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President's Message



By Dwight Ortman

Dear Members,

IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU!

This is my first article as the new president of your San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of SCI. In the few years serving as a working member of your Board of Directors, I have learned a lot from the past Presidents I worked under, Ilah "cannot say no to" Uhl and Jim "we can do it" Peters. Jim leaves big shoes to fill but I will do my best to carry on the rich tradition of this chapter.

In my first meeting as your president I outlined that my number one goal was to increase our chapter membership to 200. This goal cannot be met without your help. Some of you say "who cares?" Well if you are a member and a hunter like I assume you are, YOU DO. If we want our voices heard loud and clear, we need to be a larger force. We all need to be more active in writing our legislators and letting our voices be heard. The anti hunting camp is growing in numbers and getting political attention. We need to be a collective force to keep our hunting rights in California and in the world. It's up to all of us to get new members. If you have hunting buddies that are not local chapter members, get the membership form out of this newsletter and get them signed up today. It doesn't take much and the reward is huge.

You know that the North American big game hunting season is about to kick into high gear when September 1st rolls around and dove hunting season starts. For us wing shooters, duck season is near too. It's time to go to your local range and sight in for the upcoming season and to the local shop to stock up on gear and ammo.

Most of us do not have our 2007 calendars yet but please set aside March 3 so you can attend your local SCI fundraiser. If any of you would like to help, please contact Ilah Uhl, your fundraiser chair. This year's fundraiser is shaping up to be the best ever as we respond to the CALL OF THE WILD.

Your Board of Directors meets every third Thursday at Vics Restaurant in San Carlos at 6:30 pm. Get involved – join us! Anyone can sit back and let others do the hard work - we need you! Please call Beverly at the chapter office [650.697.6538] for details. Hope to see you there.

Hunt safe, and remember that *SCI is First for Hunters.*

Sincerely,

Dwight A. Ortman

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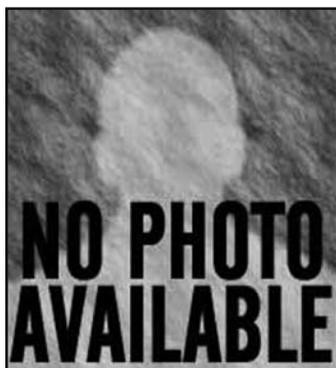
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The Sables Miombo Corner

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of Sables, recently held an election to elect a new slate of officers for 2006-2007. The results of the election are as follows: Annette Peterson as President, Jeana Rolsky-Fiege as Vice-President, Cathie Nelson as Treasurer, and Delores Peters as Secretary. Our chapter had a very successful year in 2007 and are looking forward to continuing that trend this year. Our goals are to increase our membership and to continue participating in community projects.

The first community project of the fall is Sportsmen Against Hunger Week. Join us as we work with the Salvation Army and the Second Harvest Food Bank of San Mateo and Santa Clara counties in the fight against hunger. To get involved or to donate game, contact Annette Peterson (sablespres@safariclub-sfbay.org) or Diane Sheardown (auntdiane@gmail.com).

Join Sables today — see the membership form on page 22.

Sportsmen Against Hunger Week November 13-19, 2006

It's time to once again give to our community as we support the SCI Foundation fourth annual *Sportsmen Against Hunger Week*. As SCIF is again challenging us to donate a portion of our harvests from this hunting season to the hungry in their communities, remember that our donations can help the Bay Area battle against hunger.

“The turn out last year was incredible. Hunters everywhere did a wonderful job helping SCIF battle hunger in their communities,” said SCIF Executive Director Tom Riley. “We are asking them to go above and beyond again this year. Hunters have the power to make hunger a thing of the past, and SCIF is happy to give them the opportunity.”

Sportsmen Against Hunger is active in all 50 U.S. states, parts of Canada and in several countries around the world. Launched in 1989, this much-emulated program is supported by SCI's international network of almost 180 Chapters. Last year, those who participated in Sportsmen Against Hunger Week provided the hungry across the United States with an overwhelming 79,139 pounds of processed game meat. This year, SCIF is looking to blow that number away by encouraging the outdoor sporting community to give even more of this high-protein, low-fat food resource.

Locally, Major Neil Saunders of the Salvation Army in Santa Clara County welcomes donations of wild game, frozen or thawed, in 1, 2 or 5 lb. packages.

For other California locations, use the SCIF's online databases at www.sci-foundation.org/humanitarian/sah/.

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2006 Sportsmen Against Hunger Feast

Reno Nevada, February 2006



Ilah Uhl and other chapter members worked hard at the 2006 Sportsmen Against Hunger Feast. The annual feast provides a hot meal and a smile to those in need in the Reno area.



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How in the World did I End Up Here? By Cam Grieg

[This is the second part of an article. For the first part, see the Summer 2006 BaseCamp. The article records how one of our members, Cam Grieg, found himself having to deal with being the owner of a game ranch in South Africa. If you ever wondered what went into actually owning a game ranch read on...]

WATER

The second priority when selecting land is to make sure you have plenty of water. This would include all forms of water; dams, streams and drilled wells. On this score I was very fortunate again. Although there are no large streams, the original property has a small stream meandering through it which runs all year round. One owner about 40-50 years previously had drilled a number of wells and installed windmills, which had mostly fallen into disrepair, but the casings of the wells were still in good condition. All of the wells produce very clear, sweet water. Deciding to shift into the 21st century, we placed solar pumps on seven of the holes and restored the troughs and piping systems to working order. We installed diesel generated pumps on two wells, a solar system on a nice spring, while we continued to use two of the old operational

windmill systems. Three streams provide water most of the year across the middle of the ranch, but the wells allow us to distribute the water in a manner that reduces the erosion of the stream beds. One of my early concerns was to get the game to utilize the whole ranch, not just the areas around the streams. As most game waters daily this entailed providing watering points well away from the streams when possible. If the game must use the streams as a watering point they will tend to hasten the erosion of the vegetation around the streambeds. They also will hesitate to climb to the tops of the hills when water and grazing is available lower down. New piping now takes the water high on the slopes, allowing us to provide watering points that reduce the need for the game to wander long distances to water. This in turn evens out the pressure on the browsing and grazing around the property.

LOCATION.. LOCATION..

Positioning of the property is a huge factor. You do not want to be on a main road if at all possible, as it takes away from the privacy feel of the property. It also encourages poaching, as the game will be seen from the main road.



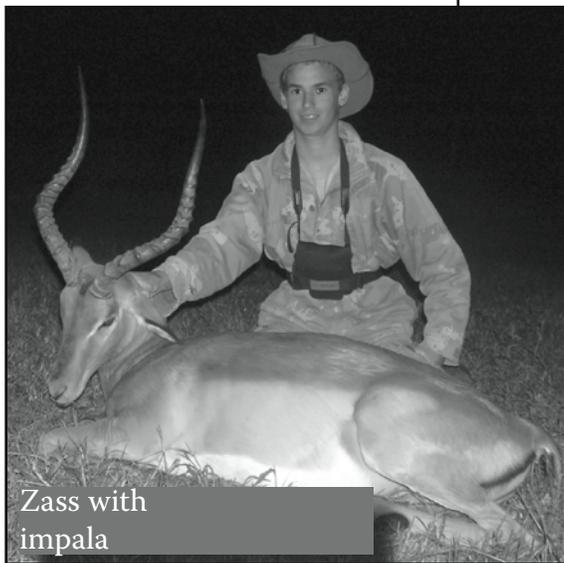
Chris Grieg with impala

At the same time you would like to be fairly near a major road and close to a major airport so that you and potential clients can be quickly escorted to the property. You do not want to be near any concentrations of people who would view the game as a source of free protein. These limitations will bear directly on the value of the property, as a game ranch and how your clients feel about their time spent there. As we purchased more properties, we always kept one other rancher between us and any public access. In this manner no one can “accidentally” be on the property for any reason.

POACHING

Poaching and poaching control will be an issue no matter where you are located. Humans have hunted since time immemorial, which is how all of our ancestors survived. Even in the USA poaching control is a big issue and full time state departments are devoted to curtailing it.

Cattle ranchers in RSA traditionally use dogs to herd their cattle, but these same dogs are often used to course game on the weekends or when any opportunity arises. Very strict controls need to be in place to prevent this. My policy is that no dogs are allowed on the property unless a property owner is with them. I am quite sure that the lack of indigenous game was due to the hunting with dogs. I am also quite sure it is why my questions about game numbers were always answered in a vague manner. Traditionally staff that look after the cattle are allowed to live on the property in order to be near to their cattle. We found any number of snares and evidence of poaching on the property in the beginning. I no longer allow any herders to live on the property.



Zass with impala

CONSULTANTS

Never having done this before, and with no real mentor, I searched around until I was able to locate a number of very good consultants who have agreed to help me in my dream to

create a wilderness environment on the property. The following is a list of types of consultants I have utilized, and I would recommend that they all be considered in some capacity should you wish to pursue a similar venture. Some of them are on retainer and visit the ranch regularly, others come when we are visiting, yet none of them are full time:

- Game consultant. This person helps determine the carrying capacity of each type of animal you wish to introduce and whether it will thrive. They will help determine what should be the limits on the numbers, both on the low end to start herds and the high end to prevent over browsing.

- Bird consultant. This person will help develop a bird list for the ranch and consult on means to encourage or protect the bird population that you do have.

- Conservation specialist. This person will look at the various habitats you have and make recommendations as to habitat improvements and what to do about soil erosion that has taken place. They are usually more of a botanist by training.

- Water/Dam consultant. This person will review the water needs of the property. They can help determine if a dam is a suitable feature you would like to construct on the property and how to control the silting up of the various waterways. They

can help establish an irrigation infrastructure for the game troughs.

- Ancient civilization expert. This person can review the property for signs of previous civilizations which may be of interest. This can be in the form of artifacts or in some cases rock art.

- Botanical expert. We have had a number of surveys done of the property and one expert actually located and identified in the scientific journals a new species of flower found on our property.

FENCING

The first real order of business was to get a fence around the property. South African laws are clear that any animal that walks onto your property now belongs to you, so unless you are in the business of making all your new neighbors happy with unlimited biltong (wild game jerky), it is best to get up a fence. The question was whether to just raise the height of the old fence, or in fact put up a completely new one.

We decided to go with a new fence, and in spite of the cost feel it was the proper decision. The neighbors looked on in awe as an eight foot high fence was pulled between metal poles that were set in concrete every 100 yards along the old fence line. A very rough group of fencers wrestled twenty miles of fencing up hill and over

dale installing it nice and tight. A crew of four was working full out to stay in front of them clearing the years of growth from the old fence. We have only three gates in over 20 miles of fence and it has worked out just fine.

Since I bought a cattle ranch I acquired a number of ongoing cattle leases with the ranch. I had to work around those to start to bring in game. Initially I was able to free up one of the ranches and pull down all of the internal fencing on it. As cattle ranchers want to manage their herds they tend to put up a lot of cross fencing. They will install fencing in order to force the cattle to eat certain grasses that are less palatable. If cattle are left to their own devices they will tend to feed on the better forage, and underutilize large portions of the field. What my game manager advised was that I should leave some of this fencing up around the less palatable grass, and graze cattle in there so as to continue to utilize the rougher grasses, as the game would never graze it. With a removal of top and bottom strands on the selected fencing we are able to allow the game

to continue to move about while restricting the cattle to the more sour grass. A "proper" fence in RSA is 8 or 9 strands, unlike the USA where 5 are considered adequate. This meant that there were tractor loads of baling wire to be removed and stacked. It was a project that kept a crew of local laborers happily, and not so happily, engaged for years.

Although parts of the ranch are in the relatively flat grasslands the back portions are in very rough terrain. It is also strewn with thorn bushes and small trees, making transport of the material very difficult. I chose to use a company named Bonnox to supply all of the material. Getting the material to all the points of the ranch and getting crews to install it were all significant events. In retrospect we were very lucky that the fencing contractor did not actually look at the back side of the property before giving us his bid, and we got a very good price for installation. Upon completion of the fencing a meeting was set up with the neighbors. Rather than being pleased with the nice new fence, they all insisted that we

were going to be a huge liability for their sheep ranching, as we did not care about jackals and lynxes. They were insistent that the fencing we had just installed, at inordinate cost, was not adequate to control the predators. They were sure that our ranch would be a breeding ground for predators which would then foray out into the neighborhood to enjoy the fat of their land and then return to the safety of the game ranch. Our compromise was that I would buy enough jackal netting to go around the whole ranch once again, but that the neighbors would be responsible for installing it. Two years later I was still fighting to have the netting installed. As long as it was my problem they were all very voiceful, but with the burden of installation on their shoulders it became a new matter. Fortunately that is now all complete.

In the next part of this article I will get to the heart of it - the introduction of game!

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Member Hunt Photos



Hans Aberg, won a fundraiser auction hunt with Giuseppe Carrizosa in Spain and took both a Mouflon sheep and an ibex. "Local game keepers do a great job of keeping track of trophy animals -- only needed to climb one mountain for the ibex!"



Tom Mattusch, Mike Velasquez, and Yogi Adams after catching a few albacore tuna.



Tom Mattusch with duiker taken on fundraiser auction with Mafigeni Safaris in South Africa.



Tom Mattusch with warthog taken in South Africa. Read his story in this issue!



Giant octopus on board the Huli Cat. Captured at the Farallon Islands.

See more photos at
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Long Trip - Worth Every Minute

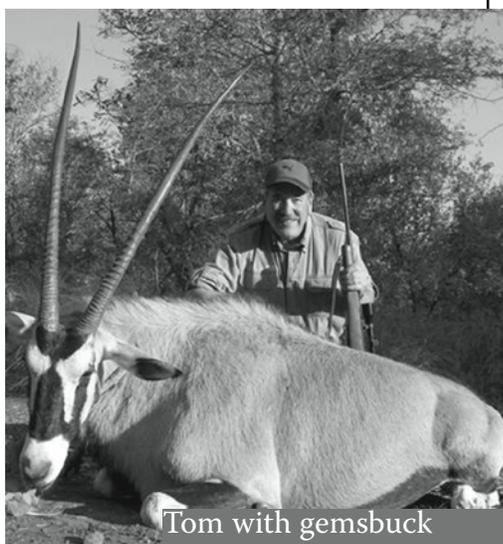
by Tom Mattusch

One of the great things about the Safari Club Bay Area Fundraiser, besides meeting new folks, is the opportunities it provides. One of the items my wife Lisa and I bid on was a hunt from Mafigeni Safaris in South Africa. We had spoken with Jill and Claude Kleynhans at some of the shows, but hadn't gotten around to setting a date, since Africa hunting generally coincides with my running the Half Moon Bay charter boat, Huli Cat. It is my prime season as well, to go means basically shutting down the business. I can tell you it was worth it!

Anyone who has gone to Africa will attest, it is a long flight. We inadvertently left the Tylenol PM in our stowed luggage. Eventually, we made it to Phalaborwa airport. I would vote this the cutest airport in the world. We arrived at Mafigeni past dark and encountered a herd of wildebeest while driving up to the lodge. I said to Ryan, who picked us up at the airport, "That was convenient. Do you have another button to press to show us something else?" He pauses, slows, pulls off the road a

little, turns the vehicle slightly and says, "There are usually Impala right about here . . ." We were ready to retire early since we had been 36 hours travelling. That is, we retired after a wonderful dinner of wildebeest tenderloins, meeting other hunters, meeting staff and immediately made to feel like family. Our personal lodging was a great safari tent that on the inside would rival exotic hotels anywhere.

Up early the next morning, I met my Professional Hunter (PH), Eric van der Gryp. Between my body not knowing what time zone it was in, new environment, Afrikaans accent, it was an interesting start. We just passed some warthogs, the safari vehicle came to a stop, we jump out and Erik tells me "Take him!" I am looking for the warthog in the brush after a fair jaunt. When I say I don't see him, the PH says, "There, the Impala ram!" I had my first Africa tro-



Tom with gemsbuck



Safari tent or exotic hotel?

phy. There were so many animals each day, that scenario repeated itself. We would see something, I would prepare myself for it, jump out of the vehicle, however, Erik or the Tracker, Phineas, would be ready for me to take something else.

Lisa was with me one day when zebra were spotted. The vehicle stopped, the animals ran. Erik and I made a mad dash through the brush using his experience to find them. Sure enough, across and dry creek bed, up in a field, here was a nice stallion. After about a 400-yard chase through brush, I wondered just why I got this animal here, as there was no sign of road or track. Soon the safari vehicle arrived, we had to break sizable brush, make a circuitous path but the animal I could only guess would be removed with 'sky hooks', was in the back of the Landcruiser. Crossing a very large open area, a jackal appeared in the distance. When asked if I wanted it, I replied, "How much?" Jackals are considered

Hunt Report

pests as they eat the young and are hard on the game. No charge was a good price and the jackal



Lisa with baby hippo

was on board as well. The group returned back to the lodge for lunch. Every time we went out, we saw lots of game. I got a very nice wildebeest in the late afternoon while Lisa was still with us.

Some days Lisa did not feel like riding out with me in the safari vehicle. Mafigeni has a number of trips for the non-hunter, photographer or adventurer each day. If you stayed there a month, there would be something different to do every day and you would not have done it all. Lisa's stories every evening had me jealous, although I was thoroughly enthralled with my hunts. Lisa saw all the dangerous snakes and watched them feed. She saw crocodiles over 1,000 pounds. She came back with photos of lions up very close and personal. The roar, cough, purr of a big cat very close shakes you

to a primal core. Mafigeni sends you out with a dedicated tour guide each day. Lisa's shopping experiences with Ryan became legendary. Ryan would intervene in Afrikaans or Swahili or both, to help the shoppers. Ryan would point out a store, among several in a row, where price was a little better for scrimshawed ostrich eggs. He would find truly lovely little hidden away spots that looked like garden oasis for lunch on the days they didn't come back to the lodge for lunch.

I extended the hunt we bid on at the fundraiser a few days and added a few animals. After



Tom and Lisa with wildebeest

the Kudu, a warthog, duiker and gemsbok were ready for the taxidermist.

Lisa and I took three days for all days tours. We spent a day in Kruger National Park. Impala were thick before even entering the gate. The first animal we came across was a very large black rhino that crossed in front of vehicle. By the end of the day, we no longer braked the vehicle for any more giraffe or impala. We saw countless hippo, crocodile, baboon and

many unusual birds. Waterbuck and Kudu were numerous. Another half-day tour was a taxidermy facility. It is hard to imagine a tour of a taxidermy facility taking much time, but Life-Form Taxidermy in White River was amazing. Whole elephants ready to ship were breath taking. There was an elephant skeleton that was being prepared for a museum in the US. Life-Form makes their own molds, we saw every aspect of the operation, hide trimming, skull, horns, teeth, birds and full mounts. Tours of the area in South Africa included seeing raw silk being spun and prepared, as well as items made from the silk. We went to animal rescue centers and saw numerous leopards and cheetahs. Rare African cats were being saved to preserve their gene pool as the cats were breeding with feral cats, diluting the pure specie. Wild African dogs were on display. The transition from hunter to tourist was a tough one for me! We short-changed ourselves not taking enough charging equipment for the digital cameras, trying to save room and packing. That resulted in coming home with just over 300 pictures of the trip. Lisa's camera battery died early. Take



Tom and Lisa with zebra

lots of memory cards and don't scrimp on charging equipment.

Staying with and getting to know Jill and Claude Kleynhan's and their staff was like seeing family you really missed. It was difficult to leave. Their service was really top notch. We enjoyed wild game in most of the meals. The wildebeest tenderloins were highly commendable, the impala spaghetti a great treat. Gemsbok backstrap, tenderized and prepared to perfection were amazing. Impala tenderloin and backstrap was great. Jill and Claude always had a selection of South African wine, both red and white for the guests. It is easy to recommend a group that does such a fine job with every aspect of their operation.



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We also need items to auction or raffle at the fundraiser. If you have a business or hobby that you could donate that would be great. This would be good advertising for your company. Maybe you have a timeshare, tickets to a ballgame, boat, duck club access. Or maybe you have something you won, bought, inherited or whatever that is new and unused and would be something someone else would love to have.

Remember it's all about YOU - this is your chapter of Safari Club International and everyone should support it in at least some small way. Attending and supporting the event is also a high help. BRING YOUR FRIENDS to have fun with you! Funds from this event are used to run the chapter, donate to humanitarian projects, conservation projects. and support our hunting heritage.

Put the date on your calendar NOW. The committee is already working on collecting hunts, guns, and many other wonderful items for you to win or buy.

If you can help or would like to donate something, please e-mail ilahuhl@safariclub-sfbay.org. I will be happy to arrange to have items picked up and — remember — this would be *tax deductible*.

Thank you!

Ilah Uhl — 2007 Greater Bay Area Fundraiser Chairperson



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AWLS Participation

Each year your chapter sends up to two students and two teachers to the SCI-sponsored American Wilderness Leadership School. It always has an impact on the people who attend! The letter and photos below give us David Beutel's story from his experience this year.

Dear San Francisco Bay Area Chapter members,

Thank you so much for sponsoring me to attend SCI's AWLS earlier this month. The staff runs an amazing program –something the entire Safari Club should be proud of.

A couple of the activities will immediately have a direct impact on my teaching. Tying flies was great. I'm developing ways to incorporate this into my science class. Students would love this activity as an extension of learning about stream ecology, insect lifecycles, and food webs. I also enjoyed using compasses in the AWLS orienteering crash course. My students will learn a lot by going outdoors to practice on an orienteering course when we are studying magnetism. I have already talked to a geometry teacher about working with me on this course to incorporate both science and math standards into the lesson.

I learned so much on the various field trips we went on around the Jackson area. Listening to speakers from the US Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the National Elk Refuge, and the Wyoming Fish and Game Department was fascinating. Even though I consider myself an 'outdoor person,' and I majored biology in college, I found myself learning lots of new information. It seems that every environment has a different relationship between plants, animals, various environmental factors (such as fires and floods) and sportsmen. By visiting several of these environments, now including Jackson Wyoming, I'm able to get more of a 'big picture' of wildlife conservation. Hopefully, my deeper understanding will make me more able to convey to my students the message that natural resources should be used responsibly.

I know that AWLS is a huge financial commitment for the Safari Club. Food, lodging, and materials for 40+ adults, several times each summer, cannot be cheap. Despite the high cost, I assure you that the expense is worth every penny. There's no better way to spread the message of habitat preservation and the role that sportsmen play in wildlife conservation than the continuation of this program.

Thanks again for this once in a lifetime experience.

David Beutel



AWLS field trip, 2006

Do you know someone who would benefit from attending the AWLS program in 2007?

Contact Sables president Annette Peterson - sablespres@safariclub-sfbay.org - or any Sables member for more information.



David Beutel, AWLS participant from SF-Bay Area

Member Hunt Photos

Pamela and Stan Atwood, along with Pat and Nancy Bollman, and Debbie and Peter Horn had a great time on a hunt in Hungary in April 2006. Peter, who works at Beretta in NY, planned the trip.

Hungary was beautiful and they really liked Budapest, even going to an opera (Aida) in Budapest.



Pamela Atwood with roe deer



Stan Atwood with roe deer.



Pamela's Russian boar; Stan also took a boar



Pat and Nancy Bollman, Debbie and Peter Horn, and Pamela and Stan Atwood

TAKE AIM – Sponsor a new member!

From now through February 2007 encourage a new person to join our chapter (and national if they are not yet members) and both you and your friend win.

You will have the chance to win a **Browning Stalker A-Bolt 270 caliber with BOSS** value \$850 (one chance per each member sponsored) to be given away at the 2007 Annual Wild Game and Awards dinner in May 2007. Your friend will have a discount of \$25 on membership. See the membership form on page 25.

“There are more serious hunters here [in the San Francisco Bay Area chapter] than in any other organization.” says Richard Pierce, SF-Bay chapter board member.

“We know that our membership increases when we personally reach out to our friends, family, and colleagues.” adds Dwight Ortman, SF-Bay chapter president.

Yes! I want a \$50 Cabela's Gift Certificate for sponsoring a new SCI member.

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Save March 3, 2007 to attend your local fundraiser!

Victory in California

With a bumper crop of bills – 16 bills total with seven in Assembly and 9 in the Senate – California sportsmen ended the legislative session in August with several important wins.

AB 352 (Koretz) was the big one to hold in the Legislature. In a vote that went most of the night, we were successful at stopping AB 352 microstamping/serialization. The vote was held at 38-34. No small feat as you can tell by the angst within the Handgun Control crowd, who are stunned by their defeat.

The efforts of a bipartisan group of legislators led by Assemblyman Jay LeSeur (R- San Diego) and Assemblywoman Nicole Parra (D- Hanford) were responsible for the coordinated victory. Your calls and letters helped make sure that this bill was defeated.

Another bill of intense interest was **AB 2714 (Torrico)** that dealt with ammunition sales via catalogs and internet. This bill made it to the governors desk on the bare minimum votes needed to pass. SCI will be asking for a veto on this one as will the district attorneys in California as its an unworkable bill. The governor has until end of October to take action on the legislation.

Other legislation for this year and SCI status:

SB 59 (Lowenthal) Firearms: loss and theft - Position: Opposed. Would make it illegal and impose fines for not reporting the theft or loss of a handgun to law enforcement within five working days.
Status: PENDING ON THE GOVERNORS DESK

SB 1485 (Hollingsworth) Protected species – Position: Support. Would, until January 1, 2010, allow the importation of crocodile and alligator dead bodies and parts thereof. This a test period to determine if such importation works satisfactorily.
Status: PENDING ON THE GOVERNORS DESK.

Update on Other Bills of Significant Interest

SB 1578 (Lowenthal) Dogs: tethering prohibition – Position: Neutral. Would refine requirements in existing state law (Penal Code Section 597t) relative to the tethering of dogs.
Status: PENDING ON THE GOVERNORS DESK

SB 1806 (Figueroa) Animals: abuse – Position: Neutral. Deals with how dogs are transported and contained in motor vehicles.
Status: PENDING ON THE GOVERNORS DESK

AB 2728 (Klehs) Firearms: Assault weapons – Position: Neutral. Deletes the ability of the Attorney General to add firearms to the assault weapon list, and establishes a procedure for dealing with persons found in the illegal possession of an assault weapon without being convicted in court for a criminal act, thus avoiding a criminal record.
Status: PENDING ON THE GOVERNORS DESK

ACR 73 (McCarthy) Firearms: reorganization of existing laws – Position: Support. Would ask the State Law Review Commission to reorganize current firearms laws to make them easier for the public and law enforcement to understand and thus implement.
Status: ACR 73 IS PASSED AND IS NOW A CHAPTERED RESOLUTION.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (NEW MEMBERS)

(Please Type or Print Clearly)

National Member #: _____

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Chapter Affiliation: _____

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Occupation: _____ Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

Firm name: _____

Firm address: _____

*Preferred communication: Phone Fax Email

Would you be willing to serve as an officer or on a committee in this chapter? Please check one:

Yes () No () If yes, in what capacity would you like to serve? _____

Applicant Signature: _____

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter Dues Only ~~\$45.00~~ \$20.00

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Please return this form together with your check to:

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423 Broadway, #624
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Special \$25 discount on Chapter Membership dues through February 2007

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Fax to: San Francisco Bay Area Chapter – SCI at (650) 697-6538

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Card Number: _____ Expiration: ____/____/____

Name on card: _____ Phone: _____

***** SPACE BELOW FOR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE USE ONLY *****

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Approved: _____ Membership Date: _____
(Membership Committee)

Chapter Membership # _____ () Badge () Certificate



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YES! I support the conservation and educational goals of SCI. Enclosed is my check

- \$30.00 One Year
 \$75.00 Three Years

YES! I want to be a Life member of the SCI Sables and show long-term support for SCI's conservation and educational goals.

- Enclosed is my check for \$500
 I am an SCI Life member; my check for \$250 is enclosed

- New member Renewal

I am interested in working on the following committees:

- Educational Fundraiser
 Conservation Membership
 Humanitarian Other: _____

Other suggestions

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Sponsor: _____

Signature: _____

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Young Hunter Membership



The SCI Young Hunter Membership is offered to youths who are 17 years of age and younger. This membership is meant to attract youths through educating and promoting the mission and goals of SCI.

“SCI is the leader in protecting the freedom to hunt and in promoting wildlife conservation worldwide”

Young Hunters are eligible for the awards competition, listing in the SCI Record Book of Trophy Animals, and attendance to SCI’s Annual Hunters Convention. The Young Hunter will also receive an added bonus an issue of the “Annual Hunter’s Handbook”

- \$ 15.00 North America (USA, Canada, Mexico)
- \$ 30.00 Overseas / Includes \$15.00 Shipping costs

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DAYTIME PHONE _____ HOME PHONE _____ EMAIL _____
PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME _____
DATE OF BIRTH (MANDATORY) ___/___/___ Must be 17 years of age or younger

My Check is Enclosed (US Funds Only) \$ _____

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Name printed on card _____

Please list relationship with the above applicant _____

Signature _____

Mission Statement for San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of Safari Club International

- To promote good fellowship among those who love the outdoors and the sport of hunting, shooting and fishing.
- To promote conservation of the wildlife of the world as a renewable resource in which hunting is one management tool among many.
- To help conservation efforts by supporting worthwhile projects, both verbally and financially, when possible.
- To educate our youth in the safe and proper use of firearms and to interest and teach them in conservation and preservation of the forests and animals, which are our national heritage.
- To share the latest hunting experiences and information of our members so that other members may profit from same.
- To operate the association as a non-profitable organization, originated for the enjoyment of the members, and with the thought in mind that perhaps we can be of assistance in helping to conserve and preserve the animals which we love to hunt today for those who will come to love the sport tomorrow.



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