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February 2017, Issue 302

February 8th Lunch Program: LV Retriever Club dog trials, Bob Smith

**LVWW 26th Annual Sportsman of the Year Banquet
February 25th at South Point Hotel & Casino 5:00pm-9:00pm**

This is the Clubs only fundraiser for the year and also our biggest party of the year. The main focus is to award the Clubs highest honor, the **Sportsman of the Year Award** given to someone who not only volunteers time and effort to the club but promotes ethical hunting, fishing and outdoor activities. Another main focus is to raise funds for the club. These funds are used to promote hunting, fishing and outdoor activities for the youth in our community of southern Nevada. We donate to youth groups like the Boy Scouts (LVWW has our own charter Troop #130), NASP-National Archery in the Schools Program, Silverstate Clay Breakers Trap Team, 4H Roadrunners and Johnson Middle School Archery Team, they have all received donations from the club. We want to be able to continue this support of our youth. Funds from the banquet are also used on club events. We fund a BBQ in the fall and a Crawfish/shrimp boil in the spring, both are free to all members, families and friends. In addition to those events the club provides refreshments at the Marksman and Angler events as well as providing shooting supplies at some of our events. Come join the fun on the 25th win some great prizes; guns, hunts, trips, gear and all sorts of exciting things at the most affordable banquet in the state, only \$1 each for raffle tickets! **Early Bird ticket sales end Feb 15, see form on page 3. SIGN UP NOW!**



Archery Shoot at Impact Archery 6323 Dean Martin Dr. Feb 18th 8am sharp!

Honcho Ralph Willits is in charge of the first Marksman of the Year event for 2017. **February 18th at Pacific Archery 6323 Dean Martin Dr. (between Russel/Sunset) 8am sharp.** Cost \$25 or \$30 if you rent a bow.

We should be able to shoot 3-6 or so guys at a time. Each shooter shoots 6 rounds on 4 targets; 26 arrows total. Use your own bow or you can rent one for an additional \$5. Mulligans if we got time -Honcho's discretion.

We only have the range for 2 hours; it shouldn't take anyone more than an hour to set up, practice and shoot all six rounds.

Club will provide donuts and coffee, and there will be a Lewis Class payout. Recommendation to members is to practice before the day of the shoot - especially if you've never shot before and need to learn the equipment you'll be borrowing. The biggest archery shoot in the world (The "LAS VEGAS SHOOT") will be Feb.10-12 at the South Point Casino, so Impact Archery will be packed, up to and during that week.

This is the first of the new point format, so just "showing up" will be good for only 1 point. It's going to be an interesting year with the revised scoring format.... no one knows where that will lead.



Next meeting Wednesday March 8th, noon at Charlie's Lakeside located at 8603 W. Sahara (Sahara/Durango) price \$20



Presidents Message

February 1st, 2017...what happened to January? Banquet planning and Ely Ice Fishing. Dave Famiglietti is our Banquet Chairman this year, and after a slow start is full steam ahead for another "Not to be Missed" Event the 25th of this month. The consensus among Banquet regulars is that the LVWWC Banquet is the best in the Valley. We are looking for donations to support our efforts to put on events and fund our "Give Back Committee". Pitch in and help us make this Banquet the best ever!!

Larry Cusimano, Our 2 time reigning Angler of the Year, proved once again he is "King Fish", catching 42 trout while smoking cigars and swigging Jura 16yr old Single Malt. I wanna be Larry when I grow up...oh wait, I will never grow up so that's out. Congratulations to Larry and John Threadgill who caught a \$100 tagged fish. And a special shout out to Honcho Neil Dille for a fantastic event, our Boy Scout Troup for the homemade fresh

Donuts and Joe Luby for the Elk Chili.

This month features our Archery Event at Impact Archery with Honcho Ralph Willets on the 18th. LVWWC Annual Banquet Sat. 2/25/17 at The Southpoint Hotel Casino. We have a block of discounted room reserved, contact Dave Famiglietti to get yours. Don't forget to plan on attending Lunch this month, Wed 2/8/17 , noon at Charlies Lakeside. The FUBAR , Angler, Marksman, and Overall Awards will be given out. The Las Vegas Retriever Club will be our guest speakers and a bunch of really nice door prizes will be given out. I look forward to sharing the events and outdoors with you all!!

Steve Linder
President 2016 & 2017



2017 time for membership renewal

February is here and it's time to renew your annual membership, only \$25, so please get current as soon as possible. You can send in your dues directly, pay at the door at lunch or pay with your banquet registration (see form page 3 in the GB.) Membership has its privileges, you get emails on current club activities and events, a digital copy of the GameBag, the opportunity to win Lewis Class money at our shooting events and other notifications of outdoor related news that may impact the things we enjoy. Those not current after the banquet will be purged from the Club membership roster.

Support Vikki Werner Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (CAB)

Please help support the appointment of Vikki to the CAB. There is a position open on the seven member board and again the non-consumptive users (or anti-hunter groups) are pushing to fill the slot with a member from their ranks. The support in November to re-appoint Brian Patterson was great, we need that same sort of support for Vikki to make sure the board remains strong with those that support our views. Contact your County Commissioner via phone or email, voicing your support for Vikki Werner. Vikki is the owner of Werner Family Taxidermy and also a founding member of Nevada Sportsman's Unlimited....need I say any more about her commitment and dedication to hunting, fishing and trapping. The new appointment will be heard Feb 7 at the BCC mtg, get your comments in prior to then please. Contact your commissioners at www.clarkcountynv.gov click elected officials in the top bar of the page and each commissioner is there with a link to email them directly. Email ALL seven commissioners with your support for Vikki. We will be sending out email blasts to remind you with the link. Thanks for sending emails to the commissioners and supporting Brian Patterson in November.....your effort helped get him re-appointed

Sportsman's News Pro Membership

I have sent out via email the information and application process to become a Pro Member with Sportsman's News. There is a drawing for a hunt every 10 days, that's 36 drawings a year to win a hunt or fishing trip. Cost is only \$297 for 36 chances to win something awesome, that's just alittle over \$8 bucks a drawing. So why not start the New Year with something to look forward to every 10 days? Join up now at www.promembershipsweepstakes.com or www.sportsmansnews.com to find out all the details. LVWW members use Referral Code **MPB0001** when you sign up.

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Las Vegas Woods and Waters Club

Sportsman of the Year Awards Banquet

February 25th, 2017 – doors open at 5:00 pm

South Point Hotel and Casino - Ball Room A

Guns, Raffles, Hunts, Silent Auction, Live Auction, and Games

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

Contact Dave Famiglietti for more details at dfamiglietti@newfrontierarmory.com

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Mail this form with check or credit card to: LVWWC, PO Box 29081, LV, NV 89126

|                                                                                                    | QTY            | AMOUNT   | TOTAL |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|
| Individual Dinner Ticket                                                                           |                | \$60.00  | \$    |
| Youth Individual Dinner Ticket (age 6-18)                                                          |                | \$45.00  | \$    |
| Table Sponsor (10 dinners and sponsor gets 100 raffle tickets)<br>(Raffle Tickets in the name of): |                | \$650.00 | \$    |
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| 2017 Membership Dues / Renewal:                                                                    |                | \$25.00  | \$    |
| TOTAL                                                                                              |                |          | \$    |

**PLEASE Fill out all names above even if you are not purchasing additional raffle tickets**

**Early Bird Special: Orders received and paid by February 15th, 2017 will automatically receive a bonus of 25% additional General Raffle Tickets. Example: \$20=25 tickets, \$100 = 125 tickets.**

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

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

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

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

\*LVWW is a 501 C7 non-profit social organization. Donations to the Banquet ARE NOT tax deductible\*



# Application Time of the Year....

Tis the season to apply for big game tags around the west. The deadline to apply for Utah spring turkey season has already past...heck I even have the results and a tag in my pocket already for 2017. If you want to be hunting this fall you need to start the application process. Each state does it a bit differently so you need to be familiar with each state you intend to hunt. Some states have bonus points, some have preference points and some have both types. These extra "chances" are a result of being un-successful in the drawing in previous years so in theory the more times you have sat out and not drawn a tag the better your odds of drawing a tag in the next drawing. A bonus point is simply an additional chance to get your name in the drawing. A preference point is usually a pool of applicants that have the MOST points and a percentage of the tags available are set aside for those with maximum points (a guaranteed tag for those guys that year).

So get your hunting buddies together, grab the regulations for the states you plan to hunt, include a calendar and then set the possible dates you could all get together if someone gets lucky and draws that tag of a lifetime. Sheep tags, moose tags heck even an elk tag in Nevada is almost a once in a lifetime tag. One of my buddies drew a Utah bison tag last year. But if you truly plan to hunt every year you must apply in multiple states and you must be diligent in accumulating points. I've been waiting 18, 19, 20 years and have that many points for some hard to draw hunts. Some years I simply purchase a point because time or other hunts would conflict with the scheduled season dates, some years I put in and cross my fingers.

Don't forget, if you plan to apply or go fishing soon **your Nevada hunting license expires on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Nevada big game application deadline is April 18, 2017.** Results will be posted on Friday afternoon of Memorial Day weekend.

Rough application deadlines are listed below, check with each state to confirm:

**February 7 Nevada spring turkey....apply now!**

February 14 Arizona elk/antelope....better hurry

February 28 Wyoming sheep moose goat

March 3 Utah all species

March 15 Montana elk/deer

March 16 New Mexico all species

April 5 Colorado all species

**April 18 Nevada all species**

April 30 Idaho sheep/moose/goat

May 1 Montana sheep/moose/goat

May 15 Oregon all species

May 18 Washington all species

May 31 Wyoming deer/antelope

June 1 Montana antelope

June 2 California all species

June 5 Idaho elk/deer/antelope

June 14 Arizona sheep/deer



I always ask myself, how many good health years to I have left to hunt big game? Will my health allow me to hike to the top of the mountain or will I be road hunting the valley floors? Even a young lad of 30 may only have 30-35-40 more seasons left in him. If you only apply in one state, that's only 30 chances to harvest a big buck and that ASSUMES you draw a tag every year. If you live in Nevada chances are you only draw a tag every 3 years or so.....only 10 more seasons or chances at that buck of a lifetime. Are you successful every season? Probably not, so you may only harvest 5,6,7 deer in that same time frame. When you look at things in that perspective you need to be applying in numerous states for numerous species if you actually hope to hunt/harvest an animal on a consistent basis. Of course if you don't draw a tag you can always hope a friend or even a friend of a friend draws a tag so you can offer to help them out and actually get yourself in the field each fall. So apply in multiple states to up your chances at hunting big game each year. Good luck!

## **New Mexico Hunting Guide, Client Wounded in Border Ambush**

Laura Bryant 1/8/2017

While guiding an aoudad hunt in Presidio county Texas, a New Mexico hunting guide was shot in the abdomen and seriously wounded Friday night after what appears to have been an attempt to kidnap his clients on the Mexico border.

The guide remains in critical condition in a Texas Hospital. His client was also shot in the arm and is expected to recover.

Multiple assailants fired upon an RV parked near a hunting lodge where the party were staying for the hunt. The contracted hunter and his wife were asleep in the in the RV when the attack began. Walker Daugherty 26 of Chloride NM was wounded while attempting to stop the assailants from taking the RV with his clients inside. He was assisted by another guide Michael Bryant; the men were staying inside the lodge with their wives.

Per a family source, everyone was in bed preparing for an early hunt, the guides and cooks inside the house and the clients in the rental RV parked nearby. Walker heard voices outside and went to see what the noises were, he witnessed men with guns attempting to take the RV, he then ran back inside to get help. Walker and Michael armed themselves to defend and protect the client and to attempt to deter the assailants while the hunter attempted to escape in the RV which was being shot at repeatedly.

The vehicle is riddled with bullet holes from the attack and suffered other structural damage. The attack lasted long enough for Walker to run back to the house and get more ammunition, when he was close to the door his sister, saw him get shot and was able to drag him inside the house and away from the gunfire. The women in the lodge were able to get a spotty cell signal and call 911. The family has been earning a living guiding and outfitting out of the remote ranch for years. The business had experienced several thefts and had been working with the US Border Patrol to apprehend illegal aliens in the area in the past month. The theft events and the attack occurred in the United States. The attack has the family concerned that the attack was not just an attempt to rob the property. They believe the assailants intended to kill all the party. The attackers were strategically placed around the lodge and the men were fired upon from different areas.

The client's wife, a nurse was able to help keep Walker from bleeding to death while they waited several hours for a medivac helicopter to take him to El Paso. It took local law enforcement over an hour to get to the remote scene. The family says the men and their wives were grilled about the veracity of their account by Law Enforcement and the assailants got away and likely returned to Mexico. Kidnapping along with drug and human trafficking, has become common along the Mexico border especially if there are reasons to believe that an intended victim is a person of means. The family however are self-employed outfitters earning a living as guides although the clients were likely the intended targets.

## **Las Vegas Retrievers Club Dog Field Trials**



The LV dog club will be holding their field trials on Feb 25-26 at Overton Wildlife Management Area. This is a great opportunity to watch bird dogs work in the field....real dog work, not the sort of dog effort most of you in the club employ with your house pet mini poodle or yorkie wanna be retrievers. You all spend more time yelling at, and chasing after, your semi-trained dog than actual bird hunting. Come out to watch how an obedient and well trained dog conducts himself in the field. This is a good learning experience for you the dog handler (please leave your pet at home). As a special benefit for LVWW members the Retriever Club needs volunteers to help with the trials. What sort of help? FUN STUFF!

They need volunteers to shoot LIVE ducks so the dogs can retrieve them. They need 3 volunteers at each field, one to throw the bird in the air, one to shoot it before it flies away and one to back up shooter #1 if he misses (which is a very real possibility after seeing the club trap team shoot). They supply the live ducks and 12 ga ammo, bring your own gun. Lunch speaker to provide more info.



# BUY – SELL - TRADE

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

**Super Bowl Tickets:** A buddy of mine has two tickets for the 2017 Super Bowl -- box seats plus airfare, accommodations, etc., but he didn't realize when he bought them that this is going to be on the same day as his wedding - so he can't go.

If you're interested and want to go instead of him, it's at St Peter's Church, in New York City, at 5 p.m. Her name's Louise. She's 5'4", about 125 lbs., good cook, makes \$130,000 a year. She will be the one in the white dress . . .

**New Members:** new members this past month: Byron Mefford and Patrick Mokros ...welcome to the club, make sure to get your free hat at lunch 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.

## CAVE LAKE Ice Fishing results:



Several of us made the trip to Ely and dressed warm for the day.....the truck thermometer said it was **16 degrees BELOW 0** as we drove to the lake early in the morning. As soon as the sun came up over the mountain though it warmed right up as most of us shed our jackets and gloves. Honcho Neil Dille helped shuttle guys and gear to the ice from the parking lot with his ATV and trailer. Two power ice augers were more than enough to punch holes in the ice.

Scout master Bill Rocheleau and Scout Troop 130 started the day off right with the presentation of colors then they got right to work making hot coffee and freshly made **HOT** donuts! Awesome job guys, later in the day they provided warm elk chili, some of Joe Luby's special recipe. The club banners were in place and most of our group (12-14) fished near there. Others were sprinkled around the lake hoping to get into the fish. By wandering away from the main group they are able to "catch" just a few more fish than those that have actual verified witnesses. Everyone I talked to caught fish, some more than others. Joe Luby and Aaron LaDuke were the only anglers that did not catch a fish. Two time past Angler of the Year, Larry Cusimano was tops with 42 fish. Proof that it is not luck at all, Larry is a consistent producer. Ralph Willits in a hole only 2 feet from Larry landed 5 fish (and often times Larry's line), Magdi Ghali fishing on the other side of Larry tallied 14 total (he moved locations several times). So you can see the catching is really a skilled art that some have mastered better than others. It seems to be part science, part rig/equipment set up, part skill, part having the correct bait, and part luck. President Steve Linder was second with 34 fish, Brian Patterson pulled in 32, John Quinn got 17 for 4<sup>th</sup> place, John Treadgill got 16 plus a **TAGGED fish worth \$100**. Three club members have caught tagged fish over the years. Over 30 tagged fish caught this year. This truly is one of the most fun events that the club puts on, the whole weekend can be done for under \$200, lodging and meals included! Make sure to join in the fun next year, yeah it's a bit cold early in the morning but the day usually warms up and everyone on the ice has a great time.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LVWW Marksman Angler Events

- February- **LVWW BANQUET!!!! Feb 25th**  
 South Point Hotel & Casino doors open 5pm  
 Archery Shoot at Impact Archery 6323 Dean Martin Dr. 8am **18th**  
 Honcho Ralph Willits 702 423-7444
- March- Sunnyside-Wayne Kirch Wildlife Management Spring Fishing **11th**  
 Honcho Brian Patterson 702 715-2020  
 Coyote Hunt Cherry Creek Ranch **25th**  
 Honcho Duane LaDuke 702 281-0687
- April- Spring Feast Sporting Clays at CCSC **15th**  
 Honcho Mike Reese 702 400-6501  
 Otter Creek Res UT Rocking R Ranch **28th**  
 Honcho Magdi Ghali 702 327-8907



Stories or photos, contact GameBag  
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## In the News/Coming Events

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (CAB)

Next Meeting Tuesday, Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-9:00 pm at Government Center, ODC1 room, 500 S Grand Central Pkwy.

This meeting will discuss big game seasons and regulations, please show up.



## Marksman & Angler of the Year Standings

### Marksman of the Year

2017 standings after 0/9 events

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| First Place  | 0 pts |
| Second Place | 0 pts |
| Third Place  | 0 pts |
| Fourth Place | 0 pts |
| Fifth Place  | 0 pts |

### Angler of the Year

2017 standings after 1/6 events

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Larry Cusimano  | 10 pts |
| Steve Linder    | 9 pts  |
| Brian Patterson | 8 pts  |
| John Quinn      | 7 pts  |
| John Threadgill | 6 pts  |

### All Around

2017 Standings after 1 event

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Larry Cusimano  | 10 pts |
| Steve Linder    | 9 pts  |
| Brian Patterson | 8 pts  |
| John Quinn      | 7 pts  |
| John Threadgill | 6 pts  |

“Here’s to books, the cheapest vacation you can buy”

Charlaine Harris

## The GameBag

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

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