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THURSDAY September 10th Lunch Program: Ron Stoker duck hunting
New lunch date THURSDAY September 10th at our new venue, Las Vegas National Golf Club located at 1911 E Desert Inn Road (near Eastern and Desert Inn). We have met the past two months at Las Vegas National Golf however we are unable to get the room for the second Wednesday of the month so we have **CHANGED TO THE SECOND THURSDAY** of each month, mark your calendars. 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. The room will be set with round banquet tables allowing only 5-6 per table for proper social distancing. Remember your masks to get into the facility and practice social distancing.

Fall Feast BBQ and Sporting Clays Shoot Sept 12th see next page for details.

CANCELLED Eagle Valley Fishing Sept 19 Honcho Bill Rocheleau 209 480-7835

Friday 18th: arrive to set up camp, campfire festivities (bring your favorite beverage)

Saturday 19th:

- 5:00 am: fresh made donuts and coffee provided
- 6:00 am: fishing competition starts
- 10:00 am: fishing competition ends (before it gets too hot)
- 5:00 pm: dinner consisting of BBQ tri-tip, beans, corn on the cob, and garlic bread (bring your own beverages); we will also cook anything you catch (and clean yourself).

Sunday 20th: 12:00 noon: clear out of camp



Fishing competition judging criteria:

- two age groups: 12+; 11 and under
- size by length.....LooonGEST fish wins. (prizes will be awarded the day of the event for junior anglers)

Cost: \$20 per participant 12 and up; \$10 per participant 11 and under. This covers the cost of camping and Saturday night dinner. Please RSVP to Bill so he can get enough food for Saturday night.

Accommodations: Spring Valley State Park group camp site approx. 1 mile north of Eagle Valley Res. On left. Seasonal group site has electricity for RVs and plenty of room for tents. State Park entrance fee: \$15 per vehicle per night or if you prefer...

Eagle Valley Resort is 3 miles south of the reservoir and has 8 cabins that sleep 4 to 8 depending on the cabin. There are also several RV pads available. The cabins range from \$80 - \$125 per night. The RV pads at the resort are \$25 per night. Availability is limited. Contact [Eagle Valley Resort](http://www.eaglevalleynv.com) (www.eaglevalleynv.com) or 775-962-5293 for reservations



Next meeting Wednesday September 9th, noon at LV National Golf Club located at 1911 E Desert Inn Road (Desert Inn/Eastern) price still \$20



Presidents Message...Mike Reese

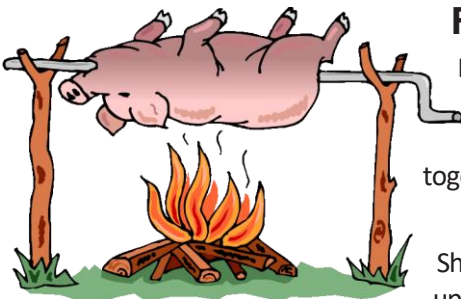
I need to remind everybody that our NEW lunch day is the **2nd THURSDAY** of each month now! The new location is The National golf course in the banquet room and its located at 1911 East Desert Inn Road. While change is in the air Duane LaDuke and I are trying to get Judge Kephart to come and speak to us about having a fire arm in your house that you may use for hunting but for some reason rioters want to invade your home or perhaps something happens to you while you are in your car. So before you say the three S'S (Shoot, Shovel and Shutup) you may want some advice from someone that might be judging you someday! I can't guarantee we can get him to come but he is up for re-election:))))). If everything works out we may get him for a guest speaker for OCT. You may ask what this has to do with hunting? Actually a lot as you can't hunt from jail....you might even be the hunted:))))

Our event for Sept will be our Fall feast sporting clay event up at the Clark county shooting complex. Sign up at 8am and I'll try to have us on the course by 8:30. With the new hours everybody must be off the course by 11 am. Sign up and lunch will be on the outside patio as always. They will allow us 4 per cart but they ask us to have a mask on between stations if all 4 people are on the cart. Sorry about the Covid restrictions!! The fee will be \$45 for 100 targets and for a 4 man cart. Same rules as beforeNo view targets. We are hunters and we don't get view birds in the field! Pick your team ahead of time and text the 4 names to me at 702-400-6501. On the day of the signup just have the chosen team captain come and sign up with ALL the money for the team You can even email me the team members names at mikereese224@gmail.com.

I'll be the guest speaker again this month unless we can get some members come up and tell about their dove hunt or their big game hunt.

Our Eagle Valley event for Sept has been canceled due to lack of water. It's the lowest I've ever seen it!!! Quail season will be opening in Oct so our sporting clay event would be a good practice!

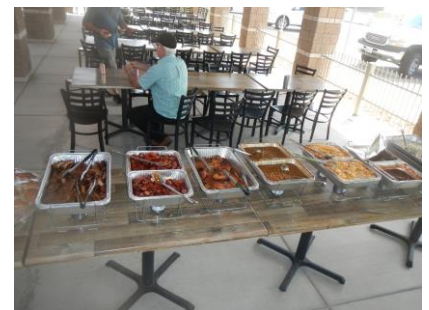
Stay safe! **Mike Reese President 2020, 2011, 2008**



FALL FEAST BBQ & Sporting Clays Sept 12 @ CCSC

Road Kill Grill will be providing all the BBQ and side dishes. The fall feast is one of the great membership perks, you and your family get a FREE meal. Come out just to eat if you don't want to shoot the sporting clays course. Mike has done the leg work putting together the details on the Feast.

Shooting honcho Mike & Scott Reese will start the sign ups at **8:00am** with a safety briefing before loading the carts to hit the course at **8:30am**. Try to pair up with a group of four (4) per cart to make it easier on Mike, but don't worry if you come out solo Mike can pair you up with a team. All shooting will be individual based scoring. Cost is \$45 per person and be prepared to shoot 100+ targets, bring an extra box of shells. **7.5, 8 or 9 shot size only**. Shooting should be over by 11:30 and food will be served soon after with the scores posted and winners announced during lunch. Lewis Class money will be paid out. Lewis Class is a great way to even the field so that anyone no matter your skill level is able to win prize money. Last year we had 44 shooters and 9 of them won money using the Lewis Class format. Come out to practice for dove season that recently opened. Don't forget to stock up with some water bottles for the course, the club should have plenty on hand.



Yuma AZ Dove Hunt Photos

I didn't much in the way of a story or report but did hear that it seemed as if there were more birds this year than some past years. Looks like a good turn out of some 10-12 club members, another fine event honchoed by Russ Johnson.



Some of the gang at dinner, in the field, on the hunt, the hunting fields and the accommodations after the hunt.

‘KYL’ Know Your Limits Recap



Here are the targets up close (2" dia down to 1/4" dia)



Here are the targets at 40 yards can you see them?



Champion Jeff Bryant....he didn't miss a shot



Jeff Jorgensen and Michael Reese taking aim

Last month we shot the fun game of Know Your Limits. 15 shooters came out to play. Simple rules, 8 targets, 8 shots, each hit equals 1 point, you can stop shooting at any point in time, if you miss you lose your points and must start over but only with what's left remaining of your 8 shots. Some hit 5 targets in a row and "pushed" their limit and tried for #6 and missed, yikes now you have to start over and only have 2 shots left.

Some hit 3 targets and then stopped, holding 3 pts vs risking taking a shot and miss at number 4. We shot 4 rounds for a total of 32 points possible. Champion Jeff Bryant hit seven targets then stopped in the first two rounds and shot ALL 8 in the next two rounds. (he was the only shooter to hit 8 in a row) some other top shooters (Zelna, Young and Lussier) got 6 pts in a round, impressive. Personally I missed my first shot at the biggest target in each round but then stopped once I got 3 points in each round, this strategy landed me in 5th place as I was comfortable posting "some" points each round versus potentially scoring a zero for one round.

Final results: 1st Jeff Bryant, 2nd Dan Zelna, 3rd Bruce Young, 4th Mike Lussier, 5th Brian Patterson, 6th Jeff Jorgensen, 7th Mike Stokes, 8th Michael Reese, 9th Tony Perkins, 10th Ralph Willits for the top 10. Lewis Class money was also given out as follows: Bryant \$80, Zelna \$40, Young \$20 in the first flight and Michael Reese \$80, Perkins \$40 and Willits \$20.

Marksman of the year points were also given out and the standings are very tight with only three shooting events left in the year. See the standings listed on page 7. There are six-seven guys within 10 points of the lead and a few more also within striking distance. It appears the final results will come down to the last event, just like past seasons, who is out practicing shooting that full automatic machine gun?

Tell me a story.....someone from the club have anything to share?

This space is open for your story & photos

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:



Mike Reese has a 5'x7' trailer/tent all in one for sale, trailer sides fold down and tent goes on top, only used twice! Asking \$1,400 call Mike at 702 400-6501



New Members: Welcome new members Scott Schneider, to the club, make sure to get your free hat at lunch for joining.

Political Rabies. I heard the term a couple days ago, applied to Democrat identifying individuals that become enraged, instantly angry, even violent, in another word "rabid", when they are presented with any information that does not conform to the Democratic agenda. It has become so pervasive, that most of us, possibly all of us, have personally experienced reactions like this from people in our society...Even from our otherwise intelligent friends and family! It can be property damage, like a car being keyed because there is a Trump sticker on it, to felony assault resulting in bodily injury because someone mentioned Socialism is a failure. In most cases, it is simply an angry, irrational, vocal outburst. It is the "instantaneous" and "extreme" nature of the reactions that makes me wonder what is going on. These "extreme reactions" are a condition that seems to be growing worse by the day. For what reason do those people fail to respond with calm, rational thought, speech and argument? Why do they not take a moment to consider their response? They do not have to agree, but they should, at least, be polite, respectful, and civil. Why does the anger "switch" flip instantly? Why are conservative people, by and large, much more calm and considerate? Conservatives are not flattening tires and throwing Molotov cocktails.

It was not like this in the past. I remember plenty of political disagreement, usually within my family, even heated discussions...but they were still discussions. People sat down and talked it out, intelligently, then went their separate ways on good terms. They did not scream at each other, throw punches and run away like a four year old. What happened? Well, I looked up one thing...

"Propaganda is communication that is used primarily to influence an audience and further an agenda, which may not be objective and may be presenting facts selectively to encourage a particular synthesis or perception, or using loaded language to **produce an emotional rather than a rational response** to the information that is presented.[1] Propaganda is often associated with material prepared by governments, but activist groups, companies, religious organizations, the media, and individuals can also produce propaganda."

Source: Wikipedia <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Propaganda>

And there you have it.

Now that I have written this, who do I send it to? Calm people that do not react like they are on meth. I know if I send this to the Democrats I know, they would get enraged at me and I will spare myself their temper tantrums. However, they are the ones that really need to be aware of this condition. Recently, I have received some responses from people so irrational, disrespectful and rude, that I have deleted them from my life. They have been brainwashed and I don't know how to fix it. Life is too short to allow toxic people to put a dent in my day. Have a good one!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LVWW Marksman Angler Events

- Sept 12th Fall Feast Sporting Clays Shoot at CCSC 8am
Honcho Mike & Scott Reese 400-6501
~~19-20th Eagle Valley fishing CANCELLED due to low water~~
~~Honcho Bill Rocheleau 209 480-7835~~
- Oct No events Happy Hunting
- Nov 21st Turkey Shoot at CCSC 1-5pm
Honcho Don Turner 602 799-6466
- Dec 3 Gun Shoot at CCSC
Honcho Mike Reese & Ivan Aceves



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, th 5:30pm-9:00pm stay tuned for updates if it will be held virtually or in person** 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 6/9 events

Ralph Willits	31 pts
Brian Patterson	29 pts
Jeff Bryant	28 pts
Michael R/ T. Perkins	27 pts
Dan Zelna	22 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 9/13 events

Brian Patterson	59 pts
Ralph Willits	45 pts
Jeff Bryant	28 pts
Michael R/ T. Perkins	27 pts
Dan Zelna	22 pts

"Obstacles are things a person sees when he takes his eyes off his goal"
Joseph Cossman

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Jokes

An Italian Dinner Invite to Mama -

Mrs. Ravioli comes to visit her son Anthony for dinner.

He lives with a female roommate, Maria.

During the course of the meal, his mother couldn't help but notice how pretty Anthony's roommate is.

Over the course of the evening, while watching the two interact, she started to wonder if there was more between Anthony and his roommate than met the eye.

Reading his mom's thoughts, Anthony volunteered, "I know what you must be thinking, but I assure you, Maria and I are just roommates."

About a week later, Maria came to Anthony saying, "Ever since your mother came to dinner, I've been unable to find the silver sugar bowl. You don't suppose she took it, do you?"

"Well, I doubt it, but I'll email her, just to be sure."

So he sat down and wrote an email:

Dear MaMa,

I'm not saying that you "did" take the sugar bowl from my house ; I'm not saying that you "did not" take it.

But the fact remains that it has been missing ever since you were here for dinner.

Your Loving Son Anthony

Several days later, Anthony received a response email from his MaMa which read:

Dear son,

"I'm not saying that you "do" sleep with Maria, and I'm not saying that you "do not" sleep with her.

But the fact remains that if she was sleeping in her OWN bed, she would have found the sugar bowl by now."

Your Loving MaMa Moral to this Italian story: Never Bulla Shita your MaMa

DOG FOR SALE

A man sees a sign outside a house -'Talking Dog For Sale'.

He rings the bell, the owner appears and tells him the dog can be viewed in the back garden.

The man sees a very nice looking Labrador Retriever sitting there. "Do you really talk"?, he asks the dog. "Yes", the Labrador replies.

After recovering from the shock of hearing the dog talk, The man asks, "So, tell me your story".

The Labrador looks up and says, "Well, I discovered that I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help

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the government, so I told the SAS. In no time at all they had me jetting from country to country sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders.

Because no one imagined that a dog would be eavesdropping, I was one of their most valuable spies for eight years."

"But the jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger. So I decided to settle down. I signed up for a job at Heathrow Airport to do some undercover security work, wandering near suspicious characters and listening in. I uncovered some incredible dealings and was awarded several medals. I got married, had a few puppies, and now I've just retired."

The man was amazed, he goes back into the house and asks the owner how much he wants for the dog. "Ten quid", the owner says. "£10.....!!? But this dog is absolutely amazing!

Why on earth are you selling him so cheaply?" "Because he's a lying bastard. He's never been out of the garden."

SHOPPING

So, today I went over to the local Gun shop to get a Colt 9mm handgun for home/personal protection.

When I was ready to pay for the pistol and ammo, the cashier said, "Strip down, facing me."

Making a mental note to complain to the government about gun control wackos running amok, I did just as she had instructed.

When the hysterical shrieking and alarms finally subsided I found out she was referring to how I should place my credit card in the card reader!

As a senior citizen, I do not get flustered often, but this time it took me a while to get my pants back on. I've been asked to shop elsewhere in the future.

They need to make their instructions to seniors a little more clear.

I still don't think I looked that bad! I just need to wear underwear more often.

"One of the secrets of life is to make stepping stones out of stumbling blocks." **Jack Penn**

New statistics shows a broader group of demographics are buying firearms than ever before.

If you have taken the time to step inside a brick and mortar [firearms store](#) in recent weeks, you have probably noticed the same thing we have. Stocks of available guns may be short. I picked up a new rifle at my local Sportsman's Warehouse last night and their shelves were nearly bare of all handgun ammo. The sales clerk said things have been "crazy" and that the phone has been ringing off the hook with people looking to buy ammo.

Most people already knew there has been a major [gun](#) and ammo sales surge during 2020, partially because of growing tensions from the [coronavirus pandemic](#).

What gun retailers and firearms owners may not realize is that the demographics for your typical buyer of firearms are becoming broader in this surge. Recent numbers compiled by National Shooting Sports Foundation surveys of firearms retailers now back that up.

According to [a NSSF press release](#), NICS data indicated 10.3 million [firearms purchases](#) just in the first half of 2020 alone. This translated into a 95 percent increase in sales and a whopping 139 percent increase in ammunition sales over the previous year. Not everyone is hurting during this pandemic.

The NSSF also released a breakdown of demographics for gun buyers during the first half of 2020. White males are still the biggest group of gun buyers at 55.8 percent of all customers, closely followed by white females at 16.6 percent. The next largest demographic to purchase firearms includes black males at 9.3 percent and black females at 5.4 percent. Approximately 6.9 percent of customers were Hispanic males while 2.2 percent were Hispanic females. Asian males and females rounded out the top demographics at 3.1 percent and 0.7 percent.

Those numbers may not sound too surprising, but what is notable here is the percentage of increase among some of these demographics. Purchases among black men and women saw a 58.2 percent surge in sales. Likewise, sales to Hispanic men and women saw a 49.4 percent increase and Asian men and women saw a 42.9 percent increase. Unsurprisingly, white men and women also saw a significant sales increase of 51.9 percent.

According to NSSF's numbers, this has helped firearms retailers significantly. Approximately 87 percent saw an overall increase in sales while 92 percent saw an increase in ammunition sales. Back in June, the NSSF noted that as many as 40 percent of sales were to [first-time gun buyers](#). Unsurprisingly, the numbers reflected mostly self-defense firearms. [Semi-automatic handguns](#) accounted for most of the sales, closely followed by shotguns and modern sporting rifles. Retailers cited personal protection as the primary reasons for most purchases.

More than seven months into 2020, it will be interesting to see if the surge in gun sales continues throughout the rest of year.