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▽ **2024 WORLD HUNTING EXPO**  
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# ▽ Editor's Letter

Well HAPPY NEW YEAR to all! I hope you are all blessed with great health and happiness in the coming new year. If your new year's resolutions are going as planned, CONGRATULATIONS, if they have gone off track, there is always hope and a way to get them back on track. If your new year's resolution is to come to the Minnesota SCI World Hunting Expo and buy an awesome hunt, fishing trip, rifle or bow, or silent auction and the list goes on and on, COME ON OUT! Get your tickets today. We are planning one heck of an event!

We have got a great rock band, Bigley. We have speakers, seminars, Congressmen, retired Vikings players, and so much more still getting on the agenda that we don't even know yet. But even more reason to get tickets and come on out. We do promise a good time, great food and wonderful outfitters and people to talk to. And a note to all as this is important because change is something people hate but ... WE ARE STARTING EARLIER than normal – 6:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you all!

I am off to the national convention which in the next issue I will share pictures and any exciting news we come across while there. If you have never been to the national convention, think about it the next year, it truly is the Super Bowl of hunting shows. It is amazing. Your MN SCI board members work hard at the convention to find hunts for the auction, do meetings for

upcoming changes and this year helping with some legislation on delisting the timber wolf. Lots of exciting work happens behind the scenes.

Look for information on upcoming events. We have some planned after the expo. A fun archery shoot with drinks and appetizers and more of just random get togethers are planned by your MN SCI board. We have not done enough getting together and meeting with the members. So please, keep an eye out for these events.

Well, that is a wrap for this editor note; back to working on the expo and dreaming about the big bucks I did not see in the 2023 season. For me it was a banner year hunting in Africa but trying to shoot a whitetail was just not in the cards. Maybe next season.

As always, keep the stories coming as this magazine doesn't exist without the MN SCI members contributions. We have been doing well getting stories, I just want to keep the funnel full of them. If you ever want to place an advertisement, we do that also. We have a pretty broad audience so might be worth your while.

See you at the convention and the expo and some of you at both.

Tony Roettger, Editor

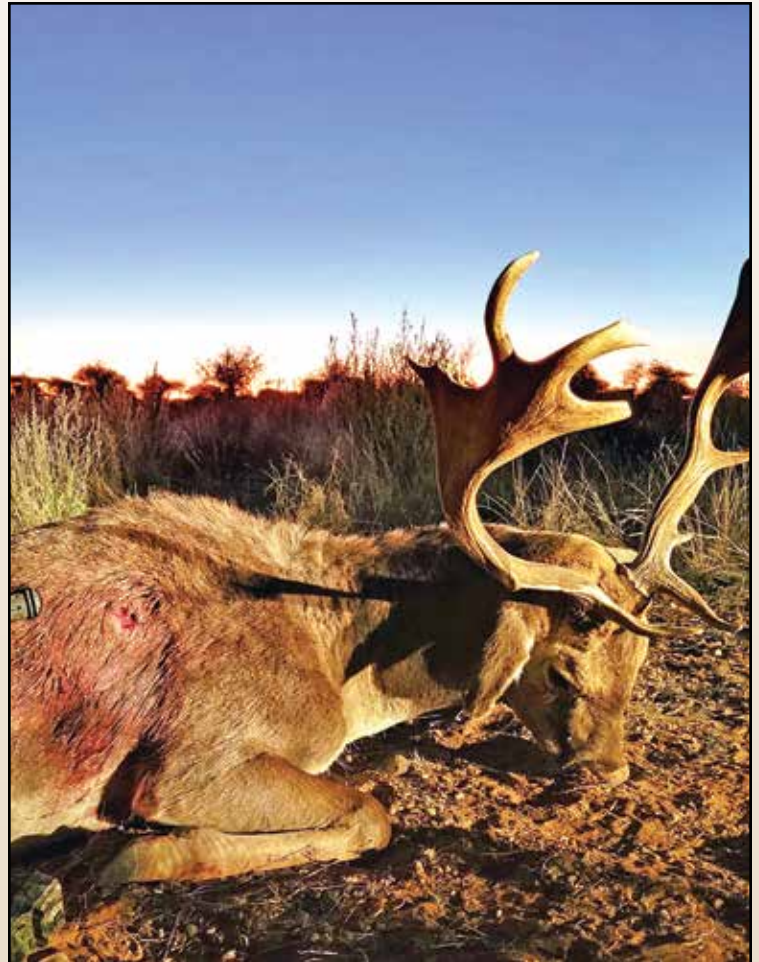


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## **COME JOIN SCI**

We have an incredible calendar of events in store for 2024 and would love to welcome you to our chapter.

If you have interest in helping out... we also have room on our board for you to get involved as a board member.

**Private message Travis Senenfelder for details.**



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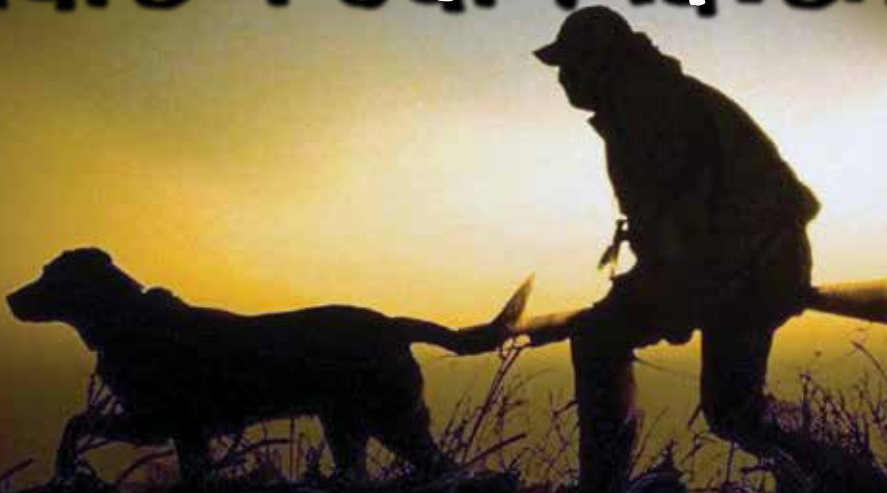
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# Share Your Adventures!



Learning about new hunting opportunities is one of the great benefits of being a Minnesota SCI member. All of the content in this magazine comes from members just like you. If you've been on a trip recently and would like to share your experience with us, we'd be happy to help you put together a hunt report. You don't have to be a great writer and it doesn't take a lot of time.

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# ▽ President's Message

Members have spoken ... and we here at the Minnesota SCI board level are delivering new initiatives at an all time high to meet the demands of our members.

For years we have held event after event as well as an World Hunting Expo in which we not only provide fun social activities for our members to partake in but also to raise money in support of the mission of Safari Club International (SCI).

The mission is that of being a leader in conservation and advocacy, protecting our rights as outdoorsmen and women to hunt and fish for generations to come all the while proper management of game species and giving back to communities and economies in areas in which we choose to explore the great outdoors.

For years our efforts on the national level have been great and we have accomplished much. On the local level we have maintained an acceptable fundraising and dollar distribution level but have failed to move the needle all that much. That level is no longer acceptable. It's time to move the needle.

With the pressures of both local and national governments restricting our rights and or improperly managing certain species here in Minnesota, the time has come that we must dig deeper and work harder in moving the needle back in our favor. New to our Expo this year are the following initiatives with respect to the following:

## ADVOCACY:

As many of you know the northern Minnesota deer and moose population is struggling. Currently the wolf has been named the scape goat. This being said, we have scheduled what we believe will be a largely attended town hall meeting in which we will discuss this topic. Representatives from H4H (Hunters 4 Hunters), congress, SCI National and possibly the DNR will share information on the subject as well as answer an array of questions by audience members. We believe this largely attended town hall will also cause for these patrons to "Get To Know" SCI and what we do. They may even partake in all of the other events at our show and possibly lead to some new members.

## CONSERVATION:

Minnesota SCI has furthered their relationship with Pheasants Forever and has come into a sponsoring partnership role in which we will be working together to conserve 1000 acres a year over the next 10 years for a total of 10,000 acres. Turning privately owned lands back into huntable acres open to the public.

## EDUCATION:

Minnesota SCI many years ago had a scholarship fund. This Scholarship fund was depleted long before many of us board members terms due to no plan in place to sustain itself. We have



identified what is needed to sustain a scholarship fund and we in partnership with Paul and Sharon Robey are officially rolling out a Paul and Sharon Robey Scholarship fund that will help individuals seek education followed by employment in either conservation or advocacy fields.

## HUMANITARIAN:

We are working with the SCI Blue Bag project. We will be collecting items at the World Hunting Expo on Feb. 23 and 24 such as pencils, paper, shoes, books, etc. for schools in Africa.

## YOUTH:

As you have noticed these last few years Minnesota SCI has drastically increased their position in the sponsoring of trap teams, and we continue to add new trap teams to sponsor year after year. This year we will be sponsoring 10 trap teams as they continue to grow in their educational passion of hunting, shooting and conserving the outdoors.

We also are sponsoring several youth hunts and youth educational programs. Details of these will be shared at the member meeting in May.

We will have "Free" to the public hours each day Feb. 23 - 24. For access to the live auction and dinner visit <https://one.bidpal.net/48thannualminnesotasciworldhuntingexpo/ticketing>.

- 75 firearm raffle
- Minnesota trap team raffles
- 200 item silent auction
- 100 item live auction
- Bingo
- Wine tasting
- Trophy measuring
- Over 70 vendor booths featuring an array of outfitters

## GUEST SPEAKERS:

- Town hall meeting discussing the hot topic of the Minnesota timber wolf and its effects on our deer populations.
- Long range shooting seminar, dog tracking seminar, big buck seminar.
- Mike Arnold – Friday night – Outdoorsman, conservationist, author, and writer for SCI Safari Times.
- Special guest appearance - Viking great Chuck Foreman.

Grab your tickets today! <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/6267211eb9ef2f2b43c0a2c6/t/65a87499430d341e63b285b6/1705538722999/2024+Expo+8-Pg+flyer.pdf>.

Thank you ALL and we look forward to seeing you at the World Hunting Expo 2024!

Travis Senenfelder, President



# My Elephant AND Rhino Hunt

By Bruce Taher

Like many other MN SCI members, I have been hunting the various countries in Africa chasing record-book caliber wild animals. MN SCI has had a host of very impressive hunters like Steve Slack, Walt Broich, Jerry Bofferding, Paul and Sharon Robey, Lee Anderson, and Russ Underdahl to name a few, who have all enjoyed National Awards for harvesting impressive animals around the world and particularly in Africa.

I too, have had my share of successes as I continue my hobby before my age gives in. Over the years, I fell in love with cat hunting, and then tracking male Lions on foot. Well, like being on an addictive drug, I couldn't stop at one or two or three. The same was for Cape Buffalo, Leopards, and elephants, having shot a 70-pound elephant, I harvested a 60-pounder and now in 2023 year my big trophy.

I have been hunting with the same Zimbabwe professional punter (PH) for over 20 years. Last January, after having researched a possible 75-pounder plus elephant, I was told by a handful of the elephant outfitters that a 75-pound or bigger elephant was almost impossible. Though they had seen and even harvested an 80 pounder or so, they encouraged me to downsize my expectations.

We all have seen wonderful results from Namibia and Botswana in recent years. Through my PH, I was fortunate to connect with a highly professional team in Botswana with the intent that, like many true trophy hunters, if I didn't see what I was hoping for, that I was prepared to come back empty-handed and be happy with the 2 that I had on the pedestals.





My previous harvests in Zimbabwe & Tanzania produced 12,000-pound animals. So, I was amazed at the 14,000 lb. elephants that I saw. We covered a lot of grounds, over & over, checked out lots of water holes, most which were dried up or in the final stages of drying out. Elephant hunting is a hard hunt. You track a lot of male tracks, only to discover that they are not big enough, have a broken tusk, or you have no shot.

On our 7th day of the 10-day hunt, we did spot three males feeding deep in the bushes. After an hour of glassing, checking for the size, did they have both tusks, any broken pieces, etc., we decided that one was over 70/75. I asked my PH and the PH from the Outfitter what they thought was the weight. They both said that they believe the tusks are over 70/75 pounds. Having hunted elephants before, I was somewhat confident that the size was appropriate, but is it big enough, is it what I was looking for, etc? I looked at my "tracker" and made a facial question, which he responded with a big smile.

The magical moment was here, my shot was placed properly at the ear cavity, and this magnificent animal dropped to the ground.

As you can well imagine, this is when the real work began. A team of some 20 people were assembled quickly to remove the tusks, clean them up, and take them to the official Government Agencies for recording, measuring, etc., and to remove the incredible amount of wonderful meat to be shipped to the local village for their consumption.

This was also the time that the guessing game started on the actual size. The two PHs, always being more conservative, began to up their previous estimates on the size, but the scale amazed everyone when it read "100 lbs." after it was completely cleaned up and the inside soft tissues were removed.

As you can well imagine, no one had seen 100-pound tusks in quite some time, which is a reminder that they are still out there. Finally, our SCI organization deserve a great deal of credit for its Conservation Agenda that allows the elephant herd in Botswana to be as healthy as it is.

Rhino hunting is an exclusive sport available to small number of hunters who are willing to undergo a lot of time, money and hard work to dart an animal, take a lot of pictures and enjoy the magic of harvesting such magnificent animal.

Last year, my longtime Zimbabwe PH called me and shared a long story on the availability of a White rhino that was causing extra havoc with other rhinos in a government-controlled Rhino



Wildlife Center. Apparently, if they have a problem animal, they dart it and sell it to a South African Hunting Camp to be hunted by hunters. He needed to know that same day. The decision was immediate, and the process began shortly.

Well, the process was very lengthy. After signing the original license, I was asked to provide copies of other licenses in US, Europe, other African countries, provide pictures, dates, etc. After a few months of providing various

information, I wanted to know what hunting in South Africa had to do with my hunting history in US. This is when I found out that they needed to establish that I was an avid longtime hunter and NOT an agent of China, which is primarily responsible for most rhino poaching and demand for rhino horn.

My trip was a 7-day hunt at a sizable ranch in South Africa. There were a handful of other plains game hunters in the camp hunting every day, but it actually took all of us three days to spot the Rhino. Subsequently, we had to notify the Conservation Officers, who had been on standby, that we had spotted the rhino and were prepared to hunt. On the fourth day, the show was on, two conservation officers were in our truck, and we were on the chase. The

animal weighs 8,000 lbs., is extremely dangerous and it doesn't stop at anything when it comes at you. Though their eyesight is less than perfect, their sense of smell and their hearing makes up for any deficiency.

Like all other dangerous games, you get one chance to kill the animal and you should do everything possible to make it perfect, or else don't shoot. Rhino's skin is thicker than elephants and their heart is the best target. My first shot within 50 yards was perfect, and though I shot him again at 100 yards, the first shot was the deadly one. I used a 416 Caliber Rifle by Rifles, Inc. from Texas with a 400 grain Solid bullet, the same as used for my elephant.

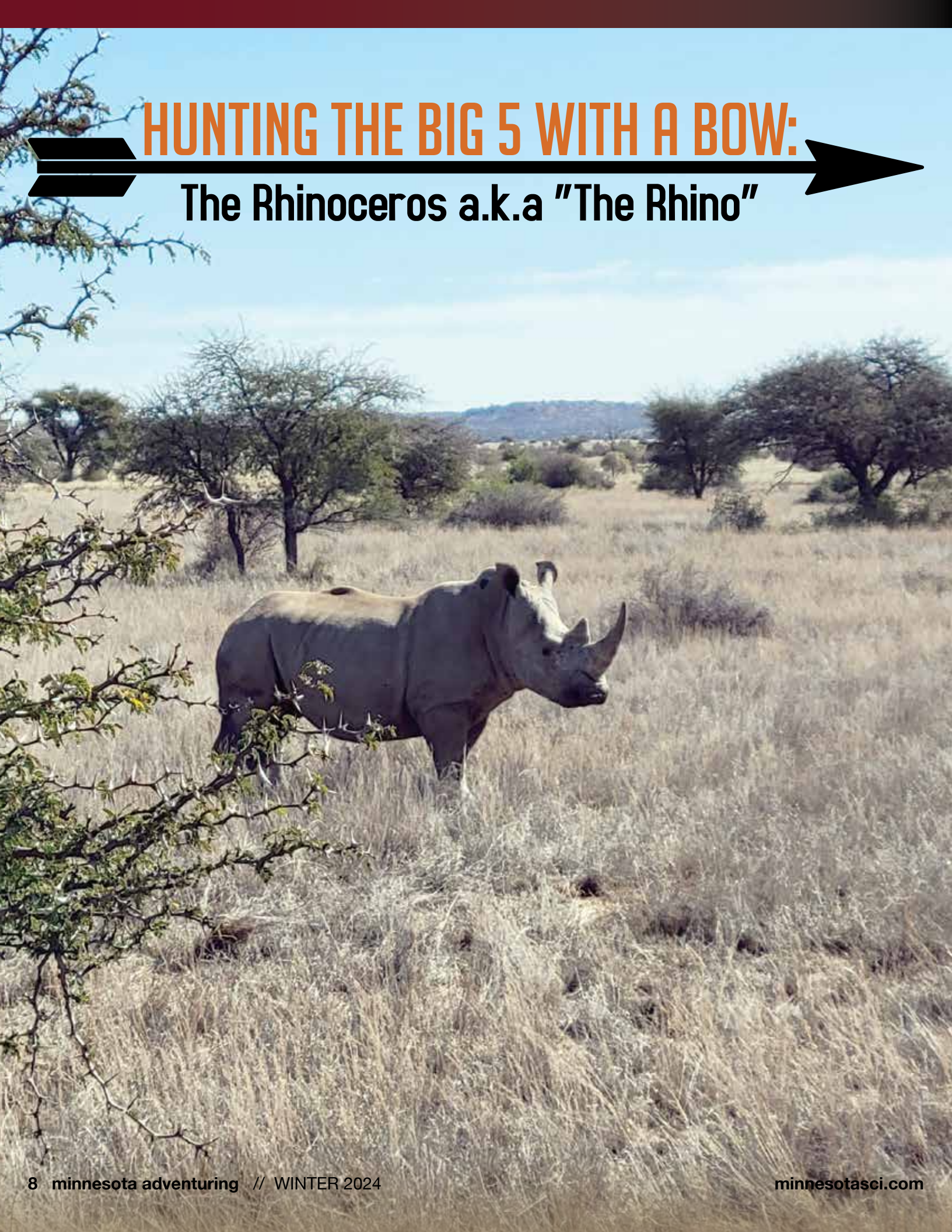
The excitement was beyond my expectation; I had shot a magnificent 8,000 lbs. fully mature Rhino. After pictures and jubulations with the hunting team and all of the other hunters in the camp, a local taxidermy was on hand to remove the large and small horns, weigh them, measure them, and take pictures with the conservation officers present. The horns were subsequently taken by the conservation officersto be stored in a high-security locked up area to ensure that it could not be stolen by poachers or others.

The elephant hunt, especially, was one of my best experiences in my hunting career, and with a pair of 100 lbs. tusks, my best hunt ever.



# HUNTING THE BIG 5 WITH A BOW:

The Rhinoceros a.k.a "The Rhino"





## By Tony Roettger

How long has it been since you have seen or heard the word “Rhinoceros?” No one calls them that anymore, I couldn’t even spell it at first. We just call them “Rhino.” The rhino is one of Africa’s Big Five and one of the more controversial of the Big 5 due to the immense poaching problem on the continent of Africa. Thanks to the many anti-poaching efforts, there still are rhino around and thriving. Also, a thanks to SCI as there are ways to hunt them and still count them towards your awards with methods such as darting. The rhino overall is just a cool animal, let’s start with some facts about them:

- Rhinos have one of the smallest brains compared to their size - they stand about 5’ 2” tall and weigh 3,080 – 7,920 lbs. For comparison, the Cape Buffalo weighs as much as 2000lbs making the rhino an easy 1000lbs more.
- There are two main recognized species in Africa:
  - The White and the black however, within the white rhino is the Northern White Rhino and the Southern White Rhino
- A Rhino’s skin can heal faster than any other animal making it part of some studies to figure out how and why.
- The Rhino’s skin looks like armor and is about 1- 2 inches thick but is quite soft and is susceptible to sunburn.

I am trying to achieve the Africa 29 and the Africa Big 5 awards through SCI with a bow and arrow, making the rhino is a must harvest species. What I didn’t expect is how few people have actually hunted a rhino with a bow. I assumed it happened a lot more, but I was quite wrong. This meant I had to do a lot of research and have a good outfitter to help as it just doesn’t happen very often. The problem was figuring out how to get a dart on an arrow. The other assumption I made is that darting would be much easier than actually harvesting the rhino, to which I was also wrong.

Even right up to the moment I finally drew on a rhino there was issues and questions. We almost pulled the entire plug on the hunt because we worried the bow and dart would actually kill the rhino. A debate ensued as I was drawing my bow. The end result was changing where the arrow was placed for the safety of the rhino which left me with even less area to put an arrow to bring down the rhino.

The only safe and effective spot to shoot the rhino with a dart, from a bow ended up being the rump area. I know people have seen videos of professionals putting the arrow in other areas, in the case of my guide, that was an absolute no. I am sure this all sounds easy and simple until you unpack the process further.

There are two muscles on the rump of a rhino, one on each side of the tail but these muscles are a bit narrow. Now, add on that





the dart itself is 3 ½” long maybe 4” long at the most, the skin of the rhino is over 1” thick so mathematically this all works, right up to the point where you start talking trajectory, flight, and angles.

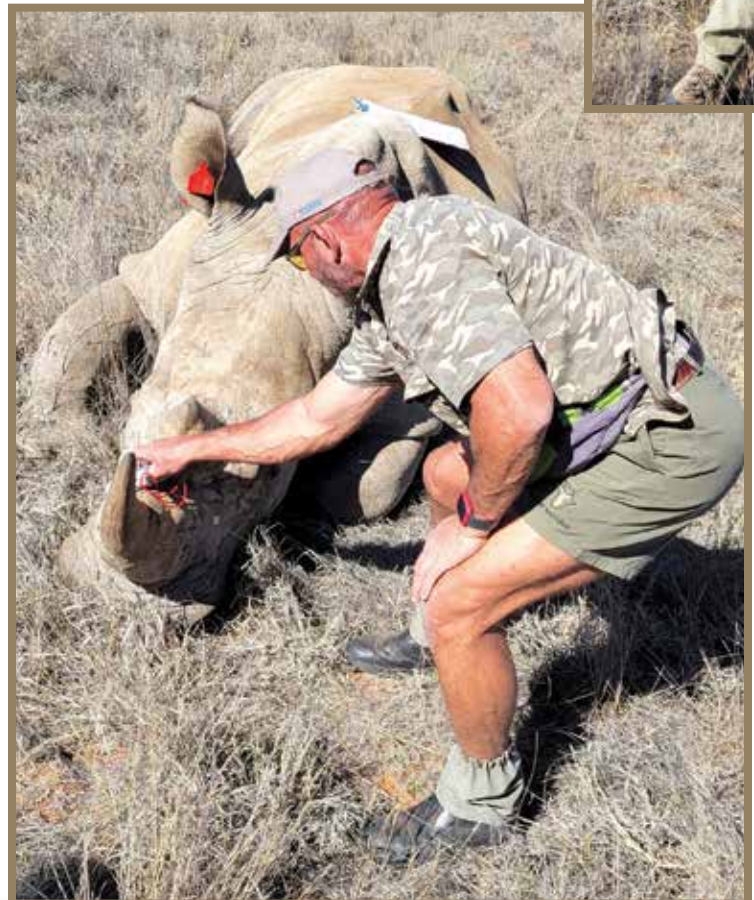
Geometry is my favorite math subject and so are things like trajectory and flight. Think about this: an arrow (bullets also) fly in an arc; add on that the arrow itself is straight within 0.003” but as it leaves the bow the arrow arcs/bends as it is launched. There is a point where the arrow flattens but do you know where that is?? Most do not even think about it until you are trying to shoot a rhino.....with a dart....where the skin is probably 1/3 the length of the dart itself and you need the arrow to hit perfectly at a 90 degree angle to insure it does not slide up, down or sideways which would cause the arrow and dart to miss the muscle it needs to effectively inject the vitamins and other stuff to allow you to put your hands on this amazing animal. So, there is a lot happening on this hunt which made it even more amazing. With a little background I can now tell the ‘hunt’ story with some context of understanding of the complexities of stalking a southern white rhino with a bow.

## THE HUNT:

Pieter from Marupa Safaris and I spent five plus years talking about that one day I was going to need to shoot a rhino with a bow. We talked logistics and cost and just how we were going to do it. Thank God for Pieter as he in the end figured it out by finding these darts that weighed the same as a broadhead (125gr in this case). We were able to buy them from a local to S. Africa store. He took a few arrows I had and rigged up a way heat tape these darts to the arrow and we began practicing. We practiced with good results out to 40 yards. That seemed to be the max range I was comfortable with.

The day of the hunt was a cool northern cape morning with some light frost. I knew we were heading over to Alexanders place. Now, Alexander is quite a guy; think of Kevin Costner in Yellowstone. This guy lives his entire day, everyday protecting rhinos. He literally is fighting off poachers and so many other opposing factors every single day. He has zero tolerance for messing around and not following his instructions and I was not about to mess around with him either. I looked him in the eye as he told me very specifically what we were going to do and how we were going to do it, all the while realizing he was thinking I was nuts and this bow thing was never going to work as he had never done it before either.

The sun had risen, the instructions given and off we went to find a rhino. We spotted them around, but they were a bit sparse. It is always amazing in the African bush when it is cold even a giant animal will just disappear until the heat of the day comes up and they start showing themselves like magic. We found two bulls mulling about under a tree, nibbling grass. The stalk was busted before we got within 250 yards. You see, rhinos cannot see well but they feel and hear well. Their feet can actually feel you walking so to stalk one was going to be an interesting challenge.





Stalk after stalk after stalk was blown until we just needed a break. Hours had gone by, and a few miles walking for sure. My wife Kate, always a trooper on these hunts was sticking with it as well. She was not going to miss the chance to touch a rhino. Once our Fanta's™ were drank it was back to finding some rhinos. We thought we would start the afternoon looking at waterholes since the heat of the day was coming on.

The first water hole we saw had some rhino in it. We made a plan based on some trees in the right spot to cover us, some Kalahari sand to quiet us and the wind in our favor. This



might be the opportunity we had been looking for. So off we went walking in a single file line, three of us, Alexander, me, SP and GC. We got close to the water and two bulls broke out fighting so the red dust was flying everywhere which helped us get a bit closer due to them being distracted. The fight also resulted in the bulls getting even closer to us, which was great. As we were walking, it was clear Alexander had something on his mind.

Alexander was not a believer in range finders, he had an eye for distance, and I wasn't going to argue with him, but it was the other question that stopped us all in our tracks. He became worried the rhino dart could kill the rhino as he was beginning to think the skin and muscle was not enough to stop the arrow from penetrating. This meant the broadside shot of putting an arrow in a muscle above and slightly in front of the shoulder of the rhino was off limits. Which also meant, the only shot I had left was the rump muscle from the back of the rhino, an even smaller target. As the two Afrikaans guys (GC and Alexander) discussed this it was agreed that we would be ok with the rump target. Through all this the two rhinos had gotten squirrely and moved a bit but

also were turned to show just their rumps as they were about to leave, they knew something was up.

Alexander: "About 45, maybe 50 meters."

Tony - *thinking, not talking* "Meters, that's longer than yards. My max yards were 40, now what do I do?"

Alexander: "Take the shot, you are not getting any closer, can you do it?"

Tony: "Sure..." All the time thinking this is a long way, good thing I like math as I am trying to calculate meters to yards and use my own best judgment to what I think the distance is and through all this, I drew my bow. I had the right-side rump in my site and held a little higher on that 60-yard pin that I only use in practice on occasion. There was a moment that Rhino caught my eye as he turned his head to look back. I can still see the green pin on the high side of that rump muscle as I squeezed the trigger on my release, both eyes open as I watched that arrow bend as it left the bow rest, then arc the entire way in what seemed like slow motion until it impacted absolutely perfectly into that muscle with a "pop" the arrow hit, medicine injected and rhino off and running. *The "pop" is the injection going off from the dart... surprised me as I didn't know it did that.*

The call for the truck took me out of my moment. As we quickly followed the rhino as he trotted along, the truck arrived, and we hopped in to follow him until he slowed down. We then quickly got off the truck and walked up to a staggering however many thousands of pound animal he was. Alexander said, "Go grab him by the front horn with one hand and cover his eye with the other and steer him as he walks." I am like, "sure?" but I did it and what an absolutely amazing experience it was. To walk with a wild rhino that was darted is about the coolest thing ever. He and I walked, everyone else filmed. I called for Kate to come join this once in a lifetime experience and she also was amazed. Then the rhino slowed even more, and he tipped, and we helped him down to the ground. Then the work began.

Measuring his horns, taking blood samples, taking pictures, and just enjoying the moment for the fifteen minutes you get with them. Once the time is up, we had to go jump on the truck as the vitamins were administered and within 30 seconds the rhino was up and, on his feet, looked at us and then trotted off into the African bush. What an incredible experience.

Back at Alexander's lodge we met his lovely wife who happened to hit it off with Kate and that means somehow some cocktails or shots began. We now have a new tradition at our house. A shot of Jägermeister after a harvest, there is a prayer or poem in German around the face of the bottle that goes like this:



*This is the hunter's badge of glory:  
That he protects and tends his quarry,  
Hunts with honor, as is due,  
And through the beast to God is true.*





# Legadema's 5 Star Magnificence On the Muzzungezi in Mozambique AUGUST 2022

By David Timm

If you are looking for a 5-star rustic free range hunt that has unforgettable wildlife and scenery that will leave you with stories that can be passed down for generations to come, then you should check out Legadema's Muzzungezi Camp in Mozambique. The following sections illustrate the awesome customer service that Legadema provides in helping you make your dream hunt a reality.

## Pre-Trip Experience

I met Willie and Reinhardt at the MN SCI Banquet and my friend John showed me that Legadema Safaris had a free range cape buffalo hunt in Mozambique. Hunting cape buffalo had been one of my dream hunts for most of my life as well as John's and what's even better is that this is a free range hunt on a private 300,000 unfenced acre concession that has 5 million unfenced acres surrounding it so a completely free range hunt! John and I were completely blown away by the pictures and video of Legadema's beautiful rustic camp on the Muzzungezi Concession as well as the incredible wildlife when talking to Willie and Reinhardt at their booth that we were now determined to bid on Legadema's hunt on auction. It wasn't long after that and I was listening to the energetic auctioneer Bruce Brock announce auction items. When

Legadema's free range cape buffalo hunt came up for auction I could feel my heart rate escalate as I was getting ready to bid on it. Unfortunately, this feeling would be short lived as the price of the hunt soon went over the budget that I had for this hunt. At the time, I was thinking, "I couldn't imagine the trip that person is going to go on." Thankfully, I didn't have to imagine as Willie from Legadema provides amazing customer service and the next day at the banquet John and I were able to negotiate with Willie and book our dream hunt. I could hardly contain my excitement that I finally booked my dream free range cape buffalo hunt! The only downside was having to wait two years to go on the hunt.

But the great pre-hunt customer experience didn't end there. Willie and Reinhardt answered any questions that John and I had about the upcoming hunt and made sure that we had everything we needed to come to Mozambique. They also have a firearm export representative Gert who was fantastic. Gert guided us in filling out the firearm paperwork and in obtaining what we needed in terms of ammo storage and made sure that our firearms and ammo made it to South Africa and back to the US smoothly. Gert also met us and picked us up at JNB airport, had arranged snacks and drinks for the night and then bought us breakfast the next day! He also bought us lunch on the way home.





*Elephant crossing on the way to camp.*

## Traveling to Camp

During breakfast we met both of our PHs (professional hunters) Reinhardt and Glaeser for our one on one Cape Buffalo hunt. Both PHs were the type of people that you can sit down and have a beer with. Both were laid back, down to earth, jovial, and very knowledgeable about wild game and were the type of guides you would want on your safari to back you up if needed. They helped us board our flight to Mozambique and made sure our firearms and ammo made it to Mozambique and back smoothly.

We arrived at the Tete Mozambique airport and “We aren’t in Kansas anymore, Dave” exclaimed John. Upon arrival to Tete we met another Legadema representative Patson and Patson was a lifesaver! Patson made sure that we were able to get through the Mozambique Visa process at the airport and that we were able to enter Mozambique with our firearms and ammo as well as all of our hunting gear.

After we made it out of the Tete airport Reinhardt and Glaeser brought us to the local Shoprite in Tete and we bought supplies for camp and for the Blue Bags that we were going to drop off to the local villagers in Cabulu and Monda and that was quite the experience. In Tete we experienced severe poverty and it made me very grateful for everything that I have in life and also reinforced my humanitarian mission part of the trip of donating much needed supplies to people in need. It is great to be able to hunt with an outfitter like Legadema that is very passionate about conservation and humanitarian aid.

After getting meat at a local butcher shop in Tete and making it to the hotel we capped off the day at an amazing restaurant Café Del Rio. At Café Del Rio we had prawns and ribs for dinner, which were delicious and caught a beautiful sunset.

The next morning, we were off to camp from Tete and that trip was an adventure all in itself. We woke up at 5am, packed up our Toyota Land Cruiser and braced ourselves for the fully packed day of travel. Looking at Google maps you would think, “Ok Camp from Tete is about 330 miles so that should take about 5 hours driving at around 70mph right?” I couldn’t be more wrong as the drive was about twice as long as we followed “the road” or what is left of the road after the rainy season to camp. On the way we were able to successfully dodge giant potholes, avoid big hauling trucks, and stopped at an elephant crossing sign. After a few sandwiches and cold drinks later we reached the river where we unloaded the Land Cruiser and packed our gear into a small boat to paddle across a river. As soon as we got into the canoe we saw a hippo at about 40 yards away and Glaeser said, “Welcome to Mozambique!” It was at this moment I knew that this was going to be an epic and intense safari! So glad we got an awesome and reliable crew for this trip!



*Home for the week.*

## The Camp

Camp was very beautiful and was located on a peninsula of a backwater that feeds into the Cahora Bassa, which is a giant reservoir and Africa’s 4th largest artificial lake. The camp consisted of around a dozen comfortable safari tents that have a soft mattress, a book shelf for your gear and also have a sink, toilet and shower. Taking

a shower after a long day of hunting really hit the spot. The camp also has solar panels, a place to charge electronics, a water heater that runs on firewood, Starlink to check emails at night, and unforgettable views of scenery and wildlife.

## The Hunt

The hunt exceeded my expectations as I got everything that I was looking for and went on some amazing stalks through the jungle and saw some incredible wildlife on the way. We walked into elephants a few times and saw them up close and personal and got some great pictures. We also saw hippos and crocs every day. I must have seen hundreds of crocs and hippos! I was able to get some great pictures of both as well.

The buffalo hunt was an unforgettable experience! Now if you have never buffalo hunted what the cape buffalo like to do is go to the water hole early in the morning and drink before sunlight and then they will wander off a ways and eat and lay





**Cape Buffalo**

down for the day. What we do then is look at water holes to find fresh tracks and then follow the fresh tracks to the herd of buffalo. While it sounds simple enough buffalo hunting is very challenging and as a result if successful will be very rewarding. I got the full buffalo hunting experience and witnessed a buffalo butchering party the next day when we donated the meat to the locals, which was a very cool experience that I would definitely recommend to anyone.

The crocodile hunt was actually my favorite hunt and was a much more exciting experience than I initially thought it would be. I found a massive one the first day, but I couldn't see the tail as it wasn't far enough out of the water and then it gave us the slip and went back in the water on the first day so I couldn't get a shot on it. The second day I stalked even closer than the first day, but still couldn't see the tail and again didn't get a shot on it. However, the third day the conditions were perfect, the temperature was hot and there wasn't any wind. We got out of the boat and put a good stalk on him and got to about 150 yards where I had seen him on the first day and I was able to make three great shots on him and Reinhardt took some awesome footage of the hunt.

The plains game hunting was also a fantastic experience as I took a nice impala, warthog, kudu, and chobe bushbuck. Every hunt was different and they were all fairly challenging and definitely exciting hunts.



**Warthog, top and massive 14-foot Nile Crocodile.**





*Donating supplies to local villages.*



*Giving back to school youth.*



*Buffalo butcher party.*

## Humanitarian Impact

In addition to the hunt Legadema should be commended for the humanitarian impact that they make in the local community and it was great to be a part of it. Whether it is feeding local villagers, providing supplies or assistance, or cracking down on poaching, Legadema has made a profound and beneficial impact on the local community as well as on the environment, ecosystem, and wildlife who live in that ecosystem.

## Post Hunt Summary

If you want to go on a free range hunt with a reputable outfitter that is passionate about making a profound impact both in the humanitarian and conservation realms, then you should book a hunt with Legadema on the Muzzungezi Concession in Mozambique. The once in a lifetime hunt will be a life changing experience and you will get nothing less than 5-star magnificence on the Muzzungezi!



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# 2023 MN SCI Christmas Party

By Tony Roettger

What a great party this year! We did it totally differently and we are sure it made people uncomfortable as it was more expensive and further away, but the time had come to try something new. Trying to acquire game meat, store it, ensure it was good quality to serve just became too complicated and unmanageable. The MN SCI chapter board had to make the decision to try something new to insure we could have a party.

The Windsong Farm was a great venue. For those that attended found a very warm and inviting atmosphere with a great bar, well decorated venue and complimented by a fantastic staff. Top that off with a great menu and it is a win-win!

Starters of ostrich meat balls and kangaroo tartar were absolutely fantastic! After that it was five-courses of various items from duck, trout, elk, wild mushrooms, and so much

more. I know personally I was FULL but did not let any of that elk go to waste nor that fantastic dessert of lemon tart, gingersnap, and blueberry ice-cream!

The Wayzata Trap team did a great job of putting together some games and silent auction baskets which added to the events charm. The kids and their families enjoyed the event also and thanks to the MN SCI members, they were able to help fund their expenses of shells, etc. for the year.

We at the MN SCI board are always open to feedback but at this point, we have not heard anything negative other than everyone was full, and the food was great. No matter what happens in 2024, we hope you all come on out for our annual Christmas party!

Also look at some of our other events getting planned for 2024. Some happy hours, and other things. Stay tuned and THANK YOU for supporting not only MN SCI but the Wayzata Trap team at this event.





# NEVER GIVE UP ON A HUSBAND AND WIFE HUNTING JOURNEY

My wife grew up plinking with a .22 rifle with her Dad. She never hunted anything bigger than tin can targets. It was some years into our marriage that I purchased a Mossberg 20 gauge pump shotgun for her. We still mostly shot targets together. Some 10 years or so into our marriage, we both decided to begin hunting deer together.

It was in the western Nebraska Panhandle that our big game journey began. a husband and wife hunt for deer with a neighboring Pastor and two Pastor's wives. This husband split from the other and the two wives to walk some canyons hoping to scare something their way while the other husband and two wives stayed up on level fields.

The first learning lesson of our big game hunting journey occurred. I came upon a muley buck. It was not a trophy, but offered a nice safe shot. Unknown to this husband in the canyon, the shot was taken while my wife was trying to zero in on the shot from a different location. WHOOPS! Who knew???. You could see the disappointment in her eyes. She could have given up on deer hunting and especially hunting with me.

Several other similar instances played out when, after raising our children, we could resume our journey together. Each and every time, I could see the disappointment in her eyes. She didn't give up on hunting with me. Over the years since, this husband has learned much patience to give his Beloved her shot and keep his hands off of his rifle. And my Beloved has honed her skills and purchased her own rifle, actually two. Her confidence has risen immensely and she makes her shots count. We are both so thankful that the faux pas of a husband did not cause her to give up.

Her wonderful Mule Deer harvest was after I learned these lessons several times. We are so thankful for those moments! We experience enjoyable times together planning our hunts, prepping our equipment, spotting and planning the shot opportunity as it arises.

Since then, she embarked on her own guided antelope hunt while I stayed behind at the bunkhouse. First morning out she scored on this pronghorn from a prone shooting position at 197 yards at 8 in the morning. First buck down in the hunt



camp. She was SO excited! Her husband was also by the way! For fun, I scored it and it was just short of book. No matter, it was her skill and confidence that was the record.

Last season, getting prepped for the "Magic Hour", she made a beautiful shot on this whitetail buck from a standing position at just under 200 yards. She spotted it before I did.

I could recount again and again the mistakes I made that impacted her hunt. She did not give up on going with me. She did not give up on shooting. She did not give up on our ongoing big game hunting journey. Together, we enjoy many beautiful experiences.

Just do not ever give up on shooting, as it will happen in a moment and be a beautiful memory whether on your own or with a mistake prone husband.

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## Delisting the Timber Wolf

Saturday, February 24

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Minnesota SCI World Hunting Expo

Minneapolis Marriott Northwest  
7025 Northland Dr N, Brooklyn Park, MN



GUESTS SPEAKERS:

- Congressman Pete Stauber
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- SCI's Regional Chapter Services - Jordan Wisecup
- Board Member Steve Porter
- And more ...

DISCUSSION ON THE STATUS OF:

- *Delisting of the Timber Wolf at the national senate level and the local Minnesota level.*
- *Partnering with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources*
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Reserved tables will seat 8 or 10 people and will be the only reserved seating.

**PLUS:** All PRE-PAID tables will receive one complimentary bottle of champagne for a table of 8 or two complimentary bottles of champagne for a table of 10!

Reserved tables must have a table name and be purchased by Saturday, Feb. 3. As a table sponsor, you will receive name recognition in the program and on screen.

## Schedule At A Glance

### PUBLIC EXPO HOURS:

Friday, February 23 2:00pm – 6:30pm

Saturday, February 24 10:00am – 6:30pm

*Public Hours are free and includes access to Exhibitors, Raffle Area, and Silent Auction.*

### PAID EXPO HOURS:

Friday, February 23 6:30pm – 10:00pm

- Dinner, speaker Mike Arnold, and Live Auction starts at 6:30pm

Cost for Friday: **\$75 per person**

*Included in price is all public access plus the Friday live auction, exclusive raffles, plated pork chop dinner and Hospitality Suite Party immediately following the live auction. This is a casual event.*

Saturday, February 24 4:00pm – 9:15pm

- Dinner and Live Auction starts at 6:30pm

Cost for Saturday: **\$100 per person**

*Included in price is all public access plus the Saturday live auction, exclusive raffles, a 3-course mushroom crusted Elk chop and marinated Halibut plated dinner, and rocking sounds of Bigly immediately following the live auction. This is a formal event.*

## Table Prices

FRIDAY: Table of 8 ..... \$600  
Table of 10 ..... \$750

SATURDAY: Table of 8 ..... \$800  
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## Friday Featured SPEAKER



### **MIKE ARNOLD** WILL BE THE FEATURED SPEAKER BEFORE THE LIVE AUCTION

Mike is a hunter, research scientist, outdoor writer, and speaker. He combines his love of writing, science, and hunting to record his adventures.

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## Table RAFFLES



### **FRIDAY** Table of 10 Wine Raffle

Winning table will receive  
10 cases of Wine!  
*Each case is valued at over \$350!*



### **SATURDAY** Table of 10 Scheels Raffle

Winning table will receive  
10 \$500 Scheels Gift Cards  
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## 2024 KEY Raffle Items *Subject to change*



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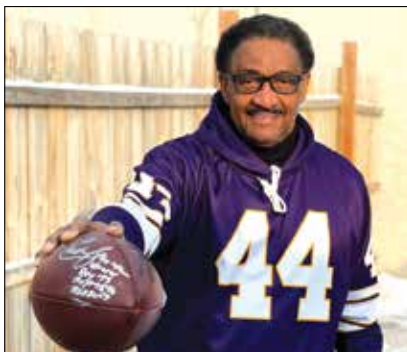


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## Meet CHUCK FOREMAN



Chuck Foreman, retired Minnesota Viking Running Back, will be at the Expo on  
**Saturday, Feb. 23 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm**  
Be sure to stop the Tailgate Spice booth to meet Chuck, get an autographs, and take a photo!



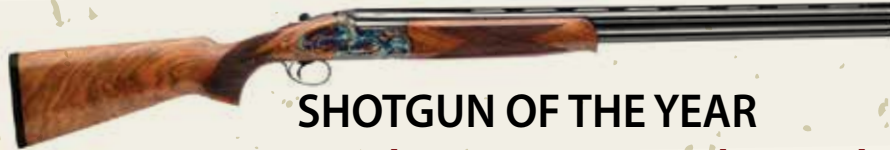
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Art Barbarians Wildlife  
Avid Fishing Adventures  
Bienvenue Outdoors  
Capable Partners  
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Coppersmith Global Logistics  
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**BOTH ITEMS WILL BE ON THE SATURDAY LIVE AUCTION**



## SNEAK PEEK OF Gun Raffles *Subject to change*

- Auto Ordinance Thompson 45 w/ Drum Mag Machine Gun, 45ACP
- Bergara B-14 Wilderness HMR Rifle, 28 Nosler
- Browning A5 Hunter Shotgun, 12 Ga
- Browning X-Bolt Speed OVIX Rifle, 7 PRC
- Christensen Arms Ridgeline w/Scope Rings & Base Rifle, 300 Win Mag
- Kimber Ultra Carry II w/ Lazer Pistol, 45ACP
- Marlin 1895 Lever Action Rifle, 45-70
- Ruger Super Redhawk w/Scope Pistol, 44 mag
- Weatherby Vanguard Walnut Rifle, 300 Win Mag
- Winchester Model 70 Tiger Maple Stock Rifle, 6.8 Western

# SAMPLING OF Live Auction Hunts And Trips

## FRIDAY .....

- 1 Day Lake Superior Guided Fishing Trip for Two Hunters
- 2 Hour Texas Helicopter Hog Hunt for Two Hunters
- 5 Day Namibia Plains Game Hunt for Two Hunters
- 5 Day Ontario Wolf Hunt for One Hunter
- 7 Day South Africa Wildebeest Slam Safari for Two Hunters & Two Non-Hunters
- 13 Day New Mexico Black Bear, Barbary Sheep and Merriam Turkey Hunt for Two Hunters

## SATURDAY .....

- 1 Day Minnesota Trophy Ram Hunt for One Hunter
- 2 Day Florida Iguana Hunt and Peacock Bass and Exotics Fishing Trip for Two People
- 4 Day Leech Lake Vacation includes Two days of Guided Fishing for Two Anglers
- 5 Day South Africa Giraffe Hunt for One Hunter
- 6 Day Minnesota Black Bear Hunt for One Hunter
- 10 Day Mozambique Cape Buffalo for One Hunter



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# Auction PREVIEW

Auction Preview is Preliminary and Subject to Change

## 14 Day Mozambique Leopard Safari for One Hunter

**Willie Botha •**

**Legadema Hunting Safaris**

Willie Botha of Legadema Hunting Safaris is donating a 14 day leopard hunt for one hunter, which includes the trophy fee for one leopard in the Musengezi Concession of Mozambique. *The donation is good for available dates May thru October 2024 or 2025.* Legadema Hunting & Safaris exclusive Musengezi concession in the Tete province of Mozambique. This is as close as you can get to the Old Way of African hunting. It is a tented camp, solar powered, and each unit has a shower, hand basin with hot and cold water. The camp is right on the banks of the Furumwe River. The winning bidder can bring up to two additional hunters at the discounted day rate of \$500 per hunter. **INCLUDED:** Trophy fees for one Leopard, roundtrip transportation to the Teta Airport, hunting license, gun license, community fees, accommodations, field transportation, 1x1 PH and staff services, meals, laundry, tiger fishing and a free visit to local school/village if time permits. **NOT INCLUDED:** are international/domestic airfares, Hotel (if required) \$100 per night, rifle import license \$250 or firearms rental \$50 per day, hunt permit \$250, additional trophy fees, firearm permits, dip-n-ship and gratuities. This donation has a reserve.



*See Willie in his booth for more information on this fantastic donation!*

**DONATION VALUE: \$28,000**

**Email: willie@legadema.co.za**

**Website: www.legademahunting.co.za**

## 5 Day New Mexico Mountain Lion Hunt for One Hunter & One Non-Hunter

**Kelly Lopez •  
Hi Lo Outfitters**

This is a 5 day fully outfitted Mountain Lion hunt for one hunter and one non-hunter. *The hunt is for the 2024 or 2025 season.* Hi Lo Country Outfitters is a big game outfitting service based out of Quemado New Mexico in the heart of elk country. Hi Lo strives to provide its clients with the best guides, accommodations, and opportunities to harvest world class trophy game animals. *Minnesota SCI would like to thank Hi Lo Country Outfitters for this 100% donation!*



*See Kelly in his booth for more information on this great donation!*

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**Email: hilocountryoutfitters@gmail.com**

**Phone: 505-859-2679**



## 7 Day South Africa Vita Dart Hunt for a Southern White Rhino for One Hunter & One Non-Hunter

**David & Nikki Davenport • Leopards Valley Safaris**

Leopard's Valley Safaris is offering a 7 day Vita dart hunt for a Southern White Rhino for one hunter and one non-hunter in the Eastern Cape of South Africa. This hunt forms part of our hunter's care initiative. We will be stalking a rhino on foot, and the hunter will administer a vitamin dart, using a dart gun. A veterinarian will then dart the rhino from a helicopter. The hunter will then have the privilege of assisting the veterinarian of doing vital health checks, DNA samples, pregnancy tests, whichever is applicable. This will afford the hunter ample opportunities to be part of an amazing conservation effort. The leftover funds generated, will be donated to a local Hospice. With access to over 80,000 acres of game rich land in the Karoo region, Leopard's Valley Safaris offers some of the best hunting in South Africa. This hunt includes all daily meals, lodging at Leopard's Valley lodge, daily laundry service, professional hunter and his vehicle and field preparation of trophies. This donation excludes dipping and packing, airfares, and Taxidermy. This donation also excludes arrival and departure days, which are charged at our observer rate of \$195 per person, excluding 15% Government Value added Tax, and \$600 airport pickup and return per vehicle. *This hunt may be taken in 2024 or 2025 only.* Other hunters welcome at \$450 per day and non-hunters at \$195 per day. Additional animals may be taken as per our current list price. Arrival and departure point is Port Elizabeth, South Africa. This donation has a reserve.

*See David & Nikki in their booth  
for more information on this unique donation!*

**DONATION VALUE: \$9,000**

**Email: dave@leopardsvalley.co.za**

**Website: www.leopardsvalley.co.za**



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## 5 Day Ireland Sika Stag Hunt for One Hunter Ted Shogren • The Sporting Trader

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See Ted in his booth for more information on this terrific donation!

DONATION VALUE: \$5,750

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## 10 Day Alaska Brown and Black Bear Hunt for One Hunter

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See Sam in his booth for more information on this awesome donation!

DONATION VALUE: \$29,500

Email: [fejesguideservice@gmail.com](mailto:fejesguideservice@gmail.com)

Website: [www.fejesguideservice.com](http://www.fejesguideservice.com)



## 2 Day Florida Fishing Charter for Two Anglers

Captain Mike Haynes • Fishbonz Charters

Captain Mike of Fishbonz Charters will guide your charter on Florida's Nature Coast for trophy Redfish, Snook, Sea Trout, Scallop and other fish of opportunity. Fishing is primarily back water shallow fishing in the notorious clear waters and mangroves of central Florida's Nature Coast. Home of the Manatee. Scallop is in the afternoon and is done via snorkeling in the Eel Grass Flats. Continued fishing may substitute scalloping. Included are two 6-hour fishing charters aboard their 19 ft. Hughes Flats Boat, 3 nights at a local seaside hotel, equipment, bait, tackle, rods, and care of catch, and daily license. A third angler can be added per the price list. Local is the Crystal River in west central Florida about 1.5 hours from Orlando or Tampa. This donation has a reserve.

See Ted at The Sporting Trader booth for more information on this fun donation!

DONATION VALUE: \$1,900

Phone: 850-529-4369

Website: [www.fishbonzcharters.com](http://www.fishbonzcharters.com)

# Auction PREVIEW

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## 6 Day South Africa Hippo Hunt for One Hunter & One Non-Hunter

**Travis Allen • Sensational Hunting Safaris**

Sensational Hunting Safaris invites one hunter and one non-hunter to South Africa for this unique 6 day 1x1 guided Hippo Hunt. Included are accommodations, meals, round trip transportation from Johannesburg airport, 1x1 guided hunt, trophy fee for one Hippo and field prep. This incredibly unique collector's species hunt has many upgrades available for over 30 species of Plains Game. Additional hunters and non-hunters are welcome; see outfitter for details. Not included are any before/after hunt expenses, dip/pack/ship, and gratuities. SPECIAL NOTES: This hunt can be upgraded to a bigger group, additional animals and extra days as per hunting price list. *Schedule hunt with outfitter for open dates 2024 or 2025 only.* Arrival/departure point is Johannesburg, South Africa. This hunt is not allowed to be connected to any other donated hunt. This donation has a reserve.

See Travis in his booth for more information on this sensational donation!

**DONATION VALUE: \$15,800**

**Phone: 435-828-6031**

**Website: [www.sensationalhuntingssafari.com](http://www.sensationalhuntingssafari.com)**



## 5 Day Spain Pyrenean Chamois Hunt and 2 Days Sightseeing for One Hunter and One Non-Hunter includes Trophy Fees for One Pyrenean Chamois

**Francisco and Joëlle Rosich • Hunt Trip Spain**

Long time friend and supporter of Minnesota SCI, Francisco and Joëlle Rosich are donating a 5 day Pyrenean Chamois rifle hunt in Spain. *This hunt is available March through May and October to December, 2024 or 2025* and may be upgraded to include Spanish Ibex or Red Stag, Mouflon Sheep and Fallow Deer. Additional hunters and non-hunters are welcome at \$820/day for hunters and \$290/day for non-hunters. Transportation during the hunt is mostly by vehicle with hunting done by spot & stalk. This package includes first-class accommodations and gourmet cuisine at Francisco's rustic-style country home, superb wine with meals and round-trip transportation between Barcelona International Airport and the hunt concession. For the 2-day guided sightseeing tour, non-hunter will be able to visit the following most emblematic places of the area: 1) Monastery of Montserrat & Igualada, 2) Cellars of Codorniu Champagne and taste his cava and the Mediterranean village of Sitges 3) Montblanc, Monastery of La Poblet and an ecologic cellar. Not included are hunting license & insurance at \$300/per area, field prep, transportation to shipper, dip & pack service, firearm rental and ammo at \$270 if needed, accommodations before/after hunt in Barcelona at approx. \$250/night. gratuities. 21% VAT on value donation and final bill. *Minnesota SCI Would like to thank Hunt Trip Spain for this 100% donation! All proceeds from this donation go towards the Paul & Sharon Robey Scholarship Fund.*

**DONATION VALUE: \$12,500**

**Email: [contact@hunttripspain.com](mailto:contact@hunttripspain.com)**

**Website: [www.hunttripspain.com](http://www.hunttripspain.com)**

## 7 Day South Africa Nile Crocodile and Sable Safari for Two Hunters & Two Non-Hunters

**Jacque Senekal • Africa Maximum Safaris**

Minnesota SCI Life Member Jacques Senekal from Africa Maximum Safaris in South Africa is donating a 7 day Nile Crocodile and Sable safari for two hunters and two non-hunters in the Northwest Province of South Africa. Trophies to be shared by the two hunters. The hunt may be upgraded, either extra hunters or observers at normal rates (as per price list), extra trophies to be hunted, extra days booked either on hunting or touring, as the client wishes to tailor the package. The hunt is only available in the 2024 or 2025 seasons. Transportation to and from the airport is not included. This donation has a reserve.

See Jacques in his booth for more information on this incredible donation!

**DONATION VALUE: \$20,800**

**Email: [africamaximum@gmail.com](mailto:africamaximum@gmail.com) Website: [www.africamaximum.co.za](http://www.africamaximum.co.za)**





## Interactive GAMES

Stop by to play all 4 of the interactive games on the Expo floor for your chance to win fabulous prizes!



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## SEMINARS *Subject to Change*



- **Delisting of the Timber Wolf**  
*With Hunters4Hunters*
- **Long Range Shooting**  
*With Scott Olson*
- **Mentality of a Big Buck**  
*With Steve Porter*
- **Minnesota Tracking Dogs**  
*With Shane Simpson*

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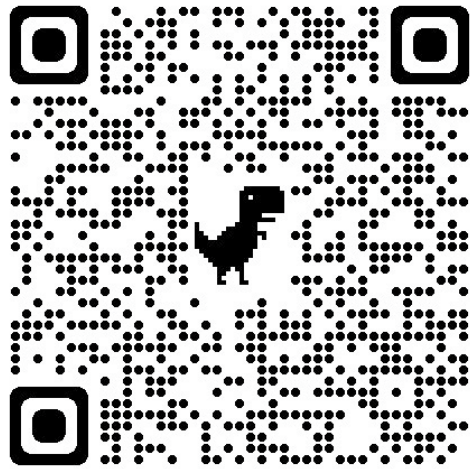
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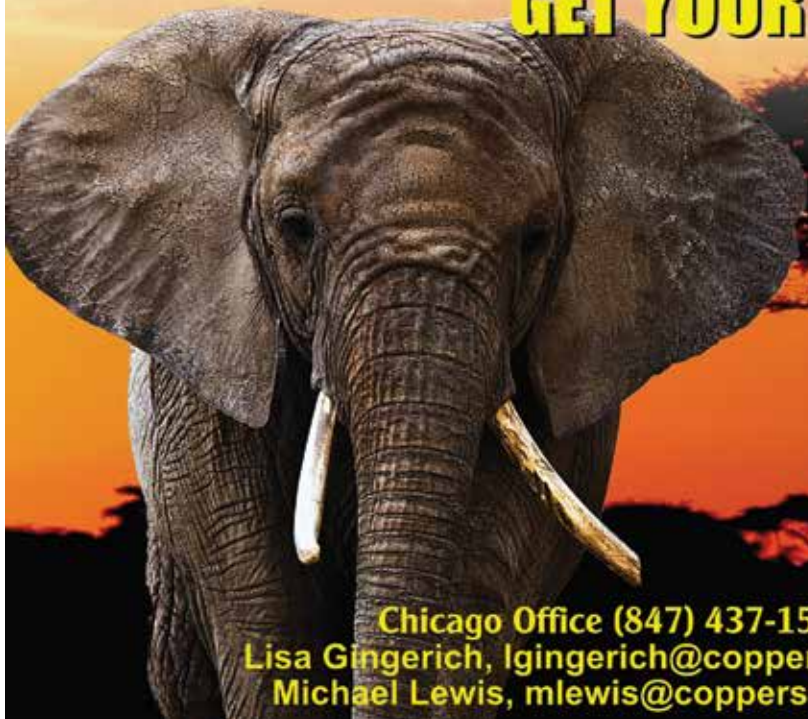
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