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Scholarship Winner

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President's Message

By Lowell Stevens Chapter President



Nancy & Lowell

I hope this message finds everyone enjoying a wonderful summer. It was really great to see all the old and new members, as well as guests, at our annual membership meeting in July at Audubon Country Club in Louisville. A wholehearted congratulations goes to the lucky winners of the incredible hunts and fishing trip drawn at the event: I'm really looking forward to reading about the adventures in upcoming newsletters. A special thank you goes out to Alan Kirschenbaum, Alice Monarch and Bob Edwards for arranging and hosting this special event and to Alyson Stamper for clerking this well attended meeting. I'd also like to thank Colonel Mike Abell for the great job he did as Keynote Speaker telling us about his exciting hunts and new book! We can learn much from each other, and Mike is a terrific and experienced teacher.

As your incoming President, I want to take a moment to truly thank Bob Edwards for his leadership over the past two years. Bob led us as President through the pandemic and, ironically, through the two most successful fundraisers our Chapter has ever had. However, as mentioned during the annual meeting, I feel the most significant impact Bob has made was to drive the united voice of sportsmen and women through his unselfish participation and leadership in so many great organizations and causes across the state and in the region. Let us applaud Bob for his leadership and continue to support his great work in driving that united voice which is such a critical part of this Chapter's mission and protecting our freedom to hunt.

Having been a member of SCI and our Chapter for over 25 years and holding numerous positions on the Executive Committee and Board for virtually all of them, I am truly honored that you have chosen me as President for the next two years. I'm also very excited

about representing our Chapter at the upcoming SCI National Board Meeting this August in Nashville.

As far as the direction of the Chapter is concerned, I'd like to focus on three things during my tenure. First, I will continue driving the united voice of sportsmen and women. This is key for us in telling our story – we have to have a loud and strong voice and it needs to be heard.

Second, I want to share the story itself, our narrative and how we tell our story including its content. We are not reaching the 80% of people in the middle who neither hunt nor fish and really have no positive or negative opinion about either. That is the group we need to teach and educate that hunting is not a bad thing, but that it is actually a wonderful thing for everyone and everything involved; for example: not only hunters but also hikers, campers, animals, environment and more. I'm really looking forward to working with our younger generation, including individuals like James Alex Robards (2022 winner of our Sam Monarch Memorial Youth Scholarship) and Libby Gear (Chapter sponsored 2022 candidate for SCI and Cabela's Young Hunter of the Year), using their intellect and perspective in helping craft that message to reach those people in the middle.

Third, I want to focus on membership. I'm really excited about partnering with Alan Kirschenbaum (our Vice President and Membership Committee Chairman) on all those wonderful events he has already lined up and presented to us at the annual meeting. We had a huge turnout and an amazing time at that meeting: let's keep that ball rolling!

It is going to be a great year from Dove Shooting and Hog Hunting to Big Bore Rifle Shooting and *Pint Nights*. I'm especially excited about sharing this exciting new year with all the new faces and new leadership. Congratulations to our newest Officers and Directors: Alan Kirschenbaum (Vice President), Ivy Stevens (Treasurer), Hunter Rowe (Director), Jeff McMinn (Director) and Joey Crist (Director).

In closing, I simply want everyone to get the most out of being a **Kentuckiana Chapter of SCI** member and that means getting together, having fun as a group, learning from one another, and making an impact on both the hunting and non-hunting communities.

ABOUT THE COVER

Featured on the cover is James Alex Robards, 2022 Winner of the Sam Monarch Memorial Scholarship. James Alex is pictured with his grandfather's Recurve Bow with which he harvested a nice 8-point buck! Congratulations, James Alex, for winning the scholarship and for challenging yourself by using a recurve bow!



Annie Oakley Range Day 2022

By Bob Edwards

On June 18, 2022, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources conducted this year's successful Annie Oakley Range Day at Fern Creek Sportsman's Club. Olivia Dangler, Rachel Crume, Becky Wallen and others with KDFWR did a fantastic job and conducted a flawless outdoor event on a beautiful day! We applaud KDFWR for offering new participants a fun, stress free opportunity to enter into the world of shooting, hunting, fishing and outdoor sports. Your chapter was represented by Bob Edwards and Tom Hebert. We look forward to assisting the Department again next year.

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James Alex Robards Wins Sam Monarch Memorial Scholarship

By Alice Monarch



When I first met James Alex Robards, my old High School teacher instincts kicked in and my thought was, "Wow! This young man will accomplish great things!" James Alex was one of the volunteers for the Muhlenberg County Fish Habitat Project Day last April that KYSCI partially sponsored. While I spent that day taking photos for KYSCI, I noticed him in particular. He listened attentively, quickly figured out the task at hand, set to work immediately, and had fun working within the group! Not only did he have what appeared to be a terrific relationship with every adult working the project, but his fellow students



James Alex

seemed to really like him, too! After he was selected by the KYSCI Scholarship Committee, I read through his application and my impression was enhanced! I thought, "Wow! This kid is the real deal!"

Then I met James Alex's family at the KYSCI Pig Roast and I could see where he came by his respectful manners, pleasing personality and can-do attitude. They, too, were delightful! When Larry Richards called him to the podium to be recognized during that recent event, James Alex walked up with a confidence that was perfectly tempered with humbleness and gratitude. I thought, "Sam would really like this guy! He would be so honored to have this young man's name appear on a plaque with his!"

James Alex does all the right things that make us as KYSCI Members proud! He was on the Archery Team (3rd grade forward) and Trap Team both through High School (he would have started trap earlier if he could have). He was a member of FFA, National Honor Society, Beta Club, STAND, and more. James Alex

has won numerous awards in Archery, Trap, and FFA as well as recognition in Citizenship from the *Daughters of the American Revolution* plus an unrelated History Award! He has worked part-time jobs and also volunteers often for community service projects including extensively during the December tornado disaster. He was a Youth Leadership Representative for the Muhlenberg County Chamber of Commerce and has and continues to serve in important leadership roles within his church.

James Alex has successfully hunted various species of game using modern firearms and compound bows with his family for years, but the part of his essay that caught my attention was the story about the buck he harvested with his grandfather's bow!

He harvested the nice 8-point buck pictured with this article using his grandfather's 40-pound draw weight Indian Archery Cochise Recurve Bow from the 1960's pushing a Fred Bear Cedar Arrow with a Bear Razorhead Broadhead from the 1970's and filmed the whole event himself! This description brought back fond memories! I had heard Sam talk the same talk in the 1960's as he had a Recurve Bow and Bear Arrows much like the one James Alex used!!! One can tell hunting is important in James

Larry Richards, Alice Monarch,
James Alex Robards



Alex's life as his Senior pictures features him in camo with his grandfather's bow!

A new and exciting phase of James Alex's life began August 14th as he left for Murray State University to begin his university education. Based on all the above and the glowing but truly sincere letters of recommendation I read, I believe we KYSCI Members have a third Sam Monarch Memorial Scholarship winner who will do great things and make us proud to have our name attached to his!



Taken With Recurve Bow



James Alex

Muhlenberg Co.
Fish Habitat
Project



Larry Richards, James Nelson Robards, Christina Robards,
James Alex Robards, Christa Robards, Scott Cronin,
Alice Monarch, Lowell Stevens

The Joy Of Hunting During An International Pandemic

By Libby Gear

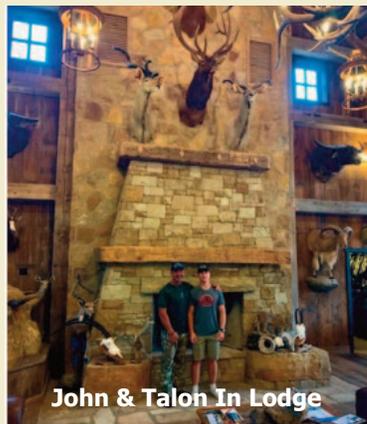


Texas Sunset Over Ox Ranch

In March of 2020, the whole world came to an unforeseen and abrupt halt as our country faced its biggest obstacle in recent history! As the world began its long battle with COVID-19, hunting trips around the world were put on hold or cancelled. Hunters, outfitters, and guides faced various levels of personal disappointment and/or economic devastation! As the world encountered reality, COVID stole countless opportunities from millions of people, including me; however, this vicious virus eventually afforded me the chance to get back to the thing I loved the most, hunting with Dad, Wade Gear.

At the time, I was a senior in high school and had looked so forward to graduation then spending a carefree summer filled with sensational trips, making unforgettable memories with friends, and taking lots of shopping trips. Those happy-go-lucky hopes were crushed as the harsh reality of the pandemic engulfed the entire planet! After graduation, normality as I knew it vanished! This bizarre illness was something no one knew how to handle and the world was left in limbo and living in quarantine. We were living a nightmare! I thought, "Surely the world could not be shut down," but it was!

As the pandemic slammed doors for people around the globe, this dreaded virus eventually opened a window for me. It gave me



John & Talon In Lodge

one last unexpected adventure before I left home to begin my charted journey.

Longtime family friend and owner of Madubula Safaris, John Abraham, was unable to travel back to his homeland of South Africa because of COVID. His safari business in Africa was also on COVID lockdown as the borders around the world closed. As an alternative, John, an avid hunter and celebrated Professional Hunter, began guiding on Ox Ranch, a well-known ranch of

nearly 20,000 acres in Texas. We had heard stories from John and his son, Talon, also a Professional Hunter, about all their great experiences while hunting practicing precautions and social distancing.

In early June, John presented us with an unanticipated opportunity to hunt. After untold COVID disappointments and canceled activities, this adventure to feel the wind in our faces and explore new places while experiencing the adrenaline rush of hunting sounded perfect! We would be doing what we loved most!

The countless family moments shared over the years were always special; but for us, there was something extra special about being outdoors that allowed us to make the best memories. I knew leaving for college would be difficult for both of us as I had enjoyed being his little girl and "hunting buddy." My moving out was something my family knew would be hard; nevertheless, knowing I had an occasion to experience the great outdoors one more time before

I left to accept life's challenges brought a sense of peace for which I had long been searching. Leaving home is exciting but it is also scary! For most of the summer, I had been restless and uneasy about taking such a big step; however, as soon we loaded into the car for our impromptu hunt early that summer morning, excitement filled the air.

In previous years, our hunting trips would be after months of planning and long anticipation. We would count down the days until we boarded a plane or loaded the car, but this time was different! Unexpectedly, we were surprised by a spontaneous hunt in an unfamiliar part of Texas! With only three weeks advance notice, we shifted into high gear. We checked to make sure we had all the necessary equipment as we prepared to face extreme

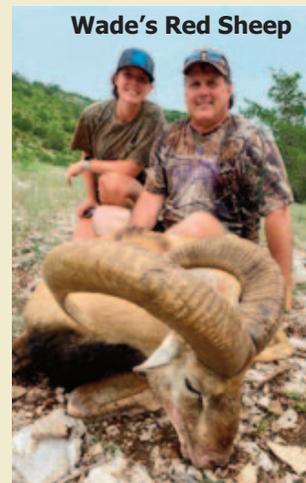
heat. We also discussed things like possible animals and how we could not wait to be back in the bush!

When we arrived at Ox Ranch to meet John and Talon, the ranch was almost like stepping back into the African bush! The vast open land and the rolling mountains took me back to southern South Africa. My former trips to Africa had set high standards. The African bush is something truly unique and life changing. The air even smells different!

At Ox Ranch not only were the facilities amazing, the varieties of animals were breathtaking. We not only saw "traditional" Texas animals like Axis and Whitetail Deer, Texas longhorn cattle, bison, and wild hogs, we were welcomed by giraffe, zebra, blackbuck, kudu, gemsbok, wildebeest, big horned sheep, aoudad, and many, many more "exotics." This Texas country was vast and herds of beautiful animals roamed the landscape. It was as if we had stepped into a supercharged Africa. I knew instantly that the hunting would be amazing, but that was not the best part!

The best part was being in a relaxed outdoor setting before I had to leave. As a family, so much had been going on in our lives. We were caught up in daily COVID obstacles and struggles, yet the moment we drove through the gates at Ox Ranch, all those stresses seemed to disappear. We were thankful to be there! Nobody understands me quite like Dad and he knew that I loved hunting with him.

As this trip began, my confidence was down after my last African hunting experience. My shooting there had not been as precise as I had wanted and I had doubted my ability after days of hard African

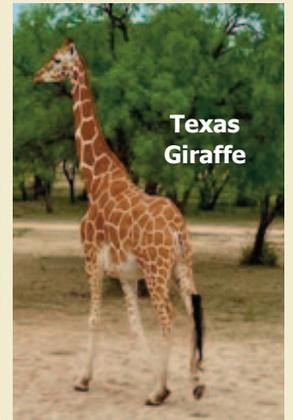


Wade's Red Sheep

hunting before harvesting the difficult to hunt Vaal Rhebok; however, Dad had not allowed my doubts to stop me then. His words of wisdom and encouragement had always seen me through.

On the first morning of our Texas hunt, I had carried that lingering self-doubt with me to the shooting range and began feeling frustration as my shooting was again not as I wanted it to be; however, just like in Africa, Dad did not allow doubts to stop me. As I took practice shots, he began giving me pointers and pep talks to boost my confidence. Like with other life lessons, he taught me that I cannot give up because things get tough. I had heard

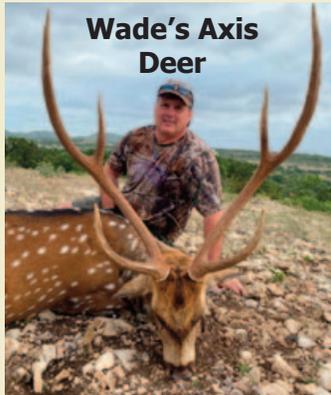
that hunting Ox Ranch would be tough; however, that was exactly what I needed. I needed to be pushed and challenged because that is what grows me as a hunter. Hunting creates high intensity, a feel-



Texas Giraffe

ing I craved. I knew we would walk away successfully!

Prior to this trip, a Blackbuck hunt had been something we had spoken about frequently, so I went into this hunt with high expectations. I had hunted in Texas my whole life, but I knew this experience would be completely new. The terrain at Ox Ranch was different, the land's makeup was different and the animals were different. This was a whole new ballgame! We faced the challenges head on and worked well as a team as we searched for just the right animals!



Wade's Axis Deer

Before long the truck stopped and John had me stalking a beautiful Blackbuck. Looking at this animal through the scope, I was even more amazed by its beauty. My confidence was again shaken as I rushed the shot. As the bullet flew, I purposefully prepared for another shot. I closed my eyes, took a deep breath, and thoughts of Dad's words of wisdom began to talk me through the process again.



John & Libby

Libby's Blackbuck

As I opened my eyes, I slowed my breathing, positioned myself to get comfortable, held steady, and let the trigger surprise me. After seconds of high intensity, the job was done! Mental reverberations of Dad's words had steadied my hand and reinforced my confidence.

Whether hunting in North America or Africa,

we connected through the sport of hunting. Planning for big game hunting in Africa brings the emotions of anticipation and exhilaration and this Texas hunt was clearly filled with those same emotions. The adrenaline rush had begun the moment we drove into camp as Dad had another surprise up his sleeve! Not only did he let me hunt the Blackbuck but also, he said I could hunt one additional animal of my choosing. After looking over my options, I decided the Symitar Horned Oryx was exactly what I wanted. Little did I know at that moment, but this Oryx would become one of the most unique animals I'd ever harvested. The Oryx I spotted had noticeably distinctive horns with what appeared to be grass on them. Not only was he the biggest Oryx in the herd but he carried obvious scars from years of fighting. He was an old bull, I wanted him, and the stalk was on!

We stalked the herd for hours, and it became clear that getting a shot posed additional challenges. The herd was big and they were fast! Not only were these animals smart, but the Texas heat was taking its toll on me. As we moved through the brush, I was soon sweating profusely and breathing heavily. I had hunted in heat before, but this was a new kind of heat and the stalks were long! Each time we moved close, my heart rate picked up as my adrenaline pumped, but each time as those feelings began to settle, the animals would spook and the stalk would begin again. Pure determination kept me going! I knew that no matter how hard the hunt, I had to continue to pursue that exceptional Oryx. I was determined not to give up as we continued our hunt. Finally, as the sun began to set, the perfect opportunity presented itself!

When I peered through the scope, I found myself in a true state of "deer fever!" I was more than nervous! I had stalked this animal for hours upon hours, and I wanted him badly! Echoes of Dad's calming words again filled my mind, and I knew a good steady shot was the most important thing. I steadied my hands, took a long deep

breath and slowly exhaled as I squeezed the trigger. I dropped him on the spot! I was beyond thrilled! My confidence was back! As we approached the animal, we were greeted by a unique surprise! What we had believed to be grass on the top of his horns was actually split pieces of his horns from fighting. We admired this rare quality, which was unique to this one animal. John, who has hunted all types of animals for 30 years, stated he had never seen anything like it! The tips of both horns were completely frayed. It was a new kind of beauty and I could not have been happier with my animal!

Within the next couple of days, we harvested four amazing animals including a Red Sheep and an Axis Deer for Dad and a Blackbuck and Scimitar Horned Oryx for me. Dad and I had hunted like a championship team. We had worked hard to get his Axis and my Blackbuck, but my Oryx and Dad's Red Sheep were particularly difficult hunts.

As with previous hunts, we could read each other's movements and interrupt each other's thoughts! We had experienced a successful hunt, laughed and joked on the back of the truck, took tons of photos, ate amazing food, and escaped the crazy COVID world in which we had been living. We had literally enjoyed breaths of fresh air as

we were reminded that no matter what was happening in the rest of the world, we were privileged to share our awe-inspiring love for the outdoors and the comradery of this remarkable hunting adventure. As I began my new chapter in life, I continued to be thankful for the life lessons Dad had taught me and the countless hunting memories we have shared. We will always be treasured hunting buddies.



Libby's Scimitar



KYSCI's Libby Gear Organized A Gofund.Me Page On Behalf Of KHFH Processor Arthur Johnson

Visit <https://gofund.me/667b5158>

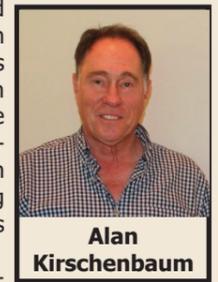
Eastern Kentucky was hit with unexpectedly heavy rain that led to devastating flooding. This natural disaster claimed many lives and left hundreds misplaced and stranded. Perry County Kentuckians are in desperate need of help and Arthur Johnson is one of them. Johnson's Custom Meats is the main KHFH affiliated processors in the area and the recent floods destroyed all his meat processing equipment leaving the community and KHFH without a professional meat processor. Chapter Member Libby Gear talked with KHFH/KYSCI Director Tom Hebert and asked, "What can I do to help?" The organizer, Libby, is an avid hunter who has worked with KHFH before raising \$2500 to be used toward the processing of deer for the needy. The funds raised on this Go Fund Me page will go to help Johnson's Custom Meats replace their processing equipment that was lost in the flood. Please help spread the word and donate if you are able.

Annual Membership Meeting & Pig Roast One for The Record Book



More than 90 KYSCI members and guests showed up to meet and greet our new Board of Directors, enjoy our featured speaker and eat delicious BBQ at Audubon Country Club in Louisville on July 16. The festive event was by far one of the best attended annual membership meetings in years!

KYSCI's new Vice President and Membership Committee Chairman Alan Kirschenbaum, Masters of Ceremonies opened the meeting with a presentation of upcoming member events for the 2022-23 season. Events include the Dove Warm-Up, Annual Dove Hunt, the inaugural Sam Monarch Whitetail Rifle Sight-In, an Oklahoma Wild Hog Hunt and much more. A complete list of events is in this newsletter.



Alan Kirschenbaum

Alan set the tone for the meeting, "Our member events are about meeting fellow hunters, comradery, being mentored and mentoring. This is how I got inspired to travel to places around the world to hunt."

Sherry Maddox, who will retire as the Chapter's long-time Treasurer but will remain on the Board, then led the newly elected Board of Directors in taking the SCI oath of office. After being sworn in, our new President, Lowell Stevens III, was introduced to the group.

Lowell Stevens has been a member of KYSCI for over 25 years and has served most of those years in various positions on the Executive Committee and Board. Lowell spoke about the Chapter's direction under his leadership with his continued support for the Legislative Action Committee focusing on protecting our rights as hunters at both the state and local levels. He also spoke of his support for accelerating member involvement through various Chapter events, as well as our philanthropic efforts such as Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry and youth programs that promote our shooting and hunting traditions.

Stevens then called upon Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry (KHFH) Executive Director Roger LaPointe and presented Tom Hebert and him, KHFH Chairman and KYSCI Director, with a \$5,000 check from KYSCI to help process venison for the needy in the upcoming 2022-23 deer season. LaPointe and Hebert then called on retiring KHFH Board Member Nancy Stevens, who was honored for her long-term meritorious service to the organization. KHFH was founded by members of the KYSCI Board about two decades ago.

KYSCI Directors Larry Richards and Alice Monarch then introduced James Alex Robards of Muhlenburg County, who is this year's recipient of the Sam Monarch Scholarship Award. Larry introduced Robards and commented, "This \$2,500 college scholarship goes to an outstanding student who has what it takes to carry our mission and our organization into the next generation and James Alex has what it takes!"

The highlight of the event was our guest speaker, author, avid hunter and KYSCI Director Colonel Mike Abell. Mike shared how being an SCI member helped fulfill his dreams of being a multi-continent, record book hunter through mentorship from fellow members who were



Sherry Maddox

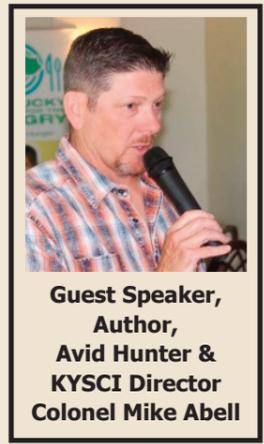


Lowell Stevens

eager to help him and his wife, Aline. "This chapter is filled with experts who've done it and will help you make your hunting goals a reality," he said. He also addressed how important the legislative efforts of SCI, both internationally and locally, are to protect our rights as hunters.

The event concluded with the much-anticipated Door Prize drawings for three fabulous trips: an African Safari for two hosted by Graham Sales Safaris went to Janice Haeberlin. Our thanks go out to

Graham Sales for supporting KYSCI and to Mary Davis and Alan Kirschenbaum for donating the hunt. An exciting northern Canada fishing trip was won by Alan Gailor. Our thanks go out to Kap River Outfitters for their continued support and Whitworth Properties, LLC for the donation. An Argentina Dove Hunt for 4 was won by the Honorable Audra Eckerle. Thanks to Paco Riestra Hunting for the support and Crist Propane Services, LLC for the donation.



Guest Speaker, Author, Avid Hunter & KYSCI Director Colonel Mike Abell

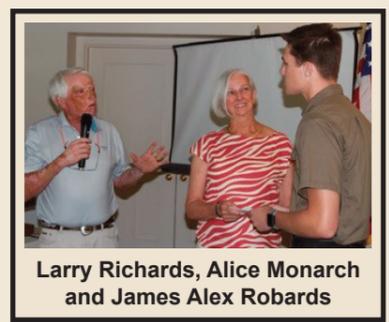


DRAWING WINNERS

Alan with Janice Haeberlin Winner - Graham Sales African Safari

Alan with Alan Gailor Winner - Kap River Outfitters Canada Fishing Trip

Alan with Judge Audra Eckerle Winner - Paco Riestra Argentina Dove Hunt



Larry Richards, Alice Monarch and James Alex Robards



KENTUCKY CANDIDATES

Stuart Ray for House of Representatives

Emily Monarch for District Judge

Judge Audra Eckerle for Court of Appeals Judge





Cook Wild Kentucky

Jann Knappage, Food System Specialist,
University of Kentucky,
Nutrition Education Program (NEP)



The overall goal of Cook Wild Kentucky is to increase food access through wild game consumption, and to make wild game recipes nutritious and delicious, using ingredients accessible in all or most Kentucky counties. This program plays off the Kentucky traditions of hunting, fishing and foraging to supplement family meals.

Cook Wild Kentucky (CWKY) was created after an ordinary, everyday phone conversation between The University of Kentucky's Nutrition Education Program (NEP) and Feeding Kentucky. At the time, some of Kentucky's food pantries were struggling to pass out the donated ground venison they were receiving from Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry. Not all food pantry participants were familiar with preparing ground venison and were intimidated by the idea of giving it a try. Feeding Kentucky was curious if NEP was able to create simple, nutritious ground venison recipes that the food pantries could handout, alongside the meat. Recipe creation is an integral part of the work NEP does, so creating recipes around wild game seemed like a logical way for NEP to help encourage increased food access through wild game consumption. When creating recipes, NEP follows the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and aims to make each recipe nutritious, delicious and easy to make.

CWKY has since grown into a multifaceted program and has increased its partners to include: Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resource (KDFWR), Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) and Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry (KHFH). UK departments beyond NEP that have partnered to grow and expand CWKY include: Forestry, Meat Sciences, Family & Consumer Science Extension and Horticulture.

To date, the program has created and published 34 wild game recipes. These recipes include: venison, fish, turkey, dove, duck, turtle, frog legs, beaver, squirrel, and rabbit. The recipe creation process happens in several steps.

- 1.) Research existing recipes, send out a "call for recipes" and/or find recipes for meat that is similar to the wild game we are focused on and make adaptations to fit our needs.
- 2.) Preliminary nutrition analysis and adaptations to fit Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
- 3.) Preliminary taste test and review

- 4.) Modifications made to recipe
- 5.) Secondary nutrition analysis to reflect any recipe modifications
- 6.) Secondary taste test and recipe photoshoot
- 7.) Final recipes and photos sent to editor and layout and design
- 8.) Printed and published
- 9.) Distributed to county extension offices, as well as partner organizations

Alongside the recipes, CWKY includes extension agent trainings, a wild game publication series and a foraging publication series. Since February 2020, NEP and KDFWR have trained roughly 230 extension personnel in both the Field to Fork and Hook and Cook Programs. The goal of these trainings is that individual county extension teams will turn around and host one or both of these KDFWR programs in their counties as well as increasing beginning hunter and angler knowledge and expanding the reach that KDFWR programs have within the state.

There are two CWKY publications published and currently available to the public: NEP-229: Introduction to Wild Game in Kentucky and NEP- 230: A Beginner's Guide to Fishing in Kentucky. There are several other publications currently in draft form going through the editing process: A Beginner's Guide to White Tailed Deer, A Beginner's Guide to Foraging Wild Greens Part 1 and A Good Harvest Guide for Foraging in Kentucky.

On top of the trainings we host and the resources we create at the state-level, individual counties are putting on CWKY programming all over the state. From hosting Field to Fork and Hook and Cook programs to organizing hunts focused on venison donation to hosting recipe demonstrations and taste tests. The enthusiasm for these programs only seems to increase year after year.

NEP and its partners are excited to see where the next few years take Cook Wild Kentucky and the programming that surrounds it. We are excited to see new partnerships arise and new resources developed.

Cook Wild Kentucky recipes available here: <https://www.planeatmove.com/>

For more info about the Nutrition Education Program:

<https://kynep.ca.uky.edu/>

Kentucky Baked Dove Breasts

- 12 dove breasts, cleaned
- 2 cups buttermilk
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/2 teaspoons smoked paprika
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 medium apples, diced
- 1 large onion, diced
- 2 celery stalks, sliced
- 1 cup orange juice

1. Wash hands with warm water and soap, scrubbing for at least 20 seconds, especially after handling raw meat.

2. Gently scrub all fruits and vegetables under cool running water before preparing them.

3. In a covered container, soak the dove breasts in buttermilk overnight in the refrigerator. Remove breasts and discard buttermilk. Pat breasts dry with a paper towel.

4. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

5. Combine salt, pepper, and smoked paprika, and stir. Rub mixture into breasts. Place breasts in a shallow greased baking dish and brush with oil.

6. Add diced apples, onions, and celery. Add a half cup of water to the pan and cover tightly. Bake for one hour and 15 minutes.

7. After 45 minutes, pour the orange juice over breasts and baste.

8. Return to oven for remaining 30 minutes.

9. Store leftovers in the refrigerator or freezer within 2 hours. Divide leftovers into smaller containers to allow quick cooling.

Note: Removing skin before cooking can lower fat content. This might also reduce "wild" flavor.

Makes 6 servings Serving size: 2 dove breasts

Nutrition facts per serving: 320 calories; 17g total fat; 4.5g saturated fat; 0g trans fat; 130mg cholesterol; 370mg sodium; 15g carbohydrate; 2g dietary fiber; 11g total sugars; 0 added sugars; 28g protein; 0% Daily Value of vitamin D; 4% Daily Value of calcium; 40% Daily Value of iron; 10% Daily value of potassium.

Source: Cook Wild Kentucky Project



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HABITAT IMPROVEMENT CHECKLIST

By KDFWR

July-August

- ___ Create wildlife waterholes when the soil is dry enough
- ___ Perform exotic/invasive species removal
- ___ Mark trees for timber stand improvement
- ___ Manipulate dove fields for season opener
- ___ Plant winter wheat in late August

September

- ___ Order tree & shrub seedlings (Kentucky Forestry Dept)
- ___ Spray herbicide to kill fescue
- ___ Sow clover & cool season grasses
- ___ Prepare firebreaks & seed to winter wheat

For more info, call KDFWR (800) 858-1549
Kentucky Forestry Dept. (502) 564-4496



CUBAN EGG ROLLS

By Joyce Cook

I replaced the roasted pork with deli ham to keep the recipe easy.



INGREDIENTS:

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| 2 Tablespoons yellow mustard | 16 thinly sliced slices Swiss Cheese |
| 1/3 cup mayo | 1/2 cup bread/butter pickle relish |
| 16 thinly sliced slices Deli Honey Ham | 8 egg roll wrappers |
| | Vegetable oil for frying |

DIRECTIONS: Combine mustard and mayo. Spread mixture in center of an eggroll wrapper. Add 2 slices ham, 2 slices cheese and 1 heaping tablespoon pickle relish. Fold bottom half and sides of wrapper up and gently roll, sealing seam with drops of water. Heat 1 inch oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add egg rolls, fry till golden brown and drain on paper towels. Serve warm with remaining mustard sauce for dipping. Yummy! Serves 8

Meet Your KYSCI Board

An all-call was sent to Board Members for the task of submitting a paragraph about themselves! They have all shared rosy reports of hunts or glowing accounts of other people, but writing about "me" is tough! They stepped up to the plate, some facing it head on and others in lists, so we're sharing them as mini articles. Have fun getting to know your Board!

Lowell Stevens, Chapter President, has been an SCI and KYSCI Member since 1996. He has held most of the Executive Committee positions and been on the Board for nearly all those years. Growing up in Central KY, he has hunted and fished all his life and all over the world. After a brief period as a Bloodstock Agent in the thoroughbred business, he has spent the remainder of his working career with Humana. Lowell is a Life Member of the Wild Sheep Foundation and the NRA. He was on the founding Board of Directors for KHFFH and is an NRA Certified Rifle Instructor. Lowell is happily married to Nancy and has two sons, Ivy and Slade, of whom Ivy is currently serving as Treasurer for KYSCI and Slade is an apprentice gunmaker with John Rigby & Co. in London, England. ■

Lowell



Alan



Alan Kirschenbaum, Vice President, is a Life Member of SCI and KYSCI since 2002, serving as a Board Member twice and chairing the KYSCI Youth & Apprentice Program. A life-long avid fisherman, Alan

grew up on Brooklyn's Coney Island where the New York Harbor empties into the Atlantic. Along with his father, he fished the beaches, jetties, bays and estuaries of Long Island. His father also knew his way around the myriad lakes, rivers and streams in upstate New York's Catskill region, where he also taught Alan the basics of outdoor life. In 1989, Alan moved to KY and got hooked on hunting. He has fished and hunted throughout the continental U.S. and Alaska, the Bahamas, Canada, Cuba, Mexico, Namibia, New Zealand, South Africa and the West Indies. "While I've traveled the globe for business, fishing and hunting took me to places on the planet most humans never see. Experiencing areas seldom touched by human footprints is a rare blessing," he reflected. ■

Ivy

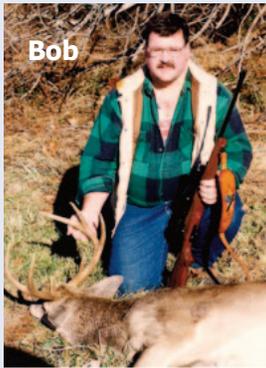


and have appreciated all the opportunities it has given me," he commented. ■

Alyson Stamer, Secretary - I have been teaching for 23 years (18 years, Physical Education; five years, Special Education). I am an avid outdoorsman, love to be outdoors, hangout with my family and go to church. I have been Secretary for KYSCI for seven years and am BAI Certified NASP Archery Instructor, Level 1 NRA Gun Safety, Hunter Safety Instructor, Life Member of NRA, and Secretary for the League of KY Sportsman. I was a NASP Coach at the elementary level for eight years. I enjoy reading books, mowing, and taking new people out to hunt. ■

Alyson

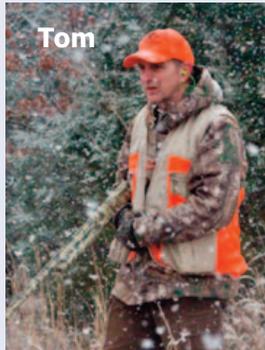




Bob

Bob Edwards – Immediate Past President - I am one of the Founders of KYSCI and had been a long-time Director prior to becoming President. I began my personal mission of hunting and gun rights advocacy in 1975 as a teen who wrote letters in response to Dan Rather’s hit piece, “The Guns of Autumn.” I still believe this is my mission and Safari Club has provided me with information and tools to continue to protect our rights. I am an NRA Accredited Rimfire Coach, a Civilian Marksmanship Accredited Coach, a KY Justice Department Accredited Instructor, an NSSF (Olympics) Accredited Instructor, a KDFWR Hunter Safety Instructor, all specifically for the purpose of continuing KYSCI training opportunities. I am also a member of National Deer Association and Quail Forever. My involvement with these groups reflects my strong interest in habitat improvement. ■

Tom Hebert, Director At Large, is a lifelong hunter and outdoorsman. He has been a KYSCI Member since 1995 (Ohio Valley Chapter) holding the positions of Board Member, Secretary, Treasurer and Vice President over that time. Tom is currently the Chairman of KHFH, current KHFH Education Instructor and previous NASP Archery Instructor. He is a KY Real Estate Broker/Owner and former Vermont State Police Detective Sergeant. ■



Tom

Col. Michael A. Abell (Ret), Director, is an avid outdoorsman and published author. He has hunted and fished all over the world and holds multiple SCI Gold Medals and two Top 10 entries into their record book. Early in his retirement, he competed as a professional archer and remains an archery coach today. He currently serves on the Boards of KYSCI, KY Backcountry Hunters and Anglers, and KHFH. Before his retirement, he was an infantry officer with over 26 years total service. He is a combat veteran with tours of duty in Iraq, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Germany, and Japan. He spent most of his career in the field leading troops. His major awards and decorations include: the Legion of Merit (2), the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal (5), the Army Commendation Medal (5), the Ranger Tab, Airborne Wings, Air Assault Wings, Pathfinder Torch, and the Expert Infantry Badge. He holds a Master’s Degree in Strategic Studies and a BS in Biology. Prior to 9-11-01, he was serving as a National Guardsman, teaching high school, and was a small city mayor. After 9-11-01, he went back on active duty where he served honorably until his retirement on his 46th birthday. He has been married to the former Aline Mary Denoncourt for over 26 years. ■



Michael

Joey Crist, Director - I am a first year Board Member of KYSCI and serve on the Breckinridge County Economic Development Board and a member of the NRA. I manage multiple family-owned businesses and farms. I am a God-fearing family man who loves the outdoors, hunting and being a good steward of the land. I have been in-



Joey

Sherry Maddox, Director - Sherry is a hunter, a Life Member of SCI and SCIF Sables. An SCI and KYSCI Member since 1998, Sherry has served in many leadership roles at the chapter level as Board Member, Treasurer and President, and on the national level SCI Regional Representative, SCIF Sables President and six years as SCI Vice President. She is an advocate for the chapter and member network. Sherry is also a Life Member of NRA, SCI Life Hunter Advocate Society Member, SCIF Advisory Board Member and KHFH Board Member. Hunting is a passion, and she believes we must assure the next generation has the same opportunities that we have. That is why SCI is “First for Hunters.” ■



Sherry

involved with youth sports for 25+ years. I’m the President of the Irvington Sportsman Club, which houses the Breckinridge County AIMS Trap KY State Champions and Breckinridge County 4H Trap KY State Champions youth teams. ■

Jeff McMinn, Director - I am a Sales Engineer / Business Development Manager for Industrial Automation. I am a Life Member of SCI, Wild Sheep Foundation, and NRA. I moved to KY in 2019, and before joining KYSCI, I had been involved in many Michigan chapters. I got into hunting in my teens, but it didn’t have a huge influence on my life until my late 20’s - early 30’s. I consider myself a land steward as much as a hunter. Due to managing the land, hunting is a year around activity. ■



Jeff

Alice Monarch, Director - I have been a Board Member since my husband, Sam, passed in 2017 and the Board asked me to sit in his position. I had followed him as an observer and cheerleader for more than 52 years of marriage, and I became an official hunter in 2006 when Sam asked me to shoot his leopard. I have continued to be a hunter since then, but I had always been a strong supporter of hunting, KYSCI and SCI having been his “hunting buddy” as well as his “secretary” for the KYSCI Newsletters and Fundraiser Programs for many years. It has been the never-ending encouragement of my caring family and dear, special long-term KYSCI friends and my new KYSCI friends that have kept me involved and made my life fun again. Thank you! ■



Alice

Larry Richards, Director, is one of the Founding Members the Ohio Valley Chapter, now KYSCI. Larry was our first Chapter President and served again as President from 2015 through 2020! Larry was a Licensed Professional Hunter in Tanzania & Zambia from 1988-1995 as well as a Licensed Guide in Wyoming and Idaho from 1988-1995. He is an NRA Certified Range Safety Officer and a KHFH Education Instructor. Larry has served for several years as the KYSCI Fundraiser Chairman and now serves as Chairman of the Legislative Action Committee and continues to serve in both positions as well as on the



Larry

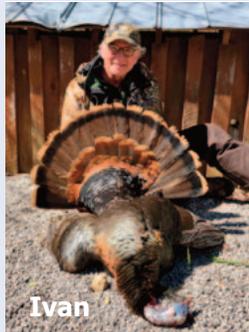
Board. Larry is featured in this photo with his favorite hunting partner: his daughter, Mallory. ■

Hunter Rowe, Director - I am an avid outdoorsman from Lexington, KY. Since childhood, I have always had a passion for hunting and fishing. While I hunt all species, my true loves are deer and waterfowl, as well as crappie fishing in the spring. When I am not in the woods, my time goes to my wife and dog as well as playing the guitar. This is my first year serving on the Board and I look forward to being a part of an organization that puts conservation and hunting rights first. ■



Hunter

Ivan Schell, Director - I was born and grew up in Floyd County, IN. I was introduced to hunting by my grandfather and uncle who first took me squirrel hunting. When that first squirrel shot with my iron sighted .22 hit the ground, I was forever hooked. I honed my skills on the New Albany High School Rifle Team for four years during which time we won a national title and state titles in Indiana and Ohio. After undergraduate school at Butler University, I served two years (Jan 69' thru Dec 70') with Uncle Sam stationed at Fort Knox. I now practice law as the managing partner of the Louisville office of McBrayer, PLLC. I hunt as much as possible and have pursued game in New Zealand, Alaska, Canada, Spain, Scotland, Zimbabwe and South Africa, and many US states. I have served as KYSCI President twice and have been on the Board off and on for many years. ■



Ivan



Marty

Marty Stamper, Director - I am a Master Plumber and custom home builder. I am an avid outdoorsman and enjoy sharing my passion for the outdoors and conservation with new hunters. I am a

Board Member for KYSCI and BAI Certified NASP Archery Instructor and Life NRA Member. I am a member and former President of the Middletown Lions Club. ■

Jim Warren, Director - Jim has been hunting and fishing for 50+ years. He has been a Hunter Education Instructor for 16 years and an Assistant Coach for the Paralyzed Veteran's Wheelchair Games. Jim has served many terms on the KYSCI Board and is also very active in the NWF. His passion is taking people on their first hunts including kids, adults, and paralyzed Veterans. ■



Jim



Trey

Trey Webb, Director - Trey is a business owner (Webb's Butcher Block) providing many services to the hunting community like gun sales, ammo, thermal scopes, etc. and doing dermestid beetle-cleaned European mounts. He is an avid outdoorsman who has hunted and fished his entire life with a major focus on predators. Trey is a father of four and says, "I am doing my best to raise them to be the stewards of the land. Teaching them that we are conservationist first and hunters second is my main goal." ■

Jared Whitworth, Director, is a proud member and supporter of KYSCI and SCL. He is a 3rd year KYSCI Director and serves as Live Auction Co-Chairman of our annual fundraiser. Jared grew up living off the land as the son of a hunter, fisherman, trapper, farmer and teacher who taught Jared the practical importance of land conservation and wildlife management that had been passed down from generation to generation. His favorite thing to do is to introduce and share those traditions with his family and friends. ■



Jared



**SAM MONARCH MEMORIAL
WHITETAIL SIGHT-IN
KYSCI MEMBERSHIP EVENT**

GET READY FOR THE UPCOMING 2022-23 DEER FIREARMS SEASON

WHEN: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2022 - 11 AM EST

WHERE: MONARCH FARMS - HARDINSBURG, KY

CONTACT: ALAN KIRSCHENBAUM alank.kysci@gmail.com

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

(24 Shooters + Guests Welcome)

COST: NONE

Top Gun Rifle Award

Best 3 Shot Group at 100 Yards

- BRING YOUR RIFLES, AMMO AND SHOOTING EQUIPMENT
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- SHARE INSIGHTS WITH FELLOW MEMBERS ABOUT DEER HUNTING TACTICS
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- NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR MIND-ALTERING SUBSTANCES BEFORE OR DURING SHOOTING
- ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REQUIRED SIGN LIABILITY WAIVER



**ANNUAL DOVE HUNT
KYSCI MEMBERSHIP EVENT**

WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 - SIGN IN AT 1 PM

WHERE: JEFFERSON PROVING GROUNDS, MADISON, INDIANA

CONTACT: MIKE MADDOX

(502) 235-0924 OR MMADDOX12@ME.COM

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

(30 Shooters + Guests Welcome)

COST: NONE



- BRING YOUR OWN SHOTGUN, AMMO, DECOYS, BLINDS AND DOGS. MIKE MADDOX WILL FILL YOU IN ON DETAILS AND HOW TO FIND THE LOCATION AND WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR RESERVATION.
- PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE APPROPRIATE INDIANA HUNTING LICENSES AND HIP NUMBER - ALL IDNR LAWS ARE APPLICABLE - IT IS HUNTERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO KNOW LAW <https://www.in.gov/dnr/fish-and-wildlife>
- NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR MIND-ALTERING SUBSTANCES BEFORE OR DURING SHOOTING
- ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN LIABILITY WAIVER



“LEGAL BRIEFS”

By Ivan Schell, Esquire



NATIONAL NEWS

June 23, 2022, the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) delivered a 6-3 bombshell decision invalidating New York's concealed carry license statute. ([New York State Rifle & Pistol Association Inc., v. Bruen, Superintendent of New York State Police, et al](#)) In this case, the plaintiffs challenged the New York statutory requirement that a citizen must have a proper cause to receive a concealed carry license for a handgun. The challenge was based on both the Second and Fourteenth Amendments to the US Constitution. The application of the New York standard being challenged resulted in very few issuances of licenses to civilians because citizens were required to demonstrate a “unique need for self-defense.” The Court found that the proper cause requirement violates the Fourteenth Amendment, which requires that all citizens receive equal protection under the law. In coming to this conclusion, the Court struck down the two-step approach being applied by Courts in evaluating gun control statutes. Step one required an historical analysis of the statute, and the second step required a means-end scrutiny. The Court concluded that the second step was one step too many, because the Heller case specifically rejected any interest-balancing inquiry. The Second Amendment concluded SCOTUS is the very product of an interest balancing by the people and it surely elevates above all other interests the right of law-abiding, responsible citizens to use arms for self-defense. (See [Heller](#)).

The Court did give deference to the designation of “sensitive places” such as schools and government buildings as locations to restrict concealed carry. However, the Court noted that New York's attempt to declare the island of Manhattan a sensitive place simply because it is crowded and generally protected by the New York City Police Department lacks merit. Nothing in the Second Amendment draws a home/public distinction with respect to the right to possess and carry weapons in case of confrontation because confrontation can surely take place outside the home. The handgun is the quintessential self-defense weapon.

Response to the decision has been rapid and intense on both liberal and conservative sides. Liberal states including New York, Delaware, New Jersey, California and Oregon have initiated legislative responses. In New York, the statute recently signed by the Governor prohibits concealed carry on private property and businesses unless those owners specifically give permission to carry. The law adds background checks for ammunition and prohibits ownership of body armor by civilians. So called sensitive locations have been expanded to include bars, restaurants, subways and mass transit. People with a history of bad behavior are prevented from qualifying.

California has enacted a law giving citizens the right to enforce its law against ghost guns in the mold of the Texas law regarding abortion enforcement. Oregon has put Initiative 17 on the ballot to limit the Second Amendment and require registration of gun owners, ban magazines holding over 10 rounds and impose an indefinite delay on approval of firearms purchases. In Congress, the House Judiciary Committee is marking up an assault weapons ban.

Opposing these efforts are suits being initiated daily by conservative organizations. One suit already in progress was [Miller v. Bonita](#) (CA Attorney General). That case challenged the California assault weapons ban and the plaintiffs are now importing the Bruen decision to assist in the effort to overturn the law. In Congress, a bill has been introduced to repeal the National Firearms Act (which controls suppressers, machine guns etc.) The wave of Bruen based litigation has clearly begun and there is no ascertainable end in sight! (See also “State Gun Laws Contested in Courts,” [WSJ 7/25/22](#).)

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

August 13, 2022 - **Dove Warm Up**

- The FARM – Southern IN
- Contact: Ivan Schell – ishell@mcbayerfirm.com

September 3, 2022 – **Chapter Dove Shoot**

- Jefferson Proving Ground, Madison, IN
- Contact: Mike Maddox mmaddox13@icloud.com

October – tba, 2022 **Board of Directors Meeting**

- Date & Location tba – Contact alank.kysci@gmail.com

October 8, 2022 – **Sam Monarch Memorial Whitetail Rifle Sight-In**

- Monarch Farms, Hardinsburg, KY
- Contact: Alan Kirschenbaum alank.kysci@gmail.com

December – tba, 2022 **Board of Directors Meeting**

- Date & Location tba – Contact alank.kysci@gmail.com

January - tba, 2023 – **Pint Night**

- Thinking About Going on a Big Hunt? Mentor Or Be Mentored!
- Date & Location tba – Contact alank.kysci@gmail.com

February – tba, 2023 **Board of Directors Meeting**

- Date & Location tba – Contact alank.kysci@gmail.com

February 11, 2023 – **KYSCI Annual Fundraising Banquet**

- Audubon Country Club, Louisville, KY
- Contact: Larry Richards larry.kysci@gmail.com
- Register: www.kentuckianasci.com

February 22-25, 2023 - **SCI Convention**

- 2023 Nashville, TN
- Contact: www.safariclub.org

February - tba, 2023 **Nashville Night Out**

- KYSCI Members Nashville Convention Attendees
- Contact, Date, Location tba

March 11-12, 2023 **Oklahoma Wild Hog Hunt**

- Stewart Ranch Outfitters, OK
- Contact: Ivan Schell ishell@mcbayerfirm.com

March 25, 2023 **Turkey Warm Up & Calling Clinic**

- Pattern Shotguns
- Learn Calling from Chapter's Seasoned Callers
- Location tba, Contact: alank.kysci@gmail.com

April – tba, 2023 **Board of Directors Meeting**

- Date & Location tba – Contact alank.kysci@gmail.com

May tba, 2023 **Big Bore Rifle Shoot**

- Get Ready for Dark Continent or Shake Up Your Shoulder
- Date, Location, tba, Contact: alank.kysci@gmail.com

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