

**Central
Wyoming
Chapter**



**CENTRAL WYOMING CHAPTER
SAFARI CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Next Meeting : When : Thursday, April 1, 2010 at 6:30 PM
Where : Casper Petroleum Club

Presentation : Chapter Member Rick Bonander will entertain us with a Power Point presentation of his 2009 bighorn sheep hunt right here in Wyoming.

Agenda :

- 1) Welcome members and visitors.
- 2) President's remarks.
- 3) Chapter business.
- 4) Presentation.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 10, 2010: Eighth Annual White Elephant Dinner and Fund Raiser to be held at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel here in Casper.

Thursday, May 6, 2010: Speaker to be announced.

Thursday, June 3, 2010: Speaker to be announced.




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2010 WHITE ELEPHANT BAR-B-QUE

The featured speakers for our eight annual White Elephant Dinner event will be Jack Reneau, Director of Big Game Records for The Boone and Crockett Club. Jack will discuss the records program for the Boone and Crockett Club and their role in North American Conservation.

Tickets for our eight annual dinner and auction scheduled for April 10th are now on sale and an Advance Ticket Reservation form is attached herewith for your convenience. We would ask that you have your reservations in no later than Wednesday, April 7th so that we can get an accurate head count for the dinner.

The evening dinner event will be open to anyone regardless of membership in SCI, so we would encourage you to invite your friends and neighbors to attend the event. Tickets for the event are priced at \$50.00 per person (\$25 for children 12 and under) and will include a 12 oz prime rib dinner with baked potato, garden vegetable, dinner salad and dessert. Draft beer will be provided free of charge for our guests who are of legal age. We will also have a cash bar for those individuals who prefer bottled beer, wine or cocktails.

For those out-of-town members/guests traveling to Casper for the event, we have set aside a block of rooms at the Ramkota at a special rate of \$65.00 per night + tax. You will need to specify that you are attending the SCI Dinner Event (Banquet) at the time your reservation is made in order to receive the SCI discounted room rate.

Dinner Event

The doors will open at 5:00 PM and the evening will begin with “no-host” cocktails from 5:00 to 6:00 PM and free draft beer. The Silent Auction will commence once the doors open and the “cocktail” hour will allow our guests to review the live and silent auction items that will be offered in conjunction with the fund raising portion of the event.

Tickets for the event can be obtained from members of the Board of Directors or can be ordered using the form attached herewith. Seating will be rounds of eight and we will reserve tables once again this year (on a first-come, first-served basis). A reserved table will cost \$50.00 and the table reservation **MUST** include payment for all eight seats – we will not accept reservations for partial tables as it was just too confusing last year. A Dinner Ticket Reservation form (copy attached) naming those individuals who you intend to seat at your table must be included.

Once again, we would like to encourage our members to bring your children to the event. We have reduced the price of the meal for children twelve and under to \$25.00. As usual, we will have a series of special gifts to hand out to those kids who attend our event.

Live and Silent Auction Merchandise

As in the past, we will sponsor both a silent and live auction again this year, with the silent auction beginning when the doors open and continuing until approximately 7:30 PM. The live auction will begin immediately following our featured speaker and will be limited to approximately 35 items so that we can conclude the evening at a reasonable hour. Following is a general list of the items that will be offered in our live and silent auctions:

Firearms

- Browning White Lightning 28 Gauge Over/Under Shotgun w/28" Barrels
- Glock Model 21 semi-auto handgun, .45 ACP w/two high capacity (13 round) magazines
- Browning Grade I SA-22 semi-automatic rifle, .22 Long Rifle
- Kimber Pro Carry II stainless steel semi-auto handgun, .45 ACP with night sights
- SigArms Model Sig556 Classic Tactical Rifle, 5.56mm
- SigArms Model P226 9mm semi-auto handgun
- Winchester Model 70 Featherweight rifle, .30-06 w/Leupold Vari-X III 3.5 X 10 X 40mm scope

Live Auction Items

Some of the merchandise to be offered in the Live Auction this year will include:

- African Theme Lap Quilt/Wall Hanging (42" X 42") pieced and sewn by Marcia Davis
- African Shooting Sticks w/Cordura carrying case by African Sporting Creations
- Boyt Full Size Double Rifle (2 scoped rifles) Hard-Sided Travel Case w/Lifetime Warranty
- Cabela's Premier Traveler luggage
- *Disturbed Mud Bath* by Kobus Möller - 2010 SCIF Limited Edition Giclee Conservation Print
- Four Classic Registrations to the 2011 SCI Convention in Reno, Nevada
- Gamo Whisper Deluxe .177 Air Rifle Combo
- Hand-Carved Elk Horn Belt Buckle by Rick Bonander
- Jim Shockey Signature Series Yukon Bow by Alpine Archery w/Accessories
- Leupold RX-1000 TBR Laser Range Finder
- Matthews Z7 Bow, 70 lb with 28 Inch Draw (includes rest site, release and quiver)
- Purple Velvet Amethyst Gemstone Necklace
- Stealth Cam Sniper IR Digital Camera/Video Recorder
- Steiner 10X42 Merlin Binoculars
- Summer Shimmer Necklace, Bracelet and Earring Set
- Swarovski SLC 10 X 42 "Neu" Binoculars
- Swarovski Z6 2-12 X 50 Rifle Scope w/7A Reticle
- TomTom XXL 540 S Mobile GPS

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- Traditional Zulu Baskets from Ilala Weavers in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
 - VanHoy Custom Damascus Knife w/Ram's Horn Scales and Engraved Bolsters

Silent Auction Items

Some of the merchandise to be offered in the Silent Auction this year will include:

- Browning "Huntin' Fool" Knives, 3.5" Skinning Knife w/Gut Hook and 3" Caping/Bird Knife
- Brunton SolarPort 4.4 - 4.4 Watt Solar Collector/Charger
- Cabelas Deluxe Heavy Canvas and Leather Shotgun Case
- Diamond Blade Pinnacle I Friction Forged Knife w/Leather Sheath
- Genuine Pre-Ban Elephant Ivory Bangle
- Glass Bedding and Trigger Set on a Bolt-Action Rifle donated by DGS, Inc.
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- Handcrafted Bread Baskets (2) from Zambia
- Harris Ultralight Rifle Bipod, Series 1A2
- Leupold MX-221 Flashlight
- Leupold VX 3 3.5 - 10 X 40 Matte Duplex Rifle Scope;
- Quilted Table Runner 12" X 46"
- Quilted Wall Hanging 21" X 21"
- Scrimshawed Ostrich Egg from Taxidermy Enterprises in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe
- Sirius Stratus 6 XM Satellite Radio
- Stealth Cam Sniper Pro Flash Scouting Camera
- Steiner 10 X 42 "Merlin" binoculars
- Swarovski Z6 1-6 X 24 EE Rifle Scope w/CD Reticle
- Traditional Zulu Baskets from Ilala Weavers in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
- Zeiss Victory 2.5 - 10 X 50 Diavari rifle scope

Hunting/Fishing Trips to be Offered in the Live and/or Silent Auctions

Out of state hunting and/or fishing trips that will be offered in conjunction with our April 10, 2010 dinner event will include the following:

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- **Live Auction: South African Plains Game Hunt with Andre Stewart/Kuvhima Safaris**

Five day plains game hunt for two hunters (2X1) and two non-hunters in the Limpopo Province of South Africa in either 2010 or 2011. Includes a \$2,000 trophy fee allowance to be shared between the two hunters. If the hunt is upgraded to a ten day hunt, and additional trophy fee allowance of \$1,000 will be shared between the two hunters. For additional information on Kuvhima Safaris, please visit their website at www.kuvhima.co.za.

- **Live Auction - South Dakota Pheasant Hunt with Pheasant City Lodges**

A three-day fully guided pheasant hunt for two hunters with Pheasant City Lodge in Wessington, South Dakota on 9,000 acres of private land. For additional information on Pheasant City Lodge, please visit their website at www.pheasantcity.com.

- **Live Auction - Alaskan Salmon Fishing Trip**

Five night, six day fully guided Alaskan salmon fishing trip to either the Talavista Lodge, Talaview Lodge or the Talstar Lodge located on the Talachulitna River in Alaska for one person in 2010. The donation includes fully guided fishing, lodging, home-style meals, fishing tackle, and preparation of your catch. The package does not include the float plane flight to the lodge (approximately \$200/person), gratuities and alcoholic beverages. The trip may be upgraded to include additional fishing locations. For additional information on the Tal Lodges, please visit their website at www.talaviewlodge.com.

- **Silent Auction - Beccite Ibex Hunt in Spain with Trophy Hunting Spain**

Four days of hunting for one hunter and one non-hunting companion with Bruno Rosich of Trophy Hunting Spain in either 2010 or 2011 for beccite ibex. Base trophy fee for ibex (\$8,300), 16% VAT and hunting license (\$300) not included. Hunt may be upgraded to include additional days and additional species in accordance with the 2010 price list for Trophy Hunting Spain. For additional information, please visit their website at www.TrophyHuntingSpain.com.

- **Silent Auction - South African Plains Game Hunt with Henk Brink/Kido Safaris**

Seven day 2X1 plains game hunt in the KwaZulu-Natal area of South Africa in either 2010 or 2011 for two hunters. A minimum of four antelope species must be taken per hunter and the hunt can be extended beyond seven days at the published daily rate. For additional information on Kido safaris, visit their website at www.kidosafaris.com.

- **Silent Auction - High Volume Dove Hunting in Cordoba Province, Argentina**

Three days of dove shooting for four hunters in Cordoba Province, Argentina. Not included in hunt are tips, transfer to and from Cordoba, gun permits, hunting licenses, gun rental (as appropriate) and shells (approximately \$12.00 box). Trip dates are on a first come, first served basis. Please visit www.argentinabirdhunts.com for additional information.

The proposed list of fundraising items listed above may change prior to the dinner event on April 10 at

the discretion of the Central Wyoming Chapter. We also reserve the right to make changes to the Live and Silent Auction offerings at our discretion to best the interests of the Chapter. A final listing of proposed auction items will be contained in the Event Program to be distributed to our guests on April 10, 2010.

Raffles

Raffles currently planned for our April 10th event will include a 50/50 raffle with the proceeds from ticket sales split evenly between the Central Wyoming Chapter and the winning ticket holder.

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership as of March 13, 2010 stands at 139 active members, with an additional 5 members who have recently allowed their memberships to lapse. If you have questions concerning your membership status, please contact Bob Anderson at 307-473-1268.

The strength of any organization lies in its members and we need to get the word out to our hunting friends and neighbors that they need to join SCI. The loss of our hunting rights affects ALL hunters, not just members of SCI, and the hunting public needs to understand who we are and what we are really all about. Passion just doesn't always spring up over night - it takes an understanding of the issues and the realization that there is a very real threat to our hunting heritage out there. So, if you have a friend or neighbor that is not currently a member of SCI, bring them to the meeting on March 4th and introduce them to the Central Wyoming Chapter!

Current National SCI Membership Types and Fees include the following (does not include annual Chapter dues of \$20):

- Life Membership \$1,500;
- Senior Life Membership \$1,250;
- **3 Year National Membership \$150;**
- Family Membership \$95
- National Membership \$55; and
- Young Hunter \$15 (national dues only, no charge for Chapter membership).

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For those individuals who are National Members, you can save \$15.00 by renewing your national membership for a three-year period and avoid the hassle of having to renew you membership on an annual basis.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

A cash bar will be open and available during the evening for refreshments. For those of you who would like to come early and have dinner, you may order from either the bar menu (lighter fare) or from the regular dinner menu at your discretion - cash or check please for non-club members. Spouses are always welcome - be sure to bring your better half and introduce them to our chapter, some fantastic presentations, and the adventure of the great outdoors! Likewise, children are also welcome and are the future of hunting both in North America and elsewhere. We encourage you to bring your kids, introduce them to SCI and the Central Wyoming Chapter and promote our sport. As the SCI bumper sticker says: "Hunt with your kids, not for them". We encourage you to bring a friend, introduce them to Safari Club International, and help our new club continue to grow.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions or require information regarding SCI, the Central Wyoming Chapter, or the contents of this newsletter, please feel free to contact one of the officers listed below:

Name	Title	Telephone
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NOTICE

Precision Rifle Instruction through the Powder River Firearms Academy in Kaycee, Wyoming (powderriverfirearms.com). Two-day classes designed to make you a better rifle shooter and extend your range. Classes can be tailored to tactical or hunting applications and private instruction for families, small groups or individuals is available. The summer shooting calendar is filling up fast so contact PRFA or the instructor, James O'Neill (joneill@vcn.com), for available dates.

The Wyoming Association of Taxidermy Artists is holding their annual meeting and competition in Casper at the Parkway Plaza Hotel and Convention Center starting on April 8 and running through April 11. They will have a taxidermy display at the Parkway that will be open to the public for a minimal fee on Saturday, April 10th if you are interested in seeing some outstanding examples of animal artistry.



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EIGHTH ANNUAL WHITE ELEPHANT DINNER
APRIL 10, 2010

DINNER TICKET RESERVATION FORM

PLEASE NOTE: Attendance to the 2010 White Elephant Bar-b-Que and Fund Raiser is open to anyone with an interest in protecting our freedom to hunt and in promoting wildlife conservation both at home and abroad - you do not have to be a member of SCI or the Central Wyoming Chapter to attend the event.

If you are not currently a member of Safari Club International, you are welcome to join SCI by checking the box below for a new membership - we will waive the \$20.00 annual Chapter membership dues for new members who join in conjunction with this event.

PLEASE FILL OUT A RESERVATION FORM FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL OR COUPLE ATTENDING

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone #: work _____ home _____

Email address: _____

Optional SCI Membership: # _____ @ \$55.00/membership \$ _____

Banquet Meals: # _____ @ \$50.00 each (\$25 for children twelve and under) \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

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