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July 8th Lunch Program: Open Discussion

LVWW Lunch July 8th at a new venue, Las Vegas National Golf Club located at 1911 E Desert Inn Road (near Eastern and Desert Inn).

Charlie's Lakeside will not reopen the meeting room, due to the need to expand the regular dinning space for social distancing. LVWW Board worked very hard and visited several locations before finding a replacement venue. The golf club is centrally located and easy to get to (just off the 95, south on Eastern to Desert Inn) it has ample parking, a large banquet room that can seat 100, and great food. They really want our business and will work with our group. The room will be set with round banquet tables allowing only 6 per table for proper social distancing. They will provide buffet style food with two servers. Chicken Marsala, Pasta Alfredo, steamed vegetables, rolls and desert are on the menu. Please RSVP to Mike Reese 400-6501 if you plan to attend, as this is our first time at LV National we want an accurate head count to save of food costs.

July 11 8am Center Fire Pistol Shoot at CCSC honcho Ralph Willits

Ralph Willits is the honcho and has put a lot of thought into the shoot, format, scoring, and safety for the event. This is center fire only. NO MAGNUMS, no hollow points, no .45s (ACP or LC), up to .44 special caliber. Revolvers or semi-autos; IRON sights for this competition; no laser or optic sights (fiber optic sight ok). Cost is \$20 per shooter, be prepared to shoot 100 rounds, bring your own gun and ammo. Some may only shoot 12 shots if eliminated early. Random pairing of shooters will go head to head in a double elimination competition.

The competition: This will be a "Dueling Tree." There will be 3 round discs on each side of the tree (total of 6). From the LOW READY position, each shooter will fire at the discs on his side to swing each to the other shooter's side. The round will be finished when the winner has all 6 discs on his adversary's side. If no shooter can get all six discs to his opponent's side, the winner will be determined by how many are on the other side after 1 minute, or both have run out of ammo. If there is a tie at this stage, a 1-3 round shoot off will done to determine who goes on to the next round.



For Lewis Class that aren't in the top 4, ranking will be by how many total targets were on the opponent's side each time they were eliminated. If there is still a tie, there will be a shoot off for ranking. When you win each round, you will of course score more total points.



Next meeting Wednesday August 12th, noon at LV National Golf Club located at 1911 E Desert Inn Road (Desert Inn/Eastern) price still \$20



Presidents Message...Mike Reese

Well we are finally going to have a luncheon again but it won't be the same. Now we are meeting at the National Golf course located at 1911 East Desert Inn Rd. I took the address as an omen and said why not??? Same times as before and same price to our members so let's see how many will attend. If you plan on attending then I need to hear from you as to whether or not you are attending. We don't want to ask the new place to have enough food for 50 members and only have 25 show up!!! We need to be responsible as we are giving them a firsthand look at what sportsmen really look and act like. Later on we can tell them what a fubar AWARD is:))))).

These are different times for all of us as none of us were around for the 1918 flu that killed millions. In our life time nobody ever went into a city and section off a portion of it for themselves. Since my birth I've only known of statues being erected and never being taken down and while I was born with freedoms that I thought would never be taken away, I'd like to take this time to express my gratitude to the men who came before me and gave me the freedoms that I enjoy today. Yes, I'm sad to say that I took some of those freedoms for granted. I have a deeper sense of gratitude today that I can still fish and hunt on Sundays, while people in 11 other states don't have that opportunity! I can still own and fire a firearm for not only putting food on the table but for pleasure and for my families own safety.

July is about fireworks and independence! For some of us it's time to get our fishing, camping, horseback riding gear out as we are taking off to the Rubies for a 3 day pack trip. To me this is one of the nicer trips that get offered to our members and we get a chance to escape the triple digit heat. Did I mention that we will be sleeping at 9500 feet next to a clear high mountain lake with billion of stars reminding us what it's like to get out of the city?

I would also like to thank Craig Wright for writing a letter to the editor on behalf of all sportsmen. It was printed in the Las Vegas Sun and was a rebuttal to a previous opinion about why sportsmen should be the majority members of a wildlife board. Thanks Craig!!

Woods and Waters is in its 29th year and I've been a member for more than half that time. Before being a member I had NEVER shot a black powder rifle and now I own one, I've even been the top shooter at a black powder event. I also had done a lot of fishing but never in a float tube and never on horseback. Yes I've been on hunting trips with horses and I rode horse as a kid but to go with a big group of friends fishing on horseback is awesome. I've never been a president at anything and now I'm a 3 time president!! Being a member does have its rewards!! I now have some lifelong friends because of the group and like the ones who came before me I try to leave it better than when I arrived. I also never thought I would be involved in politics but when I see the amount of sportsmen that are slowly getting regulated away I can't help but to get in and fight! I'm not fighting for me, I'm fighting for my kids and grandkids after all, I happen to know what it feels like to drive to school with a shotgun in the truck so you can go hunting after school with your friends. I also know what it feels like to not get a participation award for showing up!! After all I haven't had a tag in 4 years but you don't see me crying and pitching a fit.

This Presidents Message was written on behalf of those who came before me: Dan Perry, Earl White, Roger Zueger and my dear friend Chris Klineberger. A special thanks to my grandfather who took me hunting and fishing, Jack Reese.

What will you be celebrating this July 4th besides Independence Day?

Stay safe!

Mike Reese President 2020, 2011, 2008

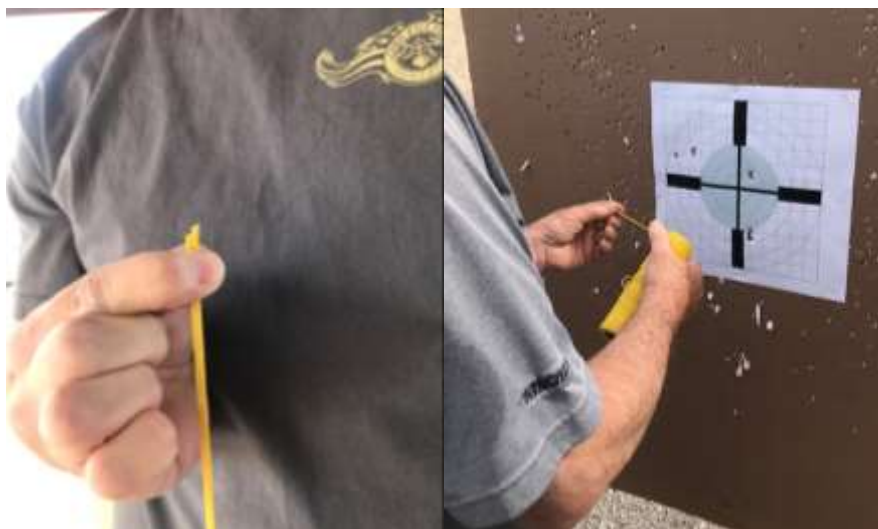


Black Powder shoot results



Don Turner provided the group with a short history lesson about early black powder shooting matches. It seems a string was used to measure the distance from the bulls eye to each hole in the target. The shortest string represents the shooter with most shots closest to the point of aim. And thus the term “string of shots” was coined. Honcho Brian Patterson liked the idea and decided it would be a good visual to see everyone’s “String”, note the photo above, notice Mike Reese (holding the baby) has his string touching the ground. As a penalty if one of your 5 shots did not even hit the 1 foot square paper target you were assessed a 24” shot (twice the size of the paper). Mike only had 3 shots on target, he missed the paper TWICE, so he was penalized 4 FEET of string.

The crazy thing was there was a tie between Michael Reese and Jeff Jorgensen for 1st & 2nd place. So we had them shoot 1 shot at 100 yards to break the tie....nope they tied again! 1 more shot each and finally Jeff was the winner. Jorgensen 1st, Michael Reese 2nd, Brian Patterson 3rd, Brian Cimperman 4th, Chris Griebeling 5th, Don Turner 6th, Tony Perkins 7th, Mike Taylor 8th, John Mitteness 9th, Jeff Bryant 10th all got Marksman of the Year points added the rest of the shooters each got 1 point each. Lewis Class money went to the top three shooters \$60,\$40, & \$20 as well as Talyor \$60, Mitteness \$40 & Bryant \$20 in the second flight.



See the photo at the left: that’s how close the difference was for 3rd & 4th place between Brian Patterson and Brian Cimperman only 1/16” of an inch. It was pretty amazing to see just how close the competition was.

We had 14 shooters attend the match, the club provided coffee and donuts along with all the shooting supplies. If you don’t have a black powder gun you can borrow one....ask Jeff Jorgensen he won the event with a borrowed gun (which has been done several times now).

22 Rifle Silhouette Shoot Results



Tony Perkins



Jeff Bryant



Michael Reese

Everyone has fun at our silhouette shoots, there is something different about knocking down steel vs punching holes in paper. Honcho Don Turner had the course set with 20 targets at various ranges, 25-50-75&100 yards. The format is straightforward; 20 targets, 30 rounds of ammo and 3 minutes to hit them all or run out of shells. Let's just say the time frame is not an issue, however no one was able to hit 20 targets with 30 shots. .22's at 100 yards offhand can be a challenge. For an extra \$5 you could shoot again to better your score, however better or worse your final score would be official and count toward Marksman of the Year and Lewis Class. About half of the shooters went to the line a second time, about half of them got a better score about half did not.

There were a few ties that were settled in a head to head 1 shot hit or miss format at 100 yards. This is a fun spectator sport to watch the pressure mount as you only get 1 shot going back and forth.

We had 22 shooters show up for the completion. Jeff Bryant got first place shooting 16 targets, Bruce Young was 2nd, Mark Forsstrom 3rd, Michael Reese 4th, Mike Stokes 5th, Brian Patterson 6th, Dan Zelna 7th, Mike Lussier 8th, Randy Peters 9th and Mike Reese was 10th. Then, it was time to see who won Lewis Class money. We had three flights and paid three places in each flight so 9 of the 22 shooters got paid. Bryant \$60, Young \$40, Forsstrom \$20 in the first flight, Lussier \$60, Peters \$40, and Mike Reese \$20 in the second flight and Jeff Jorgensen \$60, Mike Taylor \$40 and Robert Gaudet \$20 in the third flight.



Dan Zelna & Mike Lussier on the line



Randy Peters, Mike Reese, Dan Zelna & Mike Lussier in a shoot off

Letter to the Editor response

June 21, 2020

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wildlife board is unbalanced

The Sun's compelling June 14 editorial, "Unregulated trophy hunting not only cruel but also bad for the environment," exposed the underbelly of cruelty and anti-environmental practices.

State law clearly indicates that wildlife belongs to all Nevada residents, as do our public lands.

The Nevada Board of Wildlife commissioners, appointed by the governor, supposedly establish policies and regulations for "the preservation, protection, management and restoration of wildlife and its habitat."

However, the nine members are composed, by statute, of one farmer, one rancher, five hunters/trappers/anglers, one conservationist and one member representing the general public.

Farmers and ranchers together make up less than 1% of the state's approximately 3 million residents.

Licensed hunters, trappers and anglers comprise less than 5% of the state's population, yet represent over half of the commission. These commissioners must purchase wildlife-killing licenses in three of the four preceding years.

Why are those who seek to kill the public's wildlife presumed to know what is best for their long-term welfare? Can they really "preserve and protect" the wildlife they wish to kill? Their policies and regulations show alarming disregard for our wildlife's health and prosperity.

Then the dismal realization dawns: The people who truly desire to protect and restore wildlife — the general public and conservationists — make up only 22% of the commission yet constitute 95% of Nevada's population.

The commission is lopsided. It should reflect Nevada's population — the 95% that doesn't buy wildlife-killing licenses. Only then will there be real protection for our wildlife.

Stephanie Myers, Las Vegas

one group of human beings by another.

John Soltesz, Logandale

July 1, 2020

Hunters belong on wildlife board

The June 21 letter "Wildlife board is unbalanced" questioned why a small percentage of Nevada's population — hunters and fishermen — hold a majority of the seats on the state's Wildlife Commission.

The question is the answer: They care about the resource. They pay to hunt Nevada. There are no guarantees but they still pay.

Licenses provide Nevada badly needed funds, which help employ environmentalists, conservationists and rangers. Sportsmen rely on wildlife managers for input year-round and vice versa.

Who we don't need making decisions on a wildlife commission are citizens who are not outdoorsmen and are in the field sporadically. They probably learn from episodes of Bear Grylls' TV shows or by stalking their potbelied pig through the house.

Nevada's sportsmen volunteer their time and money all year and wherever necessary. They deliver feed and water to starving wild horses, elk, deer and sheep. They repair dams, roads and infrastructure out of their own pockets, which enhances everyone's experience. They are the best prevention from polluters, scofflaws and poachers. They serve as multiple eyes and ears for wildlife enforcement.

Consider: Who is on the Nevada Boxing Commission, the Board of Realtors, the Gaming Control Board, the Allegiant Stadium Authority or, for that matter, the COVID-19 committee created to bring back Vegas? They are people who walk the walk, have a vested interest and are willing to share their time and knowledge with the rest of us.

Sportsmen should be on the wildlife committee and we need more of them, not fewer.

Craig Wright, Las Vegas

Thank you Craig Wright for taking time to respond to the editor and speaking up for hunters. Ms Myers is a non-consumptive user that is out to stop all hunting & trapping in Nevada. Ms Myers refers to a June 14 article written by her cohort Fred Voltz.

They both are constant figures at all the local CAB and State Wildlife Commission meetings.....you should be too. They tend to speak for "you" when you are not present.

These folks need to be educated on the north American model of wildlife management that is envied around the world. Hunters, trappers and fishermen have taxed themselves to support wildlife. The Pittman-Robertson Act established in 1937 places an 11% tax on all shooting supplies, guns, ammo, etc. This money does not go into the US Treasury but to the Secretary of the Interior to be used by each state for wildlife management. They use a formula based on state size and number of licensed hunters. The state must then spend the money on wildlife management, research and habitat. This along with hunting fishing license sales is how NDOW is funded, not by Ms Myers and her friends.

So who should be involved in making decisions about wildlife? Those that support wildlife with their wallet. Like Craig mentions, do you want pilots making decisions about air travel or the general public? Do you want doctors making decisions on how to govern medicine or the general public? Sure the general public should be represented to give input but the majority of those in position to make decisions should be those that know the most about the subject and what is needed for the best of the profession or resource and the public.

BUY – SELL - TRADE

Buyers & Sellers agree to obey all firearms laws and local regulations in all transactions and hold LVWW harmless. Hunting, Fishing Camping gear for sale: Orvis Fly Tying Station many new items included Contact Mike Stokes 702 575-7716 \$125



New Members: No new members 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 Bill Rochel'eau at 209 480-7835 charter representative or scout master Jason Wilcock 702 884-1393. Troop 130 is the clubs very own charter, scouting embodies all the things the club is about; hunting, fishing, outdoor skills, friendships and getting youth involved in these pursuits. This is a great opportunity to pass on to youth the things we all enjoy get your kids, grandkids or neighbor kids involved.

More photos from the 22 Rifle Shoot last weekend



Ms Amsden from Troop 130 at the line

Check out the rack of weapons used

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LVWW Marksman Angler Events

- July Ruby Mtn Pack in Fishing Trip dates 10-12
Honcho Henry Krenka 775 779-2268
11th Center Fire Pistol Shoot Dueling Tree at CCSC
Honcho Ralph Willits 423-7444
- August 15th Long Range Shooting event
Honcho Steve Pierce 314 727-4287
- Sept 4-6 Yuma AZ Dove Hunt
Honcho Russ Johnson 271-0430
Spring Feast Sporting Clays Shoot at CCSC
Honcho Mike & Scott Reese 400-65001
Eagle Valley fishing & coyote hunt
Honcho Mark Transue 219-3716 Dave Talaga



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

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (CAB)

Next Meeting **is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11th 5:30pm-9:00pm stay tuned for updates if it will be held or not** at Government Center, Pueblo room, 500 S Grand Central Pkwy. Your involvement is needed please show up to support NV wildlife issues.



2020 Marksman & Angler of the Year Standings

Marksman of the Year
2020 standings after 4/8 events

Michael Reese	24 pts
Brian Patterson	22 pts
Ralph Willits	21 pts
Tony Perkins	15 pts
Don Turner	14.5 pts

Angler of the Year
2020 standings after 3/4 events

Brian Patterson	30.0 pts
Ralph Willits	14.0 pts
AJ Gagliardo	9.5 pts
Josh White	9.0 pts
3 tied at	8.5 pts

All Around
2020 Standings after 7/12 events

Brian Patterson	52pts
Ralph Willits	35 pts
Michael Reese	24 pts
Mark Forsstrom	18 pts
John Mitteness	15.5 pts

"Originality is the fine art of remembering what you hear but forgetting where you heard it"
Laurence J Peter

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

Jokes

TO ME
"DRINK RESPONSIBLY"
MEANS DON'T SPILL IT.

TODAY I
WAS A HERO!
I RESCUED SOME
BEER THAT WAS
TRAPPED IN
A BOTTLE.

Wipe your mouth,
there is still a tiny
bit of bullshit
around your lips.

SCIENTISTS SAY THE
UNIVERSE IS MADE UP
OF PROTONS, NEUTRONS,
AND ELECTRONS.
THEY FORGOT TO
MENTION MORONS.

If you can't
laugh at yourself
let me do it

SOME DAYS THE SUPPLY
OF CURSE WORDS IS
INSUFFICIENT TO MEET
MY DEMANDS

IF I SAY I WILL DO IT,
I WILL DO IT!
NO NEED TO REMIND ME
EVERY 6 MONTHS.

HOW AM I SUPPOSED
TO TRUST YOU WHEN
YOU KEEP RUNNING AWAY
EVERYTIME I UNTIE YOU

Never laugh at
your wife's choices.
You are one of them.

AFTER MONDAY AND TUESDAY
EVEN THE CALENDAR SAYS
W.T.F.

AT MY FUNERAL
TAKE THE BOUQUET
OFF MY COFFIN AND
THROW IT INTO THE CROWD
TO SEE WHO IS NEXT

I'M SO BUSY
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER
I FOUND A ROPE
OR LOST MY HORSE

I am who I am...
Your approval
isn't needed

DOES RUNNING FROM
MY RESPONSIBILITIES
COUNT AS CARDIO?

PLEASE BE PATIENT
EVEN A TOILET CAN
HANDLE ONLY ONE
ASSHOLE AT A TIME.

**I HAVE
SEXDAILY
DYSLEXIA**