for their shoots this past summer. Seth stepped up and shot for the LVWW trap team that Wednesday night and beat all comers.....must be those young eyes and quick reflexes.

Lou DeGregorio and Jim Pope with some spring geese hunting in South Dakota.

## **LVWW Board of Directors Positions.**

Elections are coming up soon, in December. Are you interested in getting more involved in the club? Want to have more say in the direction and activities we do? Now is your chance, nominations are taking place to fill five (5) directors' positions we will be voting on officers as well. Thank you to the five members rotating off the board; Ryan Gagnon, Duane LaDuke, Steve Reiter, Steffen Schneider and Alan Stone. The nominating committee is looking for candidates so if you are interested please contact Steve Linder.

## **Banquet Committee Meetings**

Dave Famiglietti has started to get a small group together to begin planning and discussions for the clubs biggest event of the year, our Banquet held in February. If you have some ideas and want to become involved contact Banquet Chairman Dave at 702 539-2902.

## **LVWW Loses a Member.....John Gorman esq.**

Long time member John Gorman passed away September 2. John had been a member of our ranks for over 20 years. He handled many of our legal issues with the state setting up our group club status. John was a man of great integrity, strong ethics and a sharp wit. John a constant regular on the LVWW Club trap team always one of the top shooters for many years. Some health issues slowed him down some these past 2-3 years, he may have lost a bit in his ability to hit the clays but his competitive spirit and try never left him. Even after some surgery, that tethered him to an oxygen machine John found a way to still make it to the line to shoot. He got a wheeled cart to hold his gun shells, and oxygen tank. He was unable to get in the field as a wing shooter that he loved so much but shooting trap every Wednesday night was a much anticipated event each week. I was his substitute on the team when he could not make it out, an honor to shoot for John. There is no formal service planned but the family is holding a gathering Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup> 1:30-4:30 at Sun City Anthem Center, 2450 Hampton Rd in Henderson. Please show up to honor one of our long time members.

## **Hunting Season is OPEN, Started with a Yuma, AZ Dove hunt**

The Yuma hunt was a success with over 15 club members in attendance. Limiting out was easy on opening morning. But the birds got smart quick and made it a little more difficult for the hunters to find their altered flight patterns. We also enjoyed some of the coolest weather I have experienced in years. We held a special toast for John Gorman who at the time was still in the hospital. He was always on our hunts in previous years and I really enjoyed getting to know him in the field. He was an incredible guy and he will be missed. While cleaning Birds Friday night Al Schoelen was bit, or stung by something on his finger, it appeared to be a spider or centipede and he was actually hospitalized for two days due to a negative reaction of the anti-venom administered. He is doing fine now though. Honcho Russ Johnson.

## Why we shoot deer in the wild:

(A letter from someone who wants to remain anonymous, who farms, writes well and actually tried this)

I had this idea that I could rope a deer, put it in a stall, feed it up on corn for a couple of weeks, then kill it and eat it. The first step in this adventure was getting a deer. I figured that, since they congregate at my cattle feeder and do not seem to have much fear of me when we are there (a bold one will sometimes come right up and sniff at the bags of feed while I am in the back of the truck not 4 feet away), it should not be difficult to rope one, get up to it and toss a bag over its head (to calm it down) then hog tie it and transport it home.

I filled the cattle feeder then hid down at the end with my rope. The cattle, having seen the roping thing before, stayed well back. They were not having any of it. After about 20 minutes, my deer showed up-- 3 of them. I picked out a likely looking one, stepped out from the end of the feeder, and threw my rope. The deer just stood there and stared at me. I wrapped the rope around my waist and twisted the end so I would have a good hold.

The deer still just stood and stared at me, but you could tell it was mildly concerned about the whole rope situation. I took a step towards it, it took a step away. I put a little tension on the rope, and then received an education. The first thing that I learned is that, while a deer may just stand there looking at you funny while you rope it, they are spurred to action when you start pulling on that rope.



That deer EXPLODED. The second thing I learned is that pound for pound, a deer is a LOT stronger than a cow or a colt. A cow or a colt in that weight range I could fight down with a rope and with some dignity. A deer-- no Chance. That thing ran and bucked and twisted and pulled. There was no controlling it and certainly no getting close to it. As it jerked me off my feet and started dragging me across the ground, it occurred to me that having a deer on a rope was not nearly as good an idea as I had originally imagined. The only upside is that they do not have as much stamina as many other animals.

A brief 10 minutes later, it was tired and not nearly as quick to jerk me off my feet and drag me when I managed to get up. It took me a few minutes to realize this, since I was mostly blinded by the blood flowing out of the big gash in my head. At that point, I had lost my taste for corn-fed venison. I just wanted to get that devil creature off the end of that rope.

I figured if I just let it go with the rope hanging around its neck, it would likely die slow and painfully somewhere. At the time, there was no love at all between me and that deer. At that moment, I hated the thing, and I would venture a guess that the feeling was mutual. Despite the gash in my head and the several large knots where I had cleverly arrested the deer's momentum by bracing my head against various large rocks as it dragged me across the ground, I could still think clearly enough to recognize that there was a small chance that I shared some tiny amount of responsibility for the situation we were in. I didn't want the deer to have to suffer a slow death, so I managed to get it lined back up in between my truck and the feeder - a little trap I had set before hand...kind of like a squeeze chute. I got it to back in there and I started moving up so I could get my rope back.

Did you know that deer bite? They do! I never in a million years would have thought that a deer would bite somebody, so I was very surprised when ..... I reached up there to grab that rope and the deer grabbed hold of my wrist. Now, when a deer bites you, it is not like being bit by a horse where they just bite you and slide off to then let go. A deer bites you and shakes its head--almost like a pit bull. They bite HARD and it hurts.

The proper thing to do when a deer bites you is probably to freeze and draw back slowly. I tried screaming and shaking instead. My method was ineffective.

It seems like the deer was biting and shaking for several minutes, but it was likely only several seconds. I, being smarter than a deer (though you may be questioning that claim by now), tricked it. While I kept it busy tearing the tendons out of my right arm, I reached up with my left hand and pulled that rope loose.

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## BUY – SELL - TRADE

Buyers & Sellers agree to obey all firearms laws and local regulations in all transactions and hold LVWW harmless.

**Hunting Season Specials!!** Smith & Wesson 9MM SW9VE with crimson trace laser site, 2 clips hold 15 rounds each also 200 rounds ammo. \$350 contact Larry Cusimano 702 286-3295

17 Aluminum Grumman Canoe. With paddles, seats. \$500.00. Ralph Willits (702) 423-7444

**New Members** Bill Rochel'eau.....make sure to get your free hat for joining.

### Scouting Troop 130 and the LVWW Club

Want to be a scout? LVWW Boy Scout and Venturing Crew – Boys and Girls ages 11-21 welcome. Meet Thursdays from 6:30-8pm call Joe Luby at 702 290-9590 or scout master Bill Rochel'eau at 209 480-7835. Troop 130 is the club's very own charter, scouting embodies all the things the club is about; hunting, fishing, outdoor skills, friendships and getting youth involved in these pursuits.



At last month's lunch Scout Master Bill presented the LVWW Club with a check! What? Someone giving us money? Troop 130 is the Las Vegas Woods and Waters own scouting troop, we chartered the troop through our give back program. The goal of that program is to support groups that promote the youth in activities that we all enjoy...hunting, fishing, the outdoors and of course talking about them. The troop is only in its first year yet they are well on their way getting involved with the club. They cooked breakfast and served hot drinks at the Ice Fishing event in January, they helped out at the Sunnyside fishing event and coyote hunt in May and just this past month they sponsored the Cave Lake Beat the Heat camp out and get away. This is a fine group of young men and women that will be here to carry on the traditions we all enjoy so much, I encourage you all to get involved and meet these young folks.

At the August Bring a Kid to lunch meeting several kids were in attendance and some of the youth organizations that we support came to thank us personally for our support. Part of that was Scout Master Bill setting the example of teaching his scouts to also give back. They had a fund raising event of selling fireworks in July and as part of that effort they presented LVWW a check for 10% of the funds they raised as a gesture of thanks to the club. Wow how about that as a reminder that these young folks are learning some great values in scouting.

Two members of the Southern Nevada Clay Breakers trap shooting team also spoke telling us about what they have learned and how our funds help them travel to the state and national meets this year. Young Seth and Mason were both very well spoken and are great shooters with only a year or two of experience. Seth only a 7<sup>th</sup> grader stood in for one of the missing shooters on the LVWW trap team that evening. Seth out shot us all posting a 24 from 16 yards and a 23 from the 20 yard line. (see photo previous page).

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LVWW Marksman Angler Events

- September- Yuma AZ Dove Hunt Aug 31- Sept 2  
Honcho Russ Johnson 702 271-0430  
Fall Feast and Shoot at CCSC 25<sup>th</sup>  
Honchos Mike Reese & Dave Famiglietti 702 539-2902
- October- .38 Revolver Shoot at CCSC 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Honcho Alan Stone 702 240-9668  
**HUNTING SEASON.... GET OUT IN THE FIELD**
- November- Turkey Silhouette Shoot at CCSC 5th  
Honcho Don Turner 602 799-6466
- December- 3 gun Shoot at CCSC 10th  
Honcho Dave Famiglietti 702 539-2902



Stories or photos Contact GameBag  
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## In the News/Coming Events

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

Next Meeting Tuesday September 20<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-9:00 pm at Government Center, Pueblo room 500 S Grand Central Pkwy.  
This meeting will discuss banning of 50 cal rifles for big game hunts among other topics, please show up.



## Marksman & Angler of the Year Standings

**Marksman of the Year**  
2016 standings after 4/8 events

Alan Stone	33 pts
Ralph Willits	31 pts
Mike Taylor	24 pts
Larry Cusimano	23 pts
Mike Reese	22 pts

**Angler of the Year**  
2016 standings after 4/5 events

Larry Cusimano	34 pts
Steve Linder	29 pts
Ralph Willits	26 pts
Brian Patterson	25 pts
(Tie) Ghali & Maly	21 pts

**All Around**  
2016 Standings after 8 events

Larry Cusimano	57pts
Ralph Willits	57 pts
Alan Stone	38 pts
Richard Pabst	36 pts
Mike Taylor	34 pts

**"Be the change that you wish to see in the world."  
Mahatma Ghandhi**

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

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Amount Due with application \$25

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Jokes

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That was when I got my final lesson in deer behavior for the day.

Deer will strike at you with their front feet. They rear right up on their back feet and strike right about head and shoulder level, and their hooves are surprisingly sharp... I learned a long time ago that, when an animal -like a horse --strikes at you with their hooves and you can't get away easily, the best thing to do is try to make a loud noise and make an aggressive move towards the animal. This will usually cause them to back down a bit so you can escape.

This was not a horse. This was a deer, so obviously, such trickery would not work. In the course of a millisecond, I devised a different strategy. I screamed like a woman and tried to turn and run. The reason I had always been told NOT to try to turn and run from a horse that paws at you is that there is a good chance that it will hit you in the back of the head. Deer may not be so different from horses after all, besides being twice as strong and 3 times as evil, because the second I turned to run, it hit me right in the back of the head and knocked me down.

Now, when a deer paws at you and knocks you down, it does not immediately leave. I suspect it does not recognize that the danger has passed. What they do instead is paw your back and jump up and down on you while you are laying there crying like a little girl and covering your head.

I finally managed to crawl under the truck and the deer went away. So now I know why when people go deer hunting they bring a rifle with a scope.....to sort of even the odds!!

All these events are true so help me God...An Educated Farmer

### **WOMEN CAN BE SO INSENSITIVE**

Ralph returns from the doctor and tells his wife that the doctor has told him he has only 24 hours to live. Given this prognosis, Ralph asks his wife for sex. Naturally, she agrees, and they make love.

About six hours later, the husband goes to his wife and says, 'Honey, you know I now have only 18 hours to live. Could we please do it one more time?' Of course, the wife agrees and they do it again.

Later, as the man gets into bed, he looks at his watch and realizes he now has only 8 hours left. He touches his wife's shoulder and asks, 'Honey, please - just one more time before I die?'

She says, 'Of course, dear.' And they make love for the third time.

After this session, the wife rolls over & falls asleep. Ralph, however, worried about his impending death, tosses & turns until he's down to 4 more hours.

He taps his wife, who rouses. 'Honey , I have only 4 more hours. Do you think we could....?'

At this point the wife rolls over and says, 'Listen Ralph, I have to get up in the morning...

.....you don't...