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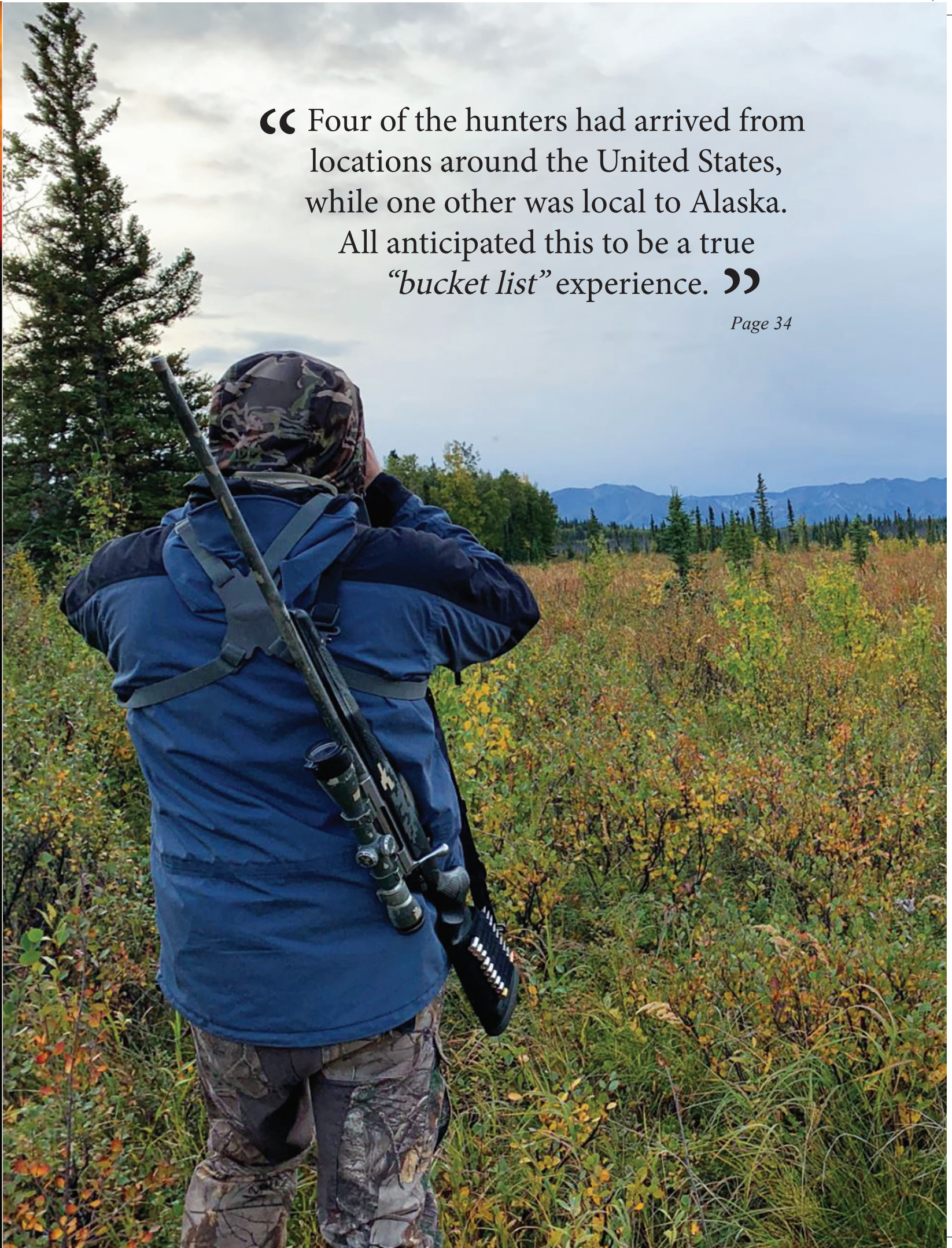
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“ Four of the hunters had arrived from locations around the United States, while one other was local to Alaska. All anticipated this to be a true *“bucket list”* experience. ”

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Casandra Naugle

*Nature and
Wildlife
Photographer*



ON THE COVER: *"Autumn Moose" by Casandra Naugle*

I am a third-generation Colorado native, currently based out of Gunnison Colorado. I have had a lifelong passion for the outdoors and especially wildlife. I grew up hunting with my father in the powderhorn wilderness where I truly found my passion for the wild. I learned how to track wildlife and soon fell in love with capturing these unique experiences with my camera. I am currently a student at Western Colorado University where I am surrounded by wildlife and can continue to grow as a photographer.

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Winter Edition 2020 cover photo
courtesy of Casandra Naugle

David Irons President's Message

Winter 2020



Two of the events I look forward to at the beginning of each year, are our Chapter Banquet and SCI National Trade Show; unfortunately neither will happen in 2021. Every person I know has been impacted by the lockdown of COVID-19. I will do all I can to help reduce the threat of COVID-19, but I will not sit down to mope and be a victim.

Our Banquet committee has done a great job and we will be hosting a fantastic Online Auction. If you are looking for a hunting trip, a new rifle, or a fishing trip, save your \$\$ for our Chapter's Online Auction coming in March!

We may be stuck at home but we are still planning with Outdoors For Our Heroes and the Alaska SCI Chapter, a moose hunt in Alaska for

disabled veterans this fall. With luck, Global Rescue will be helping again with this event. If anyone has a high-end video camera we could use to document these hunts, please contact me.

The nominating committee is working to put together a Slate of Officers for 2021-2022, it has been an honor to serve as your Chapter President for the past 18 months, but all good things must come to an end. I look forward helping the new officers as they move our Chapter forward.

We will be planning a summer chapter event, that is, if things improve enough for a safe gathering.

If you have a question or if I can help in any way, don't hesitate to call or email me any time.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and happy hunting.

Thank you,
David Irons
Northwest Chapter President



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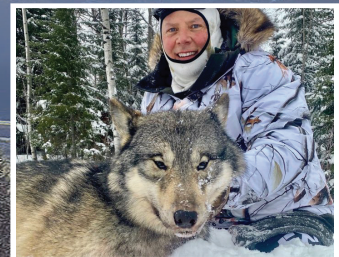
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**The Northwest Chapter
Of Safari Club International
was nominated for and won
2020 Magazine Of The Year
100-200 members**

Cody Sriver Editor's Message

Winter 2020



The Northwest Chapter was selected for the 2020 Magazine of the Year for chapters with 100 to 200 members. It is quite an effort to bring together the magazine and there are a lot of components that go into a successful magazine. The most important is the content that is submitted by our members. We have some of the best article submissions from hunts to recipes and they are all sent in by our members. I wanted to thank everyone who has taken the time to write up articles on their hunts so the chapter can relive them with you.

We are always looking for more articles and recipes so please take the time to share your stories and favorite ways to cook game. If COVID-19 put a crimp on your hunting plans, we do still need stories in our "Blast from the Past" section where you can share hunts from 1, 5, or 50 years ago.

Some of these hunts can never be experienced again and others are just fun to tell again.

With the help of Linda Montgomery, we have almost completely revamped the magazine which you will no doubt notice. Linda took a few ideas and modernized them to what they are now. No doubt there will be more to do but we wouldn't have come this far without her.

I also wanted everyone to take note of the cover image, Casandra Naugle is letting us use some of her photography and you will see it sprinkled throughout. She is an incredibly

talented, nature and landscape photographer out of Colorado. See page six for Casandra's website and Instagram if you would like to see more of her work.

Thank you again for your support,
Cody Sriver
Vice President/Newsletter Editor



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Wounded Warrior Hunt

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By TSGT Daniel Fye

**Continued from Renewed Drive:
A Gift That Helped Me Find Myself
Again.** Summer 2020 SCI Northwest
Chapter Magazine.

I was beyond excited to be going on this once in a lifetime experience of hunting moose in Alaska with the Governor of Alaska at the Rainy Pass Lodge. I had to prepare for this hunt because I had only ridden a horse once, on a short trail ride during one of my daughter's birthday parties, and I didn't have the hunting gear necessary for this type of Alaskan hunt.

SCI Northwest and OFOH both helped me select the gear I would need, and they set me up with riding lessons. I learned quickly and found that I enjoy working with and riding horses. At first, I struggled with mounting the horse, but I overcame this with a little practice and after only

a few lessons I was ready to experience Alaska, on horseback. I would come to learn that riding on a trail and riding across the Alaska wilderness is a whole different story!

The day finally came for me to begin my journey from Seattle, WA and embark on one of the most amazing experiences of my life. Just seeing the raw and rugged beauty of Alaska from the plane would have been enough for me, but Anchorage was just my first stop!

I was met by Joel Helgersen of SCI Alaska, and after a quick stop to check into my hotel, we spent the evening touring Anchorage and visiting the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center for my first look at a bull moose and other local wildlife. The next morning, I met the Governor of Alaska, Mike Dunleavy at the float plane dock, where we would be departing for our flight to the Perrins Rainy Pass Lodge.

Meeting the Governor was a huge honor. He towered over my 6'1", but he was incredibly nice, and I liked him right away. We had a short weather delay and

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I had to remove my leg to cram into the front seat, but before too long we were loaded into a 1950's DHC-2 Beaver, for an amazingly scenic flight into Rainy Pass Lodge.

We landed on the lake in front of the lodge, where we received a warm welcome by Steve Perrin, his family, and

all those who worked at the lodge. It was nice to finally meet the family who had made my dream of coming to Alaska a reality. We offloaded gear and got settled into our cabin, where I was able to really get to know the Governor, who is very personable, and it quickly went from hunting with the Governor to just me and a friend on a hunting trip. I had the same experience with The

Perrins and the entire Rainy Pass Lodge team. All of them are the most gracious and friendly people you will ever meet. I was already having an amazing experience and we had not even left the lodge yet!

The next morning our guide Stevie Perrin, took us out to sight-in our rifles and familiarize me with my horse Strudel, a beautiful Fjord Alaska mountain horse of a shorter, sturdier breed that I had no problems with mounting or riding. From there, we packed our lunches, loaded gear, and made our way up to a

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PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT:
The Governor of Alaska, Mike Dunleavy;
Steve Perrins, Rainy Pass Lodge owner;
Ed Harrington; and Dan.

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lookout point with a view of the whole valley.

We spent the day glassing, spotting a few smaller moose, a black bear sow with cubs and later that afternoon found a bull with several cows across the valley, about 5 miles away. It was getting late but we had a chance, so we mounted up and attempted to close on him over rough terrain filled with thick brush, swamps, and a river crossing.

We gave it our best effort, but there was just not enough time to reach him before dark. He would have to wait! The next morning, we headed back up to the lookout, and our guide quickly located him through his spotting scope and the stalk was on. Back over the swamps and through the brush, making our way down to and crossing

the river. The water was up to our saddle bags and I could not help but smile at this amazing experience, riding horses through the wilderness of Alaska, crossing rivers and rough terrain while going after a monster bull moose.

I do not think I could have seen this happening over nine years ago when I was laid up in a hospital bed, trying to survive my injuries, but that too has passed and here I was, Alaska! We got within 500 yards of where we had last seen the moose, dismounted, and grabbed our rifles, making our final approach on foot. I was so excited that the thick brush, my feet sinking a foot deep in swamp and the difficulty of the trek, was barely noticeable. As we closed in on my bull, Governor Dunleavy pointed to one of the cows, she was standing on full alert and had

us busted dead to rights.

Once alerted, the bull we were looking for stood up. He was 293 yards on the rangefinder but the bull had us locked down tight and could not get any closer. It was shoot from here or pass him up, so we set up a tripod hoping to get the solid rest we would need for a steady shot. My nerves were really starting to set in, and I'd never shot at that distance before, let alone on uneven ground and through thick brush.

We had counted at least five cows with the bull, and I had to make sure I had a clear line of fire before I shot. I took aim and I pulled my first shot. The adrenaline had gotten to me, and I heard the Governor say he thought I had shot high. I saw that the bull was still standing there, and I was able

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to take several more shots, finally taking down my first bull moose!

We gathered our horses and made our way down to my moose. This was my first time to ever walk up to a bull moose, and this moose was a huge mature bull, measuring 60 inches wide. I will never forget the feeling when I walked up to this monster bull. I stood in awe of the sheer size of him and the realization that I had taken this amazing trophy.

We spent the rest of the day skinning and quartering the bull and prepping the meat to pack out, once we had returned to the lodge to gather more pack horses for the pack out the next

morning. This completed the moose hunt and marked the time that the Governor had to head back to town. It was just me and my guide Stevie now,



I could not believe I had taken, not only a monster bull moose, but also this incredibly beautiful brown bear.

who is my own age and a great person to hunt with. We really hit it off, and at this point, hunting with Stevie was more like hunting with a friend than hunting with a guide.

The two of us headed up to

the lookout, hoping to find a grizzly. Later that afternoon Stevie spotted one close to where I had taken the moose, but it would be dark before we could make it to him. We called it a day and hoped that we could find him early the next morning.

The next morning, we loaded our horses early and headed toward the spot where we had last seen the bear. I was getting much more comfortable on the horse and more confident in the saddle. I wasn't as nervous crossing over the same terrain where I had taken my moose or managing the steep declines into the valley. I was even starting to feel like I was meant to be on a horse.

The river crossing was still the best part and we were going to have to do that at least two more times, making our way to within 350 yards of the bear. He had found the moose carcass and was dragging it into the brush. We dismounted, hitched our horses and made our way on foot to the edge of a small swampy clearing that was 78 yards wide. We set up to wait for the bear on the opposite edge of where I had taken my moose and where the bear had entered the brush.

About 15 minutes later I saw him come through the brush towards the remaining moose carcass. This was my first chance to really get a good look at him. He was beautiful, and he looked huge. I waited until he turned broadside and shot, hitting him just behind the left shoulder.

He reared up, turned to run

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into the brush, and Stevie placed a backup shot into his right side. I went to take a second shot but he was already gone. Stevie tracked the bear, which had only gone about 15 yards, and found him piled up in the brush just a few minutes later.

I could not believe I had taken, not only a monster bull moose, but also this incredibly beautiful brown bear. We skinned my bear, then headed back to the lodge. I had tagged out, and this completed my amazing Alaskan hunting adventure. Words truly cannot express how amazing this experience had been for me. To be able to say that I hunted the pristine wilderness of Alaska on horseback, slept in the historical Rainy Pass Lodge,

and enjoyed an adventure with the Governor of Alaska is something I will cherish, remember, and talk about for the rest of my life!

I got to meet the most amazing people, I made new friends, and words cannot express my gratitude to all of those who created this experience on my behalf. Steve Perrin and his family are amazing, and they run a first-class hunting operation. I deeply appreciate and I am forever grateful for their kindness and generosity in giving me this hunt. I would also like to thank my guide Stevie, for taking me on a once-in-a-lifetime hunting experience. He is an incredible guide, and I am happy to have him as a friend. I would like to thank Governor Dunleavy for

carving some time out of his busy schedule to join me on this amazing Alaskan adventure. Alaska is a beautiful state and I hope to return to visit with my family someday. I would also like to thank SCI Alaska Chapter for sponsoring this amazing adventure, for taking care of me in Anchorage, and for making sure that my meat and trophies made it home with me, and of course Jason Brown from OFOH and Cody Scriver from the SCI Northwest Chapter for helping me find this opportunity. It was great to meet and get to know Directors Joel Helgerson, Chad Riedel, and President Jeff Garness. You have helped change my life and given me an experience I will never forget. ✦

**PICTURED LEFT
TO RIGHT:**
Dan; Steve
Perrins, Rainy
Pass Lodge
expert guide;
and the
Governor of
Alaska, Mike
Dunleavy.





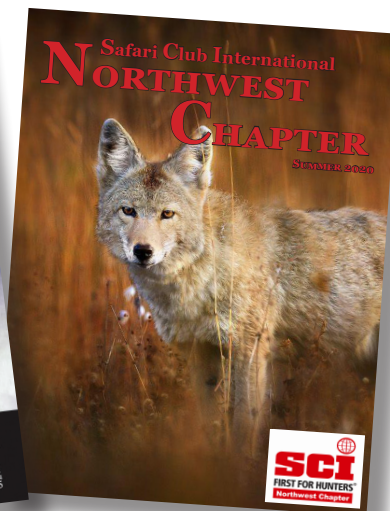
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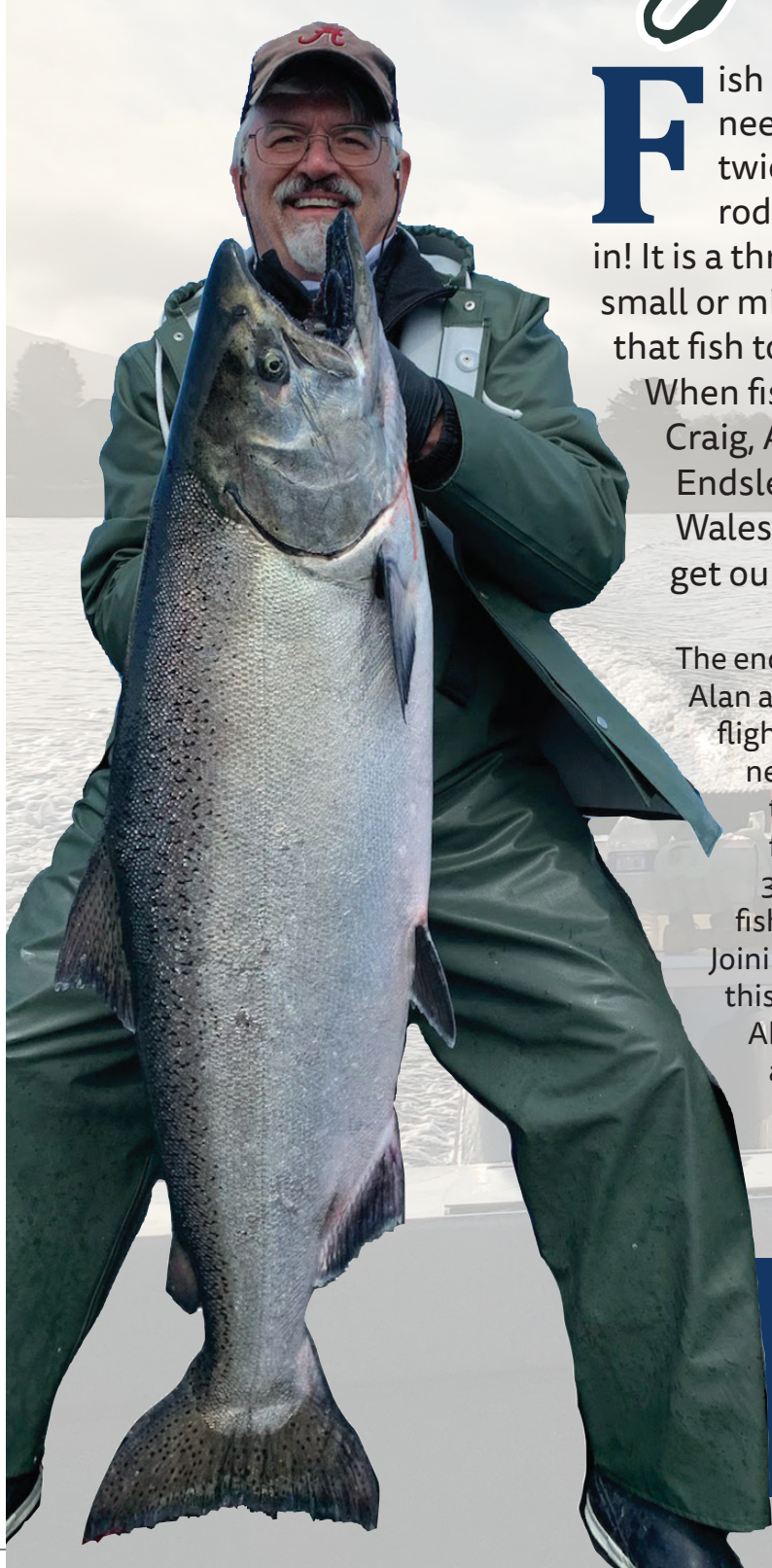
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A Couple of Big Ones!

By Jan Pearson

A man with a beard and glasses, wearing a green rain jacket and a cap, is smiling and holding a large salmon vertically in front of him. The background shows a body of water and a cloudy sky.

Fish on! You don't need to tell me twice to grab the rod and reel 'em in! It is a thrill, whether small or mighty, to bring that fish to the surface.

When fishing out of Craig, Alaska with Rob Endsley of Prince of Wales Sportfishing, we get our fish.

The end of June 2020, Alan and I boarded our flight to Ketchikan with negative COVID-19 test results in hand for our annual, 3-day saltwater fishing trip with Rob. Joining us on the boat this year were Lee and Abby from Montana, avid hunters, anglers, outdoors people. Lots of conversation –

hunting, fishing, boats, hunts, fish, did I mention hunting and fishing? It was fun and lively.

Each morning by 5:30, we boarded Rob's boat, the Polar Bear, after he took our temperatures as required by COVID-19 mandates. He had coffee and fishing donuts (the kind you are required to eat to ensure catching fish) ready for us as we settled in the cabin for the ride through the gorgeous inside waters heading to where the small outer islands along Prince of Wales Island meet the Pacific. We targeted king salmon, halibut, ling cod and sea bass. Usually, king salmon was first up. You always want to get salmon in the box! Rob has his secret spots to begin each day. We usually start off trolling, making big and small loops, covering the water, and focusing on bait balls, watching the rods for the slightest sign of a hit. Whenever a fish was hooked while trolling, Alan would immediately drop down a herring and begin mooching.

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Frequently, this resulted in a quick, second hook-up.

While we had decent weather this year, the wind was not always in our favor. This did not interfere with Alan's fish haul, though. Rob managed to carefully get us out to the open waters of the Pacific to drop our lines for halibut. Alan did not waste Rob's efforts in the choppy waters! He reeled in a 45lb hali, right at the maximum legal length limit of 45 inches. Currently, you cannot keep a larger halibut lengthwise in our fishing area. That fish seemed almost as long as Alan is tall.

Later that day, when back to salmon fishing, one of the troll rods went off. While that fish was being fought by Abby, Alan quickly dropped down a herring, began mooching and almost immediately hooked up. We soon learned this fish was different! This salmon went deep and stayed there, until it finally realized it was hooked, and then began making long steady runs. The boat became silent, as we were now talking in whispers, except Alan who said almost nothing. Eventually the fish jumped, completely clearing the water five times during the course of the fight. At the first jump, Rob became deadly serious, much more than when we boated a 35-pound king the day before, as he realized the size of the fish. Eventually, the fish tired (as did Alan!), and was coaxed into the net. High fives and shouts all around! On Rob's extremely accurate scale,



PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT: Lee, Abby, Alan, Jan, Rob.

the fish weighed 45 pounds, a new saltwater record for Alan! Even better, this turned out to be an absolutely delicious white king, as well.

From the time I began taking photos, which was well into the fight, to "fish in the boat", my camera timer said 25 minutes. We guesstimated the fight was likely at least 30 minutes. This fish had the honor of being #1 on the Craig Salmon Derby board for a day, and remained in second, then third place until being bumped off

the board just before the end of the season.

The rest of us did very well, also, but did not quite match Alan's spectacular fish. We were incredibly happy knowing we would have delicious eating all year! Alan and I are lined up for June 2021, our sixth trip in a row with Rob. Sharing our bounty with family and friends lightens the load in our freezer and 'requires' us to return each year for more. Bags are packed... ✨





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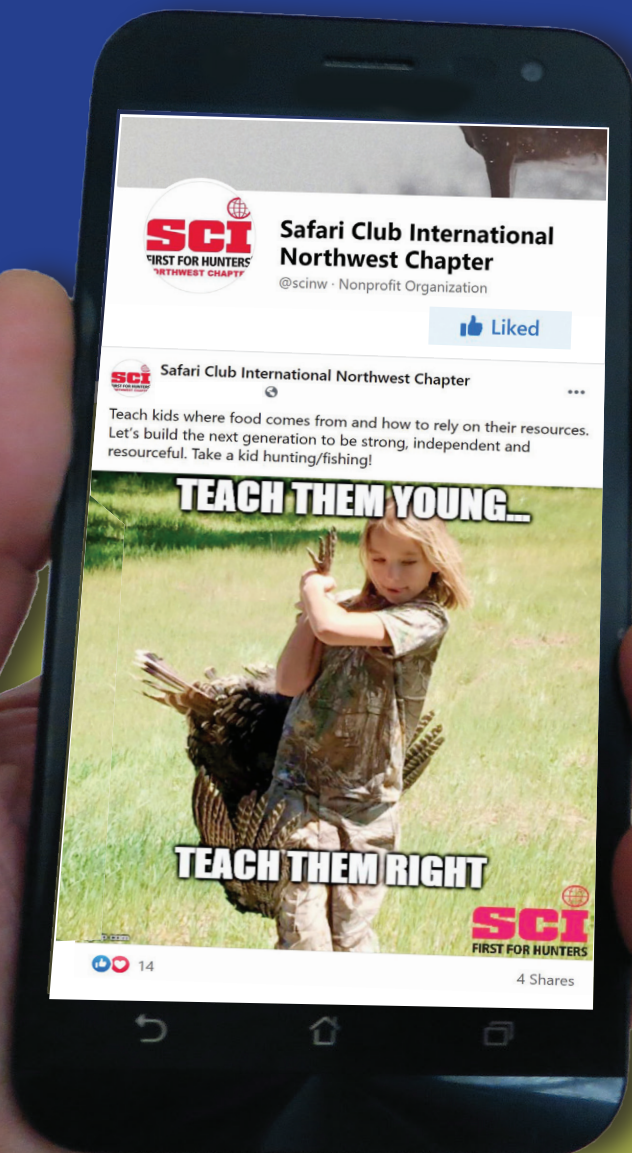
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Gary Tennison's "Yard Deer".





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Is The .**375 H&H** Number One?

By J. Alain Smith

With reckless abandon I am going to wade into very dangerous waters and ask the question, is the .375 H&H the best caliber ever for big game?

Now before all you "experts" out there fire up your typewriters and laptops and start sending me hate mail and corrections to my technical ineptitude, keep in mind I am speaking from experience in the field and not from a shooting bench at your local neighborhood gun range. Oh and by the way I can't tell you much about ballistics, down range speed, grains of powder or muzzle velocity. What I can tell you is what effect a .375 has on game animals, big game animals, because I've been lucky enough to shoot more than my fair share of them and the majority of them have been with a .375 H&H.

As far as the rifle itself goes I mainly have been shooting Winchester model 70's. Some pre 64 and others that are "newer" than that. I have one of the stainless Safari models with a black synthetic stock that I originally bought when I was living and hunting in Alaska and it has been my go to rifle for over twenty years. (I must be getting old if I can say I have a rifle I've been using more than twenty years?) The fact that the model 70 has the claw extractor with the positive feed is the main selling point for me when it comes to hunting dangerous game. Other companies make claw extractors and I'm sure they are fine also but I'm just

saying that I would never go into the field after critters that can bite without one. You do not need your rifle accidentally ejecting or not feeding a new round when a Cape Buffalo is bearing down on you at ten yards. You have all heard of my buddy Mack Padgett's famous rifle, the Kenai Crippler and it is also a custom shop Winchester model 70 in .375 and its accuracy and deadly damage has been chronicled in past tomes by yours truly many times. In his capable hands the Crippler is a killing machine, to put it mildly.

When it comes to bullets, I have tried a variety of them and had a certain degree of success with different types and brands. I used to have a guy who would hand load softs and solids that shot with in a half

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inch of each other at 100 yards. The problem was it always seemed like I mostly had the wrong bullet in my rifle at the wrong time and was constantly reloading and changing softs for solids and vice versus. Once the manufacturers came out with the copper bullets, such as the Barnes TSX, the need for two separate bullets disappeared. They seem to be the perfect combo of some expansion and tremendous shock value, while still able to penetrate the length of just about any animal if you need a stopping or frontal shot for some reason.

It's not just about the bullet, however, it's how the bullet, powder, brass and cap are assembled that creates a superior round for your weapon of choice. When I get a new rifle I love experimenting



When it comes to bullets, I have tried a variety of them and had a certain degree of success...

with different manufacturers and hand loaders, looking for the one round that will consistently shoot well in my weapon. ALL AMMO IS NOT created equally so don't think you can go down to the local sporting goods store and buy a box of whatever brand is on sale and think it's going to shoot well in your gun. It might

if you get lucky, but my advice is spend a few bucks and find the ammo that works best for your specific rifle, not what your buddy says works best for him.

Lately I switched to the new manufacturers out of Montana, Choice Ammunition, that have created a load for the .375 that is devastating to put it mildly. Jon Wemple and his crew load a 270-grain Barnes Triple Shock that I have used on bears, both black and brown and the consistency of the performance has been unbelievable. Having had a big Alaska Brown bear charge me in the past, I am not going into the field under gunned or with ammo I don't trust 100% and here again the Choice .375 rounds do the job perfectly.

Let's get the subject of the kick of a heavy rifle out of the way now. I am a strapping 5'8" tall and 155 pounds soaking wet, so let's just say I am not a big guy. Now some sarcastic snobs may think I am trying to make up for my less than Schwarzenegger like stature by shooting a big gun or that I am not all I should be "down there" so I carry a big caliber to compensate for some psychological psychosis. That is not the case and if it were I wouldn't tell you anyway. Let's just go with the theory that I like how a .375H&H performs and leave the "down there" part of the equation out of this story.

The only time I find the kick to be an issue is when you have to sight it in to start with. Honestly, running twenty .375 rounds thru a rifle will ruin

your Saturday for sure and my recommendation is to take your time. Also clean your rifle after every two or three rounds, at least, for two reasons. It gives your rifle time to cool down and stay accurate and you get to take a break from the kick. Sand bag the rifle securely so all you have to do is squeeze the trigger, put some



excessive padding on your shoulder while putting a towel or hanky on the stock side to protect your cheek bone from getting roughed up and you too can do it. A .375 is a very accurate rifle and if you are not getting sub one inch groupings at 100 yards something is not right and you need to keep working with the loads or your shooting ability. Personally speaking after a dozen shots, I am done for the day and come back the next day to work at it. I start to flinch after twelve rounds on a bench and then I am just wasting my time cause the target begins to show stray holes and they are not because

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A .375 is a very accurate rifle and if you are not getting sub-one-inch-groupings at 100 yards, something is not right and you need to keep working with the loads or your shooting ability.

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of the gun or ammo.

In the field I cannot recall one time that I felt the kick of a .375, ever! Even after the third or fourth shot. When you are concentrating on making the shot you don't worry about kick, or you shouldn't.

What kind of game can you shoot with a big caliber like a .375? I have shot everything from a four pound Dik Dik in Tanzania to an Elephant in Zimbabwe and they all died, especially the Dik Dik. On the smaller game the super thing with the Barnes style bullets that Choice Ammunition loads is they act just like a solid and poke right thru the tiny Titan without blowing the skin all to pieces if you hit him behind the shoulder, where you are supposed to! Yet with buffalo and elephant the bullet expands a little creating a devastating cutting surface that still penetrates to the far shoulder or occasionally in the case of buff exits out the far side leaving a blood spewing trail even Stevie Wonder could follow.

I used to haul several rifles to Africa, especially a 7MM

Rem Mag for lighter work however I have not done so for years. I simply take a .375 and sometimes my .577 NE double for close work on big stuff, but the .375 is my go to all day long, never leave the truck without it rifle. I have killed most of my plains game in Africa with it, everything from the huge Karamojong Impalas to lesser Kudu, eland, Uganda Kob and in North America Rocky Mountain Elk, brown bears, Sitka deer and caribou. I really enjoy getting out of the truck in Africa with one rifle that I know no matter what we run across, I can kill it with the rifle I have in my hands, anything. Even at relatively long distance. I am very comfortable with my .375 out to 300 yards and have whacked plenty of stuff in that area code. I would not attempt long shots that I would with my .7mm Rem Mag but it's a different set up with a scope designed for long range with cross hairs that tell me where to hold at 500 yards. I have my .375 set for dead on a 200 yards with a nine power scope inset with heavier style cross hairs and it does fine at what it is designed to do. I believe

with the right set up you could shoot a .375 at longer distances but that's not my department. I am very happy as is.

There is one other very good reason to haul a .375 H&H to Africa, you can always find ammo. If yours doesn't show up as scheduled, or you run out

of ammo or whatever, you can always scrounge up a box of .375; I've had to do it several times now. It is and has always been the most common cartridge in Africa and there must be a reason for that? If you are carrying some wildcat caliber like a .380 Mega Macho or some such beast, you will be S.O.L as they say, done, finito, sayonara, hasta luego amigo. Hunt over...

So there you have it, Al Smith's unsolicited opinion on the best all around rifle especially for anyone venturing to the Dark Continent or maybe Arnhamland of Australia after Asiatic water buff, the .375 is absolutely the best on any specie of buff, and will kill anything else, big or small.

Regarding shooting little stuff with a big caliber, quick question? Can a critter be too dead? Just a thought... ✦





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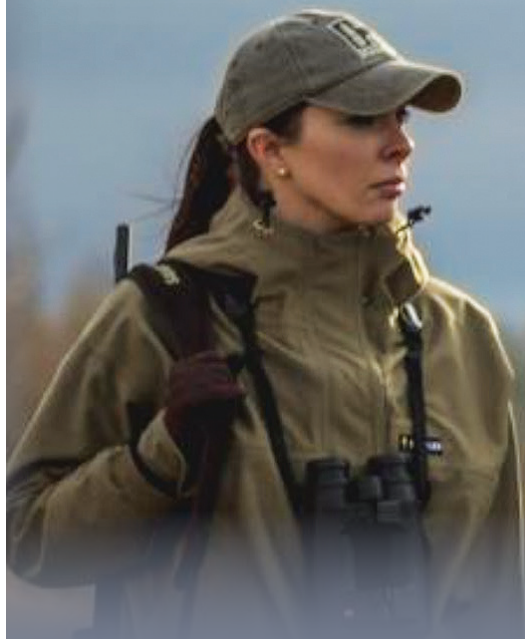
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Membership Matters

The Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International does some great things to promote conservation and bring hunters together. Being a member allows you to meet and connect with like-minded individuals who enjoy hunting or have an interest in hunting.

As with every good thing, there are people trying to take away our right to hunt and undoing the efforts we have made all over the world to promote conservation through responsible game management. They spend a lot of money and exert significant political effort in a misguided attempt to stop hunting anywhere. In addition to working to educate as many people as possible in an effort to show them why hunting is important and beneficial, we also raise money to sponsor and support events that further our causes.

As a member of the Northwest Chapter, you are connecting with hunters, supporting conservation and supporting future generations of hunters. We are working to increase our membership and are having a new membership special. Right now you can join both SCI National and the Northwest Chapter for \$20 for new members. It is usually \$35 but the Northwest Chapter will help with the other \$15 for the first year.

As existing members, I'm sure you know or run into hunters who may have never heard of Safari Club. Others say they are going to join but haven't got around to it. Now as long as they have \$20 they have the perfect chance to join and the application is on the next page.

NW Chapter members worked with WDFW on a project to relocate mountain goats from the Olympic National Park in 2019.





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Making It Happen!

Non-Profit Partnerships bring about Alaska Moose Hunting for Disabled Veterans

September 2020
Story by **Tony Leingang**

PICTURED: Ryan Caldwell

The 2020 opening day of Alaska moose season began with the normal feelings of hopefulness combined with the uncertainty of hunting a new area with a group of very deserving combat disabled veteran hunters and supporting volunteers.

Four of the hunters had arrived from locations around the United States, while one

other was local to Alaska. All anticipated this to be a true "bucket list" experience.

Arriving the day before, the guys were settling in at a camp set up near Delta Junction, AK by the Purple Heart Program (PHP). Careful time was spent zeroing rifles, getting a quick lay of the land, and sharing stories of past hunts and experiences into the evening. A big part of these experiences is always the friendship and camaraderie that develops during these hunts. PHP host Rick Barth told the group that it can get crazy out there. He related an example of a group

getting six bulls in just a couple of days on a past hunt with his group. That seemed incredible to everyone, but it certainly set the stage for what quickly became as fast-paced and exciting a hunt as could be imagined for all involved.

The work to create this opportunity began at the SCI National Board meeting held in August of 2019 with a discussion between SCI Alaska Chapter Executive Director Louis Cusack and SCI Northwest Chapter's Vice President Cody Sriver. A plan

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was launched with the goal of finding successful permit applicants to sponsor the 10th annual DM795 Alaska Governor's Delta Junction moose hunt. The goal was to combine forces and work together to provide this once in a lifetime opportunity to those who had served and sacrificed so much for us all. The opportunity required that OFOH perform the groundwork to find appropriate veterans who qualified as Purple Heart recipients with 100% disability status to be considered for the Alaska Purple Heart Program. SCI Northwest and SCI Alaska Chapters would assist and partner with OFOH on financial costs and logistics during the hunt.

The joint team worked to select applicants and assist candidates in submitting for the DM795 permit. Once selected, the team worked on the logistics of getting the moose hunters, their gear, and everything necessary

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Memories were made!



PICTURED: Franz Ulrich Walkup



PICTURED: Jonathan Harmon (left)





PICTURED: Brady Jackson

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to ensure a successful hunt on location in Alaska. The chapters worked together to streamline everything to ensure the hunters could focus solely on the fun and

challenges of taking down a prized Alaskan moose. From arrival in Fairbanks to meat processing and delivery, the team's goal for the hunters was to fully enjoy this experience without concern for any of the necessary logistics.

Each of the Purple Heart veterans selected by OFOH have their own story in faithfully serving our country:

Jonathon Harmon, Baltimore, MD – US Army 82nd Airborne – injured on 7 June 2012 in Afghanistan, surviving from stepping on a pressure plate IED with both legs amputated above the knee.

Franz Ulrich Walkup, Nashville, TN – US Army 503rd Infantry Regiment and 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team – injured on 29 September 2012 in Afghanistan, surviving from multiple gunshot wounds resulting in partial leg amputation.

Ryan Caldwell – Olympia, WA - US Army – Multiple deployments including Mogadishu, Somalia, the



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invasion of Haiti, and Bosnia. In 2004, he deployed to Iraq where his team was attacked by a suicide car bomber, surviving from multiple combat-related injuries.

Two other Purple Heart veterans joining our group at camp included Jim Sursely – Apopka, Florida – Past DAV National Commander – US Army 196th Light Infantry Brigade, F Troop, 17th Armored Cavalry Division – injured on 11 January 1969 in Vietnam, surviving from stepping on a land mine which took both legs and one arm, and Brady Jackson from North Pole, AK

injured in Afghanistan.

The Delta Junction DM795 permit area comprised Delta Junction, Fort Greely, and the Donnelly Dome basin. The state of Alaska issues no more than six DM795 permits per year, available to a Purple Heart recipient with a certified 100 percent service-connected disability. This program was implemented in 2011 by Richard Barth, the Fort Greely environmental chief. Barth explained the need to maintain and mitigate the moose population within the 7,200-acre footprint of Fort Greely.

On opening morning, each hunter teamed up with their support people and headed

out to the field. Jon Harmon was first up with our primary guides and the provided UTV's. It seemed like no sooner than they had left camp, he had his bull down. This was in the first 20 minutes of hitting the woods! Immediately the banter began between the guys on who would prevail with the most impressive moose. For the others, many animals were seen but there was no more action to be had quite yet. This bull was skinned and quartered that afternoon giving the others a great opportunity to see firsthand just what was involved in processing such a massive animal.

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PICTURED: Jim Sursely



A special "Thank You"

In addition to our disabled veteran hunters, we want to acknowledge and thank DM795 moose permit hunt and the Purple Heart Program founder Richard Barth and his volunteer support team members; Larry Wayne Martin, Colton Davis Spradlin, Terry Brespears, and Josh Applegate – Purple Heart Program; Louis Cusack – SCI Alaska Chapter Executive Director; Cody Scriver – SCI Northwest Vice President/Hunt Logistics; Jason Brown – OFOH President; Nick Leingang – OFOH Prostaff; Jack Nickel – SCI Northwest Photographer/Prostaff; Tony Leingang – OFOH Vice President/Field Coordination; Delta Meat and Sausage Company, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

This hunt not only provided a once in a lifetime experience for veterans, but also showed what can be accomplished when non-profits like ours team up. Accomplishing a hunt of this magnitude is nearly impossible for one group alone but by working together we can accomplish great things. Our chapter should be proud to have contributed to the success of this hunt and the future opportunities that have, and will, come from it. ✦

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After some food, the other hunters set out for an evening hunt. Barely an hour into the effort, Ryan Caldwell spotted a bull bedded down in the road. He made short work of taking his bull down within a few hundred yards. The others began to arrive and help Ryan begin the work of butchering his bull. Jon Harmon, wearing his specially made "shorty" prosthetic legs, stumbled over some small brush and trees, and fell over. Immediately he began laughing with Franz right behind him. Franz and Jon were in rare form telling jokes the whole way there. Franz moved ahead and while looking back at Jon cracked to the rest of us that he looked like "Godzilla" smashing tiny trees back there. This set the mood for the rest of the time

that night with both Jon and Franz providing endless comedy relief as Ryan's bull #2 was processed.

Brady and Jim continued to hunt nearby as there was still plenty of daylight to be had. About an hour into processing Ryan's bull, we heard gunshots not too far away. Sure enough, Brady had taken bull #3 while there was still significant processing to do with Ryan's animal. The hard work of retrieving these massive creatures had begun. Many hours late into the night were spent getting everything back to camp. Jim had also seen opportunities that night, but he would have to wait another day.

This success continued, amazingly, with Franz

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dropping a nice bull the following morning before 9 am. At this point, we had four bulls to take care of in the first 26 hours! A ton of work ensued with our support staff helping to clean, quarter, and deliver meat to our local processor, Delta Meats, with one more to go.

Evening progressed on what was still only day two, when we got word that Jim had finally hit his bull. As he will tell you, this one took some doing. After what had been several clean kill shots, that moose still would not stay down. Several attempts to get close had it up and running. With a bit more time and multiple other shots, guide

Larry Martin helped put bull #5 down. Now working through the night and hoping to get a glimpse of the Northern Lights through the moonlight, the team took care of Jim's bull. It was nearly 4:30 am on day three when the work was complete. All told, five great Alaska bull moose ranging from 48" to 59" had been taken. An exhausted but extremely happy group had successfully filled all tags. While the Northern lights were not out for us to see very well, this was truly a "lights out" memorable Alaska moose hunting experience for all involved. ✦



Courage isn't a brilliant dash, a daring deed in a moment's flash; it isn't an instantaneous thing born of despair with a sudden spring. But it's something deep in the soul of man, that is working always to serve some plan.

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Please look at our current committees and consider volunteering.

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The Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International partnered with The Washington State School for the Blind, the Pacific Foundation for Blind Children and received special collaboration and involvement from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to bring a new museum to Southwest Washington. Sensory Safari "A journey of sight through touch" is a unique opportunity in the form of a rare wildlife safari through the sense of touch, called the "Sensory Safari" Tactile Museum of Natural History, brings a new world of discovery not only to the blind, but to our full community.



We need one or two volunteers to help be the liaison between the Washington State School for the Blind and the Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International. If you are interested in helping to maintain a life changing project, please reach out for more information.

2

SPORTSMEN AGAINST HUNGER

Sportsmen Against Hunger is a fast-growing, nationwide organization that is part of Safari Club International, to request and coordinate donation of game meat to feed the hungry. The Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International is partnering with guides, meat processors and organizations like the Salvation Army to feed the hungry in the communities we live in.

We are looking for one or two volunteers to help develop Sportsmen Against Hunger in Washington state by coordinating information dissemination to contributing hunters and developing relationships with participating meat processors.

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3

SABLES

SCIF Sables is a Committee of SCI committed to furthering the understanding of our outdoor heritage, including the positive role of hunting, through the creation and support of wildlife and conservation educational programs.

Founded in 1984 by the women of SCI®, the SCI Foundation Sables are committed to continuing our outdoor heritage. They volunteer their time to raise funds to support educational programs that promote conservation and hunting. The SCIF Sables recognize that the future of the shooting sports and hunting rest with today's youth. Their efforts are directed toward educating teachers, youth group leaders and young people about our outdoor heritage.

4

SAFARI WISH

When another foundation decided not to participate in granting wishes of young hunters battling life-threatening illnesses by providing hunting and/or fishing trips, members of SCI got the ball rolling and the Safari Wish program was created. This program started making dreams come true. Its goal is to grant any hunt as a last wish for kids battling life-threatening illnesses. We currently are accepting volunteers or anyone who is willing to assist us in providing hunts, fishing trips or related merchandise. We are looking for any kids who want to go on the hunting or fishing trip of a lifetime. The mission of this site and this organization is to bring the children and the outfitters together, to make dreams come true where there wasn't an opportunity before.

All of the outings are carefully planned. The safety of these kids is top priority. Anyone who knows of a kid having a wish to hunt or fish can complete the application and a member will be in contact to help make their dream come true! We are also currently looking for a volunteer to help us facilitate these hunts, you could be the one that helps makes these wishes become a reality. Please reach out to Cody Scriver in the "Contact Us" section of www.SCINW.com if you have any interest and would like additional details.

5

VETERAN HUNT

The Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International works both locally and with National to support some lucky veterans as a thank-you for everything they have done.

Hunters are selected by a veteran committee each year by National, and the Northwest Chapter has sponsored some of their own.

SCI National is accepting applications for the 2022 Veteran hunt. If you know a veteran who you would like to nominate, please reach out via www.SCINW.com and tell us a little about them. There is no requirement to be a wounded warrior but we would like to support those with combat experience.



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I don't pity any man who does hard work worth doing. I admire him. I pity the creature who does not work, at whichever end of the social scale he may regard himself as being.

- Theodore Roosevelt

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Did you know...

- The SCI Record Book program has documented SCI members' hunting heritage since 1977. The SCI Online Record Book of Big Game Animals uses SCI's unique, all-inclusive scoring system, which is the most used in the world.
- The Online Record Book is utilized by SCI members as a networking tool and guide to achieving SCI World Hunting Awards and personal hunting goals.

News from National

INSIDE SCI, PRESS RELEASE Jan 25, 2021

SCI Adds Airgun Category to World's Largest Record Book and World Hunting Awards

SCI is excited to announce the addition of an airgun category to the SCI Record Book, the largest compilation of big game animals in the world. Additionally, hunters submitting records in the airgun category will be eligible for SCI World Hunting Awards.

Previously, hunters could only submit airgun entries under the rifle category. SCI recognizes the popularity of these weapons among sportsmen and women as well as their capability to

ethically harvest large game. With the legalization of airguns for hunting in many U.S. states, their predominant use in Europe, and the interest expressed by SCI members and non-members alike, the SCI Record Book Committee unanimously voted to approve the creation of a separate category for these weapons.

Entries will be accepted under the single category of "Airgun". Hunters should additionally indicate on their

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Photo courtesy of Dave Davidson.

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entry form "bullet" or "shaft". With some airguns capable of shooting arrows, the SCI Record Book Committee may split this category by the type of ammunition they fire. Forms and resources for accepting airgun entries will be completed by March 1. Hunters may submit these entries now, online or by completing a printed form, notating the airgun bullet or airgun shaft category until an updated version is available.

"The use of airguns for big game is not new and over the past decade the cost and capability improvements of these products have led to

their popularity, as well as their low noise and little-to-no recoil," said Chip Hunnicutt,



SCI's Record Book is considered the gold standard of encyclopedias of big-game animals.

Director of Marketing and Communications for SCI.

"Giving airgunners their own category in the SCI Record Book has been a long time coming and I'm proud to see this segment of hunters have

an opportunity to score and record their achievements."

The largest of its kind in the world, SCI's Record Book is considered the gold standard of encyclopedias of big-game animals. The unique program and all-inclusive scoring system has helped document the hunting heritage since 1977. All entries are submitted by hunters and verified by Master Measurers to ensure accuracy. SCI contributes 100 percent of the net proceeds from the Record Book and its World Hunting Awards – which recognizes hunters who have achieved exceptional levels of big-game success

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*We welcome these hunters
and look forward to recognizing
their achievements.*

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– to conservation and anti-poaching efforts.

“Including airguns in the SCI Record Book was enthusiastically supported by the staff and committee members, as many have experience with these

weapons,” said Gabe Paz, Director of Record Book for SCI. “We welcome these hunters and look forward to recognizing their achievements.”

SCI members can submit entries for the Record Book for a small fee. In addition to all the other benefits of

joining SCI, members receive one free entry with a one-year membership, three free entries with a three-year membership, and 10 free entries with a lifetime membership. ✦

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Get on Board!



What's cookin'

Perfect Braised Venison

A family favorite, I found this recipe, adapted by Tom Dickson of Montana Outdoors. This

has been our Christmas Eve supper several times. Can be made the day before serving.

INGREDIENTS:

3 pounds venison shoulder meat, shank, or neck roast
3 T. bacon drippings, duck fat or veg. oil
1 onion, diced small
1 carrot, peeled and diced small
1 celery stalk, diced small
3 T. flour
1 garlic clove, crushed
1 c. canned diced tomatoes
1 apple, any type, cored and diced
1 oz. dried porcini, morel, chanterelle, or other mushrooms (or 8 oz. fresh)
½ c. beef broth
1 c. apple juice
1 c. red wine
1 small sprig fresh thyme (or ½ t. dried)
1 small sprig rosemary (or ½ t. dried)
1 bay leaf
Dash of sugar
Salt and pepper, to taste

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 300 degrees.

Season venison with salt and pepper. Over high heat add preferred fat to an oven safe pot (Dutch oven is perfect), then brown venison on both sides.

Remove venison. Reduce heat to medium then add onion, carrot, and celery. Stir while cooking, until vegetables turn a rich brown but not burned. If vegetables seem a bit dry, stir in a little bit more oil before adding the flour. Stir in flour. When flour has been well incorporated cook at least one minute, add garlic, tomatoes, apple, and mushrooms.

Stir in beef broth, apple juice, and red wine. Raise heat to high and bring to a boil. Add thyme, rosemary, bay leaf, sugar, and venison.

Remove pot from stove, cover, place in oven, and cook for 2 to 3 hours, or until you can easily pull the meat from the bone with a fork. Taste sauce and season with salt and pepper as needed.

Remove from oven. Take out venison and carefully pull meat from the bone (or serve on the bone if you prefer). Return meat to the cooking liquid until ready to serve.

Place a large spoonful of polenta or mashed potatoes on a plate. Top with a generous spoonful or two of the venison with sauce.

Submitted from the kitchen of Jan Pearson

Safari Club International



Northwest Chapter

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- SCI is the leader in protecting the freedom to hunt and promoting wildlife conservation worldwide.



Membership Update

Good news! SCI National has extended their 2020 membership special of \$35 through 2021. This offer is for any NEW member. A new member is of course a new member or any old membership that has been expired for over one year.

Better yet the Northwest Chapter will make that price only \$20 for one year to any NEW member and throw in our Chapter dues as well! So, for \$20 you can join the NW Chapter and National for one year at the amazing low price of only \$20.00!

Just return the attached membership form and a \$20.00 check made payable to the NW Chapter of SCI, or your credit card information to membership chairman Gary Tennison by mail or email.

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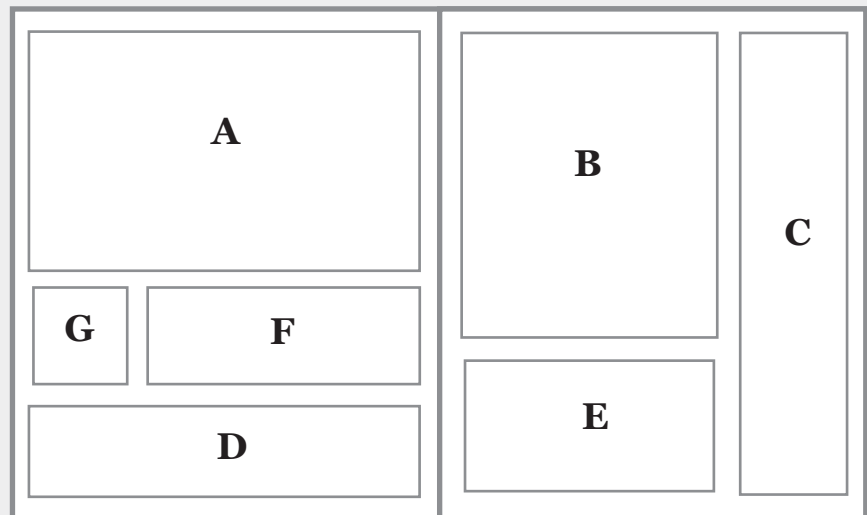
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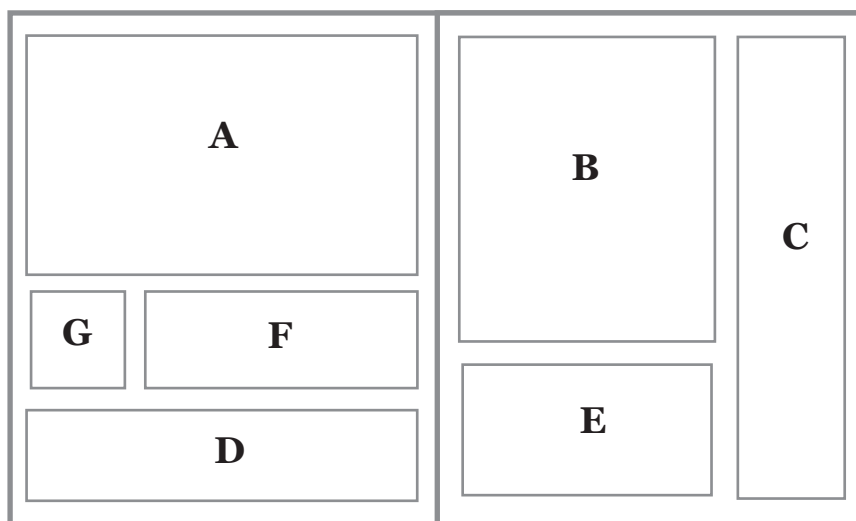
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JAN PEARSON

I have always enjoyed being active outdoors. Growing up in the Puget Sound area, my family fished for salmon as well as pulled pots for shrimp and crab on Hood Canal.

We spent time around the picnic table enjoying many delicious meals. Grandpa was a hunter, traveling to elk camp along the Queets River every season.

An inspiration to me was my great aunt, who hunted deer with her brothers. I didn't get into hunting until 2004 when our neighbors invited my husband, Alan, and me to join them pheasant hunting. That

interest thrives still today as we now have three bird dogs to keep us in the groove!

Big game adventures began in 2015 with an elk hunt 24 miles across the Rockies on horseback into the Bob Marshall Wilderness. I took two deer in 2015 and my first elk in 2016. Love being in the mountains!



Jan with her three bird dogs.

I had the opportunity in 2017 to hunt plains game on a women's hunt in Namibia. That experience opened the flood gates and brought me confidence to pursue big game hunting. I was fortunate to hunt Namibia again in 2018 and 2019. I successfully hunted cow elk in Oregon in 2019 and 2020. My recent birthday present is a bull elk hunt in OR 2021!

What brought you to SCI in the first place?

Alan and I had heard a little bit about SCI and were interested in learning more about its mission and focus. At the Sportsmen's Show, we met SCI members and were invited to attend the 2016 Banquet. It was lots of fun and as well as interesting and we took advantage of the membership special. We have remained members and are now active on the Board of Directors. I am the recording secretary.

How long have you been a member?

I joined in 2016.

What has been your favorite event so far?

While I have not attended them all over the past several years, I don't think I can choose only one. I usually have a good time at all the events...shooting clays at the summer meeting, seeing Capt. Ron's trophy

hangar, hearing stories in Don Morin's trophy room, raising my bid card at Banquets, talking with visitors at the SCI booth during the Sportsmen's Show, and attending the 2019 SCI Convention in Reno, NV.

Of all the hunts you have been on, what has been your favorite so far?

For our 40th Anniversary, Alan and I traveled to Namibia for an 18-day hunt with Wayne van Zwoll and Jamy Traut Hunting Safaris. We had the privilege to hunt in four of Jamy's camps, Panorama, Kalahari, Waterberg Plateau and Kaokoland. It was the trip of a lifetime. I think about it often.

If money, logistics and time weren't an issue, what would be your dream hunt?

Crocodile in the Caprivi Strip followed by fly-fishing on a beautiful stream in the Rockies.



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An Update On Governmental Affairs

Last November you heard political pundits calling for a blue wave to come crashing down across the country. In the legislative chambers nationwide, there wasn't even a blue puddle, Republicans did very well in the legislative chambers, holding the majorities in all the states that they currently held majorities in and flipping both the New Hampshire house and senate into Republican control. After the November election the tally on partisan control is that the Republicans control both chambers in 30 states, the Democrats in 18 states, Minnesota is split control, and Nebraska is unicameral and nonpartisan.

In Washington there was not a net gain for either party. In the state house, the Republicans picked up a seat in the 19th and the Democrats picked up a seat in the 42nd. In the state senate, the Republicans picked up a seat in the 19th, and the Democrats picked up a seat in the 28th.

The two Democrats that lost were devastating losses for the hunting community, we could not be hurt any worse than what happened to us last November. I am sure the two Republican winners, Senator Jeff Wilson and Representative Joel McEntire will be great votes, they will vote our way on hunting issues and on Second Amendment issues, they will have to, or they wouldn't have been elected out of that district. The problem is they are in a deep minority. We lost Representative Brian Blake and Senator Dean Takko, who were initial class inductees into the Hunters Heritage Council's Hall of Fall, our highest honor. They both won Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation's highest award, its Honorary Lifetime Member Award, the first initial time it was given. I have been President of the Hunters Heritage Council for ten years and they have been "Legislator of the Year" every year that I have been President. Both Senator Takko and Representative Blake

were frequent attendees to the Northwest Chapter annual banquet. Both these men have been outstanding legislators, they are men of impeccable character, they have been champions of the hunting community, downright superheroes to the hunting community, and they are good friends of mine. Being in Olympia, whether it be by



virtual session, or in person, will be a lot tougher, a lot sadder, and a heck of a lot less fun without Brian Blake and Dean Takko in Olympia. Thank you both for all you have done for the hunting community.

As I said before, I know that the two Republicans from the 19th will be great votes, but politics is controlled by committee chairs and we lost

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I want to thank Senator Schoesler for all that he has done for us in leadership and look forward to continuing to work with him.

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the ultra-important chair of the most important committee to hunters in the state house, the chair of the House Natural Resources Committee. Brian Blake killed so many bad bills as chair of the House Natural Resources Committee and killed other things before they ever happened. Losing that chairmanship can't be understated. We had a chance to get a friendly Democrat as chair in Representative Debra Lekanoff, who is an Alaska Native American, an avid hunter and fisher, but the Democrats selected an anti-hunter, animal-rights person in Representative Mike Chapman to chair the House Natural Resources Committee.

The other house race hurt too. The race in the 42nd, we



This upcoming session is going to be very trying. We lost some very good friends, but we have an outstanding lobbyist in Tom Echols.

lost incumbent Representative Luanne Van Werven to an extremely anti-hunting Democrat in Alicia Rule. Alicia Rule was on the Blaine City Council and tried to push through a no-shooting zone that would have eliminated waterfowl hunting in Drayton

Harbor. A coalition of hunting groups and two of the tribes came to the Whatcom County Commissioners to defeat this draconian proposal.

On the senate side our good friend Mark Schoesler stepped down from his role as Republican Leader. As Republican Leader it was such a big bonus to have someone who understood our issues to lead the Republican caucus. He, like Blake and Takko, was an initial inductee to the Hunters Heritage Hall of Fame and an initial winner of Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation's Honorary Lifetime Member Award. I can say the same thing about him being "Legislator of the Year," every year that I have been President. Senator Schoesler was also a frequent attendee of the Northwest Chapter banquets. I want to thank him for all that he has done for us in leadership and look forward to continuing to work with him. He is a champion of the hunting community, a superhero, a man of impeccable character, and a good friend.

This upcoming session is going to be very trying. We lost some very good friends, but we have an outstanding lobbyist in Tom Echols. I will be working the session too, and it will be a new adventure as it will be a virtual session. I have a lot of confidence that everything will come out all right. ✦



The Hunters Heritage Council is a Washington State based organization dedicated to political action on behalf of the hunting and related communities of Washington. The Hunters Heritage Council is currently composed of 11 individual organizations representing nearly 30 hunting, trapping and fishing organizations in total. These individual organizations, representing ALL regions of the state from the Inland Empire, Columbia Basin, and several groups in Western and Southwest Washington, have been formally organized as the HHC since 1999.



Mark Pidgeon
*Hunter's Heritage Council,
President*

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- SCI co-sponsors local conservation efforts.
- SCI supports local law enforcement programs, such as anti-poaching efforts and helps officers and rangers upgrade their equipment.

Northwest Chapter Winter 2020

Chapter Updates

The Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International is a non-profit organization comprised of a group of hunters dedicated to conservation, education and advocacy. We are hosting our 46th Annual Hunters for Conservation Banquet and Fundraiser online on March 13th, 2021, where we plan to bring together over 400 hunters to help support the Northwest Chapter. The money raised is used to support hunters, the freedom to hunt and game conservation both locally and worldwide.

The evening consists of an online auction with items and hunts from all over the world. Every year, we host a core group of hunters from the Seattle area as well as hundreds of new faces interested in hunting and shooting sports.

The Banquet is an eventful evening but wouldn't be possible without donors like yourself. We would like to personally ask you to consider supporting the 2021 Annual Hunters for Conservation Banquet hosted by the Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International in Seattle, Washington.

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Support comes in many forms and attached are additional details in the following pages as well as on our website SCINW.com. We are currently looking for: hunts for our live auction, items for our silent auction and raffles, and exhibitors for our booths.

The Northwest Chapter works to be a great partner for our donors by providing several key benefits to maximize the effects of their donations. While we are a 501(c)(3) and donations are tax deductible, we understand the majority of our donors are for-profit companies so we work to provide value.

In addition to the ability to write off donations, we also work to promote the companies that support us by advertising for them during our Banquet, on our website and social media, as well as offer special considerations for advertising in our quarterly magazine.

Thank you for your consideration. Please reach out to us if you are interested in donating, have any further questions, or would like to attend our event.

Thank you.

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Classifieds

The classifieds section is up and running. Classifieds can be used to sell extra gear, tell members about upcoming hunts or even to find new hunting buddies when your old one shoots a bigger deer than you the previous season.

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For questions or to post something in our classifieds section please reach out to Cody at 253-988-0557 or email him at trythis06@yahoo.com

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Dick Lapinski

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Reporter: how do you feel about 2021?

Deer: I'm pretty excited about the ammo shortage

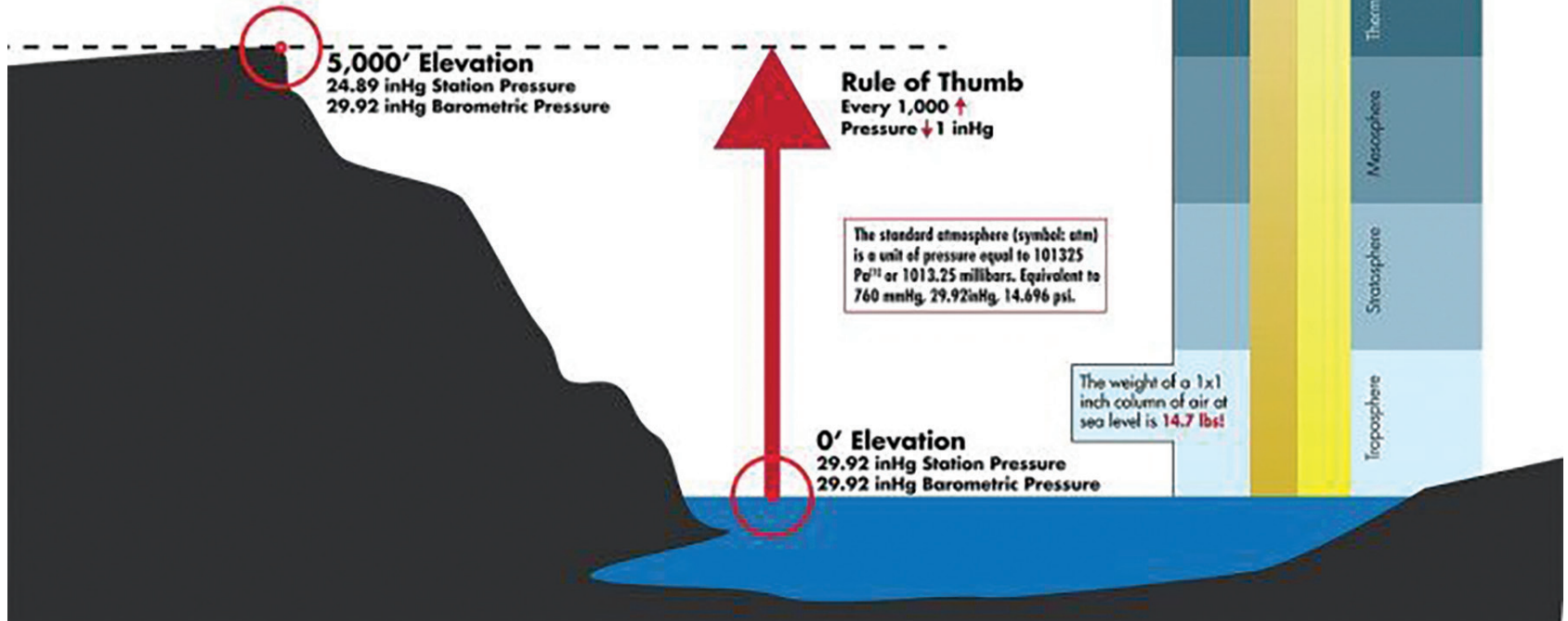


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SHOOTING UNDER PRESSURE



By **Aaron Davidson**, Gunwerks

I know I'm running the risk of creating an article that reads like a textbook, but I feel strongly that this is the most common area of mistaken inputs when making ballistic calculations.

I want to systematically explore air pressure topics so that we all have common nomenclature and basic understanding of measurement and reporting systems. We will start with a general discussion of air pressure, definition of terms, measurement devices,

and then finish with some alternative ways to use pressure data when calculating ballistics.

AIR PRESSURE

Let's start by defining atmospheric pressure as the force per unit area (eg psi) exerted on a surface by the weight of air above that surface. This surface is assumed to be in the atmosphere. The ICAO standard pressure at sea level is 29.92 in Hg, this is approximately 14.7 psi. So if we do a unit analysis on a surface at sea level that is one inch by one inch, we would find that the weight of the air from the surface to the top of the atmosphere would be about 14.7 lbs!

The standard atmosphere (symbol: atm) is a unit of pressure equal to 101325 Pa^[1] or 1013.25 millibars. Equivalent to 760 mmHg, 29.92inHg, 14.696 psi.

BASIC BALLISTICS OVERVIEW

To get an accurate correction for long range shots, a ballistic program needs to model the air density. Air Density is the air pressure, temperature, and humidity. Air pressure is commonly referenced two ways: absolute pressure and pressure corrected to sea level conditions. We will refer to absolute pressure as station pressure. This is the actual pressure measurement at the measurement point.

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If you are on the ICAO standard and with standard weather conditions, at sea level, your station pressure will be 29.92 inHg. If you are in Cody Wyoming, your elevation could be around 5000 feet. The ICAO pressure at this elevation is 24.89 inHg. It's significant that you remember that station pressure will decrease as you gain elevation. As a rough order of magnitude calculation, your absolute pressure will decrease approximately 1 inHg for every 1000 feet of elevation increase.

We will refer to corrected pressure as barometric pressure. This is the pressure condition reported as if from sea level, regardless of actual altitude. Also known as sea level barometric pressure. Barometric pressure is what is commonly reported by your local weather service. It is corrected to sea level so that we have a common reference for pressure changes (usually for weather prediction). Let's look at the previous example using barometric pressure. At sea level and standard conditions for ICAO, we would measure 29.92 inHg. This is the same as the station pressure reading from the prior example. However, measuring the barometric pressure for standard weather conditions at the same Cody Wyoming location of 5000

feet elevation shows 29.92 inHg -- a clear difference from a station pressure of 24.89! If you made the mistake of using barometric pressure instead of station pressure on a ballistic calculation, you would have seen a drop error of 20 inches or more at 1000 yards!

Many ballistic programs will allow either input. If you use barometric pressure, you will also be required to enter the elevation at which the bp reading was taken. The ballistic software will calculate the approximate station pressure and use the calculated sp in the ballistic solution. With station pressure, you will only be required to input a single variable - pressure. That alone indicates a simpler approach. Because the station pressure is used directly for most programs, and it does not run through a conversion calculation, the result will be slightly more accurate.

Along the same lines as using barometric pressure, some programs will allow alternate input methods to determine pressure. See the inset for the G7 Ballistic Program environmentals input screen. The G7 program will allow a user to specify elevation of the shooter (altitude of

the bullet in flight). Then it automatically populates the ICAO standard station pressure and temperature in editable fields that can be refined as needed. The ballistic solution is based on the station pressure and temperature

(3) Configure Environmental Data

Altitude	5000
Temperature	41
Station Pressure	24.89
Relative Humidity	50
Wind Data	<div><div></div><div>O'Clock</div><div>3</div></div> <div><div>MPH</div><div>10</div></div>

lines, not the altitude. The ICAO standard conditions chart shows the station pressure and temperature for a range of elevations. A ballistic program will use a detailed version of this chart, or a representative algorithm to identify exact variables.

Other programs will use different methods to get these inputs. Make sure you understand how the program works, remembering that they are generally trying to render out station pressure for the final ballistic solution.

One method of note is density altitude. Using Density Altitude when calculating a ballistic solution can reduce

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Air pressure is commonly referenced two ways: absolute pressure and pressure corrected to sea level conditions.

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the number of variables that a user has to translate from a measurement device and to a ballistic computer. Density Altitude basically combines pressure, temperature, and humidity into a single number. Density altitude in the simplest definition is pressure altitude corrected for non-standard temperature. If we look at a chart, we can easily convert an elevation (or station pressure) and temperature into a density altitude. First, find your station pressure in the right hand column, and trace the blue line diagonally downwards to the left until it intersects the grey temperature line. From this point follow the black line to the left to the Density Altitude scale. Alternatively, if you know your approximate elevation, go right to the pressure altitude line and intercept your temperature. Finally, follow the black line to your Density Altitude.

MY MEASUREMENT TOOLS

Technically, I don't worry about the station pressure anymore. I use the G7 BR2 rangefinder when I'm hunting, and I just press the button and shoot the calculated solution. I can access the measured values menu and see the measured station pressure, and the calculated pressure

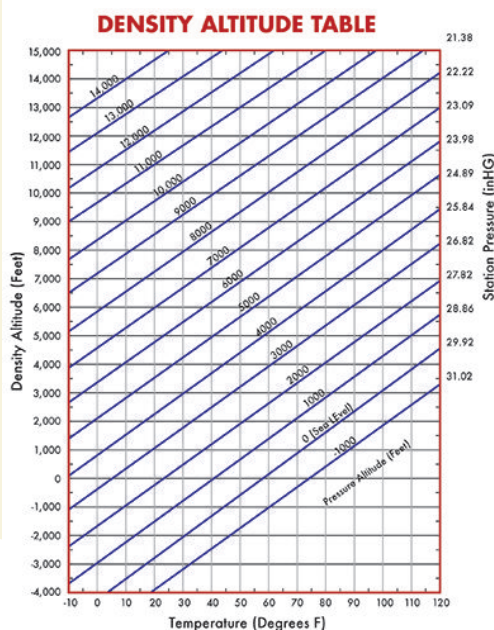


altitude. On a hunt, I also have my trusty Suunto watch that will give me station pressure and temperature, I can watch these numbers and be aware of potential air density point of impact effects. I usually

have a wind meter in my kit, and I carry a Kestrel 2500 that will also measure and report pressure and temperature. This device gets used for only the longest and most technical shots. I rarely access the atmospheric data. However, on higher end models, you can bluetooth the pressure and temperature directly into your handheld ballistic calculator or use one of the kestrels with ballistics. I've never liked carrying my phone into the field, but with the new Garmin Monterra, I can install all my android ballistic apps for a rugged field solution for GPS and ballistics. This device also measures pressure. That's my kit. One thing you will notice is redundancy! The most important thing to apply from this article is to identify your preferred workflow to obtain a ballistic solution. For some, an integrated device like the G7 BR2 or Kestrel with ballistics keeps the solution simple and eliminates the need to measure or input pressure information. For others, especially BDC turret users without a BR2, you may need to keep track of changing conditions and change turrets or make adjustments to your solution based on actual conditions. Once you've defined how you will use your data, then you can identify the devices and procedures required to measure and adjust for changing air pressure. For anyone shooting long range and especially hunting at distance, its imperative to understand what is going on inside your devices. Sooner or later it will save your hunt. ✨

ICAO STANDARD ATMOSPHERE

Altitude (Feet AMSL)	Pressure (inHg)	Temp. (°F)
0	29.92	59
1,000	28.86	55.4
2,000	27.82	51.9
3,000	26.82	48.3
4,000	25.84	44.7
5,000	24.89	41.2
6,000	23.98	37.6
7,000	23.09	34
8,000	22.22	30.5
9,000	21.38	26.9
10,000	20.57	23.3
11,000	19.79	19.8
12,000	19.02	16.2
13,000	18.29	12.6
14,000	17.57	9.1
15,000	16.88	5.5



LOCAL PROJECTS

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The Northwest Chapter of Safari Club International is a member based organization and we get together several times a year. Sometimes just to socialize, other times to volunteer and once a year to raise money for conservation

projects in the local communities. Our Chapter works locally by providing wildlife education kits to schools; help on projects in partnership with WDFW, supports youth hunting opportunities; and, many more projects.

The Missed Hunt

By David Irons

I have hunted with the same friends for elk/deer in Montana and Idaho for the past number of years with several different outfitters. To say we have been snake bit with poor luck is an understatement. Over the past eight years we bagged one small white tail and one small mule deer.

For 2019, my friends wanted to hunt with a new outfitter (Trophies West) in eastern Montana, who guides on private farmland. The drive to their hunting lodge would be close to 12 hours so I decided to skip this hunt.

My two friends (Rod and Will) headed off in the fall of 2019 to eastern Montana with hopes of improving their luck. On the first day of their hunt Will texted me a picture of a

195-inch mule deer he took, and on the second day, Rod texted me a picture of a 185-inch "double drop tine" mule deer he took.

At that point I am kicking myself for not joining them and emailed the outfitter to see if he had room for me in 2020.

Over the next two days Rod

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and Will texted me that they had each taken a cow elk, by now I am in full-fledged depression and feel like a total loser.

Then I hear back from the outfitter that he is 100% booked for 2020. My two friends came through and talked Craig the outfitter into converting one of their hunts from a one on one to a two on one, score! I owe Rod and Will big time.

As 2020 rolls around, I spend many hours at the range, as many of the shots in Eastern Montana can be 300 to 800 yards.

It seems like the week before we were to leave took an eternity, but finally I am up and ready at 6AM to start the drive. After a long drive, we arrived at the lodge: spectacular is an understatement. This is not roughing it at all, a wonderful lodge, with great food, and a private range to sight in your rifle.

This part of Montana is rolling hills with lots of farmland, Trophy's West has leased large sections of the farmland for his exclusive hunting rights. Craig explained that they only take 6 ½ years and older mule deer and expect to see a lot of deer every day.

Well, my idea of seeing lots of deer is 10 to 20 deer in a day; boy did I miss the mark. On average we saw 100 to 150 deer every day, with the first three days spent glassing hundreds of deer. I saw dozens of bucks that in the 4 ½ to 5 ½ range I would have been happy with in

a heartbeat. But each time my guide would say "too young" and we would keep hunting.

On the fourth day we spotted several big deer on a plateau 2500 yards away. Over the next 90 minutes we went up and down canyons slowly making our way to the distant plateau, hoping the deer were still

Every evening other hunters had brought in monster bucks, somehow that evening knowing I had only one more day to hunt, I couldn't help but asking myself "What Am I Doing Wrong?"

I was up at 5AM the last morning but didn't have much of an appetite, in spite of the



there. As we slowly and quietly crested the plateau we could see a dozen deer scattered across the northern 500-yard section of the plateau.

The wind was in our favor, and we continued to close the distance by staying just below the crest until we were about 300 yards. We slowly eased up to the crest and spotted two old shooter bucks on the far crest. All the deer were slowly grazing away from us but the wind was still in our favor. As I chambered a round in my rifle, they took one step and disappeared into the far tree line. As hard as we glassed over the next 30 minutes, we realized both bucks had slipped away.

fantastic spread of eggs, hash browns, and bacon in front of me.

My guide suggested we check out some properties we had seen lots of does on. The rut was starting to kick in and we were hoping this would bring out the big bucks.

We saw groups of does all day long and there was at least one buck following every group of does. My guide's planning was working perfectly, except we were not seeing any big old bucks.

With 90 minutes to go in shooting light we start slowly covering ground that would

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Wills pictured
with his
Montana
bruiser!



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head us in the direct of the lodge, at that point my hope went from slim to zero.

A few minutes later we rounded a bend and could see some deer in the distance, approximately 1500 yards away. My guide picked up his spotting scope to get a better look. Through my binoculars I could see two good size bucks to the left of the clearing, and one animal to the right that appeared from body size to be as big as an elk.

Moments later my guide came rushing back to the truck and said "Grab Your Gun, all three are shooter bucks". Within seconds we were on a fast walk attempting to close

the 1500 yards on the single buck that I had thought was an elk because of his body size. My guide whispers that all three bucks are 6 ½ or older but the one is a monster.

We now have 60 minutes of legal shooting light left and 1500 yards of ground to cover, yes, of course, it is all up hill.

We weave our way up the hill, keeping in cover, and watching the wind. At 200 yards from where we spotted the single mule deer, we ease out of cover. No deer in sight, so we head to higher ground, and still no deer.

To see if we can spot the other two bucks, we ease around the tree line to our left. I spot the two bucks moving

across the meadow away from us to our left. Just as I get them in my scope both bucks enter the tree line and are gone. They had winded us and headed for the hills.

With only 20 minutes of legal shooting light left, my guide suggests we move back around to our right, into the wind in hopes of spotting the first buck further around the hill side.

But to see more area we also went up hill for a better vantage point. My guide eased up over the edge of the hill alone, to minimize being sky lighted.

In two seconds he turns with eyes as big pies, giving me sign



As I eased my rifle up, I remembered we were losing light quickly and tracking an animal in the dark would not be easy.

language that the monster buck is standing 130 yards away looking straight at us.

He suggested I ease my rifle

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up onto its bipod but keep my head down. Once my rifle was in place, I ease up to it and take the shot, the buck could spook any second and we were now down to 12 minutes of legal shooting light.

I did as suggested, and reminded myself to not look at his horns, as I have known more than one hunter miss great animals when they were looking at the horns not the body when they shot.

As I eased my rifle up, I remembered we were losing light quickly and tracking an animal in the dark would not be easy. If the opportunity presented itself, I decided I would take a shot I never take, I high shoulder shot in the hopes of putting the deer down in its tracks.

At this point it seemed everything moved in slow motion, I eased up behind my 300 win mag, and hunted for the deer in my scope as I clicked off my safety.

Even with my scope on 6 power at 130 yards the deer seemed enormous. I kept thinking focus on the shoulder, ignore everything else. But out of the corner of my eye, I could see the deer's horns which were

taller and wider than any mule deer I had ever seen.

I stayed focused on the high shoulder and attempted to do as I had practiced hundreds of times before, keep your sight picture and squeeze the trigger, the rifle will go off when it is ready.

A microsecond later, I saw the deer drop where he stood; I don't remember hearing or feeling my rifle go off. I looked up and the deer was down, I

turned to my guide who was jumping up and down, he kept saying "he is a monster, he is a monster".

There was no ground shrinkage, my mule deer was a 7 ½ year old 6 X 8 with a second main beam on one side.

I am a true believer. Hunt hard every minute of every day, you never know what is around the next corner. ✦



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- SCI Foundation has supported antipoaching efforts all over the world through grants, partnerships, and capacity-building efforts.
- The SCI Foundation supports SCI Chapters in their efforts to contribute toward conservation projects in their local areas.
- Since 2000, we have put over \$70 million in hunter dollars to work on over 100 conservation projects in 30 countries.

News from National

ADVOCACY Oct 19, 2020

Hunting, Fishing Groups Release Statement on 30 by 30 Concept

Today, the nation's leading hunting, fishing, and habitat conservation organizations released a statement on the Thirty by Thirty Initiative (30 by 30 Initiative) to establish a goal of placing 30% of the planet's lands and waters under protected status by the year 2030.

Given the historic and ongoing role that hunters and anglers have played in land, water, fish, and wildlife conservation in the United States, the Hunting and Fishing Community Statement expresses support for:

- Recognizing the positive role that hunting and fishing play in conservation;
- Protected area definitions that allow for well-managed and sustainable wildlife-dependent activities;
- Consideration of existing protected areas and other management strategies that achieve biodiversity conservation in measuring progress toward stated goals;
- Targeted, science-based conservation measures

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developed through a stakeholder-driven process to address biodiversity threats; and

- Clearly defined roles and authorities for the entities charged with carrying out the 30 by 30 Initiative proposal.

Coming on the heels of recently released reports identifying global threats to biodiversity, the 30 by 30 Initiative aims to generate support for increasing targets for global land and water protection prior to a meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), currently scheduled for May of 2021. Established in 1993, the CBD is an international treaty with three primary objectives: 1) The conservation of biological diversity; 2) The sustainable use of the components of biological diversity and; 3) The fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of the utilization of genetic resources.

In response to the rollout of the 30 by 30 initiative, this coalition has assembled to ensure the interests and contributions of sportsmen and sportswomen are part of the process. Although the United States is not a party to the treaty, U.S. elected officials at the local, state, and federal levels have announced efforts to establish or express support for the goals of the 30 by 30 Initiative in recent months.

Concurrent with the release of the Community Statement, signatories also announced establishment of a website,

HuntFish3030.com, to provide hunters and anglers with information about the 30 by 30 Initiative and a petition providing hunters and anglers the opportunity to make their voice heard as elected officials consider policy proposals related to the Initiative.

Original signatories to the Hunting and Fishing Community Statement include the American Sportfishing Association, American Woodcock Society, Bass Anglers

Sportsman Society, Center for Sportfishing Policy, Coastal Conservation Association, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, National Marine Manufacturers Association, National Wild Turkey Federation, Pheasants Forever, Quail Forever, Ruffed Grouse Society, Safari Club International, and the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership. ✦

"America's sportsmen and women play a central role in large scale conservation efforts nationwide. From species management to critical conservation funding derived from license sales and excise taxes, they truly are the original conservationists. Ensuring they continue to have access to public lands and waters and a seat at the table when discussing the future of species biodiversity will allow wildlife populations and conservation efforts to thrive for generations to come."

- W. Laird Hamberlin, CEO of SCI and SCI Foundation

"Hunters and anglers are asking for a thoughtful approach to safeguarding our nation's lands and waters. In order to find common ground and achieve lasting results, complex management issues need to be resolved with input from a diverse set of stakeholders. We want a conservation roadmap that ensures biodiversity so the next generation of sportsmen and sportswomen can enjoy the outdoors."

- Whit Fosburgh, president and CEO of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership



Mark your calendar!

The 2021 Dick Gates Memorial Youth Hunt is on!

COVID-19 shut down the 2020 Youth Hunt, but the 2021 Youth Hunt is on. Thanks again to Caleb and Shantell Johnson of the Four Aces Ranch in Oregon, we will have our Youth Hunt June 18-20, 2021. There is always more demand than spaces for this hunt, so we had to adjust how we allocate spaces with a virtual auction this year. We will have one hunt in the Online auction but the other nine will be allocated via a draw.

Those who are interested in purchasing a space will need to submit their hunter's name and contact information to David Irons at 425-443-6603 or david.iron66@hotmail.com, to get on the list. Each person will be given a number and then David will draw nine numbers on Facebook Live, March 19, 2021

There is no cost to put in for the draw though each youth can only be put in once. If your youth hunter's number is drawn the cost of the hunt will be \$500 each and includes one youth hunter and one non-hunting parent/guardian observer.



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Some helpful facts:

This is a three-day guided hunt for one youth, age 8 to 17 years old. The hunt takes place June 18-20th, 2021, as a group hunt. We meet and caravan to the ranch on the 17th and set up camp though you can drive down independently. One non-hunting parent or guardian is included with the youth on this hunt and spaces are limited to 10 hunters and 10 observers. The camp is a male, female, bunkhouse style camp with toilet and shower facilities. You are encouraged to bring your own RV, Trailer, Motor Home or Tent if you desire more privacy and space as sleeping room is co-ed and somewhat limited but will be provided for the youth hunters first.

The hunt takes place at the Four Aces Ranch in Ashwood, Oregon. Food for the youth and one parent or guardian observer is included during the hunt at no additional cost. We do require the hunter to provide all of their own personal gear including sleeping bag and rifle. Animal selection will depend on availability, but the hunt is for a very nice but Non-Trophy Corsican Sheep, other sheep may be available but are not guaranteed. It may be possible to upgrade the hunt to a trophy sheep for an additional cost made payable to Four Aces at their current price for the youth only though that will have to be negotiated with Caleb and Shantell. If you have a quad, please bring it along as that is our mode of transportation during the hunt. This is a 100% fun hunt for the youth. If they have never harvested an animal, all the better!

There is a small walk-in cooler at the ranch to hang the animals. Help will be provided to skin, cape and dress any animal harvested but it will be up to you to ensure you are prepared to take your animal's head, cape and meat. Unfortunately, Four Aces has a no dogs allowed in the camp policy.



If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to Gary Tennison at 253-265-2113 or gtennison@centurytel.net

Top Ten Reasons You Know... You Are Hunting Too Much!



10.

If you think a camo table cloth is perfect for the dining room table at Sunday dinner, *you are hunting too much.*

9.

If the name listed on your savings account at the bank says "Hunting Fund", *you are hunting too much.*

8.

If you gave your wife sexy camo undies for Valentine's Day and they still turn you on two months later, *you are hunting too much.*

7.

If you have the muzzle velocity of 20 different calibers memorized but aren't sure when your wife's birthday is, *you are hunting too much.*

6.

If you schedule your family vacations for places where you know you can get in some hunting while the wife and kids lay by the pool, *you might be hunting too much.*

5.

If you have your taxidermist on speed dial, *you are hunting too much.*

4.

If you think that a Cabela's store doesn't have enough mounted animals in it, *you are hunting too much.*

3.

If your will says you want to be buried in a camo tuxedo, *you are hunting too much.*

2.

If your hunting dog cost more than your pick up, *you are hunting too much.*

1.

If you come home one day and your wife has left you and the first thing that comes to your mind is, "Well this will give me a lot more time to go hunting", *you are definitely hunting too much.*

Blast from the Past!

*Submit your photos and
a short story from a hunt
from the past.*

1988 : Destination, Mongolia

Submitted by Don Morin

Hunting Asian Wapiti In Mongolia

Back in 1988, Klineburgers had a travel agency in Seattle and were interested in wapiti hunting in Mongolia. This is the first time experiment. The purpose was to learn what was needed and what conditions would be encountered. There were eight of us including Mark Dinwiddy, Larry Bixon, my son David, and I, just cannot remember the others. We flew to San Francisco and boarded a 747 flown by CCC, which was a Chinese Airline. It was only \$800 to go business class, which was in the upper deck of the 747. The airlines had double crews on the flight and the second flight crew shared the upper deck. They all smoked heavily. My son had a strong dislike for the smoke which permeated the cabins. He complained strongly to the hostess who went to the cabin captain about our

complaint. The captain sent word to move us to first class at no additional charge. The hostess asked us if we would like lobster or steak for dinner. I took lobster with my son requesting steak. When dinner arrived we each had both a lobster and a steak. I guess they were concerned enough to provide us each with two dinners.

Our plane landed in Beijing, China, where we spent the day shopping. Exchanging money to yuan was an experience. The exchange rate in the hotel was four to the dollar. Also at the hotel was eight to one. Behind the hotel we got 12 to 1. However, being in a communist country, this was a risky thing to do. We did the tourist thing and climbed the Great Wall and rode the camels. We saw a large commotion going on in town square and observed a group of shopkeepers beating a person to death because he had stolen a banana. Two police officers stood by while this was all happening. They then checked the man's pockets and called for a meat wagon to pick up the body.

We then got on the train that would take us to Ulan Bator, the capital of Mongolia. On reaching the border between China and Mongolia, we had to wait four hours for the train wheels to be changed, as the rail gauges are different between China and Mongolia. Because many years ago the Chinese were afraid that the Mongolians would invade China. That was also the reason for the Great Wall. Women did all of the work changing the wheels with pry bars while the men stood around with guns hanging on their shoulders. We then traveled 40 hours across the Gobi Desert. The toilets on the train consisted of a hole in the floor and of course no

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running water. In the car adjacent to ours was the ambassador and his wife from India. There was no toilet paper on the train and it was rare to find in the country. I was told this earlier and had a duffle bag full of it. I gave the ambassador and his wife two rolls and he gave me a letter that would give me diplomatic privileges anywhere in the country of India. He said it would get me out of any trouble except murder.

On arrival, we spent the night in a hotel with our Mongolian guides picking us up the next day in Russian vehicles somewhat like our jeeps. After a couple of hours traveling in the dark, I might add, our guide appeared to be lost. They got us all together and apparently decided which direction to go by consulting the stars. Camp consisted of half dozen yurts, which were frame structures with camel hair insulation, and one stove inside used for heating and cooking.



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by consulting the stars.*

The inside was what I believed to be the Arabian Knights would be like. All colorful silks. These could be broken down and relocated easily, as the Mongolians are a nomadic tribe. The hunting was almost incidental to the trip, as there was a fair amount of Asian wapiti, which really wasn't much different from our elk.

There were so many experiences that I cannot describe all of them. Examples: I purchased a carpet in Mongolia for \$100 and had it shipped because I didn't want to carry it. A gentleman showed up with it four months later with a bill for duty in the amount of \$800 because



they appraised it at \$1,600 and it is from a communist company, the duty was 50%. I told him to keep it, but later they let me have it for \$200.

We left Mongolia on the train that had originated in Moscow. We stored our bags in our rooms and made our way to the dining car. All tables were taken with Russians except one that was empty with a sign on it saying it was for crew only. They later motioned for us to sit at that table. A few minutes later a conductor showed up, and with a hand motion told us to leave. I tried to explain in sign language that the waitress had told us to sit there. The conductor was standing next to us and was about the same height as my son was sitting. He made the mistake of poking his finger in my son's chest. My son is 6'3" and weighed approximately 275 pounds. Dave got up and picked the conductor up and was heading out the door. I asked what he was doing and he replied, I'm going to throw the SOB off the train. The Russians at the next table jumped up and said please, you can have our table. If you throw him off the train we will all be shot when we get to Moscow.

Like I said, the hunting was incidental to the experience of the trip. However, I do have a nice six by six Asian wapiti in my trophy house. ✦

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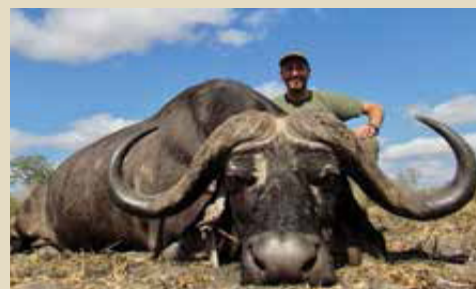
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