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Annual General Meeting
April 5, 2014.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

SCI Code Of Ethics:

Recognizing my responsibilities to wildlife, habitat and future generations,
I pledge:

- To conduct myself in the field so as to make a positive contribution to wildlife and ecosystems.
- To improve my skills as a woodsman and marksman to ensure humane harvesting of wildlife.
- To comply with all game laws, in the spirit of Fair Chase, and to influence companions accordingly.
- To accept my responsibility to provide all possible assistance to game law enforcement officers.
- To waste no opportunity to teach young people the full meaning of this code of ethics.
- To reflect in word and behaviour only credit upon the fraternity of sportsmen, and to demonstrate abiding respect for game, habitat and property where I am privileged to hunt.

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Presidents Pen

Well the 2013 hunting season has now come to a close. The whitetail numbers were down, but again some very nice bucks were shot in the 2013 season. Talking with many hunters some good quality Moose, Mule Deer and Elk were taken in the province again.

On April 13, 2013 we held out 5th annual Banquet & Fundraiser at the German Cultural Centre in Saskatoon SK. We had a great turn out for the event, with around 360 people attending. I would like to thank everyone who attended, bought silent auction items, raffle tickets or trips to help make this banquet our most successful to date. The evening would not be possible without all the people attending, year after year.

At the Banquet we were able to present some donations to a few very worthy groups. We were pleased to donate \$2,500.00 to Ranger Lake Bible Camp. Battle River Archer's also received \$2,500.00 to help with the project that they were working on. They have taken over the curling rink in Battleford and have changed it over so they can have indoor 3-D shoots. Three new groups we partnered with also were Melville Tru-Flite Archery Club, Dallas Valley Ranch Camp and Swift Current Archery Club. Each group received \$2,500.00 to help with current programs they have in place. We are now starting to work on this year's Banquet to be held on April 5th 2014 which will be held at a NEW LOCATION, The Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. Due to more space needed, hopefully this will be our last move. We are expecting this year to be another sold out event so get your tickets early so you don't miss out.

At our banquet we will be having a draw for New or Renewal Memberships. As always I encourage you, if your membership has expired or is about to, please renew. With you as members of our Sask Rivers Chapter, it enables this organization to continue supporting our youth. It was nice to see a record amount of people sign up at the banquet last year. The winner's were, 1st prize Terri Peterson winning the Africa trip for two people, 2nd prize winner of the Benelli Super Nova Shotgun was Brad Fry. We also have a draw every year for the Life Members and Alvin Campeau was the winner of the Muzzle Loader. Again, thank you to all new and existing members for your support.

This year July 19-21 we hosted the Canada Meetings in Saskatoon. Every year, all the Canadian Chapters get together to discuss different issues from here at home and from around the world. Through these meetings we are able to get new ideas to help make the Sask Rivers Chapter grow. The anti hunting groups are getting stronger, so we must keep working together to help keep our hunting heritage alive.

Feb. 5th-8th 2014, SCI's 42nd Annual Hunters Convention will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada. This is SCI's largest show with 2500 vendors and has something for everyone. Sask Rivers Chapter will be hosting our Canadian Hospitality Room, so for anyone attending this event you can contact one of our board of directors for more information.

SCI is non-profit and has always been upfront with the direction the organization is heading and what we stand for, "First for Hunters".

Regards
Ken Weber
President Sask Rivers Chapter, SCI



SCI Sask Rivers Board Members

Ken Weber - President dweber@sasktel.net



It is a pleasure to be asked to serve as your Saskatchewan Rivers SCI chapter president. Having been an avid hunter all my life, I realize how important it is to belong to an organization who's motto is "First for Hunters." I grew up on a farm in the Meota Sask. area but for the last 33 years have made my home in Battleford Sask. I have been a member of SCI for over 15 years, and can see the positive steps taken to ensure hunting is around not only for our sons, but also for our grandchildren. I enjoy hunting at home here in Saskatchewan and have had the privilege and pleasure to hunt in many other countries around the world as well. I look forward to working with the new board members and volunteer's to help our Saskatchewan Rivers chapter continue to grow. I encourage everyone if you are

not a SCI member, to contact myself or any board members and we can get you signed up today.

Eric Moland - Past President eric.moland@hubinternational.com



After serving 3 years as Chapter President I am truly excited about handing the reins over to Ken Weber. We have seen first hand how dedicated volunteers and some hard work can really make a Chapter a success. For several years we have now experienced our membership numbers virtually doubling each year which confirms our belief that the Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter of SCI will make a difference here in Saskatchewan. I like being part of an organization who's motto is "First For Hunters". That's what I am – a hunter and if you are too – then YOU need to be a member of the Sask Rivers Chapter as well. Don't take our right to hunt lightly – I don't!

Irene Purcell - Vice President pikelakeoutfit@sasktel.net



I was born in Humboldt and now live in Pike Lake area. Hunting surrounds my life as I am married to a hunter and fisherman and we have 1 daughter who also has hunted on a few occasions. We operate a Outfitting business for Waterfowl, Whitetail Deer and Black Bear, also operate a boat rental and fast food business in the Pike Lake Park. When not busy I like to get out for a round of golf along with visiting family and friends. Our first adventure to SCI was in Reno 3 years ago, and we have gone every year since, it is exciting meeting new people from all over the world. I attended our first meeting in Saskatoon just to possibly win some of the great prizes that they were offering at the meeting, what I did get out of it was becoming a board member. The past 2 years I have enjoyed being secretary and I look forward to being Vice-President and helping this Chapter in any way I can.

Dale Pratt - Secretary dalepratt@sasktel.net



Being born and raised in Birch Hills, Saskatchewan has allowed me to experience the excellent outdoors that our beautiful Saskatchewan has to provide. Living near the forest fringe gave me excellent access to the best hunting (moose, whitetail deer, bear) and fishing our province has to offer. When successful on the annual Big Game Draw, I always look forward to a southern trek for Antelope or Mule Deer. I was intrigued about hunting and fishing in my early childhood days as I sat intensely listening to my Grampa's stories of his hunting past. I wanted to be like him and listened to every word of what made his hunting successful. He was a great conservationist as well as an avid

hunter. Being an active partner of a very successful Outfitting Business for Migratory game birds has re-kindled my drive to pursue the need for supporting the great organization of SCI. I want my kids and grandchildren to be successful in having the great opportunities for hunting and fishing that I've encountered in my growing up. Without groups like ours, the training, knowledge and support of hunting/fishing for our youths may become a thing of the past. I look forward to this coming year for SCI SaskRivers Chapter. I feel we have great potential to grow and become a great resource for all hunters for years to come.

Rick Libke - Treasurer rlibke@elancesteel.com



Raised on a farm in the Hanley area, I got an early start to my outdoor life. I spent my childhood days hunting with family & friends. I moved to Saskatoon after high school, got married and had 3 daughters but still managed to continue my outdoor lifestyle hunting & fishing every chance I got. Recently I expanded my hunting experience with a trip to Nunavut for Caribou and a safari to Africa and other destinations. I always look forward to my next adventure and I am also looking forward to contributing to a successful Safari Club Chapter here in Saskatchewan.

Reg Quaale - Director r.quaale@sasktel.net



I was born and have lived in the Birch Hills area all my life. I am married with two daughters in their mid twenties. I have farmed for 30 plus years but had to make a choice between farming and outfitting as I wouldn't have time to do both. I chose to do outfitting. I currently operate a water fowl business around Birch Hills and a bear and deer business north of the Prince Albert National Park.

Gerald Purcell - Director pikelakeoutfit@sasktel.net



I was born in Saskatoon and grew up in Dinsmore, lived in Hudson Bay and now live in the Pike Lake area. I am married for the past 33 years and have 1 daughter. We operate an Outfitting business for Waterfowl, Whitetail Deer and Black Bear along with 2 other businesses. Ever since I can remember I have loved to hunt and fish and do it whenever I can. I have gone on a cougar hunt in Alberta, mountain goat hunt in Kodiak, Alaska, and have hunted wild turkeys in the state of New York, been fishing in Alaska, Niagara River, and Puerto Vallarta. I have enjoyed travelling to the SCI Convention in Reno the past 3 years and meeting other Outfitters and hunters from all over the world. What I like about SCI is that it is for the hunters and their rights and as a member of the Board of Directors I look forward to help in making this Saskatchewan Chapter successful.

Jim Baier - Director jbaier@elancesteel.com



I was born in Unity SK and grew up in a small town called Cactus Lake. I now reside on an acreage north of Dundurn. I am married with 4 children and 6 grandchildren. My hobbies are hunting, archery, rifle, and restoring cars. I have never hunted outside of Saskatchewan, but hope to do so some day. I was involved in an outfitting business for a number of years which I enjoyed very much. I joined SCI a number of years ago because I believed in their cause of practicing our freedom to hunt.

George Hradecki - Director ghradecki@sasktel.net



My name is George Hradecki. I was born in Prince Albert and raised on a farm about 20 miles northeast of Prince Albert. I am happily married to a wonderful lady, we have been married for 43 years and have 2 sons and 5 grandchildren. I have been hunting for about 47 years. I started hunting with my dad and grandpa and now my sons hunt with me as much as they can. My 16 year old grandson has been hunting with me the last 4 years. I really enjoy my time in the field with him and my boys. I have 2 more younger grandsons already looking forward to going out with me. I enjoy quading, fishing both summer and winter, travelling with my wife and relaxing and spending time with family and friends. I am looking forward to trying to make some kind of contribution to the club whenever possible.

Ruben Reddekopp - Director rubenredd@hotmail.com



I am a semi retired farmer, married to my Beautiful Wife, Esther for 44; years, We have 4 children who have produced the finest 8 Grandchildren!! I have extensively hunted a lot of the world, with my latest harvest of a Musk Ox in the Artic Circle.

I am totally devoted to encouraging Young Children to get involved in the Outdoors, including Hunting and Fishing - and destroy every handheld video game in the Universe!!!

Sincerely Ruben

The Call of Africa

This past August brought to fruition a moment that I had long hoped for; my feet had touched down firmly on African soil. On July 29th, after two years of planning, my husband Brad, in-laws Donna and Ken, and I arrived in Johannesburg to begin our African hunt. Out of our group I was the only one who had never been before, and only now I understand why people say once you've been to Africa you always go back. I am thrilled to say that this trip surpassed my expectations.

We barely made it due to a flight delay that caused us to miss a connecting flight. Thankfully, it all worked out. When we arrived, we were picked up by Rene Barnard, and we made our way to the Ubathi lodge in the province of Limpopo. Rene and her son Ronald own and operate Ubathi South Africa. We were approximately 15 minutes outside the small mining village of Thabazimbi. After purchasing the trip at the Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter banquet, Ken had spoken to Rene several times but was only now able to put a face to the voice. Rene was very friendly and the accommodations at the lodge were terrific. We had large separate quarters and every day we walked out on the porch and were able to see game feeding. In the evening after the hunt, all the hunters and PHs would gather at a large fire pit area or gazebo for chips and refreshments and discuss the day's events. It was all representative of the African style and mounts of various plains game decorated the walls. To top it all off, while first entering the game reserve we were greeted by an old dark caramel brown giraffe with a thick neck the size of which none of us had ever seen. I thought to myself, "Yup, this isn't Saskatchewan."

The first day of the hunt we split up and sat two watering holes. Understandably so, many hunters enjoy the adrenaline rush and added challenge that stalking game on foot can provide, but I highly recommend balancing that by sitting a blind now and then. By doing so, Brad and I were able to get hair raisingly close to many species of animals that otherwise would never allow you to do so. It did not take long before we were surrounded by game. At one point we had a baboon, a mother warthog and her young, two eland and a giraffe at the same time and all within 30 yards of the blind. I loved watching and listening to the animals in their natural environment. We were listening to the "click, click" sound that the eland makes as it walks, when suddenly the baboon lets out a few deep



calls that sent chills up my spine. We look out the side of the blind and here come four beautiful but very cautious zebras. After about 20 minutes, they finally expose themselves enough for me to set up for a shot on a stallion with thick black stripes. Because of their locations and the limited space in the blind, I ended up having to quietly move to a new window by sitting on my husband's lap. Of course the leg of the chair was twisted and buckled under our weight. Thank heavens he caught us and held us up with his arm long enough for me to take a deep breath, line up on the vitals just beneath the front shoulder blade and pull the trigger. To my amazement it was a solid shot and the zebra was down not 10 yards from where it had stood. I was ecstatic; my first African animal. It was somewhat chaotic in the blind but Brad and Owen, our tracker, made it work for me. It set a humorous tone for the next few days that put to rest any nerves I had. I ended up taking two more animals during this trip. I shot an impala; it wasn't a monster but it was respectable. I also shot a kudu that scored 52 inches, which I am thrilled to say beats my husband's from a previous trip.



I wanted to side track just a minute to mention that I had asked Owen what his favorite animal in the world was and he told me it was the whitetail deer. He was surprised when Brad told him that we live in whitetail country and that's what we hunt back home. He became enthralled in the Big Buck Magazine Brad had

brought. It was a nice little reminder of how lucky we are in Saskatchewan.

Owen was only with us for the first few days and then we met our PH for the remainder of the trip, Coert. He was a young guy with a lot of drive, a lot of bad luck and the worst case of road rage I have ever seen. He brought with him his tracker Moses, who he claims can track like a blood hound. Unfortunately, his listening skills were not as sharp as his tracking skills. Doubling as our driver, he often would not hear Coert's snap of his fingers indicating we spotted an animal. Instead we had to bang on the cab of the truck a time or two before he would stop. All in all, it was the perfect combination to make the rest of our hunt a blast.

Half way into our trip came the time to hunt giraffe. Both Brad and Ken each wanted one, and to add another element, Brad wanted to shoot it with a bow. We were told about a previous hunter that took 17 shots before managing to get a giraffe down. However, we thought the same way many people think when we now tell them we shot a giraffe, which was that giraffe are so tame and docile that it can't be that hard to hunt them. Boy, were we wrong and now understand why many PHs said it would be a whole day event if not two or three. Coert would simply say that he is up for the challenge. We were lucky to see an impressive dark bull within the first few hours of the hunt. After giving it time, it came in close enough to shoot with a rifle but not with a bow so Ken lined up on it. Although Ken's first shot was a direct hit to the vitals, the giraffe hardly even flinched. We were in shock. More shots fired and connected. The giraffe began to run and so did Ken and Coert. A few more shots to the vitals and one head shot finally put the giraffe down. We were all ecstatic that we did not have to track it for miles on end through the bush. As we approached the giraffe we were drastically humbled by its strength and immense size. It was an old bull with battle scars to prove it. Although many might doubt it like we first did, Ken said the giraffe's strength paralleled that of the cape buffalo he once hunted. Needless to say, Brad reconsidered the idea of hunting his with a bow and opted to save that for a later trip and a heavier bow set-up. This time around, he would use a rifle.

Brad's giraffe took a bit longer to find. On the first and second day of his hunt we saw some giraffes, but unfortunately, none were the right bull with a dark cape. With roughly 40 minutes left on the second day of his giraffe hunt, we happened to spot a lone bull that had the dark cape we desired. Luckily, three precision shots at a closer range with a higher caliber rifle did the job. I think relief came over our faces, especially Coert, because nobody really wanted to spend a third day searching all over again. These two giraffe hunts were one of the highlights of my trip. As any true hunter knows, you can enjoy and appreciate the hunt of an animal going along with a friend or loved one just as much as you would shooting it yourself. I was taught this long before I had ever shot a rifle for the first time because I had been on many hunts with my husband's family, my family and our friends. Also, in the case of the giraffes, I was thrilled that I was able to catch them both on film.

Overall the hunting was amazing. It was not easy though. We hunted several different properties ranging in size from 4500 acres to 40,000 acres. Although it was their winter and many trees were stripped of their leaves, the bush was so dense that there were very few open areas. By the end of the trip, Donna had put the women in first place for the most animals harvested at 7 for us and 6 for them. Apart from my three, Donna harvested a beautiful 28" Nyala, a warthog, a 51" Kudu and a 15 3/4" bushbuck. Besides his giraffe, Ken shot a red hartebeest that eluded him for a while. Brad shot his giraffe, a nice blue wildebeest, and with a bow he shot an impala and a baboon. All said and done though, the women shot to kill, unlike Brad and Ken, whose wounded warthogs are probably still running.



This trip we took from Africa the sights, a few animals, some lessons in its history and culture and many memories. Luckily, we also had an opportunity to give back. Months before leaving we decided that we wanted to take part in SCI's blue bag program, a humanitarian project where we bring school supplies, clothing, sporting equipment, etc., and take them to a school or orphanage. We decided to take two bags so we could take one to each location. Our local businesses donated some school supplies, and I wanted to thank a few of my students: Nolen, Jessica, and Jennifer, for donating a variety of items as well. We then packed the rest of the bags ourselves with items ranging from sports equipment to kids clothes and diapers. Chrome Mine Primary School was our first stop with the blue bags and we were welcomed to present the bag in front of a grade 7 class, which was nice since that is what I teach back home. However, this was a little different than my last class of 22 students. This one had 44 students, ranging from ages 11 to 15. After speaking to the principal we found out that although this is a government funded school, the government only pays teachers wages and no extra money is given for the facility, maintenance, and especially resources. It was so nice to watch the excitement grow on the students' faces as we unpacked the blue bag onto the teacher's desk. They were extremely happy to see the soccer balls and basketballs, and the girls loved that there were some pink soccer balls specifically for them. After unpacking the bag and taking some photos, the students proceeded to sing three songs for us. The first two songs were sung in African and Swahili, and were songs of thanks. The last song was their national anthem sung first in African, next Swahili and finally English. All the students sang so loud and uninhibited. Their appreciation for something as simple as pencils and paper was so humbling that it brought tears to my eyes. I was so moved and we still had another blue bag to go. Next, we went to Thabang orphanage with a capacity to house 36 children at once, and were currently not working at full capacity. Again we unpacked the bag and then had the opportunity to visit and even play a little soccer and basketball with the kids. It was so nice to see them all smiling and playing. If I had to take a break from hunting, I could not think of a better way to spend a day. I definitely recommend anyone hunting abroad or far north to look into the blue bag program offered through SCI and speak to a camp representative as to whether there is a need in their area.

Unfortunately, my African adventure had to come to an end at some point. What made this trip for me were the up close experiences with the animals, a fantastic hunt, the sincere people we met including Coert, Moses, Owen, Rene, Ronald, and especially a Texan named Randy, and to top it all off, a rewarding experience with the blue bags. Many people say that a trip to Africa is a trip of a life time. All I can say is that I hope it's not the last African trip of my lifetime.

By Megan Weber



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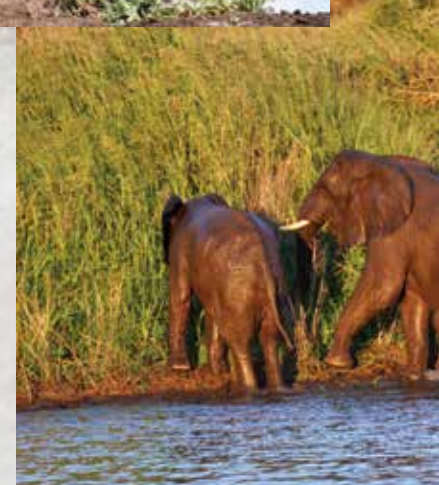
For my husband's 60th birthday I had the opportunity to buy a trip to Zulu Nyala Game Park. The idea came to me when we went to the Safari Club International, Saskatoon Chapter auction and dinner. My husband who is an avid nature lover was approached by Ken Weber to buy tickets and attend the function.

I felt as though I had won the lottery when I outbid the last man standing on the silent auction. My husband was extremely surprised when at the end of the evening I presented him with the trip. A good move on my part as I could also enjoy his 60th.

In February 2013 we left for our trip to South Africa. We planned to spend time travelling around South Africa as well as going to Zulu Nyala Game Park. We spent 5 days in Johannesburg, visiting with friends and getting reacquainted with Johannesburg as we hadn't been back to our birthplace for 27 years. We were both raised in Johannesburg.

We then went by plane to Durban, Natal. Zulu Nyala staff were waiting for us at the airport and transported us to the Game Park, everything was extremely efficient. It took us about 3 hours to get to the Game Park. On arriving at the Game Park we were offered two types of sleeping accommodation either in a tent or at the Game Lodge in a room. We chose the tent which was very comfortable and we enjoyed our view. We had Zebra walking around just outside our front door and a group of Male Impala wondering around.

We were assigned a guide. Our guide was Phinneas. He was fantastic. My husband mentioned to Phinneas that we were not only interested in the big 5 but also in the bird life. Fortunately for us Phinneas was an expert Ornithologist and could spot a Korhaan in the thick grass at 40kmh. What an amazing experience the drives were in Zulu Nyala. A group was assigned to a Toyota Landcruiser and we were able to come close and personal with a cheetah and her cubs, rhino, zebra, giraffe, elephants and of course Nyala antelope.



Another part of our experience was excursions arranged through the front office for a separate fee. We went to St. Lucia estuary and watched pods of hippo swimming while we were on a boat. We also went to a nearby bird sanctuary, which required a very early morning rising. The highlight was a trip to neighbouring Phinda Game Reserve to see lion and leopard which were not part of the fauna of Zulu Nyala. We were not disappointed. We were literally 20ft from a lion pride and when the lion roared we were definitely back in Africa.

Our daily routine included a morning and evening guided drive through Zulu Nyala. Watching the animals at the waterholes was sheer joy. Some of the denizens of the waterhole included a wedding party from England out for a post celebration, cocktails and pictures. They were definitely surprised by 3 elephants that had entered the waterhole and climbed out on to the roadway metres from where they stood. The evening ride was topped off by the culinary skills of a Zulu Chef and his Canadian Interns. We particularly liked the Springbok stew and the cornmeal porridge and the fresh local fruit and vegetables.

IN ALL IT WAS A WONDERFUL 6 DAY EXPERIENCE.

When we left Zulu Nyala we flew from Durban to Port Elizabeth, where we visited friends. We then rented a car and preceded down the garden route to Cape Town, with many memorable stops along the way. Nature's Valley, Pletenburg Bay, Prince Albert, the Karoo to name a few.

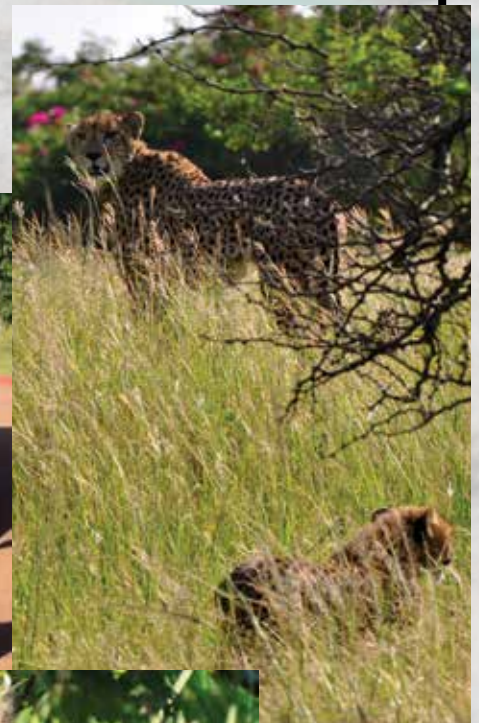
We both agreed that it was THE BEST HOLIDAY EVER!!!

We spent a few glorious days in Cape Town before returning home. We left from Cape Town to come home to Canada. We did the trip in 3 weeks.

This is a 60th birthday gift that my husband will have to top when I turn 60 in 2 years time. I have a feeling he will be looking for other adventures via SCI.

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Jennifer & Jeffrey
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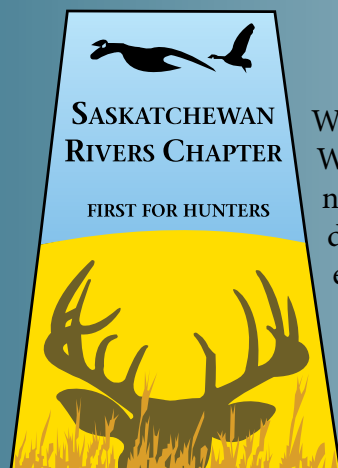
Wounded Warrior Program

In 2012 the Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter was proud to help send 2 Canadian wounded soldiers on a whitetail hunt to Alberta. Through a donation made by our chapter we were able to assist the Outaouais Chapter make this hunt possible. We are very proud to be able to help out with this very worthy program.



A large graphic logo for "Saskatchewan Outdoors .COM". The logo features a circular target symbol on the left. The text "SASKATCHEWAN" is in white with a blue outline, and "OUTDOORS" is in large, bold, orange letters with a blue outline. ".COM" is in white on a black rectangular background. The background of the logo is a composite image showing a pheasant in flight at the top and a large whitetail deer with antlers in a field at sunset at the bottom.

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Memberships . . .

We know that the strength in our Chapter is held in the membership that you maintain. We thank you for your support. An active membership provides you with quarterly newsletters along with the SCI International publications which both keep you up to date on the world of SCI, and provide input and stories about local and international efforts that your membership is supporting. Should you not be receiving your mail from SCI International please contact Ken Weber at dweber@sasktel.net or at 306-937-7293. You should receive your literature within two months of signing up. We are requesting that our members provide us with their e-mail addresses so that we can develop an e-mail distribution group to keep our members informed of meetings and events that all chapter members are welcome to attend. You can share with us by sending your e-mails to dweber@sasktel.net. Thank you for your support and for being part of a local volunteer effort that is dedicated to creating memorable outdoor adventures for hunters and outdoor enthusiasts alike. If you are aware of a potential new or renewing member, please encourage them to contact Ken Weber, Sask Rivers Chapter President at dweber@sasktel.net or 306-937-7293.

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Canada Conference

On July 20th-23rd the Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter hosted the Canada Conference meeting in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Over the weekend we had the opportunity to meet with other Canadian Chapter Presidents and discuss where Canada's SCI is headed. President Craig Kauffman, CEO of SCI, Phil Delone and President Elect Larry Higgins were also in attendance from Tuscon, Arizona.



Minister of Environment

Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter President Ken Weber met with the Minister of Environment, Ken Cheveldayoff in July of 2013. The minister was attending the Canada Conference to discuss how important hunters are to the Saskatchewan Government. I had the privilege to talk to Ken about issues regarding hunting in Saskatchewan. It was agreed that we could meet at another time to talk more on hunting regulations that affects our Saskatchewan hunters.



Provincial Archery Shoot

Dave Bender and Sherry Loose receive cheque for \$2500.00 from Sask Rivers SCI president Ken Weber. A cheque was presented at the Provincial archery shoot that the Swift Current Archery club hosted in July 2013. Donations like this are made possible with funds raised by membership sales and our annual banquet and fundraiser held each April in Saskatoon. A booth was set up and 9 memberships were sold at the event. Sask Rivers SCI would also like to thank Swift Current Archery Club for their support.



Measuring Course

On July 21, 2013 the Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter held a measuring course in Saskatoon SK at the Radisson Hotel. There were a total of 19 members in attendance with Dylan Lepowick being the youngest at 11 years old. We were also pleased to see 2 ladies attending. This was the first time our chapter offered the course and it was a great success. It has generated a lot of interest so we will be holding another course this winter.



Recipients of Donations at the 2013 Banquet & Fundraiser



Kelly Silbernagel
Swift Current Archery Club

On July 13th & 14th Swift Current hosted the annual Provincial Archery Shoot. Ken Weber, President of the Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter attended to help promote SCI's presence in the province. A booth was set up to sell memberships and also helped with the daily activities. Over 50 youth archers were in attendance. Our chapter also donated \$2500.00 to help put on the event.



Dallas Valley Ranch Camp

Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter SCI sponsored the Dallas Valley Ranch Camp to help put on a firearm safety camp. Our chapter assisted by donating \$2500.00 to this camp with 60 youth taking part in the safety course.

Every year close to 2000 of our youth attend different activities.





Dave Thiessen
Ranger Lake Bible Camp



Larry Mackrell
Battle River Archers

2013 marks the 3rd year our Saskatchewan Rivers Chapter has donated \$2500.00 to the Ranger Lake Bible Camp. Last November Ranger Lake offered their first ever hunting camp where they had the privilege of hosting 9 individuals who had received shooting, field dressing and processing training. A portion of these funds were used to provide hunter safety courses and this summer 290 campers had the opportunity to take part in the Riflery Program. In addition to the outdoor program they purchased five 3D targets for the program where 385 campers were able to participate in utilizing these targets. In 2013 they are continuing their existing programs and marksmanship training and with our donation this year they were able to purchase additional single shot 22's and ammunition for their program. Marksmanship training will continue to develop marksmanship skills.

Supporting our youth, working together.

On July 20th-22nd Battle River Archers held the 2012 Provincial shoot in North Battleford SK.

Battle River Archers never owned a proper fita target until May, 2012. Saskatchewan Rivers SCI Chapter donated \$2,500.00 and SCIF USA donated another \$5,000.00 towards their Provincial shoot. With this generous funding from SCI, they now own 4 fita targets and stands, which allow the young archers to have the ability to practice with the required equipment using the correct heights and angle. Battle River Archers were able to purchase 32 - 3D targets to complete 4 full rounds of 20 targets each, which were required to host the 2012 3D Outdoor Provincial Championships. The tournament was a huge success.

Battle River Archers also sent 23 sharply dressed archers to the Provincial Indoor target and JOP Championships in Prince Albert, SK. The club was able to purchase team uniforms and pay the entry fee for all of their youth who attended the Junior Olympic Program thanks to SCI's generous donation.

We are proud of one of our local youth, Tyson Mackrell for making Team Canada. We were able to help Tyson attend the USA Nationals with the help of SCI.

Battle River Archers support SCI's motto "First for Hunters" and continue to work with our youth demonstrating ethical hunting practices which carry on positively into their adult lives.



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Recipe Corner

Venison Stew

Total Time: 8 hrs 30 mins

Prep Time: 30 mins

Cook Time: 8 hrs

Ingredients:

- 2 lbs venison (cut into 1" cubes)
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/2 cups low sodium beef broth
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 4 carrots (sliced)
- 4 potatoes (diced)
- 2 onions (chopped)

Directions:

- 1 Place meat in crock pot.
- 2 Mix flour, pepper and salt in bowl.
- 3 Pour over meat and coat.
- 4 Add broth and worcestershire sauce.
- 5 Add rest of ingredients.
- 6 Cook on low for 8-10 hours or high for 4-5 hours.

Venison Chili

Minutes to Prepare: 5

Minutes to Cook: 15

Number of Servings: 6

Ingredients

- 1 lb Ground Venison
- 1 15.5oz. can of Kidney Beans-undrained
- 1 15oz. can of Black Beans-undrained
- 1 14.5oz. can of no salt added diced tomatoes-undrained
- 1 8oz. can of no salt added tomato sauce
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 Packet McCormick's Mild Chili Seasoning Mix (or use another type if you prefer yours with more zip)

Directions

- Brown ground venison in a pot large enough to hold all ingredients. Drain fat (with venison there will not be much)
- Add all other ingredients and stir to mix well.
- Bring to a boil, cover, reduce heat & simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Makes 6 1.5-cup servings.

Venison Meatloaf

Ingredients

- 1 pound ground venison
- 1/2 cup onions, chopped fine
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp pepper
- 1/2 cup white Minute rice, uncooked

Directions

- In a bowl, mix all ingredients together.
- Form in a loaf and put in baking pan.
- Bake in preheated oven of 350 degrees.
- Bake 30-40 minutes depending on how you like your meatloaf.
- Makes 6-8 servings depending on how you form your loaf.

Venison Soup (or Hamburger Soup)

Minutes to Prepare: 30

Minutes to Cook: 60

Number of Servings: 12

Ingredients

- 1 pound Ground Venison (Browned) or you can use Ground Beef
- 1 15oz can tomato sauce
- 1 cup carrots (chopped)
- 2 celery stalks (chopped)
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup Catsup
- 1 Beef bouillon cube
- 1/3 cup Barley
- 1 1/2 tsp. seasoned salt
- 1 tsp. basil
- 1 Tbsp. Brown Sugar
- 5 cups water

Directions

- Brown Venison and onion and bouillon cube.
- Then add rest of ingredients and bring to boil, then let simmer for 1 hour.
- Can put in crock pot and let cook all day.
- Taste better every time you heat it up.
- Can be frozen.

If you have a recipe you would like to share
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