



CHAPTER NEWSLETTER February 12, 2017

Next Chapter Meeting: Tues., February 21, Cabela's, 7:00 P.M.

BANQUET< BANQUET< BANQUET< that is what we are focused on at this point in time. If you are planning to attend (and why would you not?), now is the time you should be ordering your tickets. A ticket order form is attached as is the Corporate Table Offering for 2017. If you represent a company or if your employer wishes to purchase a table, take a look at the form and purchase a table.

www.qfcommonwealth.org is the web site for your Chapter. Sign on and take a look at the deeply discounted trips that are available exclusively through Quail Forever at our Banquet. The Argentina Dove Shoot may be of particular interest to some of you. Get together with your friends/family and bid on this live Auction item. The other trips will be sold on the Silent Auction. Great opportunity for a Caribbean vacation with family, friends, or business associates.

Your Chapter will be distributing free seed again this Spring. When the mixture has been defined and funded, you will receive a request to place an order so that we will know how much seed to purchase. Larry Lose is our project leader for this effort.

Chapter Field Trial results for Feb. 18 were announced previously. "Congratulations" to Rich Bradley, Dennis Ballard, and Gerald Coon for leading their dogs to finish 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, respectively. Brittany, English pointer, Brittany in that order.

Need Quail for Training? Craig Peach sells quail near Bagdad. Call him at 502 382 0586. He may also be taking orders for Fall 2017.

Chapter-owned Sprayer is available to all Chapter members for doing habitat improvement work on private property. Contact Jack Dahl at 552 8424 to make arrangements for pick-up up in Simpsonville. Make plans now for Spring spraying. We are considering the purchase of a trailer to facilitate moving this sprayer from location to location. Photos will be provided at a later date.

Get Outside in February and you will notice: daffodils are 4" tall, sandhill cranes are migrating north, daylilies are sprouting new growth, skunks are crossing highways looking for mates, turkey flocks are at their largest, wood ducks are looking for nest sites, crappie are biting, great horned owls have already laid their eggs, black bears are awakening from hibernation, sauger fishing is good near dams on the Ohio River, Canada geese are paired for mating, coyotes are active as food supplies reach their annual low point, and, hopefully, you will not have to shovel snow this year. Think about all of the good stuff you are missing by staying indoors. **Get out and take the kids and grand-kids with you.** Memories are waiting to be made every month. Go, go, go before the time comes when you can't.

Boat Owners should not forget their registrations expire at the end of March.

Hunting and Fishing Licenses expire on 2/28/2017.

That is all for now. Time to go work on the Banquet.

See Our Web Site for Chapter-related info and a variety of new photos which are added periodically. www.qfcommonwealth.org You will also find links to other web sites that may be of interest to you.

SEND PHOTOS you would like to share to watch6406@aol.com
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You know these tasted fresh—Bob Miller

Bob's wife with guide in Alaska—salmon fishing
Note she is using a fly rod—nice!!



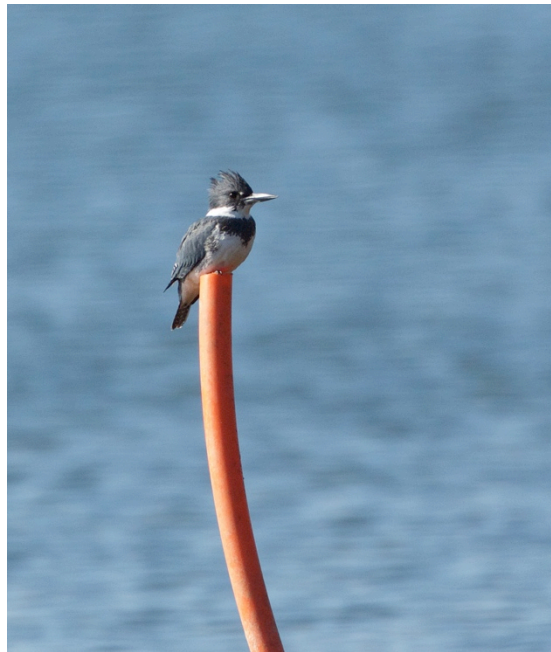
Member Bob Miller fly-fishing
for salmon in Alaska



Member Barry MacDonald with Tampa Bay
Jack Crevalle---looked better than it tasted



Chapter member Broc Bradley in another life.
US Navy fighter pilot



Kingfishers will sit anywhere if food is close



Keep this guy out of the cockleburrs



Just another month or so and these
Guys will become very active