



# The Hunter's Journal

## President's Column

Welcome to the KCSCI Hunters' Journal. We hope you enjoy this Banquet special edition. Thanks to all the members who have helped us get ready.

The Expo for 2025 will be different this year. Bonnier Corporation, who hosted the Outdoor Expo in Overland Park, has decided to move on from this market because of a lack of customer traffic for the vendors. I think they were also concerned about competing on the second weekend in March with the Pheasants Forever Fest, their national show. We owe Bonnier our thanks for partnering with us the last few years but when they announced their decision the Board had to scramble to find a venue. So....

Our members' dinner and auction is the evening of March 7 at the Fiorella's Event Center, 9000 W. 137th Street in Overland Park. Great food, lots of games, raffles, and a selection of our very best donated hunts will be up for auction. These live auction items are shown in this edition.

We will have a booth at the Pheasant Fest from March 7-9, 2025. A call for volunteers for the Pheasant Fest has been sent by email. Please, we need your help. If you don't plan to attend the dinner, please consider volunteering to man the Pheasant Fest booth on that Friday night. We must keep the booth open even though most of us will be at the dinner.

I always look forward to seeing you at the Monthly Member Meetings. Bring your ideas and let the Board members know what you have to say. And as always, please send me your hunting reports and pictures so we may share them in the Hunter's Journal.

Brian Bode  
President

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# KC SCI Calendar of Events

## UPCOMING EVENTS

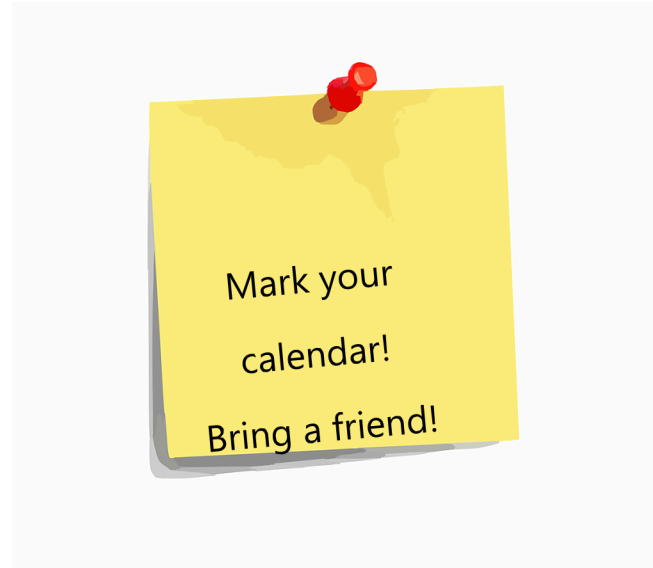
*View more [details and RSVP for these events online at www.kcsci.com/meetings](http://www.kcsci.com/meetings)*

### Member Meetings

- February 12th - Cabela's Kansas City, KS
- April 9th - Cascones
- May 14th - Jumpin' Catfish

### Special Events

- March 7th - Annual Banquet at Fiorella's Event Space in Overland Park
- March 7-9 Pheasant Fest Booth
- June 8th - Annual Picnic



## Welcome New Members!

Todd Rice	Glen Tobin	Kent Rains	Lucinda Goetting
Richard Adkison	Joe Goodwin	Michael Fowler	Scott Hancock
Ray Lawler	Nick Klepper	Lisa Rabbe	Kenten Bennett
Jack Poole	Michael Rabbe	Logan Vaughn	Ryan McBride
Aaron Shultz	Jacklyn Meyer	John Meyer	Mike Thomas

# BANQUET HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH 7, 2025

This year's annual Banquet is going to feature a variety of games, a great dinner and speaker, and a live auction.

First some logistical items. The banquet hall at 9000 W 137th Street in Overland Park will open for guests at 5:00. Games will be ready for action and the bar will be open. Bring plenty of \$10 and \$20 bills for the games. (We won't complain about \$100 bills either). Dinner will be served around 6:30. Our menu will be highlighted by Jack Stack BBQ's multiple-meat buffet.

Our guest speaker for the dinner is Chris Tymeson, SCI State and Local Liaison and longtime KCSCI supporter and member. Chris's biography will be published separately.

We will be playing our 100 shotgun shell game for \$20 for a shotgun. A dice game will be available, with a choice of a shotgun or a rifle for the winner. New this year will a 50/50 drawing for \$20 tickets and also a 100 square board where you buy a square for \$10 and we will draw a horizontal and a vertical number and the square at that intersection wins a shotgun. Our biggest game and prize is going to be a two deck card game. From a red and blue deck mixed, buy a card for \$20 and tear it in half. You keep half, we will keep the other. When we draw out the winning ½ card, if you have the matching color and card, you will win a beautiful 4.5ctw opal, set with 49 diamonds totaling 4.9ctw and suspended from an 18k gold chain. Our donor values this necklace at \$5,800! We will hold a reserve on this item, we have to sell at least 75 of the 108 cards or the game will revert to 50/50 and we will keep the necklace.

The popular 8-gun table raffle will also be played. This year's cost to sign up for the raffle will be \$30 per person versus the \$20 used for so many years. The Chapter just can't afford to buy rifles at current prices and make any money on this game. To try to offset the pain of a price increase, there will be 8 raffle tickets in each table envelope. But a space on the sheet and you get a raffle ticket. This will be a separate raffle from all others, with the winner getting a shotgun.

Reverse Bingo will offer a Savage rifle in .308 Winchester. With a heavy, threaded barrel and a unique camo pattern, this rifle will offer the winner a tack-driving prize. Bingo will remain \$20 per bingo card.

The live auction items for the Banquet provide a variety of items and are listed separately.

Please, bring your philanthropy and your spirits and let's have a grand night of comradery and let's raise some money to support the Chapter's efforts.

# 2025 EXPO LIVE AUCTION

**KUDU, IMPALA, AND SPRINGBUCK FOR EACH OF 2 HUNTERS:** Our first donation from East Cape Bushveld Hunting is one of the best we have received lately. Join PH Nico Els in the Eastern Cape of South African for an exciting hunt. This is a 7-day hunt, all-inclusive hunt for one of Africa's most sought-after animals. Each hunter gets a kudu, impala and springbuck. Arrival location is Port Elizabeth airport. This 100% donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$10,400

MINIMUM BID \$500

Nico Els: [Ecbhunting@gmail.com](mailto:Ecbhunting@gmail.com)

[www.ecbushveldhunting.com](http://www.ecbushveldhunting.com)

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**SILVER TANZANITE PENDANT:** This item is a Silver Tanzanite Pendant. The pendant is an oval shaped, Blue Violet, color grade AA, clarity EC, 1.18 carat Tanzanite set in silver. Two small, 0.02ct diamonds are set into the silver. A delicate silver chain holds the pendant.

DONOR VALUED AT \$1,350

MINIMUM BID \$1,500

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**\$3000 CREDIT FOR ROAN OR SABLE:** Join Ibamba Safaris in Limpopo, South Africa on a 7-day hunt for a Roan or Sable. Food and accommodation are provided, as is the cost of transport from Johannesburg airport. This is one of the very few donated hunts that include credits toward such sought-after animals. This 100% donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$8,500

MINIMUM BID \$500

Johan Pretorius: [Johan@ibambasafaris.com](mailto:Johan@ibambasafaris.com)

[www.ibambasafaris.com](http://www.ibambasafaris.com)

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**DUCK AND GOOSE HUNT FROM DUCKHORN OUTDOORS:** This donation is a duck and goose hunt near Urich, Missouri. It is for four hunters for two days and one night at the Duckhorn Lodge. The hunt can be taken during the 2025 Missouri hunting season (middle zone). Federal and state-approved weapons and ammunition are to be furnished by the hunters. Permits, licenses and stamps are required and must be paid by the hunters prior to arrival. Hunting for pheasants, quail and chukars is available at an additional cost. This is a 100% donation.

DONOR VALUED AT \$5,000

MINIMUM BID \$750

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[www.duckhornoutdoors.com](http://www.duckhornoutdoors.com)

**CABO ALL-INCLUSIVE VACATION FOR 2:** Embark on a luxurious escape to the sun-soaked shores of Cabo with our exclusive 5-night all-inclusive package. Your stay includes indulgent accommodations, gourmet dining experiences, and unlimited drinks at one of our select resorts. This tailored package ensures an unforgettable blend of leisure and excitement against the stunning backdrop of Cabo’s breathtaking landscapes. Includes 4 nights lodging, all meals, drinks, gratuities, and non-motorized activities. Multiple resorts to choose from. Adults-only resorts and travel during major holidays and Spring Break will require additional costs. This certificate may not be resold and is non-refundable.

DONOR VALUE \$3,500

MINIMUM BID \$2,500

HGA Fundraising [customer@hgafundraising.com](mailto:customer@hgafundraising.com)

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**ORYX FOR 2 FROM AFRIHUNT SAFARIS NAMIBIA:** This 10-day bow or gun safari in Namibia is for two hunters and two non-hunters for two oryx, two impala, and two warthogs, one of each per hunter. All accommodation are included. The hunt can be taken in 2025 or 2026. The hunt can be upgraded per the outfitter’s price list, including additional hunters (\$300 per day) and non-hunters (\$130 per day). The arrival and departure point will be the airport in Windhoek. Transfer fees to the lodge are \$600 one way. This 100% donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$15,900

MINIMUM BID \$500

Justus Brits [justus@afrihuntsafaris.com](mailto:justus@afrihuntsafaris.com)

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**BUSHBUCK, ZEBRA AND MORE FROM SOMERBY SAFARIS:** Long time KCSCI supporter and member Drom Beukes of Somerby Safaris has donated a 5-day safari for two hunters for a bushbuck, a zebra, a blue wildebeest, and a warthog to be shared by the hunters. This rifle hunt will be in the Limpopo Province. No part of this donation can be exchanged or refunded if not taken as donated. Luxurious accommodations are included. Additional game can be added per the outfitter’s price list and added days can be added at a reduced cost of \$300 per day per person. Arrival and departure will be from the airport in Johannesburg. Arrival day costs will be \$225 per person. This 100% donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$12,000

MINIMUM BID \$500

Drom Beukes [somerbysafaris@gmail.com](mailto:somerbysafaris@gmail.com)

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**ZIMBABWE CAST AND BLAST FROM THE SAFARI CONNECTION:** This is a donation from Sean Scott, a longtime supporter and member of KCSCI. It is a 7-day safari for one hunter in 2025 including a full day of fishing for Tiger fish on Lake Kariba which is fed by the mighty Zambezi River. The hunt includes a trophy fee for one spotted hyena. The hunt will originate from Victoria Falls and will be conducted from a lake-side camp in the Sijarira Forest area. The winner will receive all lodging and meals. The hunt can be upgraded to include any game available in western Zimbabwe, including elephant, lion, leopard, hippo, crocodile, and many species of plains game including some of the rarer ones. Observers and extra hunters are welcome and can be added at a 25 percent and 15 percent discount respectively if this hunt is purchased by an SCI member. Not included in this donation are transfers to camp which is approximately five hours by road (\$600) or about 45 minutes by charter aircraft (prices starting at \$1,600). This 100% donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$9,000

MINIMUM BID \$500

Sean Scott [scottoutdoors@hotmail.com](mailto:scottoutdoors@hotmail.com)

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**CUSTOM BUILT AR: DPMS Panther Custom AR 10, 7.62/.308 Winchester.** This fully custom-built AR features an Aero Precision enhanced lower group with stainless trigger group. The 24-inch Faxon barrel is mounted to a DPMS upper. A 15-inch mlok rail and full auto bolt carrier group complete the rifle. It is topped with a Discovery Optics 3X12 mildot illuminated scope. This is a very high quality, custom rifle that is far superior to the average factory rifle. This rifle was built by KCSCI member Sean Scott.

VALUED AT \$1,000

MINIMUM BID \$1,500

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**CROCODILE AND SABLE:** Africa Maximum Safaris has offered a 2x1 hunt package for two hunters and two non-hunters in the Northwest Province of South Africa to include one crocodile and one sable, the trophies to be shared by the two hunters. Weapons must be 30-06 caliber or larger. The hunting season is from February 1st through November 30th of 2025 or 2026 for eight hunting days. The VAT tax of 15 percent is not included. Arrival and departure will be from the airport in Johannesburg, with transport to and from the hunting site @\$225 per hunter. This donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$22,400

MINIMUM BID \$1,500

Jacques Senekal [africamaximum@gmail.com](mailto:africamaximum@gmail.com)

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**CROCODILE:** Tautona Hunting Safaris offers a 5-day hunt for a Nile Crocodile not to exceed 11 feet. This hunt is for 1 hunter and an observer or 2 hunters to share a single crocodile. Hunt must be taken between May and September of 2025 unless coordinated with Tautona. All meals and accommodations are included, as is a rifle to use on the hunt (ammo must be paid for). A minimum of 7mm magnum is required if hunter takes their own rifle. The hunt takes place in South Africa and arrival and departure are from Johannesburg airport. This 100% donation is good for 2025 or 2026 and can (SHOULD) be added to with animals off the current price list. This hunt may NOT be combined with any other safari.

DONOR VALUED AT \$7,500

MINIMUM BID \$500

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www.tautonahuntingsa.com

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**NEBRASKA DEER FROM SCOTT OUTDOORS:** This is a donation from Sean Scott, a longtime supporter and member of KCSCI. This is a 4-day archery or black powder hunt for one hunter for mule deer or whitetail deer (hunter's choice) in Custer County, Nebraska in the fall of 2025. A guide, field transportation and all meals while hunting are provided. The archery hunt can be taken from September 1st through December 31st and the black powder hunt from December 1st through the end of the month.

DONOR VALUED AT \$4,695

MINIMUM BID \$2,800

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## Banquet Speaker

**Chris Tymeson** serves as one of SCI's State and Local Liaisons, where he works on governmental relations matters involving state laws and regulations related to hunting and conservation within the western U.S.

Chris joined SCI after over two decades of service as Chief Legal Counsel for the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks. He was also the Vice-Chair of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies legal committee from approximately 2006 to 2021.

Prior to that, Chris served his country as U.S Army airborne infantryman in Panama and in Iraq as part of the 101st Airborne Division, but now serves the outdoor sporting community with the same dedication as an active recruiter of youths and novices to hunting and fishing.

When not imparting the importance of America's outdoor heritage on younger generations, Chris is an avid hunter and angler himself, having hunted and fished in most of the western United States, some eastern states, some Canadian provinces, Africa, Asia and Europe.

A graduate of Missouri Southern State College and the Washburn University School of Law, Chris and his wife Kelley live in Overland Park, Kansas with their three sons and daughter, Gage, August, Alex and Taylor, who are also accomplished hunters and anglers.

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Asking: \$7,000



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-Defiance Anti-X action

-Seekins precision 30 mm rings

-trigger tech special trigger

-Proof Research Barrel with 5/8" x 24 threads

-MDT HNT 26 Folding Chassis

-custom paint by t-fork precision

-Vortex Pst Gen 11 5x25x50 scope

-Daniel Defense Grip

Comes with 8 boxes of Hornady precision hunter ammo (\$60/box value)

Asking: \$8,000



**Contact is Jacob Russell, 417-214-1790**

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**Thompson Center Encore Single shot handgun 308**

**caliber,15 inch barrel blue with black rubber grip**

**Harris bipod, rail mounted 2.5 to 7 power scope**

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Wyatt Fetner

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**It's important to renew your national memberships through our chapter!**

It allows us to earn valuable benefits for the chapter and help us keep our records up to date.

**To RENEW please call Fred Robertson at 913-299-6759 and he will take care of everything for you.**

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KANSAS CITY CHAPTER SAFARI CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Ph#: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Ph#: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Member-Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$85.00 for my membership fees to Safari Club International including my subscription to the Safari Magazine and KC Chapter due or/ charge my credit card below

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continue to exist at all when preserved by sportsmen.”

- Theodore Roosevelt