

*Las Vegas Woods and Waters*  
*Since 1991- 30 Years of Fun*  
**GAMEBAG**

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

Celebrating 30 years of getting together



November 2021, Issue 359

**Lunch Program: Doug Neilson Ducks & Donuts recap + hunt stories**

**Thank you to those that have served, in November LVWW buys Veterans lunch.**

**1st annual Don Turner Memorial Turkey Shoot**

When: Saturday **November 13**

Where: CCSC Training Center 100 yard range

Time: 12 Noon-4pm

Event format:

1. 22 long rifle, any gun type as long as its 22lr only! (No mag or wmr's)
2. 1st round will be 5 chickens @ 15 yards and 5 Turkeys @ 25 yards. You will have 2 min to shoot 10 shots at the steel targets. One point per knocked down target. This round will be shot from the standing position
3. 2nd round will be a paper splatter turkey target @ 50 yards. 10 shots at target in 2 min. Score will be counted as hits on vital areas of turkey. This round will be shot from a sitting position at the bench and you can use your elbows for support.
4. 3rd round. One balloon at 100 yards. "2 shots only" Bust the balloon and 10 points added to score. Shot same as round 2 from bench.
5. Buy back: After first round is shot you can reshoot this round for \$ 5.00 the buy back score is the score used.

Any questions please call Jeff Bryant @ 702-275-1400



Don always said "Safety is an attitude--attitude is everything."

**December 11<sup>th</sup> at CCSC 8am No Three Gun Shoot this year??????**

Once a year for the past 10+ years we get to shoot a MACHINE GUN, *maybe not this year*. Ivan has left New Frontier Armory, Jessica Famiglietti is committed to LVWW but the automatic machine gun license requirements are the issue. We are still working on the details. There will be a final Marksman of the Year event on December 11, we are just not sure if it will include automatic guns or if it will be some other format.

Honcho Mike Reese also has a conflict (he's going to Disneyland) Steve Pierce is the new honcho, stay tuned. Known details for the shoot include:

Dec 11<sup>th</sup> CCSC 100 yd range at the Training Center sign ups start at 8am shooting to start soon after. Cost will be \$20-\$45 depending on the machine gun aspect, including Lewis Class payout money

If you have some creative ideas on a replacement shoot contact Steve 265-4600. Or if you would like to honcho an event in 2022 be it shooting or fishing there are ample opportunities. Many of the same guys have been putting on the same event for years.....maybe they would like a break? Fresh ideas and events are always welcome.



**Next meeting Thursday December 9<sup>th</sup>, 11:45 at LV National Golf Club located at 1911 E Desert Inn Road (near Eastern) price \$20**



## Presidents Message...Mike Reese

Well November is here and it's the month for giving thanks and I have a lot to be thankful for. No, I didn't get a first come first serve tag also known as FCFS! No I haven't been able to finally get out and hunt, actually it's the opposite for me. I have an appt for the end of this month to discuss my hip replacement, I got to attend my first cab meeting as a member of the general public and yes it's the first time I had to sit and keep my mouth shut until I was called upon to speak. You guys know how hard that was for me!! It was really nice to see Frank Mirabelli (He couldn't stay quiet either), Mark Transue, Ron Stoker, Brian Burris, Robert Gaudet, John Mittness and Brian Patterson sit in the audience with me. We all got our 3 minutes to give our 2 cents worth of what we thought of a possible coyote calling ban, but I was given 6 minutes because I was representing the

Coalition. So why am I thankful for this? Because it intimidated the hell out of the anti's and they just shut up!!!!

Another thing that I'm grateful for is that the governor appointed me the new County Commissioner in Lincoln County. Yes I've moved and I did it during the pandemic and now it's official and I'll also keep our house in Vegas so I'll remain the Treasurer until someone wants to do it and I'll finish my term out as president. Plus, I will help coordinate and put on this year's banquet. I need help with the banquet and I'll be passing out a sign-up sheet at the luncheon!

I'm also thankful that the sportsmen of Nevada and Woods and Waters have prevailed once again!!!! Yep, the proposed ban on coyote calling contest was killed on Friday 11/5/21 by a vote of 5-4! A close call and a wake-up call for all of us! The wildlife director made it known before the debate started that he was in favor of outlawing the calling contest.....you heard me right, he was in favor of outlawing the coyote calling contest. With that knowledge do you think your hunting privileges are safe???? A big thanks to those who sent in a comment or who commented at the CAB meeting.

Our Don Turner Memorial Turkey Shoot is this month and Jeff Bryant is honchoing it. I think this one might be the most challenging and quite fun all in one afternoon. See the details in the game bag page 1.

The big game season is all but over and it's time to hear about those hunts. I know Tony Perkins has some stories to tell, he drew the PIW deer tag and he hunted in about 15 different hunt areas throughout the state and he finished up being in Winnemucca Nevada! I won't spoil it and tell you, but you will want to listen to it and also his African hunt this year. The elections are next month and it's time to throw your name in the hat and join a great group of guys.

Upland game season has started as well as waterfowl so who has been out?

See you at the luncheon!

**Mike Reese President 2021, 2020, 2011, 2008**

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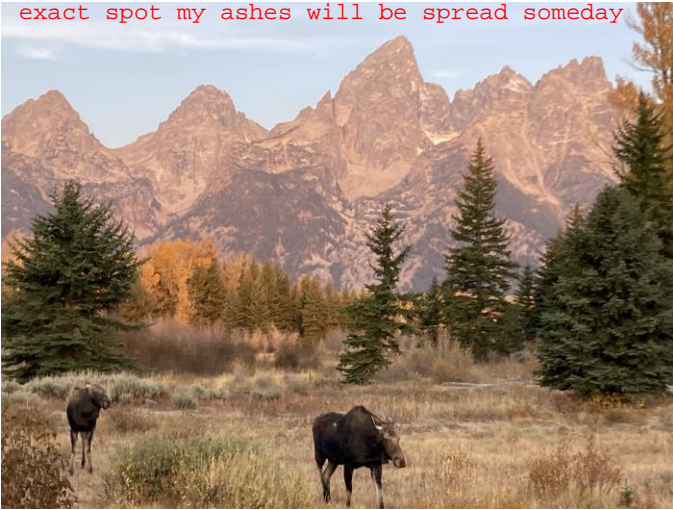
**Board/Officer elections at lunch next month (December) PLUS attendance gift card drawings.**

Lunch attendance this past year has averaged 40-50 members, each lunch you have attended you get a ticket in the bucket to win 1 of 5 \$100 gift cards to Sportsman's Warehouse. Show up 12 times, get 12 tickets, show up once, get 1 ticket. Another perk of membership, a chance to win something at every lunch, be it a door prize or year end gift card!

**Christmas Eve gathering 2021.** Historically (25+ years) the Club has met at noon on Christmas Eve at Ricardo's Mexican Grill on Flamingo and Decatur. This is an informal gathering to wish each other Merry Christmas, tell some stories of the past years events, and honor one of our founding members, Dan Perry with a toast of Jack Daniels. We also have been known to select the FUBAR of the year for the member with the most embarrassing display at an event. Ricardo's closed last year but a new bar, **PKWY Tavern** recently opened in the same location. I have scouted out the new bar and confirmed it meets our standards, nice open room with plenty of space to mingle, sit and drink. I reserved it for 11-2pm on Dec 24 let's continue the tradition.

## Wyoming Back County Elk Hunt by bpatterson

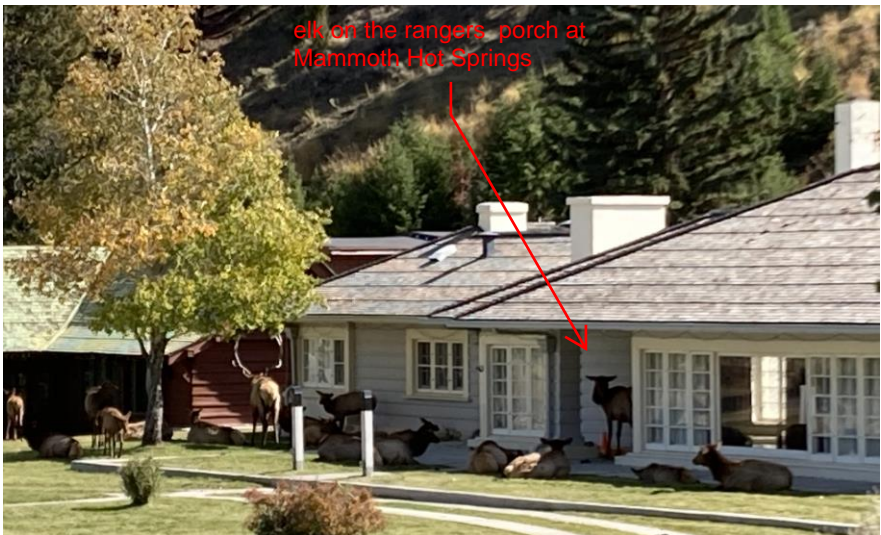
exact spot my ashes will be spread someday



I won a back county Wyoming elk hunt in July 2019 with Pro Memberships Sweepstakes. They have donated memberships to our banquet and I have promoted this to the club a few times over the years, 9 or 10 LVWW members have also won big hunts. I finally got to go on the hunt in Oct 2021. As fate would have it, I had been to this exact camp 4 years ago when Barclay Swan won the hunt and I was able to go as his cameraman. That previous trip had me fully aware of what was in store, a 31 mile horse back ride into some VERY remote wilderness located just outside Yellowstone National Park. Barclay was unsuccessful 4 years ago and I planned to avenge his trip.

We left the trailhead at a leisurely hour of 8am. A looong ride through some spectacular scenery included seeing a black bear, a grizzly bear and climbing some 4,500 feet over the 10,491 foot Deer Creek Pass. Snow shovels are located in several locations along the switchbacks over the pass, used in case a snow storm blocks the trail. Sections of the trail are just a couple feet wide with a vertical fall of over 1000 feet. No falling asleep on your horse. We arrived at camp 10.5 hours later at 6:30pm just in time for dinner. Everyone was a “little” sore and ready for bed in short order, as roll call and breakfast would be at 5am sharp. There were three other hunters in camp. Each of us had our own guide and would head out in separate directions in the morning.

The whole camp staff had been in the back country since late July setting camp, cutting firewood and scouting. When I say cutting firewood, I mean ALL by hand. NO POWER tools allowed in the wilderness, no gas, no generators, no electrical items. Two man cross buck saws and ax to make every stick of firewood. Just a few years ago “artificial” light was finally allowed....this means flashlights, headlamps and propane lanterns are now “ok”. No wheeled devices are allowed. No bike, no wheel barrow, no cart, NO WHEELS! A few years ago the camp had constructed a wheel barrow out of wood (think Gilligan’s Island) to move heavy items around camp.....when the Forest Service stopped by for an inspection it had to be dismantled and never used again.

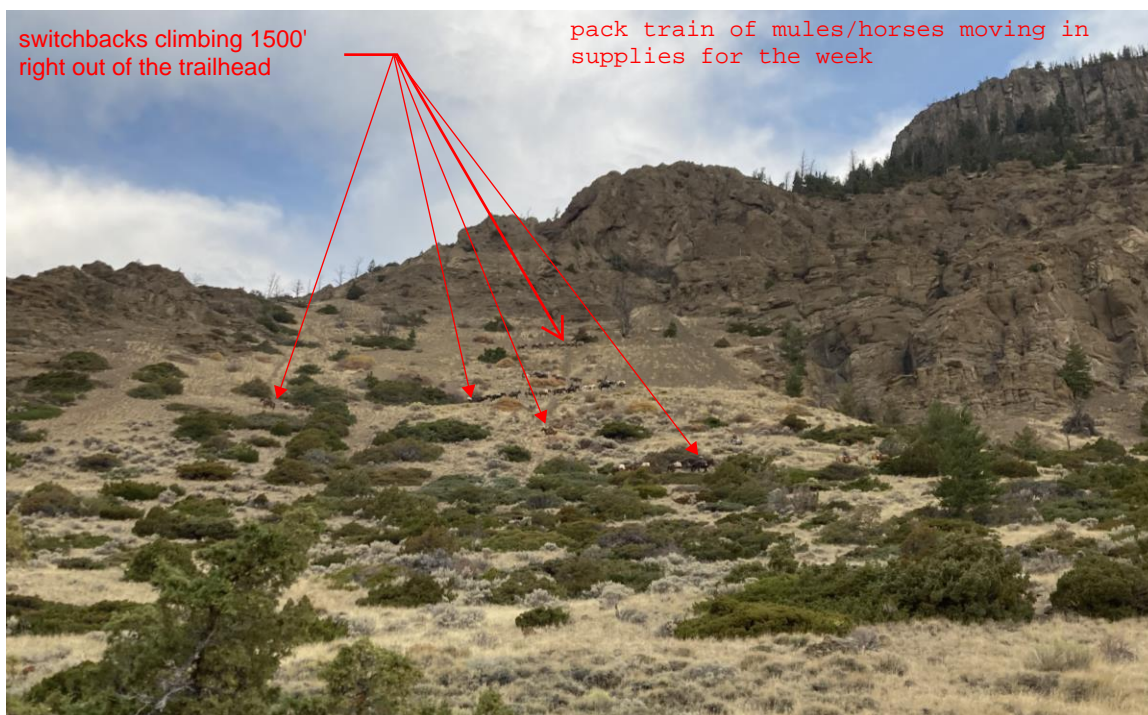


Bears and bear safety are a constant concern in this remote location. The camp cook was very particular about camp cleanliness and food storage. No snacks allowed in the tents, not even your person shave kit with toothpaste and lotions, they had to be locked up each night. The food was secured on a platform some 15-18 feet in the air away from camp. There were bear claw marks 10-12 feet up on the trees holding the platform.

Young Camp Jack, Quinton slipped into our tent each morning at 4am stoking the fire and providing a weather report for the day. A very nice touch to actually wake up and get dressed 45 minutes later in a warm dry tent. We had rain showers



on the ride in and rain and or snow and fog each day for the week. By mid week for each 1-2 inches of snow at camp I thought about the Pass, how much snow was accumulating up there? River, one of the guides shared a photo of himself in Oct 2019....using the shovels along the trail, the snow was THIRTEEN FEET deep! He recalled it took 6.5 hours for him to shovel through roughly a quarter mile of trail that day to get out. Yikes....now I really began to wonder/worry about the pass.



Josh, an ex-marine was my guide. He fit my temperament and enthusiasm perfectly. The first morning we headed 1.5-2 miles north from camp, about 45 minutes in the saddle. Dolly, my horse for the ride in, got the day off resting. The next 6 days my horse/mule was tall enough it required me to find a stump or uphill angle to mount, not the picture of John Wayne cowboy I thought I was. We saw elk daily, a few deer (the migration out of YNP had not started) I saw two grizzlies, a black bear and lots of grizzly tracks and a couple wolf tracks. Others in camp saw more grizzlies on their hunts and we had a griz in camp one day which the cook shooed away. The cook radioed everyone to be on the alert and we were able to see the bear in a meadow near camp through our glass.

Josh earned a few demerits from me early, #1: for hiking me down a steep canyon full of blown down timber up the other side then we had to return back through the same mess. Hiking over downed logs with frosty slick snow is a recipe for getting hurt, I didn't want a \$40K medivac helicopter ride. Demerit #2: he lit a nice warming fire, but he had to use 3 matches to get the wet wood going 😊 #3: he hiked me up a steep snow covered slope when the horses were actually tied up down the draw, the extra uphill hiking was not necessary (we both slipped and slid 20-30 feet coming down) demerit #4: he allowed me to lose some of my gear:-a hat, a glove, my shooting sticks and worst of all my truck keys. The other guides enjoyed hearing about the demerits he was racking up each night at dinner. Actually none of those items are lost, I geo-cached them in the back country of WY. So if anyone wants to go on a scavenger hunt after a 31 mile horse ride looking for my "chit" I'd appreciate it if you brought it back to me.

By day two Josh decided to share with me a photo of a 7x8 bull they had been trying to harvest for the past 3 weeks. After seeing the photo this was my target bull for the next 5 days. We found him four of the five days and I actually chambered a round 4 different times moving in on a stalk. Each time the bull would zig when we had zagged and I never got close enough for a shot before he slipped into the trees or he didn't step out where we expected him to be.

One morning we spotted him roughly ½ mile from camp so we left the horses tied up and hiked up to the clearing where he was feeding with 4 cows. He slipped into the trees just as we got to the opening when we could see him again. We sat there in the snow ALL day hoping for a chance he'd be back out later, he didn't show that afternoon. I wanted to be at the small clearing in the dark the next morning to catch him out feeding. Josh held me back saying lets locate him first before making the climb up. The next morning (my last day to hunt) I glassed him in a clearing about 1.5 miles north of camp in



a steep rocky chute above the trees. I was glad Josh had held back my plan of hiking in the dark, however getting to him now would require not 1, not 2 but 3 deep canyon crossings full of blown down timber. One of the same deep canyons Josh had earned a demerit for on day 1 or 2. Neither one of us wanted to go on that death march of a hike and the chances of him being out for 2-3-4 hours while we made the hike were very slim. AND if we did make the hike to sit and wait for him to come out again would he come out? Or would he slip away just like the day before? Generally the crew does not like to hunt on the last afternoon prior to a long ride out. Recovery of a bull late is added work when there is a huge effort to get the hunters and some 20-25 head of stock on the trail early in the morning. But, all the guides were in agreement this bull was one to make an exception. Lots and lots of discussion ensued, I really wanted to try for this bull. The odds of success were VERY LOW, the odds of a brutal hike were VERY HIGH, I also weighed the odds of someone getting hurt along with the extreme effort required to recover the bull IF we were successful.

I made the final decision to hang in camp and get our gear ready for the long ride out in the morning. I was also still concerned about the amount of snow accumulation over the pass. I kept my spotting scope set up to keep an eye on the bull and just a few minutes after making my decision he pushed his cows into the trees. Everyone went to work organizing and packing their gear, chopping some wood and other camp chores. About 2:30 that afternoon I looked back up at the rocky chute....there was the bull again! I went to the guide tent to tell Josh. All the guides came scrambling out and the discussions began all over. It sure was tempting to make a final play on this big bull but all the same issues from the morning made the decision easier...we would not risk it, however had we moved in earlier to sit and wait him out would that bull be on my wall? No one knows? Another group of 8 hunters were scheduled for the next week, I asked Josh to send me photos of that bull when he got him killed. I'm still waiting.



Visibility was zero some days but a warm fire helps for sharing hunting stories, fresh tracks of another hunter ahead of us, staying warm making the firewood, the long ride out as we neared the pass, only 1-1/2 or 2 feet of snow, not 13 feet!



## The Image of Hunting bpatterson

Are we as hunters hurting our own cause? Social media has exploded in the past 10 years, EVERYONE has a voice to express their thoughts, feelings, and point of view. Everyone is competing to have the biggest “following” or the most “hits” on a certain post. Posts that at one time were just shared with family and a few close friends via email are now broadcast to the world via Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, Snap Chat, YouTube and other platforms.

As hunters we are no different; we want to be recognized, we want to be popular, we want to “show off” our successes in the field. How do we generally accomplish this? With photos of our “harvest”. Photos of that first buck, the biggest buck of the year, the pile of snow geese, a long stringer of fish or most recently in the news a stack of dead coyotes from a coyote calling contest. I bring this up as now the movement has turned the corner and is gaining traction with the majority of the general public. They are using these same “hero” photos we share freely against us to paint a picture of wanton killing. The message is being shared over and over on social media “look what hunters do, they kill not just for sport but for FUN”

This past week at the Clark County CAB meeting almost 2 hours of discussion revolved around the general public wanting NDOW to stop coyote calling contest in Nevada. Nine states have already done so, is Nevada next? The sportsmen in the audience held that coyote calling contest are a “management tool” to help curb the population of one of the top predators eating deer fawns and other game species. The non-consumptive users in the audience held that killing coyotes and awarding prizes is simply killing for fun, seldom are the pelts harvested and certainly the meat is not for consumption. The main weapon used against sportsman are photos actually provided by sportsman. Piles of bloody dead animals really play into the emotions of people, it is extremely hard for sportsmen to defend these photos as game management or conservation.

I’m proud of my hunting heritage and proud to display taxidermy trophies in my office and home. In fact I try to mention hunting, shooting or fishing early in a conversation when meeting someone for the first time. The company I work for is based in California and many of my colleagues lean to the left. I proudly have photos and mounts in my office space and freely promote that my PTO will be spent on a hunting trip. I don’t cover up my activities or what I believe, I try to educate others on how sportsmen and hunting actually help wildlife populations and that sportsmen are the ones paying to conserve wildlife for EVERYONE to enjoy.

In that same vain using the same platforms that are being used against us, sportsmen should be using Facebook, Twitter, Snap Chat etc to promote the positive things hunting does. I feel we should lessen the amount of “hero” photos that cast us in a bad light. Don’t shy away from or be afraid to stand up for your beliefs but think a little bit before posting on social media. How does this image portray us as sportsmen? Does it have a negative impact in anyway? Could it be used against me somehow? Remember Cecil the lion from a few years ago? Walter Palmer the dentist who harvested that lion was crucified in the media, his business was impacted, he received death threats. Do you want that type of exposure?

Sportsman need to unite and stand together on the issues facing us, there will always be a few bad apples that get lots of attention for doing wrong. How about getting attention for doing good.



Poor photos to post: A coyote my brother shot last week while deer hunting, “pile” of dogs from a contest

## 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. Anyone have some gear they aren't using and would like to pass on? And perhaps make some money at the same time.

Paul Harris is looking for a **Glock 19** in 10mm or 9mm if you have one for sale contact him at 702 596-6849

**New Members:** We welcome new members: I'm not aware of any new members this month, make sure to get your free hat (when the new shipment arrives) at lunch for joining.

Left: October lunch speaker Hubert von der Beeck, German history and hunting requirements



Right: Richard Beasley Doug Nielson and Martin Olson from NDOW at the Ducks and Donuts event Oct 23

**LVWW Banquet:** the date is set for **February 19<sup>th</sup>** at the **Gold Coast Hotel & Casino**. This will be a celebration of 30 years for the club. The banquet is our **ONLY** fund raiser for the year. We need volunteers to help out. Chairman Mike Reese has started early (we currently have about 16 guns purchased and in our possession) we desperately need more donation items. Mark Transue 219-3716 is in charge of collecting donations so if you have something or have a lead on a donation contact Mark. Donations can be **ANYTHING**. Dinner vouchers, show tickets, sporting event tickets, outdoor gear, hunts, small items all sorts, think outside the box things like an oil change at the local lube shop, tires, gunsmithing, clothing, airline tickets, etc. Costs have increased so currently the dinner tickets are set at \$75 for adults and \$45 for kids with an increase for those purchased at the door vs beforehand.

**ICE FISHING:** The Ely Rotary Club Cave Lake Ice Fishing event is set for February 5<sup>th</sup> this year, they have had to cancel the event the past 2-3 years so LVWW held our event at Comins Lake. There are also discussions about holding an ice fishing event at Panguitch Lake in mid-January. Mark Transue and Steve Reiter are in the planning stages with Aspen Cove Resort to hold an event. Years ago our first ice fishing events all took place at Panguitch Lake. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information, one or both events may be part of the Angler of the Year competition for 2022.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LVWW Marksman- Angler Events

- Nov 13<sup>th</sup> Don Turner Memorial 22 Rifle Turkey Shoot at CCSC 12-4pm  
Honcho Jeff Bryant 275-1400
- Dec 11<sup>th</sup> **Three Gun?** Shoot at CCSC last event of the year  
Honcho Steve Pierce 265-4600
- Jan Archery Shoot at CCSC Honcho Ralph Willets  
**Possibly** Ice Fishing at Panguitch Lake UT honcho Mark Transue
- Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Rotary Club Ice Fishing Cave Lake Ely NV  
Combined with Ely Rotary Club Honcho Brian Patterson  
19<sup>th</sup> LVWW 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet at Gold Coast Hotel & Casino



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, Jan 25, 5:30pm-9:00pm stay tuned for updates if it will be held BOTH virtually AND in person at Government Center, Pueblo room, 500 S Grand Central Pkwy. Main topic of discussion is big game seasons & regulations. Your involvement is needed please show up to support NV wildlife issues. Mike Reese is no longer on the Board after serving 12 years, thank you Mike for your hard work and dedication to Nevada's wildlife. Brian Patterson has applied to fill his seat, BCC appointment will be held Nov 16.

### LVWW Trap Team looking for a new member

This rag tag group of 5 has been shooting together for over 20+ years. Neil Dille, John Fenner, Mike Taylor, Paul Schoppe and newest member (only 10+ years) Brian Patterson. Paul is moving out of state, so starting just after Thanksgiving a new team member is needed. **Requirements:** must be OLD, (ave age is 80), must have thick skin (as there is lots of ribbing on everything from your looks to how you shoot), must like wine (some of us drink a glass between rounds), must have money (we bet \$2 each night and we expect you to pay up when you lose), must have your own gun & ammo (we all have extra guns but we don't share), must be a good loser (as we lose regularly), must have new stories (we've heard each others stories many times) must NOT shoot better than the existing members (we aren't that good but don't like to be shown up and don't like to lose \$2 each week) must try-out for the team (but cash bribes are good way to make the list), must pay roughly \$185 every 10-12 weeks for league fees, must consistently show up every Wednesday night, must be able to shoot year round -no fair weather shooters allowed. Contact one of the 4 remaining members if still interested.

## 2021 Marksman & Angler of the Year Standings

Marksman of the Year		Angler of the Year		All Around	
2021 standings after 8/10 events		2021 standings after 6/6 events		2021 Standings after 14/16 events	
Mike Reese	42 pts	Ron Stoker	39 pts	John Mitteness	49 pts
Ralph Willits	31 pts	Brian Burris	27 pts	Mike Reese	47 pts
John Mitteness	28 pts	K Johnson J Mitteness	21 pts	Ralph Willits	39.5 pts
Larry Cusimano	26.5 pts	Brian Patterson	17 pts	Ron Stoker	39 pts
Jeff Bryant	23 pts	Robert Gaudet	15.5 pts	Larry Cusimano	34 pts

**"Don't limit your challenges-challenge your limits"**  
Jerry Dunn



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Lunch door hosts: Steve Reiter and Ralph Willits

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

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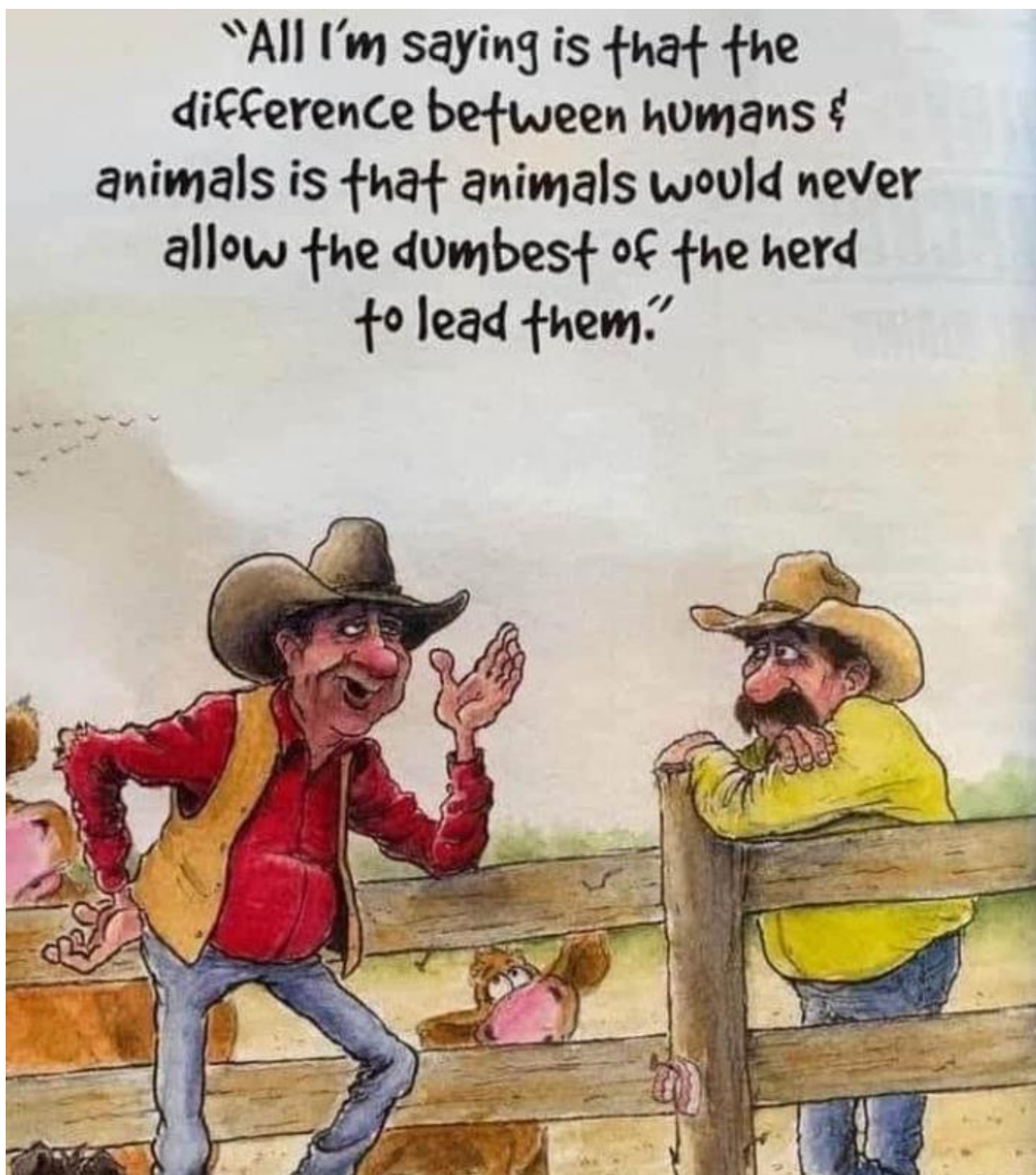
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## Jokes

**From:** Joseph Terry <pickgsus@gmail.com>

**Subject:** Ammo For Sale

Hello, I am looking to sell some 12 Gauge shells to someone in the group. I have 48 shells of Federal 12 Ga Steel 2 shot, 43 shells of Federal Steel 4 shot and approximately 50 mixed and assorted shells. I am asking for \$65 dollars. You can put my contact info for this email and or my number 702-622-9762, Thank you.





No Joke, Clayton Philipp has won NV State Trap Shooting 6 years in a row. Congratulations Clayton!



### Weekly Practice Pays Off

To the chagrin of my wife, I shoot trap or sporting clays every Saturday. Not only do I love the sport, but you can always shoot better. The practice has paid off for me again with a Sixth Nevada State Championship. After five I didn't think I could push it any further but had to give it a go, even passing on some of the best NFL tickets Susan had bought. (She went without me).

Luckily the weather was beautiful starting out on Friday morning. Doubles Trap was the first event. I typically don't shoot doubles and it's not a strong suit. Didn't shoot too bad but was not expecting much. Several hours later found out I had indeed won my class with another belt buckle for the case and a beautiful silver engraved tray.

Saturday was the 200 Bird Singles Championship. I shoot in the Sub-Veteran Class for this State event.

Its 100 targets in the morning and 100 in the afternoon. I was on the line for what seemed like a week.

That many targets make for a long day when you must keep your focus while enjoying the company of shooters from around the state. Success was mine winning my 6th Singles championship. This organization does a standout job on awards. In addition to the belt buckle I received an engraved leather ammo pouch.

On to day three. Weather changed to cold and windy. Result: I was terrible. The kids shot better than I did. No win for the Handicap event. The silver lining was picking up the High All Around Championship for the Sub-Veteran class. Ironically the award is a Long Horn Sheep, which was my big trophy last season!

Not resting on my laurels, I was back at it the next Saturday getting ready to try for number 7. Always looking for company, so feel free to join me.

Clayton Philipp