



# SACRAMENTO SAFARI CLUB

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**SSC Christmas Party**

*Date in December TBD*

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**SCI National Convention**

Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup>

Las Vegas, NV

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**SSC Annual Banquet**

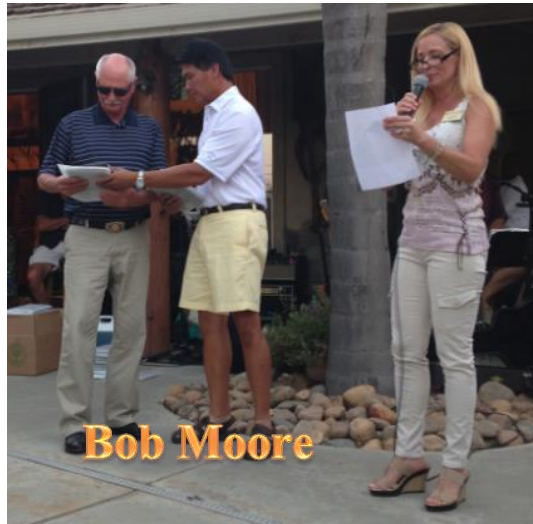
March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016

The Double Tree Hotel  
Sacramento, CA

## TROPHY AWARDS BANQUET

What a night! Thank you again to Randy and Julie Thomas for opening their home to us. The menu, oyster bar and entertainment were once again over the top! Below is the list of winners that night, along with a special award, given to Mike Leathers – The “Royal Wolf Award”.

Jim Dismukes provided guests with a direct email update on the Cecil hunt in Zimbabwe, and Randy Thomas graced us with a personal poem. Thank you all who attended.

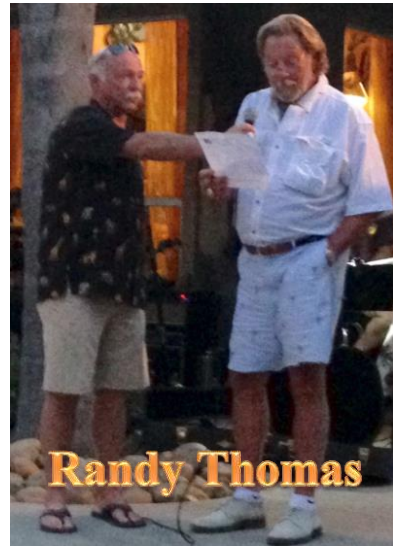




**Jim Dismukes**



**Aaron walks away  
with his "box" of trophies**



**Randy Thomas**



**HUNTER OF THE YEAR FOR 2014:** Ernie Dosio

**MEMBER OF THE YEAR FOR 2014:** Colleen Cline



## Sacramneto Safari Club Awards 2015

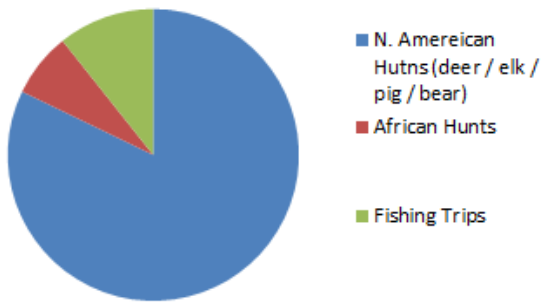
	Name	Place	Game	
1	Steven Patching	1	Alaska Moose 433 3/8	North America
2	Bob Moore	1	Black Bear 20 7/8	North America
3	Bob Moore	1	Blacktail Deer 135 1/8	North America
4	Paul DalPorto	1	European Fallow Deer 218 1/8	South Pacific
5	Paul DalPorto	1	Himalayan Tahr 43 3/8	South Pacific
6	Paul Dal Porto	1	Red Deer 310 2/8	South Pacific
7	Samuel Schutz	1	Pronghorn Antelope 83 5/8	North America
8	Gary Wood	3	Rocky Mountain Mule Deer 152 5/8	North America
9	Craig A Richy	2	Rocky Mountain Mule Deer 195 1/8	North America
10	Aaron Armstrong	1	Cape Eland 103 3/8	Africa
11	Aaron Armstrong	1	Red Lechwe 68 5/8	Africa
12	Aaron Armstrong	1	Cape Bushbuck 43	Africa
13	Aaron Armstrong	1	Caracal Cat 9 13/16	Africa
14	Aaron Armstrong	1	Blackbuck 61 3/8	North America
15	Aaron Armstrong	1	Markhor 86 3/8	North America
16	Aaron Armstrong	1	Aoudad 129 4/8	North America
17	Aaron Armstrong	2	European Fallow Deer 183 7/8	North America
18	Aaron Armstrong	1	Axis Deer 157 6/8	North America
19	Aaron Armstrong	2	Rocky Mountain Elk 357 3/8	North America
20	Aaron Armstrong	1	Musk Ox 82 1/8	North America
21	Aaron Armstrong	2	Black Bear 19 9/16	North America
22	Aaron Armstrong	1	Mountain Lion 13	North America
23	Aaron Armstrong	1	Alaskan Brown Bear 22 2/16	North America
24	Aaron Armstrong	2	Pronghorn Antelope 82 6/8	North America
25	Aaron Armstrong	2	Himalayan Tahr 37 6/8	South Pacific
26	Aaron Armstrong	1	Red Stag 286	South Pacific
27	Aaron Armstrong	1	South African Springbok 39 2/8	Africa
28	Aaron Armstrong	1	High Altai Ibex 101	Asia
29	Aaron Armstrong	1	Gobi Ibex 73 4/8	Asia
30	Aaron Armstrong	1	Mongolian Whitetailed Gazelle 26 7/8	Asia
31	Aaron Armstrong	2	Mongolian Whitetailed Gazelle 24 3/8	Asia
32	Wes Lee	1	Northeastern Whitetail Deer 162 7/8	North America
33	Wes Lee	1	Aoudad 106	North America
34	Wes Lee	2	Blackbuck 52 4/8	North America
35	Wes Lee	1	Rocky Mountain Elk 431 4/8	North America
36	Wes Lee	1	Spanish Goat 86 1/8	South Pacific
37	Joanna Robben	1	Rocky Mountain Elk (estate) 499 5/8	North America
38	Tyler Hunt	1	Pronghorn Antelope Archery 80 4/8	North America
39	Tyler Hunt	1	Rocky Mountain Mule Deer 199 1/8	North America
40	Timm Daly	1	American Mountain Goat 26 2/8	North America
41	Ted Filpula	1	Cape Buffalo 93 5/8	Africa
42	Deb Filpula	1	Bontebok 41 1/8	Africa
43	Deb Filpula	1	Sable Antelope 100 6/8	Africa
44	Tyler Hunt	1	Rocky Mountain Mule Deer Archery 160 3/8	North America

Also, congratulations to Dan Wallen for his Tule Elk – 253 6/8!

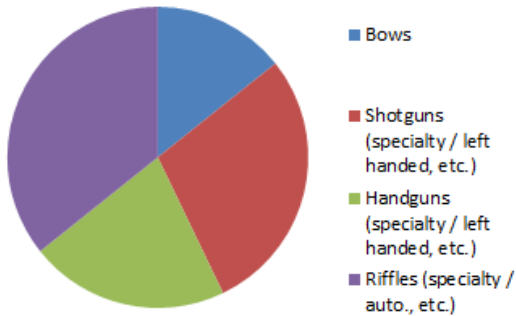
## SURVEY MONKEY RESULTS

Thank you for those who completed the survey that was sent out regarding feedback on event merchandise and fundraising options. We received 30 responses, which will help to improve our events and hopefully participation. These responses will be discussed by the Board over the next few months.

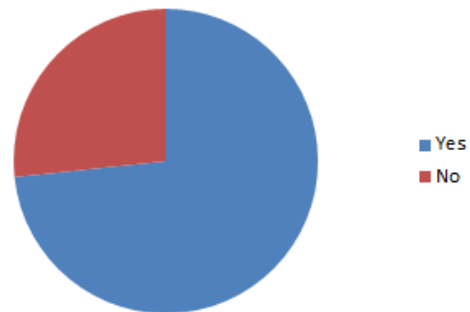
**Q1: What Types of Hunts do you want to see?**



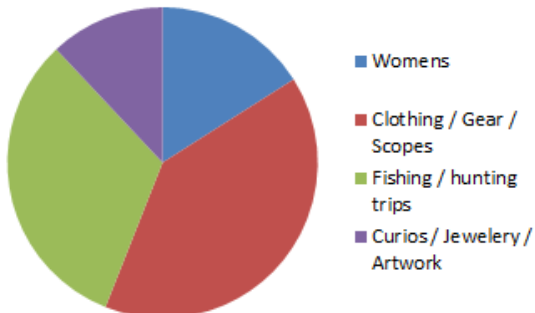
**What types of guns?**



**Crab Feed?**



**What type of merchandise?**



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## **SSC ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM AND FACEBOOK**

It's up and running!. You can now make purchases, donate to the CA Coalition or enroll / renew your membership online. We will be posting merchandise shortly. In the meantime, if you are interested in buying any of the shirts we had for sale at the Awards Dinner, please contact us at [info@sacramentosafariclub.org](mailto:info@sacramentosafariclub.org)

### **Prices:**

Short Sleeved T-shirts - \$20

Long sleeved shirts - \$30

Safari Shirts - \$50

Also, please "Like" our Facebook page in order to get the most updated articles and information in the hunting community. Below is just a snapshot of the activity on SSC's page.

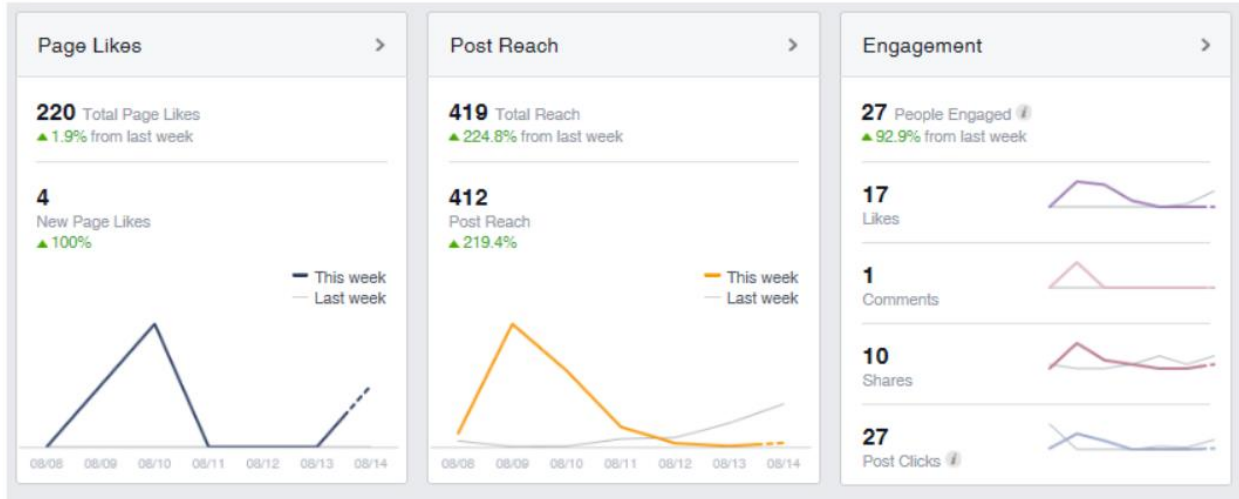


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This Week

412  
Post Reach

27  
People Engaged



Legend: Reach: Organic / Paid (Orange), Post Clicks (Blue), Likes (Pink)

Published	Post	Type	Targeting	Reach	Engagement
08/14/2015 0:30 am	Hunters! It is time to make a stand or there will be no hunting! The Anti-hunters will not stop and	Text	Global	9	0 0
08/11/2015 10:12 am	"There's only two places on the earth where wildlife at a large scale has actually increased in the 20th	Text	Global	39	0 2
08/10/2015 8:50 am	Saving wildlife requires more than passion and "good" intentions. Here's an excellent article that	Text	Global	31	0 1
08/10/2015 8:55 am	An excellent example of hunters and wildlife professionals working together for conservation!	Image	Global	60	3 4
08/09/2015 0:15 pm	Great video Michael Waddell's Bone Collector! We stand with Michael..how about you?	Video	Global	49	3 2

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## UPDATES FROM SSC PRESIDENT

### *Message from the President, Don Giottonini*

I brought my Lions to the shop right after they were mounted in 1995. Families brought their kids to show them the mounts. What happened in 20 years? They are still on display and no negative comments. The Orange County Chapter had their meeting August 20<sup>th</sup> and about 50 protesters were out front picketing. Our PR Firm prepared a facts sheet which was distributed. The Board is in agreement that National could have handled the Cecil occurrence better.

I attended National's Board meeting in Tucson the week of August 24<sup>th</sup>. My focus was finance, which is still a priority but we won't need SCI or SCIF if we can't stop the bleeding. I think on the PR side funding surviving big game that has been poached is favorable. Showing that rhinos being saved and still able to breed is priceless. I think the guys could have a field day with that. How much does the HSUS donate?

Coalition and California meeting went fine. We had some very good discussions and all positive now let them pay up. Yesterday at the board meeting I received permission to ask for money for the coalition. We did receive \$10,000 but was hoping for more. I will see what I can do with the Safari Times.

As you can expect our favorite lion was the main topic. I had a 1-1/2 hour meeting with Chip Burkhalter, Director of our Government Affairs and Jeff Pachen, Director of our State of Affairs in DC. We are going to get talking points, work on getting the story out about the 1.1 million we raised for lion research. I asked for national to fund a Black Rhino purchase to release in a private preserve. The preserve is Zulu Nyala that donates the photo safari for us and others. We need to have a game plan when this happens again and they both agreed this will happen again and they are thinking September when congress reconvenes. Not much time. I know most of us are not happy about the way this was handled but I think they were right. There was no way we could fight back on the emotional play the antis had. After the first few days SCI was not mentioned associated with the story. Had we tried to justify or back the killing we would have stayed in the limelight. Now we can start putting out the positive work we do. The real danger for us is congress, and that is where they have been spending their time. There is already a Cecil Bill out; they don't think it will pass. If you want a lion go NOW.

Finance committee. \$80,000.00 in record book. The problem is we can get it online for free!. The next little tidbit we have \$142,000.00 in Cabela's gift certificates. Unfortunately, we have not been getting them. I plan to contact them and use them for our events. We also need our membership to attend the SCI Fundraiser in Las Vegas more. This is 65% of our income. For every 10 chapter members that attend **we get a pass for next year**. The flyers will start coming out next month.

Until next time . . .

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## **PROGRAMS AND CLUB DONATIONS UPDATE**

For the 2015 year, our club has made donations to the following programs. Because of your support, these organizations will benefit from youth education, conservation and political fights:

- Stockton Scholastic Youth Group: \$ 2,000
- RIFA Camp: \$ 500
- American Hero Adventures \$ 1,000
- Clays For Kids \$ 2,500  
*Over 200 kids, along with their parents attended the event.*
- River Oaks Center for Children \$ 1,500



*River Oaks matched it on "Day of Giving" = \$3,000 total*

- Jim Frazier Sporting Clay Classic \$ 1,250
- CA Coalition \$12,000
- North Delta Conservancy \$ 1,000

Sacramento Safari Club has also sponsored and sent 2 educators to the AWLS camp in July, and donated \$1,800 for those proceeds.

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