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President's Report



Robert Delaurier President

There are a few changes coming to our Chapter Fundraiser for 2025. The biggest change is we are going from the 3rd Saturday in March to the 3rd Saturday in February! The next change, we have to drop our Friday Night Outfitters party. The reasons are: we were almost always the last fundraiser date of the season and we hope to attract more people to our Chapter Fundraiser by changing our date to a month earlier; the reason for dropping the Friday Night Outfitters party is the cost, our Chapter has been losing money on the last few Friday Night Outfitters parties! Also, our cost for Friday and Saturday nights in 2025 are both increasing to the point we are taking strong measures to reduce our expenses. Hopefully, more people attending and less expenses will lead to a more profitable fundraiser!

Our Chapter donates to many worthwhile programs such as the Salvation Army, the Benefit for Kids, Sportsmen Against Hunger and Veteran hunts at Grayling Michigan. We also are involved with the International Bowhunters Education Program, the National Archery in the Schools Program

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A Red Stag Hunt in Spain

Full of Surprizes and Guilded Tours

Our hunting trip started out pretty much as they all do for us, which is attending one of SCI South East Michigan Bowhunters Chapters annual fundraisers. I picked up tickets for my wife and myself, as well as my youngest son Kyle and his wife, and made plans to attend the 2024 fundraiser.

As always, we had a great time chatting with newly made friends sitting at our table and visiting all of the outfitter booths. We wasted no time in picking up tickets for the Red, White, & Blue Raffles, as well as our share of ATV raffle tickets, and the many other raffles going on that night. In fact, my son was the lucky winner of the Trijicon scope raffle.

As we were seated for dinner, we browsed through the live auction list and made a few notes on the hunts and other items that caught our eye. After a fantastic dinner, the live auction started promptly and was moving along at a fairly rapid pace. Before I knew it, my son's hand was in the air bidding on fishing trips, vacations, and hunts that had appealed to him and his wife.

and even some that didn't appeal to his wife. He lost a lot of bids, but the smile on his face said it all when he found out he won the bid on L-20, the Spain Red Stag Hunt, with one of our repeat donors, Giuseppe Carrizosa.

The auction continued and the bidding was fast and furious. At one point my son's wife had just returned to our table after a momentary absence and was informed by my son that "We're all going to Africa in 2025!" after he had won another bid for an African safari for two hunters and two nonhunters. The look on her face was priceless and we all got a chuckle out of that. My son has a theory that the amount of gin & tonics that one drinks has a direct correlation to the amount of bidding that one does. I do not believe he is wrong in that theory.

Within days, Kyle was corresponding with Giuseppe Carrazosa, making plans and setting dates, and soon after that I received a phone call from my son asking if we wanted to go along as he was taking his wife along as a non-hunt-





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A Red Stag Hunt in Spain (continued)

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ing guest. Apparently during his conversations with Giuseppe, he mentioned that he happened to know an old guy that had just retired and was looking to spend his money. I jumped at the offer, sent the required funds, and started making plans for a Spain red stag hunt in six short months. I also planned to bring my wife along as well. Hotels and flights were booked, and paperwork (lots of paperwork) was sent to the Spanish consulate in Chicago in order to get permission to hunt and travel with weapons to Spain. This permission paperwork will be needed regardless of gun or bow hunting, and it can be a frustrating process. In fact, you will need to do this even if you are using one of the outfitters weapons.

Our many discussions with hunters that have gone on this hunt, as well as the outfitter himself, convinced us that this would be strictly a gun hunt, so we loaded up our favorite rifles, packed our gear, and headed to the airport. Our outfitter gave us a heads up as far as flights go and told us that if we fly American Airlines, we would be able to hunt on the day of our arrival. After a long day of flying and layovers, we arrived in Madrid Spain around 7:00 AM where we were met by Giuseppe's wife Carlena, and his son Curro. Curro was very helpful in clearing our weapons through the police station at the airport and had us on our way to El Castanar, their family's 15th century hunting lodge in the Toledo Mountains which they

have owned for generations, and have hosted hunts for the Spanish Royal family for generations as well.

While the staff prepared lunch for us, Curro took all of us on a tour of the lodge and grounds and gave us the history of the place, which even has its own church and bull fighting ring. My wife and daughter-in-law joined Carlena after lunch for a little shopping tour of the small village nearby where there were several leather shops they visited and afterwards went to a small tavern. We had also arranged for my wife and daughter-in-law to be able to enjoy their time in Spain with several days of guided tours of Toledo and Madrid while we hunted. My son Kyle and I grabbed all of our gear Continued on pg 8

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and Michigan Involvement Committee (MIC) where all the SCI Chapters join together to support issues that effect all hunters in Michigan.

We are asking our members to come together and support our Bowhunter Chapter of SCI to keep our efforts and support of these vital programs alive and well. We need all of you to bring your family and friends to our Chapter Fundraiser this coming Saturday February 15, 2025. With your help we can keep up to date with our programs and support to the hunters of Michigan.

Thank You, Robert Delaurier





A Red Stag Hunt in Spain (continued)

and headed out to the range where we double checked our rifles to make sure everything was as it should be.

After that, we hopped into the old Range Rover and were off to the hunting grounds. This is extremely rugged, dry territory that is covered with rocks and boulders of all sizes and walking without making noise is next to impossible. We saw quite a few roe deer and a nice fallow deer, but the red stags were not cooperating. At this time of year, the stags come down from the mountains and spend their time searching for females, which are called "hinds."

Like our rutting season, or "rut", in Spain, it is referred to as the "roar." Much like our American elk that bugle, red stags have a distinct roar that can be heard from a distance. But unlike our elk, our guide told us that they will not come to a call. After putting some miles on our boots, almost like magic, we started hearing the roars, and they were literally coming from all directions. We decided to find a good hiding spot where the gamekeeper who was with us had said that he had found a dead stag last week that was killed by another presumably larger stag, and that we should glass the foothills and open areas in hopes something nice would present us a shot.

As I have traditionally done on our hunts together, I gave the rifle to my son for the first crack at an Iberian red stag. After what seemed like an eternity, our guide decided that this wasn't going to happen and decided to move.

Not long after that, a nice stag was spotted and our guide sized it up to be a shooter. I waited with the gamekeeper and we both watched the stag from a distance through our binoculars while Kyle and Curro made a stalk on the animal. We heard the crack of a rifle and I watched the stag go down. Kyle's red stag was a good one and turned out to be what we would call a 7x7, and definitely worthy of anyone's trophy room, scoring 253 SCI points.

After handshakes and pictures, Curro sent the gamekeeper for the truck and a trailer, which we loaded up and decided to call it a day. The stars must have been in alignment that day as we didn't get far when our driver spotted four hinds and a stag. He stopped the truck and we watched them in the distance through binoculars.

I had a quick conversation with Curro and we both knew that we would be losing daylight soon, but Curro told me that if I wanted to try and get close enough for a shot, he would be fine with it. We decided to go for it. As luck would have it, the animals didn't see us and the group of four females actually started angling closer to us with the stag following closely behind.

We set up for the shot and waited until they were within two hundred yards. At the shot, my

stag turned and ran back from where he came. I followed him in the crosshairs and took another shot, but it wasn't necessary as he piled up only a short distance away. My guide Curro was going crazy and was talking a hundred miles an hour in Spanish to the game keeper. I thought that maybe I had shot his pet or something. When I went over to him he was all smiles and handshakes.

The beast turned out to be a 10x10 and scored 188.2 CIC points (293 SCI) after being measured by a third party. The sun was setting fast and we rushed to load up the stag and get back to camp and celebrate.

The best part of getting our hunt over with the first day was being able to spend the rest of the week with our wives touring the ancient cities of Spain such as Toledo, Segovia, and Madrid, while tasting the food, and meeting the people. Giuseppe and his entire family and staff made us feel like family. His wife spent an entire day driving us to Segovia and being our personal tour guide. Her knowledge of Spain's history is second to none and we truly enioved our time with her, even back at their main home in Madrid.

I think I can speak for our entire family when I say that this was one of the most spectacular hunting trips we have ever taken, and would not hesitate to recommend this hunt to anyone!

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