

# GEORGIA CHAPTER SAFARI CLUB INTERNATIONAL

**Spring Edition**

**April 2, 2010**

## **President's Notes by Jim Freeman**

Welcome to the spring edition of the GASCI Newsletter. I am honored to succeed Newton Beasley as your incoming President and serve the membership during this unique time. Newton led us through a challenging year and we thank him for his outstanding service to the club. I would also like to thank the rest of the board for their phenomenal performance during our annual show. According to the SCI national rep, it was our best in over 10 years. Great Job!

If you were unable to attend, we had over 50 exhibitors from around the world displaying all kinds of animals, hunting gear, guns, jewelry, furs and trips to far-off places. The display hall was packed most all day. The dinner and auctions were a great success, with many happy attendees winning the deal of a lifetime while raising funds for important club projects. A great time was had by all. We are already planning for a bigger, more successful show for 2011. Please call us if you would like to help.

Like many members, I was first attracted to SCI by my desire to find great hunts. Since then, Katherine & I have gained so much more including meeting new friends, participating in Safari Wish events and other member projects. GASCI has become an extension of our family. We want you to join our "family" in more member events this year. As you can see from the schedule below, we have added new "family-friendly" events and encourage you to bring the children or grandkids. Check out our website periodically at [www.gasci.org](http://www.gasci.org) for details on all of our upcoming events. I look forward to seeing you at the next club function.

Good Luck Hunting!

## **GASCI Schedule of Events**

<b>Sporting Clays Shoot &amp; Annual Meeting</b>	<b>April 24, 2010</b>	<b>Cherokee Rose</b>
<b>Hog Hunt with Jager Pro</b>	<b>May 7-15, 2010</b>	<b>South Georgia</b>
<b>Family Fishing &amp; Fry</b>	<b>June 12, 2010</b>	<b>Rainbow Ranch</b>
<b>Safari Wish Event</b>	<b>July 15, 2010</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>Membership Drive Dove Shoot &amp; BBQ</b>	<b>Sept. 4, 2010</b>	<b>Freedom Farms</b>
<b>Safari Wish Golf Tournament</b>	<b>Sept. 17, 2010</b>	<b>Trophy Club</b>
<b>Christmas Dinner</b>	<b>Dec. 9, 2010</b>	<b>Carlyle House</b>
<b>Safari Wish/DGR Hunt</b>	<b>Dec. 4-6, 2010</b>	<b>Daggerhorn National</b>
<b>SCI Show</b>	<b>Jan. 26-29, 2011</b>	<b>Reno, NV</b>
<b>Annual GASCI Show</b>	<b>Feb. 5, 2010</b>	<b>TBA</b>

**RANGER OF THE YEAR** - Cpl. Brent Railey is our 2010 ROTY winner. David Ott hosted Col. Homer Bryson, Cpl Railey and their wives during our Annual Dinner in their honor.

**SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT & ANNUAL MEETING** – will be held at the Cherokee Rose in Griffin. Registration form is enclosed. We will have several prizes and drawings, so everyone will have a chance to win a prize. Registration @ 8:30, shoot starts @ 9, Annual meeting @ 12:30. Shoot before the meeting.

**BIG BUCK AWARDS** – Congratulations to all those who had a successful season in 2009! 1<sup>st</sup> prize goes to David Ott, 2<sup>nd</sup> to John Sidey and 3<sup>rd</sup> to Earl Dodd. 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the youth division goes to Nathan Collins. David Ott will be leading our Big Bug contest for 2010, so please submit your bucks to [dott@gasci.org](mailto:dott@gasci.org) going forward.

**SLATE OF OFFICERS** – At the Annual Meeting held in conjunction with Sporting Clays Tournament we will have the election of our board and officers. Please send your nominations to the Nomination Committee (Jim Freeman, Keith Dillon or Margaret Hice). We will list your choices on the ballot and submit it to the membership for a vote per the bylaws.

**HABITAT SEED PROGRAM** – James Lakeman still has seed available at great prices! Please call him at 706-454-1701 or email at [jlakeman@gasci.org](mailto:jlakeman@gasci.org) for details. We just purchased a pick-up load in preparation for our food plots & dove fields and the seed works great. Proceeds go to support GASCI projects in Georgia

**SAFARI CARE PROGRAM** – Doug Boyle has won the national SCI SafariCare humanitarian grant for 2009 and graciously designated those funds to be used in support of a new chapter program this year. Our chapter will pre-pack a SafariCare Blue Bag for a few lucky members who wish to deliver humanitarian supplies to 'those in need' in your particular hunt locale. The number of Bags we will pre-pack this year is limited. The bags will be packed specifically for the locale you visit, based on the needs expressed by the outfitter and the conditions known to the area. Members may donate to the costs of pre-packing the bags and we estimate the supplies cost approximately \$750.00 per bag. For more information please contact Doug Boyle [d\\_boy2001@hotmail.com](mailto:d_boy2001@hotmail.com).

**SAFARI WISH PROGRAMS** – George Roark will be heading-up the SafariWish programs for our chapter this year. George has generously led several projects including fund-raisers, hunts at the Daggerhorn and the injured soldiers fishing trips for our chapter. Please contact George at [groark@gasci.org](mailto:groark@gasci.org) to get involved.

**HOG HUNT** – There are still a couple of spots open for the chapter hog hunt with Rod Pinkston of Jager Pro. You may have visited Rod at our show and seen his great video. This will be a night-time, depredation permit hunt using thermal imaging scopes mounted on semi-auto black rifles to remove large numbers of feral pigs that are destroying planted fields for impoverished farmers. The hunt is offered at the reduced price of \$500 per night. Please call 404-428-6541 for details and to reserve your spot ASAP.

**CLASSIFIEDS** – Several members have requested the addition of a classifieds section to the newsletter in order to offer a members exchange of hunts, gear and guns. Please send your items for sale or trade to [jfreeman@gasci.org](mailto:jfreeman@gasci.org) or by calling me at 404-428-6541.

**The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Safari Club Int'l  
Sporting Clays Shoot  
Saturday, April 24, 2010**



**Cherokee Rose Sporting Resort  
895 Baptist Camp Rd  
Griffin, GA 30223  
Ph: (770) 227-6569**

**Registration Form**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Station sponsorship available - \$250.00 – Sign included\*\*\***

<b>Registration Fee \$75.00 per person- NSCA/GSCA fees not included Lunch \$10.00 per person Registration begins @ 8:30 am Shooting begins @ 9:00 am Last Rotation @ 12:00 pm</b>	<b>PRIZES HOA- \$200 Amex Card 3 Lewis Classes 1<sup>st</sup> place in each class- \$50 Amex Card 2<sup>nd</sup> place in each class- \$50 Amex Card Additional prizes to be raffled</b>
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