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January 1, 2024

To All Past Shooters,

I believe all would agree that the year 2023 presented both challenges and opportunities for our Past Shooter Club (PSC) to once again exhibit the strength of the Club and membership. Our President, Rick Enstrom, is progressing well in his health recovery and the “Rick spirit” remains strong and an inspiration to all. Keep charging Rick!

The 2023 Hunt Week was a true success in so many respects. The good planning and preparations by the Past Shooter Club, Water for Wildlife, Hunt Club, and Lander Community Teams provided a standard matching week of events that continues to receive very positive feedback from the attendees. The Thursday Night Banquet was a productive and fun event. Led by Gina and Vickie, the Dinner and Live Auction were both successes and thanks to Peter Larsen and Chris Hadsall, the Gun Board and Silent Auctions results also had good outcomes. Thank you to the many behind the scenes that contributed in so many ways.

A big THANK YOU to the PSC membership that attended this year! Turn out for the week was impressive given the hunt environment challenge we faced. We achieved 89 per cent of the normal year registration rate. Well done by the membership and it is a good indication of the continued strength of the Past Shooter’s Club. The future also looks good as the Hunt Club fielded good teams for the Hunt and we had a 100 per cent Lifetime Membership sign up from the teams. To our new members, Welcome Aboard! We look forward to joining you in the very special one shot experience in the years ahead.

As we close 2023 and move into 2024, Donna joins me in wishing you and your families a great holiday season and happy New Year. A new PSC year where the future looks great. We look forward to seeing many of you back in Lander the second week of June for the Foo Foo Rah. We get to do some midyear Club business, fun at the range, and a bit of socializing. Come join in the fun.

Kind Regards,

Dan

Dan Stone
Acting PSC President

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WATER FOR WILDLIFE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



January 1, 2024

Greetings Past Shooters and Friends,

After a very successful hunt hosted by the Lander One Shot Hunt Club, the Past Shooters' Club and Water for Wildlife®, the boards of these organizations are already planning for 2024!

2023 was a busy year. Continued improvements were made to the Evans-Dahl Museum/Water for Wildlife Discovery Center. The museum is now a welcoming site for community events and activities. Five water projects were completed this year and total project payments of \$50,995 were made.

Our appreciation goes out to our Team for paving the way to a successful 2023 hunt. Special thanks goes out to Gina for serving as the Interim Executive Director while maintaining her other duties as well.

During the 2023 Hunt we recognized a lifetime of involvement and service from our friend, Willie LeClair. As 2024 proceeds, more details will be shared about Willie's legacy. I look forward to working with the One Shot Antelope Hunt Club and the One Shot Past Shooters' Club to continue the traditions of the Hunt.

Best Wishes for a Great 2024!

Patrick Wallace

President

Water for Wildlife Foundation



2023 INTERN NEWS



Our fall intern, Devin Gearhart, helped to make many of our One Shot Antelope Hunt events successful and then went on to

Fish Shocking and Pheasant Stocking..

I was fortunate to be selected for the Water for Wildlife joint internship with Wyoming Game and Fish this year. I began my summer in Laramie, working on wildlife habitat projects before traveling to Lander for the fall. As a recent graduate from the University of Wyoming, I was looking for an opportunity to experience different aspects of the wildlife field while being able to stay in the beautiful Wyoming wilderness. This internship provided this and much more, allowing me to gain real-world experience in wildlife management's social and scientific aspects.

Not only was I able to help plan and execute the One Shot Hunt fundraising event, but I was also able to trap black-footed ferrets, electro-fish for sauger, assist in Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) sampling, and stock ring-necked pheasants.

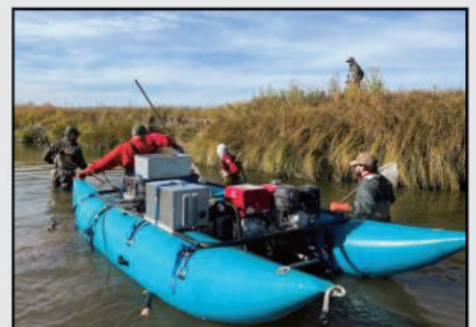
When I arrived in Lander shortly after Labor Day, plans for the One Shot Hunt were in full swing. I am from Pennsylvania and had never heard of the hunt before I started this internship, but was excited to jump in and learn more. I was fascinated by the history of the hunt and the ways it brought



people together to support Wyoming wildlife. Helping Gina prepare for the hunt and organize the other fundraising events was a great way to network with wildlife enthusiasts and experience a different aspect of the wildlife field. I saw how funds were raised and then how those funds were used to benefit a plethora of wildlife species in Water for Wildlife's water projects all across the country.

After wrapping up the One Shot Hunt, I began spending more time with Wyoming Game and Fish, helping wildlife managers on their projects. One of these projects was black-footed ferret spotlighting and trapping, something I never imagined I would be lucky enough

to participate in. Under the guidance of Andy Gygli, the ferret project biologist, a group of us endured a week of long nights driving transects and walking across the prairie in the Shirley Basin. We began our work "day" at 9 pm looking for the green ferret eye-shine under the scraggy sagebrush or in prairie dog burrows, usually wrapping up around 6 am. If we were lucky enough to spot a ferret, or what we believed to be one, we would set traps specially designed to catch ferrets, block off possible exit holes, and wait, checking our traps every half hour. Usually, though, the only eye shine we would spot would come from the herds of



pronghorn roaming the sage or the occasional coyote running across the road. During our four-day stint, we trapped one ferret, a female with kits who wasn't thrilled to be caught in a cage. She was processed

quickly and vaccinated before being released back into the network of burrows stretching beneath our feet. Despite the late nights and catching only one ferret, this was an experience fondly.

Another opportunity I had was electrofishing the Little Popo Agie River with the Lander fish crew in October. We were looking for sauger in order to better evaluate their populations.

Using an inflatable raft and electrofishing gear, we walked up the river shocking prime spots like deep pools and channels. We ended up catching one large sauger



and quite a few other species, including minnows and catfish. We processed the fish, collecting weights and lengths, before releasing them back into the water. It was a lot of fun, even with the leaky waders.

Most of my time in Lander was spent working on Chronic Wasting Disease sampling. CWD is a fatal disease that affects all of the deer species in the state. First discovered in the 1960s in southern Wyoming and northern Colorado, it quickly spread across the country and to other countries outside North America. CWD is a transmissible spongiform encephalopathy (TSE) that primarily affects the brain of deer causing a lack of coordination, lack of fear, excessive salivation, and an outward appearance of wasting. Unfortunately, there are no cures or treatments, and deer that contract the disease typically

die within 2-3 years. Chronic Wasting Disease is spread through misfolded proteins called prions and can be transmitted through bodily fluids and scat. The prion then remains in the environment for years and can only be destroyed using extremely high temperatures or bleach. Much like other TSEs such as Mad Cow, there is a concern about transmission to humans. Although there are no reported cases of CWD in humans, experiments have shown the possibility of transfer to non-human primates and it is advised that people do not eat meat from animals that had CWD. This is why the Wyoming Game and Fish Department provides free testing to hunters who want to have their deer tested. As a wildlife technician, my job included collecting biological samples from these deer to have them tested in Laramie. I would collect deer heads from WGFD barrels in surrounding towns, work game check stations, coordinate with taxidermists and meat processors, and meet with hunters at the Lander regional office. There I took the samples used to test for the disease including retropharyngeal lymph nodes, tonsils, and the occasional ear. These would then get sent to the wildlife health laboratory for testing and the results would be made available to the hunter. I likely sampled over 100 deer and elk, met with many more hunters, and learned even more about this



disease which severely impacts our deer populations.

As deer season wrapped up, pheasant season began, and I was able to help stock pheasants in the Sand Mesa and Ocean Lake wildlife habitat management areas. Every Tuesday and Friday in November, after hunting ended for the day, pheasants from the WGFD bird farm in Sheridan were released to supplement the wild population for hunters. They were pretty skittish and took some coaxing to get out of their transport crates but once they did, they were a beautiful sight. They took off elegantly, gliding across the prairie before finding cover and landing. All in all, a few hundred birds were released weekly, providing more opportunities for hunters to enjoy Wyoming wildlife.



Overall, I am grateful for the opportunity I had to work with Water for Wildlife and Wyoming Game and Fish. This internship is a great opportunity to get introduced to the wildlife field and many awesome experiences. I hope to continue working for Game and Fish and collaborate with Water for Wildlife in the future.



PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD

2023 WINNERS



Past Shooter Jason Turnbow and wife Torry with their blue grouse harvest.



Sarah Tipton McKenzie, daughter of Past Shooter, Bob Tipton with her first antelope.

FOO FOO RAH

SPRING MEETING

JUNE 6-8, 2024

- THURSDAY NIGHT WELCOME ACTIVITY, TBD
- WATER FOR WILDLIFE GOLF SCRAMBLE
- RANGE SHOOTING COMPETITION & THE INFAMOUS "WATER BOIL"

THE FOO FOO RAH FEATURES A LITTLE
COMPETITION AND A LOT OF FUN!



AGING EYES

Getting older and exposure to the elements
can change your vision over time.

By Tim Christie

In the fall of the year I finished graduate school, my former roommate set up a mule deer hunt. Such pursuits were abandoned for several years. Marriage, a baby, tight budgets and the rigors of school made hunting an unrealistic luxury.

Dawn crawled over the eastern horizon the first morning with us sitting on a timber-dotted ridge overlooking a sage-covered basin stretching into infinity. I felt like pinching myself. Had it been five years since I'd been hunting? Gene broke my distracted reflection.

Staring through 7x40 binoculars, he said, "I think there is a buck at the edge of the top of that coulee. It looks to be about 300 yards,"

Immediately I saw what he was looking at and said, "It's a nice 4x4, Gene. You spotted it. Go after him if you want to."

Gene turned, staring at me. "What are you, Superman? How in the heck can you see it's a 4x4? I can't tell how big he is looking through binoculars."

Smiling, I replied. "I've been blessed with great eyesight."

Why, I don't know. Genetics, maybe. Good fortune, certainly.

When I was around 25 years old, I read the smallest print on the eye chart during an exam. The ophthalmologist said, "Young man, you have remarkable vision. I've seen few people do what you just did. Beyond that, you have excellent close-up vision. Take care of it."

Some 15 years later, river water swirled around my waist as I stood on the edge of a deep pool with trout creating dimples on the water's surface sucking in insects. Despite

using my favorite dry fly pattern, I'd had no takers. Cutting the fly free of the leader, I selected a royal coachman and tried to slip the leader through the diminutive fly's eyelet. It felt like I was the blindfolded kid at a birthday party trying to hit the piñata with a stick. Everything was blurry enough to make the task impossible. Even extending my arms as far as I could, nothing worked.

Frustrated? You bet. Angry? Absolutely. Being truthful, it was even a little frightening. What was going on? My long-cherished eyesight was failing. Why?

KEEPING FOCUS

As time marches on, our eyes

change. Aging influences one's vision in somewhat predictable ways. My fly-fishing experience is known as presbyopia. The lens inside the eye is responsible for helping the eye focus at various distances. At about 40 years of age, the lens loses flexibility and stiffens, making it more difficult to focus on objects within arms-length. As we age, the lens continues to stiffen, until the lens can no longer flex at all.

Fly-fishing aficionados have developed a slick fix — reader lenses that attach to the bill of a cap. If you need close-up work, drop the lens down. If you don't have these devices, bring reading glasses for when needed. As you age, use more powerful lenses.

Changes also occur in the ability of the eyes to change focus rapidly. For most 20 year olds, lining up the buckhorn back sight on a lever-action .30-30 with the front sight is simple. Their eyes refocus instantly back and forth between the iron sights. Aging slows the refocusing reaction time, meaning one of the sights will remain fuzzy if you look at the rear sight and then try to see the front sight.



Tasks like tying a fly to a leader become more difficult as your eyes age. (Photo by Tim Christie)



As people age, muscles that control pupil size and reaction to light lose some strength, which means they need more ambient light to see clearly.
(Photo by Tim Christie)

As we age, muscles that control our pupil size and reaction to light lose some strength. Our pupils become smaller and less responsive to changes in ambient lighting. This means people in their 60s need three times more ambient light for tasks like reading than those in their 20s. Think about those moments on the river in early morning or evening light when trying to place that fly in the perfect spot where fish have been feeding — or you think you saw one rise. Talk about mind games. Did you really see one rise there?

It was a déjà-vu moment four years ago when I sat with my 25-year-old nephew as we glassed a timbered basin in the last vestiges of the day as a small band of mule deer does fed out into a small pocket of caramel-tinted grass. I felt him touch my arm and whisper, “There’s a buck. I think he’s a 4x4. See him?”

Raising my 7x42 Zeiss binoculars,

gathering ability, I saw the buck, but for the life of me I couldn’t make out the size or dimensions of his rack. Almost out of legal shooting light, we didn’t have time to make a stalk. That mattered little. The drive to the motel forced me to reflect once again on how seven decades of life have impacted my vision.

The list of diminished visual acuity accelerates with more birthday celebrations. The size of our visual field decreases meaning our peripheral vision decreases by approximately one to three degrees per decade of life. So, in my 70s and progressing into the 80s, I’ve lost peripheral visual field by 20-30 degrees.

COLOR VISION

I’ve been a wildlife and nature photographer for nearly 50 years. Beyond being my passion, my skill with a camera depends on seeing situations worthy of a photograph and capturing that image. Color is a key

element in any photograph, yet aging also influences one’s ability to discern colors.

Retina cells responsible for normal color vision decline in sensitivity with aging, dimming color brightness and minimizing contrast between different colors. Blue colors, in particular, may appear faded or washed out.

Another common eye affliction, cataracts, also influences our color vision sensitivity. Cataracts, a clouding of the optical lens, impact visual clarity of detail and color. According to the American Academy of Ophthalmology, “Cataracts affect more than 24 million Americans age 40 and older. By age 75, approximately half of all Americans have cataracts.”

Modern technology has made cataract surgery safe and effective, typically restoring 100 percent of vision lost to cataract formation. It’s often better to have cataracts removed before they advance too far.

The sun is a source of ultraviolet radiation. Sunlight exposes us to two types of UV rays: UVA and UVB. UVA and UVB can penetrate and change your skin and eye cell structure.

Surgery replaces the lens, with the choice given to the patient whether they want optimum close-up or distance vision. In recent years, multifocal lens implants have been developed. These lenses restore all ranges of vision, reducing the need for reading glasses or distance glasses after cataract surgery.

Dr. David Wold, a University of Washington graduate in ophthalmology, said, “After cataract surgery, many patients are amazed at their newfound visual clarity and how much more vivid they see colors. Because cataracts develop so gradually, we don’t realize how subtle the vision loss is.

WEATHERED EYES

Outdoor enthusiasts of all kinds are exposed to sunlight. Years of being in the sun add up, impacting our en-

tire body, including the eyes.

The sun is a source of ultraviolet radiation. Sunlight exposes us to two types of UV rays: UVA and UVB. UVA and UVB can penetrate and change your skin and eye cell structure. They can cause burns and injuries, put you at risk for skin cancer and increase the chance of eye diseases that can lead to permanent vision loss.

UVB has been associated with accelerating cataract formation. In people who are exposed to UVB over a long period of time, lens opacities usually develop in the parts exposed directly to sunlight. It is estimated that cataract formation can be reduced by roughly 5 percent with appropriate protection.

The eyes naturally filter out most, but not all, UV rays. Anything that limits UV exposure to the eye



Sunglasses that block or reflect UV rays are recommended for anyone who participates in outdoor activities (Photo by Ken Colovich)

Exposure to high levels of sunlight over time is suspected to increase the risk of macular degeneration, (also called age-related macular degeneration or AMD), an eye disease that may lead to loss of central vision, by three fold.

alleviates risk. Good sunglasses filter out UV rays to protect your eyes and the skin around the eyes. Look for sunglasses that block or reflect UV rays. About 20 percent of UV light enters the eye from reflective light that comes in from the side; wrap-around designs or side shields are recommended, especially with darker shades. Sunglasses can have added benefits, too. Anglers know polarized sunglasses offer significant advantages because they reduce or eliminate glare on water surfaces.

On water and snow, the eyes are exposed to sun rays twice — direct light and reflected rays. Both situations demand wearing sunglasses, not only for UV protection but to prevent sun burning the eyes. Sun can burn the cells on the front of the eye, which is extremely painful. While damage to the cornea (photokeratitis) and damage to the thin layer of tissue covering the eye (photoconjunctivitis) usually heal on their own, it requires one to completely avoid sun for a week. Wearing appropriate sunglasses decreases the risk of sun-related eye damage.

Exposure to high levels of sunlight over time is suspected to increase the risk of macular degeneration, (also called age-related macular degeneration or AMD), an eye disease that may lead to loss of central vision, by almost three-fold. It is typically found in people over the age of 50

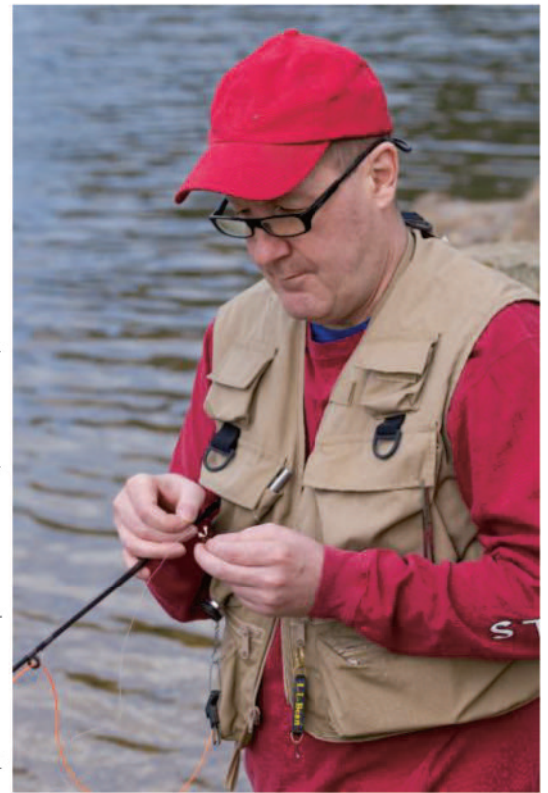
and is the leading cause of blindness among American seniors. There is no cure for AMD, although there are treatments that have been proven to slow its progression.

Five decades have passed since that deer hunt with my friend Gene. Warm memories come easily as I recall such times afield. Like a book, my life has been written in chapters, each rich with adventures, challenges, good times and hard.

Growing up, little was known about some things we now understand with absolute clarity. Sun exposure is but one example. There were no warnings about the long-term exposure to the sun and the links to skin cancer or its potential impact on our eyes. We now understand.

This month, I'm scheduling cataract surgery. I suppose I should have had it a few years ago, but then the new technology of inserting lenses that will give me both close and distant vision might not have been perfected. Now it has.

I have no illusions that in the post-surgery consultation with my ophthalmologist that I will be able to read the bottom line on the eye chart. That day passed ages ago. What I do expect is that my world will be brighter, clearer and more colorful, despite all the chapters that have been written in this book. It is in those chapters that I've learned our vision of the world changes, not just because the world changes, but our ability to see does too.



Reading glasses can improve one's eyesight when doing delicate work such as tying flies. Photo by Tim Christie

— Tim Christie is a multiple award-winning wildlife and nature photographer and author who has traveled throughout North American and in Africa in search of images and story ideas. His photography work can be viewed on www.timchristiephoto.com.



OUR THREE COMMITMENTS



Education



Wildlife Habitat
& Conservation




Community Spirit


Water for Wildlife works to preserve and protect both habitat and wildlife in areas lacking the most vital resource of all - water.

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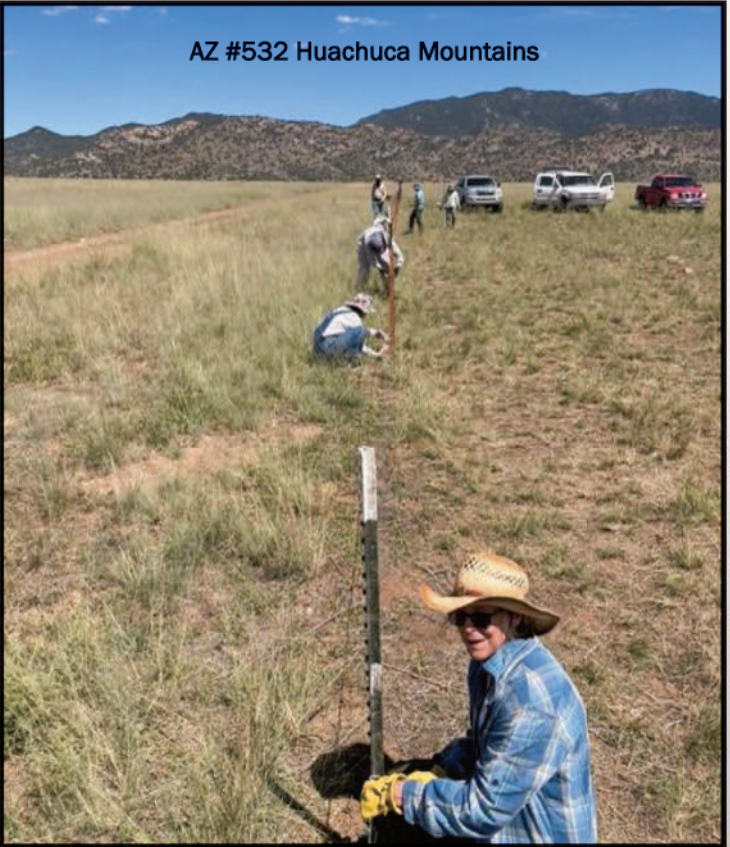
2023 WATER FOR WILDLIFE WATER PROJECTS



NM #513 Continental Divide Wildlife Water & Livestock Enclosure



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AZ #532 Huachuca Mountains



WY #536 Soda Lake Wetlands



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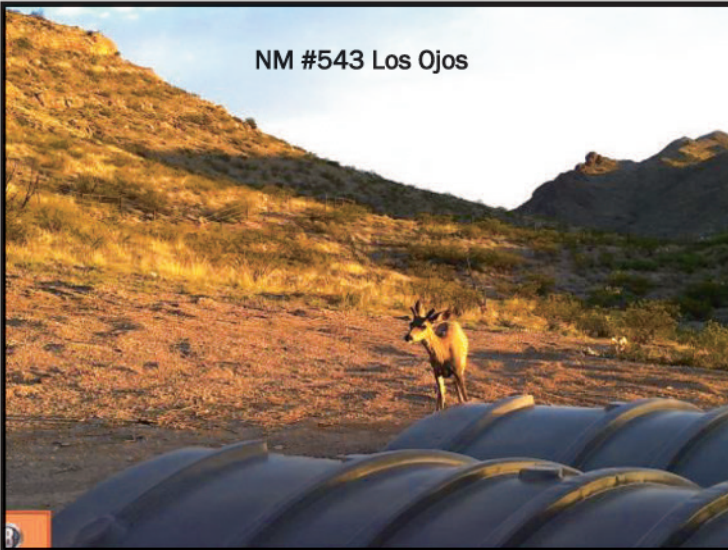
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WY #511 Boyd Hollow Spring Protection



NM #543 Los Ojos



NM #543 Los Ojos



WY #525 Ring Lake Fence Conversion



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2023 ONE SHOT HUNT WINNERS THE BOURBON BANDITOS

Congratulations to the winning team! Team Members pictured are: Tom Stoddard, Travis Junion and Lauren Downum.



Lauren Downum



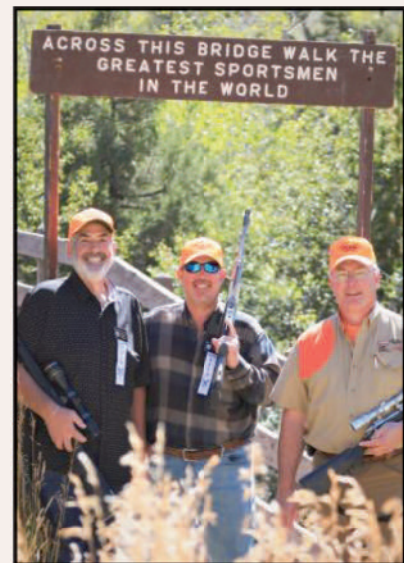
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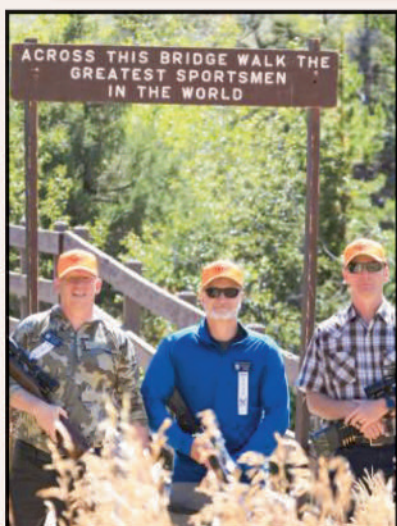
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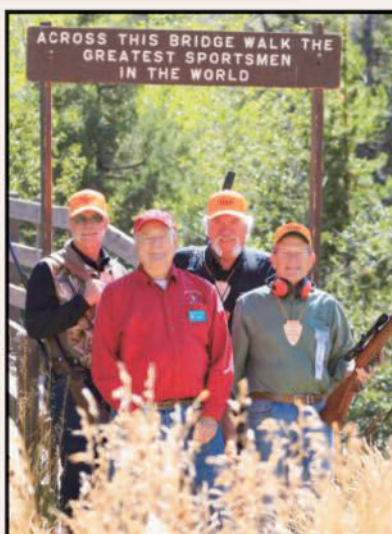
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PERRY WILL	0	MICHAEL S KINCAID	X	SVEN K LINDQUIST	0	LAUREN DOWNUM	X
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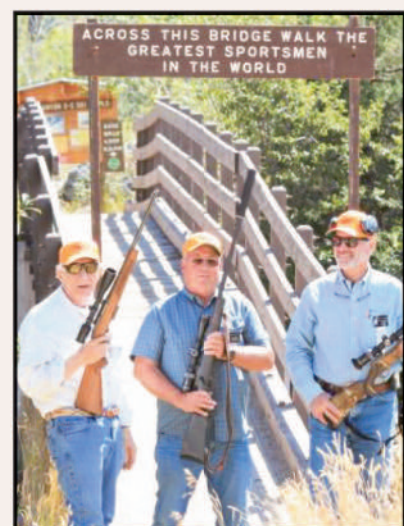
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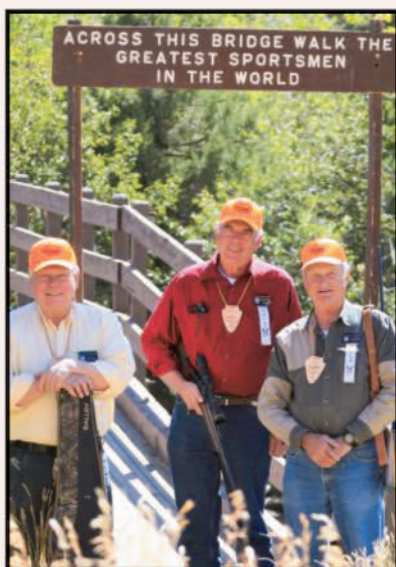
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2023 PICTORIAL



Left: Carl Asbell & Granddaughter

Center: Kenyon & Ken Kellogg

Above: Willie LeClair Headdress in WFV/Evans Dahl Museum



Left: Guide Draw @ Pioneer Museum
 Top Left: Friends of Past Shooter Vern Playton
 Top Right: Shooting Range Competition
 Bottom Right: Dan Prenzlou, Ty Alexander, Mike McRae, Chris Pardue





Left: Carol Kott
 Top Left: Clays Master
 Top: Amanda Kott
 Top Right: Simon Whetzel & Ellen DeConinck
 Right: Sophia Brinton, Landen Pedersen, Brad Pedersen



Above: Dan Prenzlou, Rick Fagnant, Perry Will, Kirk Davidson
 Right: Family of Willie LeClair
 Below: Shooting Competition Winners (with envelopes): Jacob McGarvin, Darin Hubble, Sean Kincaid, Michael Towbin, Peter Larsen, Amanda Kott, Cade Maestas, Dan Stone, Gary Nolde





Top Row: Memorial Ceremony, Tricia LeClair signs the Lord's Prayer, Tom Snyder
Top Middle: Patrick Wallace, Gina Colovich, Karen & Alan Pettersen; Wyoming Team; Carl Asbell, Norman LeClair, Mike Lilygren; Above: OSH Guides; Right: Simon Whetzel
Below Left: Native Dancer; Middle: Tyler Courtney; Right: We Three Knights Team & Trinity Oak Team



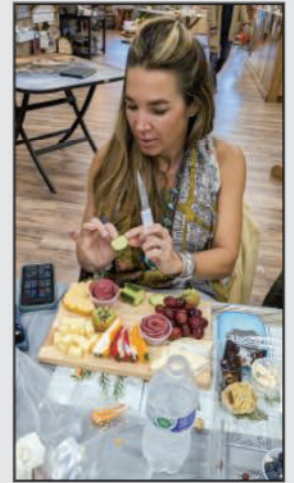


Top Row: Anna & Ed Seagram; Native Dancer; Jacob McGarvin, Rick Fagnant, Mike Lewis Top Middle Row: Western Sportsmen Team; Dave Bardelli; Joint Taskforce Pronghorn Team Above: New & Past Shooters; Mike Lewis, Bill Stoval, Carl Asbell Below Left: Harvey's International Rowdies; Native Dancer; Friendship Dance

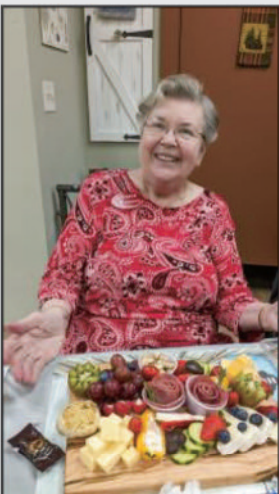


◆ NON-SHOOTING GUEST ◆ ACTIVITIES

◆ ~Grazing Mama Charcuterie Class~



As a Past Shooter guest, the weekend was filled with fun activities thanks to Shelly Lewis and Sami McRae who arranged this fun and delicious activity! On Saturday Mulino Restaurant hosted a wine pairing & fasting activity that was enjoyed by guests. What will Sami and Shelly have in store next year? Come to the One Shot Hunt in 2024 to find out!





FROM THE DESK OF THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

January 1, 2024

Dear Past Shooters & Friends,

What a pleasure it was to see many familiar faces last September! We had a solid turnout at the One Shot Antelope Hunt despite the challenges presented by a reduction in Antelope licenses. Mother Nature was kind to us this year and conditions at the Range and in Sinks Canyon were top notch. As you can see from the Pictorial pages in this Gazette, it looks like everyone had a great time. Thanks as always to Gary Nolde and the Range Crew. Gary works tirelessly to make sure we have the necessary permits, enough ammunition, operational firearms and many other details to make sure the event goes smoothly.

Water for Wildlife® had a very busy year in 2023. Our Summer Interns, Haley and Brittany, inspected several water projects to determine their condition. They found project #468 Antelope Springs, in need of cleanup after boards were replaced on the snow fence. They assisted with cleanup and prepared a status report on this site along with two others. In 2023, Water for Wildlife® had five project completions with funding totaling \$50,995.

I must give a big thank you to our three interns Brittany, Haley and Devin who completed many tasks related to organizing the One Shot Hunt that I was too busy to do. Also, Vickie Hutchinson, Donae Bezanson, Robert Laird and Chris Hadsall who helped make the Live & Silent Auctions so successful.

As we move into 2024, we are hopeful for a Wyoming Game & Fish Commissioner's license to raffle or auction. Check your email for status updates on this opportunity and other important news the office sends out regularly.

Cheers,

Gina Colovich

Interim Executive Director



WILD GAME RECIPE

~Ground Game Hot Dogs~

Ground Game Hot Dogs are a tasty twist. Flattened ground game stuffed with cheese and jalapenos, rolled and wrapped with bacon.

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Serves 4

INGREDIENTS

- 2 lbs ground game meat, elk, venison, antelope or bison
- 8 mozzarella cheese stick slices, about 4" long x 1/2" thick
- 2 jalapeno peppers, sliced into matchsticks
- 12 bacon slices
- 4 sweet French sandwich rolls



DIRECTIONS

Lay out 4 pieces of plastic wrap on a clean surface. Divide the ground game meat into 4 equal portions and set each portion on individual pieces of plastic.

Using your hands, flatten the meat into an elongated rectangle, about the same length as the sandwich roll. Add 2-3 pieces of mozzarella cheese and a few jalapeno sticks to the center of each meat square. Using the plastic wrap, roll the meat tightly around the cheese and jalapeno slices - shaping into a cylinder shape. Remove the plastic and wrap 2-3 slices of bacon around the meat. Re-wrap tightly to secure the bacon and refrigerate for 1 hour. Remove the plastic wrap before cooking.

After you choose which option to cook the ground game hot dogs (see below) and they're ready to devour, serve them in a soft French sandwich roll and dress with your favorite condiments.

COOKING OPTIONS

Pre-heat a Traeger grill to 400 degrees and wood-fire for 30 minutes, turning every 10 minutes until the bacon is cooked.

Pre-heat the oven to 400 degrees and bake on a baking rack for 30 minutes until the bacon is cooked. Pre-heat an outdoor gas grill and grill over direct heat for 5-7 minutes transferring to indirect heat to finish cooking. This option may take longer.

FAREWELL TO OUR FELLOW PAST SHOOTERS & SUPPORTERS



**Mike Gwartney
2005 Idaho**

**Roy Schultz
1986 Good Ole Boys**

**John Bennett
2003 Wyoming**

**Nels Smith
2001 Dusters**

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Past Shooters' Club

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