

Las Vegas Woods and Waters
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GAMEBAG

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

Celebrating 30 years of getting together



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Lunch Program: Jack Kreamer Captain, NDOW Game Warden Dept



22 Pistol Shoot – Changed from Center Fire Pistol

.22 revolver or semi-auto load with 6 rounds. Head-to-head double elimination. .22 LR only. Iron sights only - no red dot, no laser, no optics. Dueling tree format.

Ralph Willits & Jeff Bryant are the honchos and they have put a lot of thought into the shoot format scoring and safety for the event. This is 22 pistol only **NO MAGNUMS, no hollow points** due to scarcity of center fire ammo, revolvers or semi-autos, no laser or optic sights (fiber optic front sight ok) IRON sights for this competition. 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 targets: There will be 6 round disc flip targets on a tree –both shooters have 6 shots to push as many targets to the opposite side, last man standing. Target distance will be determined at the set up. Sign in at 12 noon, shooting starts at 12:30 CCSC Training center range. For Lewis Class ties, there will be a shoot off.

Panguitch Lake Fishing May 22-23 Honcho Mark Transue 219-3716 & Steve Reiter cook

The set up this year will be to get as many as possible to stay at the **Aspen Cove Lodge**, I know several members have private lodging nearby but we would like to have a group stay at Aspen Cove as they have really supported the club the past couple years, we should return the favor by supporting them if possible. Call the Lodge direct and ask for Jim, tell him you are with LVWW to get a good rate. Jim is also the new owner and has remodeled the whole lodge. It looks really nice. Wait until at least the 10th before you call Jim for the boat rentals as he is really busy finishing up the work. A new web site is being developed so you can do everything on line. I will let you know when it is up and running. A drawing will be held Saturday night for 1 free night stay for members who are staying at the lodge.

Aspen Cove Lodge 225 N Shore Rd 435 676-8448 Jim Shelton 714 404-1420

Rooms/ 2 beds \$140/night + tax or contact Steve Reiter for LVWW block of rooms

Boat Rentals call Jim Shelton at 714 404-1420 Pontoon boats are equipped with GPS trolling motor systems that when set will hold your boat in the same spot, no more need for an anchor. Half day pontoon rental is \$185

If you plan to attend it is IMPORTANT to RSVP to Mark Transue 219-3716 **BEFORE May 13th**. The club is buying steaks or chicken for a big dinner Saturday night after the fishing and a clear head count is needed to purchase the food. Steve Reiter will be doing the cooking and the Aspen Cove Lodge will provide all the side dishes This is a free meal for all current club members, non-club members will be charged \$25 to eat.



**Next meeting Thursday June 10th, 11:45 at LV National Golf Club
located at 1911 E Desert Inn Road (near Eastern) price \$20**



Presidents Message...Mike Reese

“All we want to do is hunt fish and talk about it” Has been our motto since 1991 but I’ve been told it used to be “all we want to do is hunt, fish and meet to talk about it” I’ve been in the club for 20 years and have never heard that but it doesn’t mean it didn’t exists! I guess that could be considered our first upgrade? While it’s true that we have encountered a pandemic situation this year with us having to cancel some events and even our banquet last year, it’s seems that no body in the club hunts or fishes anymore or is it because they don’t want to talk about it anymore? I can’t tell you the last time a member came to a meeting to talk about their own recent personal experiences. It’s true we have lots to talk

about from the clubs’ events but no knowledge is being passed around the room from ventures in the outdoors. I guess nobody hunts quail anymore or turkeys or deer or whatever. Yes, Brian gets pictures sent to him, but no story to tell. I talked about Larry Cusumano’s’ cow elk hunt and Mark Gallear’s deer hunt. Geez, I even talked about my son’s muzzleloader elk hunt. The common denominator here is it’s me doing the talking))). Now everyone knows I’m never at a loss for words but it’s my belief that I bring factual data to the group, (That can always be debated), in hopes they will be better informed about where to go and what their odds are in drawing tags. Would the club be better served if I just kept my mouth? On my last Presidents update email that I sent out and I received feedback. The replies ranged from yes to hell yes to absolutely not. This led me to do some contemplating, In the world of wildlife management we spend a lot of time and money for P&J removal in hopes of regenerating the habitat, so that the female specie will be in better health to produce a healthier off spring. If you don’t know what P&J removal is then perhaps that’s a topic that needs to be talked about. Some construe this as being political. We as conservationist know this as a tool to make the land more fertile to produce more wildlife. It’s true that we as sportsmen can’t just go perform this work ourselves as we need approvals, permits, plans etc from a government agency. Because we deal with the government it doesn’t always mean it’s a political issue. In order for us to exist as hunters and fishermen we think someone else will take care of it for us. You are a someone and nobody knows your needs and desires better for you. The non-consumptive user is speaking on your wants and desires as a member of the general public. It’s my believe that you can speaker better than they can about what your wants and desires are. Right now they want to outlaw all wildlife killing contest and if it passes as presented then Woods and Water will no longer be able to hold any kind of fishing tournament or gathering where prizes are awarded. In Nevada the definition of wildlife is any bird, mammal, fish, crustacean. Isn’t an ounce of prevention better that a pound of cure? Think it won’t happen? New Mexico just lost trapping and coyote contest statewide and now sportsmen are pooling their money to sue the state. BTW.....the vote was 35-34! I’ll put up my ounce.....

Mike Reese President 2021, 2020, 2011, 2008 All we want to do is hunt and fish and talk about it.



Last months guest speaker Mark Hutchison, bp UT turkey, Clayton Philipp NV turkey

Spring Feast and Fixins

The day started with members wanting to pay their entry fees and to get out on the course to see what it feels like to be somewhat normal as last years event had to be canceled due to the pandemic! For starters the course has 15 stations and only 4 people to a cart. The ones who RSVP were glad they did as some people got turned away. In their defense who would have thought we would have over 60 shooters when the county only gets about half that for their fun shoots! Well the squads got filled and this time everyone stayed for the safety lesson (required for our club insurance) because if you didn't then your score was disqualified. Well nobody got disqualified and everyone had a great day of breaking clays.

Kyle and Kali Otto went to work cooking up all the shrimp, sausage, corn and of course the mud bugs or as some call them "you peel ums" Over 100 folks were fed by the Club.

With a full course and the weather cooperating everyone got done in about 2 ½ hours. They arrived back at the patio to turn their score cards, target cards and cart keys back in. This is when we found out that a team shot all their targets on the card except 2 targets....I wonder who that was??? Everybody else played by the rules and the shooting park only made LVWW pay an extra \$20. I won't divulge which team it was, as only I and they know who shot all their targets.

The good part of the day as with so many shooters and some non-member guests the Lewis class pot was \$750 and therefore, we had 4 flights who received money. The first place of each flight got \$100, 2nd place got \$50 and 3rd place got \$35. If your score tied with the winning score then they shared the money into equal amounts. 15 of the shooters won some money with Jim Pope being our first-time spring feast champion with a score of 87!!! Good shooting Popester! The 2nd place shooter was Clayton Philipp with a score of 84 and we had a 2-way tie with Randy Tuggle and Mike Reese with a score of 80. In the last flight we had members getting paid for scores of 35,34 and a 3-way tie for 3rd with a 31.

The members were treated to another great meal by Kyle and Kali and a huge shout out to them as they put in a lot of work so be sure to tell Kyle thank you!

We will have another shoot like that on Sept 11 for our fall feast so be sure to RSVP for that when the time comes! Honcho Mike Reese

OTTER CREEK May 1 Fishing Results



Mixed bag, weather great, Chef Steve Reiter & ass't Steve "LSU" Peirce club provided chicken BBQ dinner & left over breakfast was Great! Less then great was the fishing & turn out less then 20 with some leaving early due to poor fishing. Top 5 fishermen were Russ Johnson won with his \$100 biggest fish at 2lbs..84 oz plus 10 Angler of the Year points, followed by Larry Ketzenberger 2.39lbs, 9 pts, Steve Scott 2.35lbs, 8 pts, Ken Johnson 2.27lbs, 7pts, Al Schoelen 1.71lbs 6 pts, Ron Stoker 0.93lbs, 5 pts and Brian Burris 0.78lbs and 4 pts all the top 5 places were on same pontoon boat👍 Shore fishing almost non existing 😞; which, brings up the question whether to keep Otter as a future event due to resent years poorly fishing results? We didn't even have enough poker players to have a game😞😞 But as always for those there super camaraderie👍 All others in attendance got 1.5 pts Tony Perkins, Robert Gaudet, Mark Transue, Larry Cussimano, Mark Gallear, Steve Reiter, Luke Weber and Steve Pierce. (See more photos on page 9-10) honcho Ken Johnson

Comins Fishing Results



After a huge turn out of 20 anglers for Sunnyside, we only managed 6 fishermen for the Comins Lake event. The news must have gotten out, the fishing was great but the “catching” was more challenging. The weather was fine, not too cold with some intermittent gusts of wind but not bad. Lots of fish were cruising the shore line just a few feet out, 8-15 feet. Early in the day I saw Tony Perkins land a nice looking BIG trout just down the shoreline, however as he attempted to get it in his cooler the big one got away! There was very little catching going on, but LOTS of fish seen swimming by. I could see 40-50 anglers spread out along the shore or in boats and no one seemed to be hooking up very often. EXCEPT there were four fly fishermen on the far south end of the boat launch area, they seemed to be hooking into fish pretty regularly.

Steve Carpenter and I were fly fishing and not having much luck at all. Me 1 or 2 and Steve about the same. Finally around 10am I asked Steve, “are you going to go down there and see what they are using?” Steve just shrugged his shoulders. About 11am I asked Steve again, “are you going to go down there and see what they are using?” Again not much of a response. It was getting ridiculous as they were consistently catching fish while NOONE else around the lake seemed to be having much action. I started to look at my watch and timed as little as 3 mins

between fish and as much as 12 mins between one or more of the four guys hooking and landing a fish. So again roughly noon I ask “are you going to go down there and see what they are using?” again no reply. I let another 30-40 minutes pass before I finally pulled in my line and walked down there myself.

I stood behind one of the guys and watched his presentation and tried to look at how his line was rigged up. Then I mentioned “you guys seem to be the only ones catching fish, what are you using?” He replied “anything” we are all using a different fly and all are catching fish but they were fishing close to the surface only about 18-24” down, we had been fishing deeper near where the fish were cruising the shore. He named off a few of the fly patterns they were using and then I ambled back to my location. Steve of course wanted to know what I found out. I relayed the information and we both rigged up similar to the four other fly fishermen. The next 2 hours produced NOTHING. Ugh.

2pm rolled around, the official weigh in time for the LVWW event. Six anglers were present, 4 fish were weighed in. Luke Weber and Steve Carpenter did not have a fish to weigh. Robert Gaudet had a nice fish at 2.66lbs, but Tony Perkins brought in a fish that was a tiny bit heavier at 2.67lbs, Ashur Weber's fish weighed 1.54 lbs. Last was my fish that looked very much the same size as Robert and Tony's....as I tried to get it on the scale I dropped the scale in the water.....it would not register after getting wet. Luke retrieved a different scale that we used to mark the fish at 2.5lbs (it may have been a tad bigger/smaller without the digital format to confirm) so my fish ended up in third place.

The real story was not the fishing, Robert Gaudet pulled into the weigh-in with a story. Driving up the night before he swerved to miss a car in his lane and ended up laying his travel trailer on its right side in the middle of the highway. I couldn't believe the story and after looking at the side of his trailer he was very very lucky, it barely had a scratch on it!!! Unbelievable! The tongue of the trailer and hitch were all twisted and bent, and Robert and his truck were OK. Robert was certainly still shook up a bit telling the story, wow. We are very fortunate that he wasn't hurt. Another reminder for us all to be careful and thankful for the time we are able to get out, and able to go home safely.

Above Steve Carpenter with the flag, right Tony Perkins with winning fish.



Angler Killed by Grizzly in first attack of 2021



Carl Mock was enjoying a day of spring fishing on the Madison River north of West Yellowstone, Montana, on Thursday, April 15 when he was mauled by a [big, boar grizzly bear](#).

The 40-year-old resident of West Yellowstone managed to call 911 despite suffering significant scalp and facial wounds. Emergency crews headed to the Baker's Hole Campground area and found Mock within an hour.

The first responders transported Mock by toboggan and snowmobile to an ambulance then to the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls. Mock passed away Saturday morning in Idaho Falls following a massive stroke.

[According to Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks](#), Mock was carrying bear spray when he was attacked. Although the safety tab was found off, it's unclear whether he was able to deploy the canister.

A group of seven investigators including FWP game wardens, Forest Service rangers, and bear specialists returned to the scene on Friday to assess public safety risks. The group made lots of noise walking in to the site in attempt to alert bears in the area, but they were immediately charged by a large boar.

The group attempted to haze the bear away but were unsuccessful. Members of the team were ultimately forced to shoot the bear dead at only 20 yards.

Investigators later found a moose carcass cached within 50 yards of the original attack site, indicating that the bear was defending the food during both incidents. The USFS issued an emergency public safety closure of the area on Thursday that still remains in effect.

This is the second mauling of 2021 in the U.S. but the first to occur in the Lower 48. The first attack happened near Haines, Alaska, in February when a group of backcountry skiers stumbled upon a brown bear den, [awakening the bear from its state of torpor](#).

Friends set up a [GoFundMe](#) campaign to aid Mock's family with medical bills and funeral costs.

"Carl had such passion for outdoors, hiking, fishing, photography, and was a beloved guide to countless visitors in Yellowstone," wrote Keith Johnson, who organized the fundraiser. He described Mock as a "hard-working guy with an infectious smile."

I will be hunting elk this fall near this area, lots of bears have always been spotted on this hunt and there have been several close encounters with bears. I have my bear spray plus plenty of ammo if needed.

bpatterson

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.



Ralph Willits has a used/new condition full size wheel/tire for sale: Michelin P225/65 R17. This is a never used spare for a Jeep Cherokee. \$100 call 423-7444

New Members: We welcome new members: Elizabeth and Michael Nielson, Ashton Webber, Jerry Sligar, Jason Labaron, Ryan Labaron, Tony Labaron, Jerry Mika and Howard Hughes, Randy Tuggle and Tracy Delfonte also rejoined the club, make sure to get your free hat at lunch for joining.



Scout Troop 130 recruiting day at the park...colors flying, dutch oven peach cobbler...no other information. How many new scouts were recruited to Troop 130?



Angelo and Jelindo Tiberti on a recent hunt for Nilgai



30 Year Anniversary of LVWW 1991-2021

next Banquet date is set for Feb 19, 2022 at the Gold Coast Hotel & Casino

Check out the special event Anniversary logo. The Club has just purchased seven (7) dozen hats with the logo and more merchandise is to follow.

There are three (3) styles/colors of the hats and will go to new members that join the club. Existing members will be able to purchase (approximately \$15 each) as well. We should have some available at the next lunch meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LVWW Marksman Angler Events

- May **15th** 22 Pistol Dueling Tree Shoot at CCSC 12-4pm
 Honcho Ralph Willits 423-7444 and Jeff Bryant 275-1400
22-23 Panguitch Lake fishing, Panguitch UT
 Honcho Mark Transue 219-3716 & Steve Reiter cook
- June **12th** Black Powder shoot at CCSC 12-4pm
 Honcho Brian Patterson 715-2020
- July **10th** KYL 22 rifle shoot at CCSC 12-4pm (event may change)
 Honcho Jeff Bryant 275-1400
- August **14th** Dry Land Casting Competition
 Honcho Ralph Willits 423-7444



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, May 4th 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. Setting big game quotas for the up coming draw is the main topic. Your involvement is needed please show up to support NV wildlife issues.



2021 Marksman & Angler of the Year Standings

Marksman of the Year
 2021 standings after 4/10 events

Tony Perkins	21 pts
Mike Reese	18.5 pts
Ralph Willits	14 pts
Neil Dille	13 pts
Larry Cussimano	12.5 pts

Angler of the Year
 2021 standings after 4/5 events

Ron Stoker	22 pts
Brian Patterson	17 pts
Brian Burris	16 pts
Robert Gaudet	15.5 pts
Ken Johnson	15 pts

All Around
 2021 Standings after 8/15 events

Tony Perkins	32.5 pts
Brian Patterson	23 pts
Ron Stoker	22 pts
Al Schoelen	20.5 pts
John Mitteness	20 pts

“Nothing takes the past away like the future”
 Madonna

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Lunch door hosts: Steve Reiter and Ralph Willits

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION—LAS VEGAS WOODS & WATERS CLUB

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

Jokes

OKLAHOMA QUAIL & CHUKKAR HUNT IN OCTOBER.

Neil Dille is putting together a hunt for October 22-24 in Tulsa OK. Past member Doc McCoy is now living in Tulsa and has a ranch for bird hunting. Fly in on Friday, hunt Saturday and fly home on Sunday. Doc will pick you up at the airport and take to the ranch. Only three spots remain open so contact Neil fast if you want in 234-7215. Food and lodging are included for \$650, airfare is roughly \$350-400RT. Bring your own gun and ammo. Roughly a \$1000 weekend hunt.

ARKANSAS GOOSE HUNT OPPORTUNITIES

Past president Dan Perry's son Brock Perry now resides in Arkansas and has been guiding goose and duck hunters for years. Specialty is snows and speckled geese. See the link to his website, special deal for a group of LVWW guys. Contact Brock at 702 523-8906

<https://stuttgartspecksandsnows.com/>

COOLER CRITIQUE

Like most of us, I spent the better part of my life transiting through an assortment of ice chests. And yes, there are still a few left in my garage. Special occasions, particular size, durability, etc. Last season I got a Nevada Pronghorn tag (I got a tag.... Let's just leave it at that!). Unlike the last harvest that was only a few miles from my house in Washoe County, 6,700 feet in elevation, and raining, this trip included the real threat of meat spoilage. Oh, and hunter spoilage; it was well into the 90's each day, and several hours of dirt road from Ely. I wanted cool retention for 4-6 days in the Nevada Desert.



I shopped around to find the big guy (77 qt.) that would hold lots of cold beverage and retain ice as long as possible. If I dropped an animal, I wanted ice and room enough to cool the meat until I made it to the processor. I checked numerous independent web sites that tested up to a dozen or more

manufactures in identical conditions. Then the cost thing.

Site after site came up with LIFETIME High Performance Coolers as close to the best, just as good as the best, or better than most all others tested. Yup, that includes Coleman, Igloo, Rtic, Engel, Ozark, Orca, Pelican, several others, and dare I say Yeti!

It's certified Grizzly proof. The drain hole has a garden hose fitting, has a built in bottle opener, and it's lockable. Now get this: MADE IN AMERICA! And the price: ½ to 1/3 of the price of the fancy ones. Great for what I needed. It did what I wanted it to do. If you're a guide or out a week at a time, several times per summer, maybe paying out the big bucks is in order. Or maybe not. Ralph Willits

TROOP 130 at Mountain Man Rendezvous at Camp Kimball on Mt Potosi





Mark Transue aka: "trout fisherman" at Otter Creek, Club provided dinner, thanks Steve Reiter cook

A HUGE humble thank you, back to the club.

Both Mike Reese and I (Brain Patterson) were extremely surprised and very appreciative of the special award and gift presented to us at the March lunch. Founding member Ken Johnson had briefly mentioned at a board meeting he would like to present Mike and I with a plaque to recognize our efforts over the past few years.

Both of us serve and support the club out of a desire to keep the membership informed about the things we all believe are important. "We like to hunt and fish and talk about it." We would not serve the club if we didn't enjoy and take pride in helping the group stay informed, support our youth groups and just plain have some fun.

You could have knocked us both over with a feather when Steve Reiter mentioned the club set up a day of guided fishing with Circle Valley Anglers. We have set a date for June 24 to fish the Beaver River just west of Beaver UT.....a story and photos will be coming in the GameBag. I would have been happy to receive a "Special Award" leg lamp like in the Christmas time movie "A Christmas Story" 😊 What a great unexpected gift...thank you Mike Reese and Brian Patterson.



CUSTOM EAR PLUGS

Stay tuned for details club member Howard Hughes will set up a fitting station at lunch to make custom fitted hearing protection. Cost \$50 cash only May or June lunch

Jokes:

Auction:

Bidding at a local auction was proceeding furiously when the auctioneer suddenly announced, "A gentleman in this room has lost a wallet containing \$10,000.

If it is returned, he will pay a reward of \$2,000."

There was a moment's silence, and then from the back of the room came the cry, "Two thousand five hundred!"

Alphabet Wife:

After being married for 48 years, a wife asked her husband to describe her. He looked at her for a while, then said, "you're an alphabet wife... A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K."

She asks, "what the hell does that mean?"

He said, "Adorable, Beautiful, Cute, Delightful, Elegant, Fabulous, Gorgeous, and Hot".

She smiled happily and said, "oh that's so lovely, but what about I, J, K?"

He said, "I'm Just Kidding!"

Mirror:

I pointed to two "old farts" across the bar from us and told my friend Herbie.....

"That'll be us in ten years."

He turned to me and said, "That's a mirror, you dumb shit."

Things to think about

I'm on two diets. I wasn't getting enough food on one.

A cold seat in a public restroom is unpleasant. A warm seat in a public restroom is worse.

Apparently RSVP'ing to a wedding invitation "Maybe next time," isn't the correct response.

Don't irritate old people. The older we get, the less "Life in prison" is a deterrent.

Have you ever listened to someone for a minute and thought "Their cornbread isn't done in the middle."

I really don't mind getting older, but my body is taking it badly.

It turns out that being an adult now is mostly just googling how to do stuff.

I miss the 90's when bread was still good for you and no one knew what kale was.

Do you ever get up in the morning, look in the mirror and think "That can't be accurate."

I want to be 14 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.

As I watch this new generation try to rewrite our history, one thing I'm sure of....it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.

I told my wife I wanted to be cremated. She made me an appointment for Tuesday.

My wife asked me to take her to one of those restaurants where they make food right in front of you. I took her to Subway.

I picked up a hitchhiker. He asked if I wasn't afraid, he might be a serial killer? I told him the odds of two serial killers being in the same car were extremely unlikely.

Dr Visit

After my recent Prostate Exam, which was one of the most thorough examinations I've ever had, the Doctor left and the nurse came in.

As she shut the door, she asked me a question I did not want to hear.

She said....."Who was that guy?"

**I hate telling people I'm a Taxidermist. When they ask what I do everyday, I say:
"Y'know. Stuff"**